



# **St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church**

**The Rev. Mary Haggerty, Priest in Charge**

**The Christmas Season**

# The Word of God

Prelude

*Please stand*

Opening Hymn

**Celebrant:** Blessed are you, holy and living One.

**People:** You come to your people and set them free.

**Celebrant:** Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## Gloria

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace — to his peo - ple on earth.

2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God — the Fa - ther. A - men.

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## **The Collect of the Day**

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And also with you.*

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

*Please be seated*

## **The First Reading - Insert**

**Lector:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm - Insert**

## **The Second Reading - Insert**

**Lector:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

*Please stand*

Sequence Hymn

**Celebrant:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to \_\_\_\_\_.

**People:** *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

## **The Holy Gospel**

**Celebrant:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sequence Hymn

*Please be seated at the invitation of the preacher*

**The Sermon**

The Nicene Creed - *all standing*

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying,  
“Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For this city of Florissant, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

***Lord, have mercy.***

**We pray for our Parishioners**

**For our children in college and graduate school**

**For our loved ones in the armed forces**

**For our friends and relatives**

**We also pray for the ministries of:** the Episcopal City Mission, Deaconess Anne House, the Cornerstone Chorale, and T.E.A.M.

**In the Diocesan Cycle of prayer:**

**Celebrant:** Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

***Please stand***

**Celebrant:** Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Celebrant and People:**

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

**Celebrant:**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

**The Peace**

**Celebrant:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** *And also with you.*

**Announcements**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## Offertory Hymn

*Please stand as the gifts are brought forward to the altar*

### PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

OLD HUNDREDTH

The image shows three staves of musical notation for the hymn 'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow'. The music is written in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise him, all  
crea - tures here be - low; Praise him a - bove, ye  
heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: LM; verses 1, 4, Thomas Ken, 1637–1711; verses 2, 3, Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.  
Music: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551; attr. to Louis Bourgeois, ca. 1510–1561, alt.

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

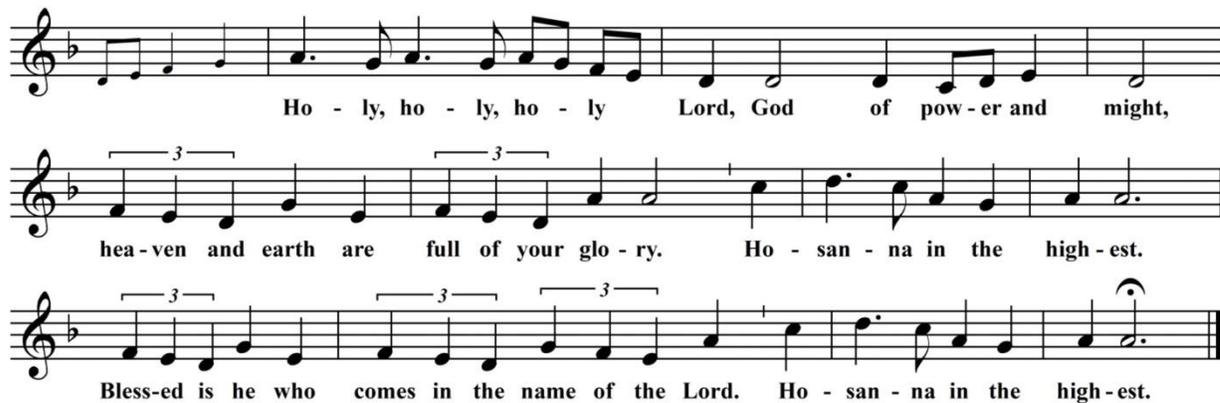
**People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Celebrant:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

## *Preface*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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***Please stand***

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

***Celebrant and People***

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Barnabas, Mary, the mother of God, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

**Celebrant:** And now, as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People:** *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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**Celebrant:** The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### **Distribution of Communion**

*All are welcome to receive communion.*

*If you do not wish to receive, you are invited to come up for a blessing.*

### **Communion Hymn(s)**

### **Thanksgiving after Communion**

*Please stand*

**Celebrant:** Let us Pray

**Almighty and everliving God,  
 we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
 of the most precious Body and Blood  
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
 that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
 And now, Father, send us out  
 to do the work you have given us to do,  
 to love and serve you  
 as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

**Closing Hymn**

**The Dismissal**

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Let us bless the Lord.

**People:** *Thanks be to God. Alleluia.*



*The mission of Saint Barnabas Episcopal Church is to extend God's love and hospitality to each other and the community by providing worship that inspires, opportunities for growth, and a sacred place in the heart of Florissant.*

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