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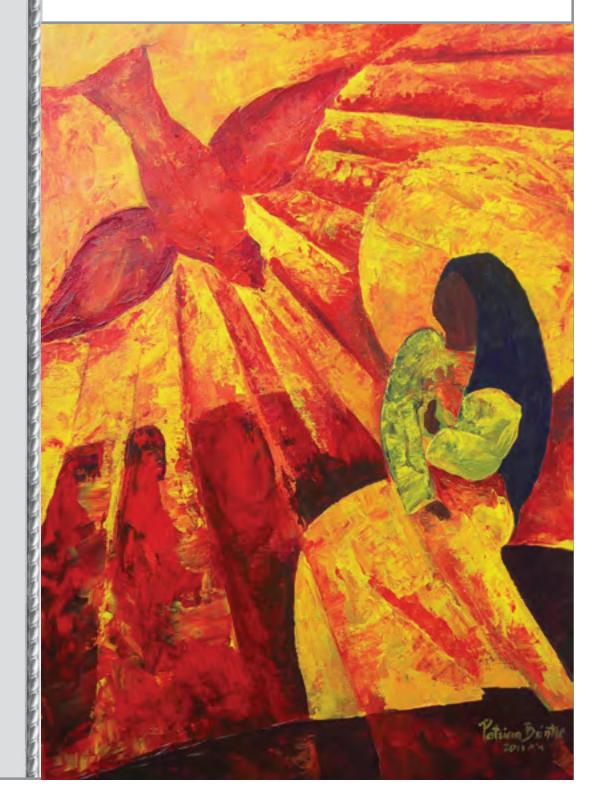
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# CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY SERVICE

December 24, 2015, 3pm Holy Eucharist Rite II



# Welcome to Trinity Church

Please add your voice and heart to the worship: sing the hymns and pray the prayers. Everyone is welcome at Jesus' Table, and everyone's voice is needed to tell the Good News of God's love in Christ. Please help others find a place near you, and greet the person next to you as we prepare to worship together.



# Τηε Επτrance Rite

At the sound of the bells, please stand as you are able.

#### Acclamation

Celebrant	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
<b>People</b>	And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
Celebrant	The people who have walked in darkness
<b>People</b>	have seen a great light.
Celebrant	For unto us a child is born,
<b>People</b>	<b>unto us a Son is given.</b>
Celebrant <b>People</b>	His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, <b>the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.</b>
Celebrant	Glory to God in the highest,
<b>People</b>	and peace to his people on earth.

#### Entrance Hymn



Words: French carol; tr. James Chadwick (1813-1882), alt. Music: Gloria, French carol; arr. Edward Shippen Barnes (1887-1958)

## Collect of the Day

Celebrant <b>People</b>	The Lord be with you. 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.
People	Amen.

# The Liturgy of the Word

Please be seated.

The Scripture on this day is presented in the form of a narrated crèche. Please sing as directed throughout the story.

The first verse of "O Little Town of Bethlehem" is sung by the choir and congregation as children bring forward the donkey, the cow, and the sheep.



The first verse of "Once in Royal David's City" is sung by choir and congregation as children bring forward the figures of Mary and Joseph.



Words: Cecil Francis Alexander (1818-1895), alt. Music: Irby, melody Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876)

The first verse of "Away in a Manger" is sung by the choir and congregation as children bring forward the baby Jesus.



Words: Traditional carol Music: Cradle Song, melody William James Kirkpatrick (1838-1921)

The first verse of "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" is sung by the choir and congregation as the children bring forward the angel and shepherds.



Words: African-American spiritual, 19th cent.; adapt. John W. Work (1901-1967)

Music: Go Tell It on the Mountain, African-American spiritual, 19th cent.; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer (b. 1935) © 1984, Horace Clarence Boyer.

The first verse of "We Three Kings" is sung by choir and congregation as the children bring forward the magi figures.



Words and Music: John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891), alt. Music Three Kings of Orient

The first verse of "Silent Night" is sung by the choir and congregation as all the children in the congregation come forward with their stars and stand around the crèche.



Words: Joseph Mohr (1792-1848); tr. John Freeman Young (1820-1885) Music: Stille Nacht, melody Franz Xaver Gruber (1787-1863)

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Mark Francisco Bozzuti-Jones

A brief silence follows the sermon.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Reader	Let us pray to Jesus our Savior. The response is, "Hear our prayer."	
People	God of the angels whose song was "Peace on earth, goodwill to all," we pray for the leaders of this nation, and the world. God of Love: Hear our Prayer.	
Reader	God of the shepherds who shared good news of great joy, we pray for the Church and all	
	who minister in it. God of Love:	
People	Hear our Prayer.	
Reader	God of the manger, you came to us a helpless baby, cradled in straw because there was no room at the inn. We pray for those in any need or trouble. God of Love:	
People	Hear our Prayer.	
Reader	God of Love, on this holy night you sent your son to be born among us, making us your children and holy, too. With prophets, shepherds and magi, may we seek Jesus and find him in everyone we meet. God of Love:	
People	Hear our Prayer.	
Celebrant	Loving God, in Christ you fully shared our life. Life of the world, joy of every human heart, Jesus accepted our broken state and gave us new life, and our world healed and made whole; Glory to you, now and forever.	
All	Amen.	

