Hymn Hark! the herald angels sing





# The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ

# 24 DECEMBER 2021 10:00 PM



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Welcome to St. Luke Church, especially if you are a newcomer or visitor. Children of all ages are fully welcome in each liturgy. Please refer to the *Book of Common Prayer* and the *Hymnal* throughout the Mass. We ask that you <u>please keep prayerful silence</u> in the church both before and after the liturgy tonight. Silence is golden, but especially in church!

# **SUNG MIDNIGHT MASS**

Elevation on 'Silence, ciel'
Es ist ein Ros
Chorale Prelude on 'Quem Pastores'
Puer Natus

J. de Montber Johannes Brahms Helmut Walcha Gerald Near

## ¶ Please stand as the Martyrology begins.

The Martyrology

The twenty-fifth day of December. In the five thousand one hundred and ninety-ninth year of the creation of the world, from the time when God in the beginning created the heavens and the earth; the two thousand nine hundred and fifty-seventh year after the flood; the two thousand and fifteenth year from the birth of Abraham; the one thousand five hundred and tenth year from Moses and the going forth of the people of Israel from Egypt; the one thousand and thirty-second year from David's being anointed king; in the sixty-fifth week according to the prophecy of Daniel; in the one hundred and ninety-fourth Olympiad; the seven hundred and fifty-second year from the foundation of the city of Rome; the forty second year of the reign of Octavian Augustus; the whole world being at peace, in the sixth age of the world, Jesus Christ the eternal God and Son of the eternal Father, desiring to sanctify the world by his most merciful coming, being conceived by the Holy Ghost, and nine months having passed since his conception, was born in Bethlehem of Judæa of the Virgin Mary, being made flesh. The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.

Processional Hymn to the Crèche, Once in royal David's city

Hymnal #236

## STATION AT THE CHRISTMAS CRIB

#### ¶ Please kneel.

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. Amen.

¶ Please stand for the Last Gospel and the Hymn.

The Last Gospel

The beginning of the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. R. Thanks be to God.

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¶ Please be seated for the duration of the organ voluntary. When you leave, please do so with quiet reverence, being mindful that the church is a place of prayer.

Improvisation on Mendelssohn

C. Lance Davis

#### The Pax Domini

V. The Peace of the Lord be alway with you.



Prayer of Humble Access Agnus Dei BCP 82 Hymnal #723

## Ecce Agnus Dei

W. Behold the Lamb of God. Behold Him that taketh away the sins of the world. R. Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed. (Said thrice)

#### The Holy Communion

¶ Any baptized Christian who is a regular communicant in the Anglican, Orthodox, or Roman Catholic traditions is invited to receive the Blessed Sacrament. If you are unable or do not wish to receive the Holy Communion, please approach with your arms crossed over your chest, and the priest will extend you a blessing. Whilst in your pew, please remain in quiet prayer.

#### Communion Sentence

In splendoribus

With an holy worship: the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning.

Laetabundus Sarum Missal

## ¶ Please kneel for the hymn.

Communion Hymn, Silent night, holy night

Hymnal #33

Communion Thanksgiving

**BCP 83** 

**BCP 84** 

#### ¶ Please stand.

Gloria in excelsis Hymnal #724

## ¶ Please kneel.

Post-Communion Collect Dismissal and Blessing

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Ñ. And the Word was made flesh.

R'. And dwelt amongst us.

O Divine Redeemer Jesus Christ, prostrate before thy crib, we believe that thou art the God of infinite majesty, even though we see thee here as a helpless babe. Humbly we adore and thank thee for having so humbled thyself for our salvation as to will to be born in a stable. We thank thee for all thou didst wish to suffer for us in Bethlehem, for thy poverty and humility, for thy nakedness, tears, cold and sufferings. Would that we could show thee that tenderness which thy Virgin Mother had toward thee, and love thee as she loved thee. Would that we could praise thee with the joy of the angels; that we could kneel before thee with the faith of Saint Joseph; the simplicity of the shepherds. Uniting ourselves with these first worshippers at the crib, we offer thee the homage of our hearts, and we beg that thou wouldest be born spiritually into our souls. Give us, we pray thee, the virtues of thy blessed Nativity. Fill us with that spirit of renunciation, of poverty, of humility, which prompted thee to assume the weakness of our nature, and to be born amid destitution and suffering. Grant that from this day forward we may in all things seek thy greater glory, and may enjoy that peace promised to men of good will. Who livest and reignest, world without end. *Amen*.

Sweet Babe of Bethlehem, we praise thee, We bless thee, we thank thee. We love thee with all our hearts. We desire to worship thee, And to be like thee in all thy holy and blessed ways.

O Holy Mary, as we here adore thy Divine Son, pray for all little children, that they may be protected from all harm and danger, and that they may grow in grace and in favor with God and man.

We pray thee, O Father, that the holy joy of Christmas may fill our minds with thoughts of peace, and our hearts with a sense of thy great love; hasten the time when war being done away, we may love as brethren, and bring in the reign of the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### ¶ Please stand.

Processional Hymn to the Altar, O come, all ye faithful

## ¶ The order for the Holy Communion begins on page 67 of the blue Book of Common Prayer.

Dominus dixit ad me Introit

The Lord spake, and said unto me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. Why do the heathen so furiously rage together: and why do the people imagine a vain thing? Gloria Patri.

## ¶ Please kneel.

Collect for Purity	BCP 67
Summary of the Law	BCP 69
Kyrie, Missa Marialis	Hymnal #719
Collect of the Day	BCP 98

#### ¶ Please be seated.

**BCP** 98 The Epistle

# ¶ Please stand for the Gradual, Hymn, and Gospel.

Gradual and Alleluia In illa die

In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee freewill offerings with an holy worship; the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning. The Lord said unto my Lord: sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.



The Lord said unto me: Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. ALLELUIA.

Sequence Hymn, Dost thou in a manger lie? The Gospel Nicene Creed, Credo III, Missa de Angelis

Hymnal #29, 1st **BCP** 98 Pew booklet

## ¶ Please be seated.

Sermon

#### ¶ Please stand for the Offertory Sentence and Hymn.

Offertory Sentence Laetentur caeli Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord: for he is come.

Offertory Hymn, Angels we have heard on high

#### Orate Fratres

W. Pray, brethren, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Father almighty.

Hymnal #42

**BCP 75** 

R. May the Lord receive the sacrifice at thy hands for the praise and glory of his name, both to our benefit, and that of all his holy Church.

#### ¶ Please kneel.

Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church **BCP 74** General Confession & Comfortable Words Sursum Corda and Preface **BCP** 77 Hymnal #798 Sanctus et Benedictus **BCP** 80 The Canon of the Mass

¶ At the elevation of the Host and Chalice, you are invited to make the Sign of the Cross and say silently, "My Lord and my God," in adoration of our Lord's Eucharistic presence.

### The Lord's Prayer

¶ The Priest intones the words "Our Father," and we join at "who art in heaven".

