# Christmas Eve Drive-in Eucharist

*December 24, 2020* The Holy Eucharist Rite II



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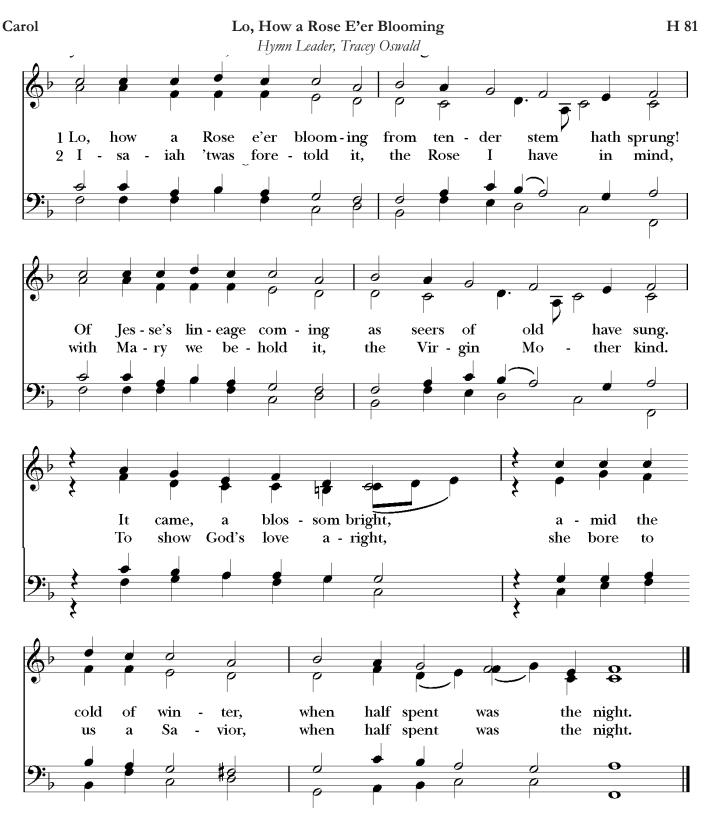
The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. Isaiah 11:6

# St. Francis' Episcopal Church

Carols beginning at 5:00pm Service with Eucharist beginning at 5:30pm Joy to the World Jackie Selle, Linda Carter, Mary Ann Kinder



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**Mothering God** Tatum & Jude McCart and Katie & Abby Jones

#### Handbells

**Still, Still, Still** Jackie Selle, Linda Carter, Mary Ann Kinder

Carol

**God Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen** *Hymn Leader, Max Starbuck*  H 105, v 1 & 4

God gen-tle-men, let noth-ing you dis - may; 1 rest you mer - ry, you with - in 4 Now prais - es, to the Lord sing all this place, Day, re mem-ber Christ our Sa - vior born on Christ-mas \_ was and with true love and char-i - ty o - ther now em - brace; each we were gone to save us all from Sa-tan's power when a - stray. this ho - lv tide of Christ - mas doth bring re - deem - ing grace. Refrain 0  $\mathbf{of}$ tid ings fort and joy, com-fort and com -6 0 ings tid fort joy! joy; of com and

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Handbells

Away in a Manger Jackie Selle, Linda Carter, Mary Ann Kinder

**Oboe Solo** 

O Holy Night

Oboe Soloist, Caitlyn Selle



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### Lighting of the Christ Candle

Youth Reader: 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.

#### The Christ candle is lit.

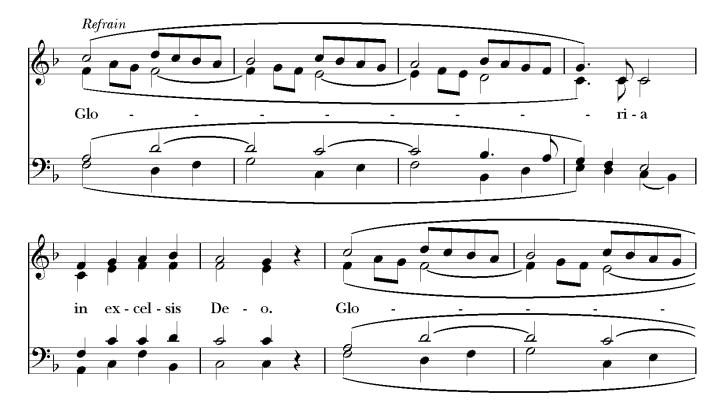
People: For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests on his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace.