# The Holy Eucharist

## The Peace

Please stand as you are able.

CelebrantThe Peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Please be seated.

#### Welcome

#### At the Offertory

#### In the Bleak Midwinter

In the bleak midwinter, Frosty wind made moan. Earth stood hard as iron, Water like a stone. Snow had fallen snow on snow, In the bleak midwinter long ago. Our God, Heav'n cannot hold him, Nor earth sustain. Heav'n and earth shall flee away, when he comes to reign. In the bleak midwinter, A stable place sufficed The Lord God Almighty Jesus Christ. Enough for Him, whom cherubim, Worship night and day, A breast full of milk, And a manger full of hay, Enough for Him, whom angels, Fall down before, The ox and ass and camel, which adore. What can I give Him, Poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb. If I were a wise man, I would do my part, Yet what I can I give Him, give my heart.

–Christina Rosetti (1830-1894)

Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

# Тне Great Thanksgiving

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant <b>People</b> Celebrant <b>People</b> Celebrant <b>People</b>	The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. 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.
	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 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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#### Sanctus

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### Please remain standing, or kneel as you are able.

*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 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,

- All We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;
- *Celebrant* 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 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.
All	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,
All	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.

#### FRACTION

The Celebrant breaks the bread.

Celebrant	Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People	Therefore let us keep the feast.
Celebrant	The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Note: Those seated on the sides of the church will be called to receive first. Please walk to the back of the church and up the main aisle in two lines to receive. Once you have received, please return to your seat via the side aisle.

All who hunger for God are cordially invited to this table, including children. You may stand or kneel to receive communion. You may consume the bread and then drink from the chalice (please grasp the bottom of the chalice to guide it to your lips). Also, you may dip the bread in the wine and then consume it, or you may leave the bread in your palm for the chalice-bearer to dip in the wine and place on your tongue. Gluten-free wafers are available; please indicate to the priest that you require this alternative and the gluten-free paten will be brought to you. Those who do not wish to receive communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. The ushers will guide you.

If you would like to pray with someone confidentially for any need in your life, go through the archway at the front right-hand side of the church to All Saints' Chapel, and someone will meet you there before or after you receive Communion.

#### Communion Anthems

#### There Is No Rose

There is no rose of such virtue As is the rose that bare Jesu; Alleluia. For in this rose contained was Heaven and earth in little space; Res miranda. By that rose we may well see That he is God in persons three, Pari forma. The angels sungen the shepherds to: Gloria in excelsis deo: Gaudeamus. Leave we all this worldly mirth, And follow we this joyful birth; Transeamus. Alleluia, res miranda, Pares forma, gaudeamus, Transeamus.

Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

#### Candlelight Carol

#### John Rutter (b.1945)

How do you capture the wind on the water? How do you count all the stars in the sky? How do you measure the love of a mother Or how can you write down a baby's first cry? Candlelight, angel light, firelight and star-glow. Shine on his cradle till breaking of dawn. Silent night, holy night, all is calm and all is bright. Angels are singing; the Christ child is born. Shepherds and wise men will kneel and adore him. Seraphim round him their vigil will keep. Nations proclaim him their Lord and their Saviour. But Mary will hold him and sing him to sleep. Candlelight, angel light, firelight and starglow. Shine on his cradle till breaking of dawn. Silent night, holy night, all is calm and all is bright. Angels are singing; the Christ child is born. Find him at Bethlehem laid in a manger. Christ our Redeemer asleep in the hay. Godhead incarnate and hope of salvation. A child with his mother that first Christmas Day. Candlelight, angel light, firelight and star-glow. Shine on his cradle till breaking of dawn. Silent night, holy night, all is calm and all is bright. Angels are singing; the Christ child is born. Find him at Bethlehem laid in a manger. Christ our Redeemer asleep in the hay. Godhead incarnate and hope of salvation. A child with his mother that first Christmas Day. Candlelight, angel light, firelight and star-glow. Shine on his cradle till breaking of dawn. Silent night, holy night, all is calm and all is bright. Angels are singing; the Christ child is born.

#### Communion Hymn



Words: English Carol, 18th cent. Music: The First Nowell, English carol, 17th cent

## Concluding Rite

#### Post-Communion Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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God our Creator, on this night you have made known to us again the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: confirm our faith and fix our eyes on him until the day dawns and Christ the Morning Star rises in our hearts. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

## Blessing

Celebrant May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

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

## Dismissal

Deacon People

Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

#### SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

CELEBRANT: The Rev. Kristin Kaulbach Miles DEACON AND PREACHER: The Rev. Dr. Mark Francisco Bozzuti-Jones MUSICIANS: Trinity Youth Chorus | Dr. Julian Wachner, Director of Music and the Arts; Melissa Attebury, Associate Director of Music and the Arts



Annunciation, 2011 (acrylic on canvas), Brintle, Patricia Private Collection / Bridgeman Images

The nativity story is from A Children's Liturgy for Christmas Eve by The Reverend Jerome Berryman.

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