

Christ Church Cathedral † Nashville, Tennessee

Sunday, January 3, 2021 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS 2 Christmas, Year B

PRELUDE Patricia Watson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are so glad you have joined us this evening and we hope you make yourself comfortable and enjoy an ancient service of worship in a casual context.
- The offering you submit online this evening will represent the first fruits of your life and labor dedicated to God. It will be used for the work of God's kingdom at the corner of 9th and Broadway and beyond.
- We are celebrating the service of Holy Eucharist, An Order for Holy Communion, which begins on (*BCP*, *p.* 355).

AN ORDER FOR CELEBRATING THE HOLY EUCHARIST

OPENING HYMN There's a star in the East (Rise up, shepherd)

African-American Spiritual

There's a star in the East on Christmas morn, rise up, shepherd and follow. It will lead to the place where the Christ was born, rise up, shepherd, and follow.

Refrain

Follow, follow, rise up, shepherd, and follow.
Follow the star of Bethlehem, rise up, shepherd, and follow!

If you take good heed to the angel's words, rise up, shepherd, and follow. You'll forget your flocks, you'll forget your herds, rise up, shepherd, and follow. *Refrain*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Leader Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Laudate Dominum, laudate Dominum Omnes, gentes, alleluia! (repeat)

Sing, praise and bless the Lord, sing, praise and bless the Lord Peoples! Nations! Alleluia! (repeat)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Leader Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON - Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 84

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! * My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; * by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! * they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! * whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, * for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, * and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
- LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
 hearken, O God of Jacob.
 Behold our defender, O God; *
 and look upon the face of your Anointed.
- 9 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, * and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- 10 For the LORD God is both sun and shield; * he will give grace and glory;
- 11 No good thing will the Lord withhold * from those who walk with integrity.
- 12 O LORD of hosts, *
 happy are they who put their trust in you!

GOSPEL HYMN In the bleak midwinter Cranham

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone Snow on snow had fallen, snow on snow on snow In the bleak midwinter, long, long ago

Angels and archangels may have gathered there Cherubim and seraphim rising in the air But his mother only, in her maiden bliss Worship the beloved with a mother's kiss

What then can I give him, empty as I am? If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb If I were a wise man, I would do my part What then can I give him? I must give my heart

THE GOSPEL LESSON – Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. †††

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."

When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazorean."

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

THE SERMON - The Reverend Richard K. Wineland

A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.

CONFESSION OF FAITH (BCP, p. 358)

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, FORM IV

The Leader and People pray responsively

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love and reveal your glory in the world. We pray For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; and John, the Bishop of Tennessee and for all the clergy and people. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless the missions of this congregation in Bolivia, Iraq, and Haiti, especially the residents of Kantuta House at Amistad Mission, Bolivia: Silvia, Marina, Elsa, Gary, Jhoel, Neysa, Santiago, Noemina, Delina, Jhonny, and Mamá María Laura.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land; and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for all those serving our country at home and abroad, and all those who suffer because of civil strife, that war may end, and peace be established. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others, and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. For all teachers, students, and administrators and all places of learning. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled, and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept.*

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Worship Leader concludes with an absolution

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

Leader The peace of the Lord be always with you. La paz del Senor sea siempre contigo.

People And also with you.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Many thanks to our readers, musicians, and to our technical director, Roger Rhoads. And to all those behind the scenes...

Please join us here at Christ Church Cathedral for BreakingBread@6 every Sunday evening. You are also invited to join our private Facebook group here: https://bit.ly/2LQyZ0d

If you are new to the BreakingBread@6 community and would like to be on our weekly email update, sign up here: https://bit.ly/36pUy12

If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact rwineland@christcathedral.org **BB@6 Zoom Coffee Hour:** Join us on **Sunday, January 10, from 5:00 to 5:50 p.m.** to chat with the Reverend Richard Wineland and other parishioners before the liturgy at 6:00 p.m. This coffee hour takes place every first Sunday of the month, mark your calendars. https://zoom.us/j/98134636133
Meeting **ID: 981 3463 6133**

OFFERTORY MUSIC Patricia Watson



Touch or scan the QR code above to leave your tithe and offering. You may also text "CCCNash" to 73256 to give using your mobile phone.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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 sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, (M. Haugen, from Mass of Creation)
God of power, God of might
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the He who comes in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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 blessed John the Baptizer 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**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader 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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. People Therefore let us keep the feast.

THE INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader Let us pray.

People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING SONG

God rest ye, merry gentlemen

Trad. English carol

God rest ye, merry gentlemen, let nothing you dismay Remember Christ our Savior is born upon this day To save us all from Satan's power when we were gone astray

Refrain

O, tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy O, tidings of comfort and joy!

From God our heav'nly Father, a blessed angel came. And unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same. How that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name. *Refrain*

Now to the Lord sing praises, all you within this place. And with true love and brotherhood each other now embrace. This Holy tide of Christmas all other doth deface. *Refrain* *Leader* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

2021 ANNUAL GIVING DRIVE

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.
-John 1:5

We acknowledge with gratitude those who have recorded a pledge for the 2021 Annual General Fund Pledge Drive.

Pledgers for December 17-December 29, 2020

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