**BCP 355** 

### **Opening Acclamation**

 Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse thethoughts 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.





#### 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 that Brightness perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.** 

### The Word of God

#### **First Reading**

Reader:	A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.	
	The people who walked in darkness	
	have seen a great light;	
	those who lived in a land of deep darkness	
	on them light has shined.	
	You have multiplied the nation,	
	you have increased its joy;	
	they rejoice before you	
	as with joy at the harvest,	
	as people exult when dividing plunder.	
	For the yoke of their burden,	
	and the bar across their shoulders,	
	the rod of their oppressor,	
	you have broken as on the day of Midian.	

9:2-7

For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Reader:The Word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm of the Day

#### Psalm 96 Led by Leader

Reader:	Sing to the Lord a new song;
	sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.
	Sing to the Lord and bless his Name;
	proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
	Declare his glory among the nations
	and his wonders among all peoples.
	Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
	let the whole earth tremble before him.
	Tell it out among the nations: "The Lord is King!
	he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;
	he will judge the peoples with equity."
	Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;
	let the sea thunder and all that is in it;
	let the field be joyful and all that is therein.
	Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy
	before the Lord when he comes,
	when he comes to judge the earth.



Deacon:	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Christ Jesus according to Luke.	2:1-20
People:	Glory to you, Lord Christ.	

Deacon: In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

> In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them,

- Youth Reader: "Do not be afraid; for see I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger."
- Deacon: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

Youth Reader: "Glory to God in the highest heaven and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

Deacon: When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another,

- Youth Reader: "Let us go now to Bethleham and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us."
- Deacon: So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

The Gospel of the Lord.People:Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### Sermon

The Rev. Laurie Anzilotti

Silence is kept for a period.

The Deacon invites all to recite 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.

#### Prayers of the People

Intercessor:	Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son. Therefore in confidence and trust we pray for the Church: Father, enliven the Church for its mission
People:	that we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.
Intercessor: People:	Breathe fresh life into your people. Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.
Intercessor:	We pray for the world: Creator of all, lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace.
People:	That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.

Intercessor: People:	Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it. <b>Teach us to care creatively for its resources.</b>	
Intercessor:	We pray for the community:	
People:	God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others that all may act with integrity and courage.	
Intercessor: People:	Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours. May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.	
Intercessor:	We pray for those in need:	
People:	God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. May they know the power of your healing love.	
Intercessor: People:	Make us willing agents of your compassion. Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.	
Intercessor:	We remember those who have died and those who mourn: We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is	
People:	known to you alone. Father, into your hands we commend them.	
Intercessor: People:	Give comfort to those who mourn. Bring them peace in their time of loss.	
Intercessor:	We praise you for St. Francis, Mary—the godbearer—St. Joseph and all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.	
People:	May their example inspire and encourage us.	
Intercessor: People:	Lord, you have called us to serve you. Grant that we may walk in your presence: your love in our hearts, your truth in our minds, your strength in our wills; until, at the end of our journey, we know the joy of our homecoming and the welcome of your embrace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
<b>The Peace</b> Celebrant:	The peace of the Lord be always with you	
People:	The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.	
We invite you to take a moment and extend the peace of God to the members of your household and then to people in the world that you love and struggle to love. Please abide safe distancing guidelines by extending peace to others gathered for service through waving and herebing while struggle to not service through the service through waving and		

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### Announcements

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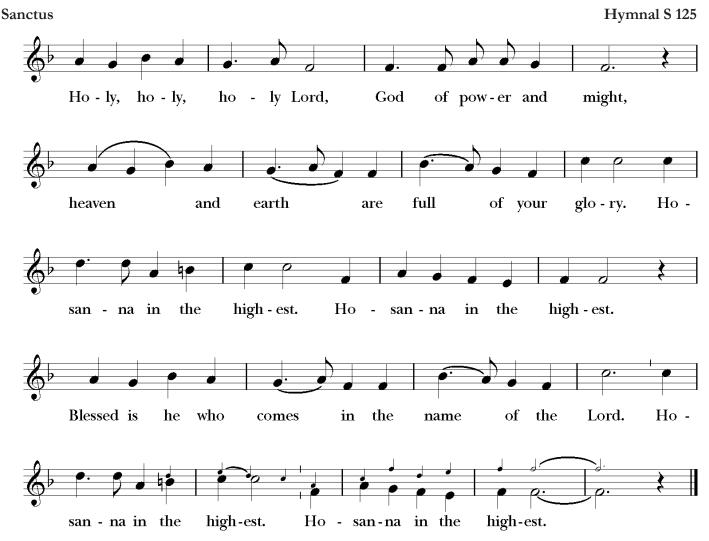
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#### Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

### The Holy Communion

#### **Eucharistic Prayer B** 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 God 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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him. 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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Celebrant: 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 his, 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,

#### Celebrant and People:

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.

