

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD: CHRISTMAS DAY**DECEMBER 25, 2022**

9:00 A.M. Rite I 323 (red book)

This service is livestreamed to the parish Facebook page

Prelude

Opening *O Come all ye faithful (1-3, 6)* 83 (blue book)

Opening Acclamation 323 (red book)

Collect for Purity

Hymn of Praise *Angels we have heard on high* 87 (blue book)

Collect of the Day 160 (red book)

I reading—Isaiah 52:7-10

Psalm 98 702 (red book)

II reading—Hebrews 1:1-12

Gospel—John 1:1-14

Homily The Rev. Catherine Carpenter

Nicene Creed 326 (red book)

Confession of Sin 330 (red book)

Prayers of the People 328 (red book)

The Peace 332 (red book)

Preparation of the Table *Hark the herald angels sing* 87 (blue book)

The Great Thanksgiving—Form II 340 (red book)

The Lord's Prayer 336 (red book)

The Breaking of the Bread 337 (red book)

Communion*All baptized persons, regardless of denomination, and including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you wish a blessing instead, please cross your arms across your chest.*

Post Communion Prayer 339 (red book)

Seasonal 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.

Closing Hymn	<i>Joy to the World</i>	100 (blue book)
Dismissal		339 (red book)
Postlude		

ISAIAH 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of the messenger who announces peace,
who brings good news,
who announces salvation,
who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.'
Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices,
together they sing for joy;
for in plain sight they see
the return of the Lord to Zion.
Break forth together into singing,
you ruins of Jerusalem;
for the Lord has comforted his people,
he has redeemed Jerusalem.
The Lord has bared his holy arm
before the eyes of all the nations;
and all the ends of the earth shall see
the salvation of our God.

Psalm 98

HEBREWS 1:1-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say,

'You are my Son;
today I have begotten you'?

Or again,

'I will be his Father,
and he will be my Son'?

And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says,

'Let all God's angels worship him.'

Of the angels he says,

'He makes his angels winds,
and his servants flames of fire.'

But of the Son he says,

'Your throne, O God, is for ever and ever,
and the righteous sceptre is the sceptre of your kingdom.

You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;

therefore God, your God, has anointed you

with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.'

And,

'In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth,
and the heavens are the work of your hands;

they will perish, but you remain;

they will all wear out like clothing;

like a cloak you will roll them up,

and like clothing they will be changed.

But you are the same,
and your years will never end.’

JOHN 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father’s only son, full of grace and truth.

WELCOME TO GRACE

We welcome all newcomers and visitors and we ask that you complete a card from the welcome table or sign our newcomer book (located in the front of the building). We are glad that you are here with us today.

ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES for the hearing impaired are available from the ushers.

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