



# **St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church**

## **CHRISTMAS**

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# HOLY EUCHARIST

## Prelude

**Celebrant:** The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness -- on them the light has shined.

**People:** *For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests on his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace.*

## THE BIDDING PRAYER

**Celebrant:** Dear People of God: In this Christmas Season, let it be our duty and delight to hear once more the message of the angels, to go to Bethlehem, and see the Son of God lying in the manger. Let us hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of God's loving purpose in the glorious redemption brought to us by his holy Child Jesus; and let us make this place glad with our carols of praise.

OPENING HYMN – *see insert*

## THE WORD OF GOD

**Celebrant:** Blessed be God: Father Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People:** *And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

**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.*

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## Canticle 20

Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*

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.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

### The Lessons

**The First Reading** – *see insert*

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

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

**The Psalm** – *see insert*

### Psalm Choral Response

**The Second reading** – *see insert*

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

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

**Sequence Hymn** – *see insert*

### The Holy Gospel

**Deacon:** The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to\_\_\_\_\_ .

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

**Deacon:** The Gospel of our Savior.

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

**Sequence Hymn** – *see insert*

## The Nicene Creed - *all standing*

Deacon: Let us stand and profess our faith in the historic words of the Nicene Creed.

**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

**Deacon:** Gracious and Loving God, in Jesus you have filled all humanity with your divine life: Hear our prayers of joy and thanksgiving as we offer our supplications to you, saying: Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace to God's people on earth.

**Worship Leader:** You have entrusted the Church with good news of great joy for all people: Inspire our witness that we many spread the light of Jesus' love to all humanity.

Glory to God on the highest heaven

**People:** *and peace to God's people on earth.*

**Worship Leader:** Let your power and compassion guide those who exercise authority on earth, that they may be servants of peace, bringing comfort and security to all who are vulnerable.

Glory to God on the highest heaven

**People:** *and peace to God's people on earth.*

**Worship Leader:** Embrace with your eternal protection all who are poor: refugees and the displace, those threatened by violence, and families with no place to call their home.

Glory to God on the highest heaven

**People:** *and peace to God's people on earth.*

**Worship Leader:** Fill this community with hospitality and generosity that we may care for one another and celebrate the joy of your presence in our humanity.

Glory to God on the highest heaven

**People:** *and peace to God's people on earth.*

**Worship Leader:** We entrust to your divine grace all for whom we pray:

We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Justin, Deon, our Bishop, and Dave, our rector and Susan, our Deacon.

We pray for our parishioners

We pray for our friends and relatives

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for

We give thanks for shepherds and all the vigilant who work while others sleep. Hear our grateful thanksgiving for all the gifts and blessings in our lives.

**Celebrant:** Loving God, the joyful message of the angels fills us with gladness as we celebrate the coming of the Christ child to live among us in vulnerable humility. Let your divine light so dwell within us, that we may treasure your words, ponder them in our hearts, and continue the work of Christ's incarnation in our day, through Jesus our Savior, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be honor and glory, now and forever. *Amen.*

### The Peace

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

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

### Announcements

#### Offertory anthem/hymn

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

#### PRAY GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

OLD HUNDRETH



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.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## The Great Thanksgiving

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, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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.



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The Holy Eucharist II

Holy, holy, holy Lord *Sanctus*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry Ho-

san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

### *The Celebrant continues*

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,

**People and Celebrant:**

*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.*

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## The Holy Eucharist

Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*


Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



give us your peace, give us your peace.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Celebrant: This is the banquet of the Lamb. It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little; You who have been here often, and you who have not been here long; You who have tried to follow, and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you; it is Christ's will that those who want him should meet him here.

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion hymn(s) – *see insert*

Hymn after Communion – *see insert*

### Prayer after Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray

**Celebrant and people:**

*Son of Mary, Son of God we have joined the worship of the angels; may we never lose that heavenly vision. Like the shepherds, we have rejoiced at the news of your birth; help us to proclaim that message in word and deed, to your praise and glory. Amen.*

### The Blessing

**Celebrant:** May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your hearts with the light of His holiness.

**People:** *Amen.*

**Celebrant:** May God, who sent the angels to proclaim the glad news of our Savior's birth fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the gospel.

**People:** *Amen.*

**Celebrant:** May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you peace and favor.

**People:** *Amen.*

**Celebrant:** And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever.

**People:** *Amen.*

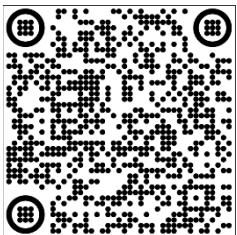
**CLOSING HYMN** – *see insert*

### The Dismissal

**Deacon:** Go forth into the world rejoicing in Emmanuel: "God with us!" Alleluia, alleluia.

**People:** *Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia.*

Postlude



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