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 Blessed Alban 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.



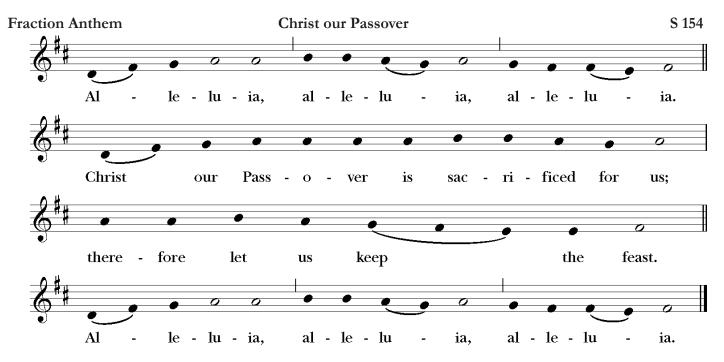
### Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People: 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.

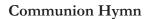
#### **The Breaking of the Bread** *The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

A period of silence is kept.



This Eucharistic table does not belong to the Episcopal Church or to St. Francis. This is God's table, and all are welcome. In the Episcopal Church, we receive both the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Jesus. However because of Corona virus, we cannot all receive from the same cup at the same time, but our cup remains common to us all as a different parishioner receives the cup at each service on behalf of the entire community. If you prefer not to receive Communion, please just cross your hands over your heart when the clergy come to your car.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.



**What Child Is This** *Hymn Leaders, Joe and Kathleen O'Reilly*  H 115





Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898) Music: Greensleeves, English melody; harm. Christmas Carols New and Old, 1871

**Classical Guitar Piece** 

Vaghe Bellezze Bianco Fiore Robbie Lawson unknown unknown

You are invited to light your candles at this time.



Words: Joseph Mohr (1792-1848); tr. John Freeman Young (1820-1885)

Music: Stille Nacht, melody Franz Xaver Gruber (1787-1863); harm. Carl H. Reinecke (1824-1910)

### **Postcommunion Prayer**

Celebrant and People:

Welcome, welcome, Jesus Christ our infant saviour, baby who makes every birth holy. May we, who like the shepherds have witnessed in the stable a new kind of love, return to our work with joy. May we, for whom the heavens have opened to proclaim that God is with us, we who have fed on living bread and drunk the wine of heaven, go out to be instruments of your peace, day by day. Amen.

#### The Blessing

Celebrant: May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.



A New Zealand Prayer Book 528



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: Antioch, George Frideric Handel (1685-1759); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

#### The Dismissal

- Deacon: Behold, God now dwells with humankind. Let us go forth into the world rejoicing and proclaiming that Jesus Christ is born. Alleluia, alleluia!
- People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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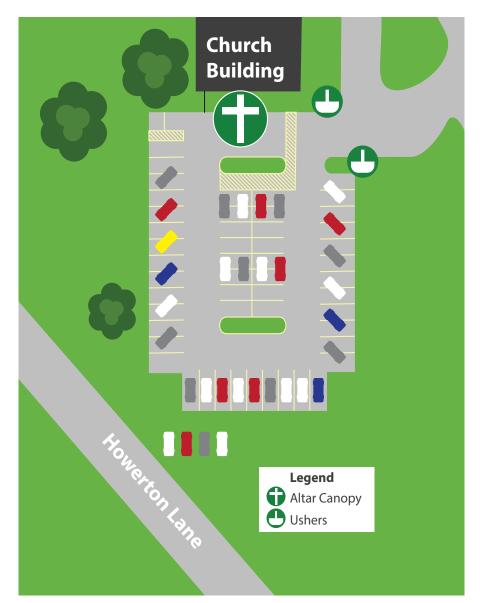
Everyone is invited to receive. Ministers will come to the driver's window wearing a mask and hand the driver wafers for everyone in your car. Each wafer is individually wrapped in a sanitized plastic bag.

We will only be receiving in one kind. The bishop's guidelines do not permit the distribution of wine or juice at this time. Our cup remains a common cup by our inviting one parishioner to drink from it at each service.

If no one in the car would like to receive, simply cross your arms over your chest with your car window up.

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