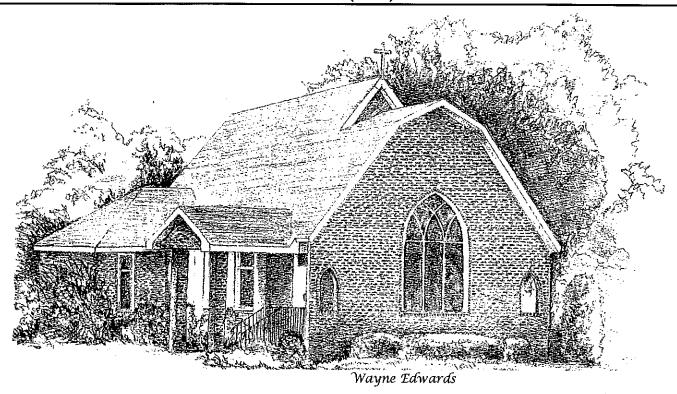
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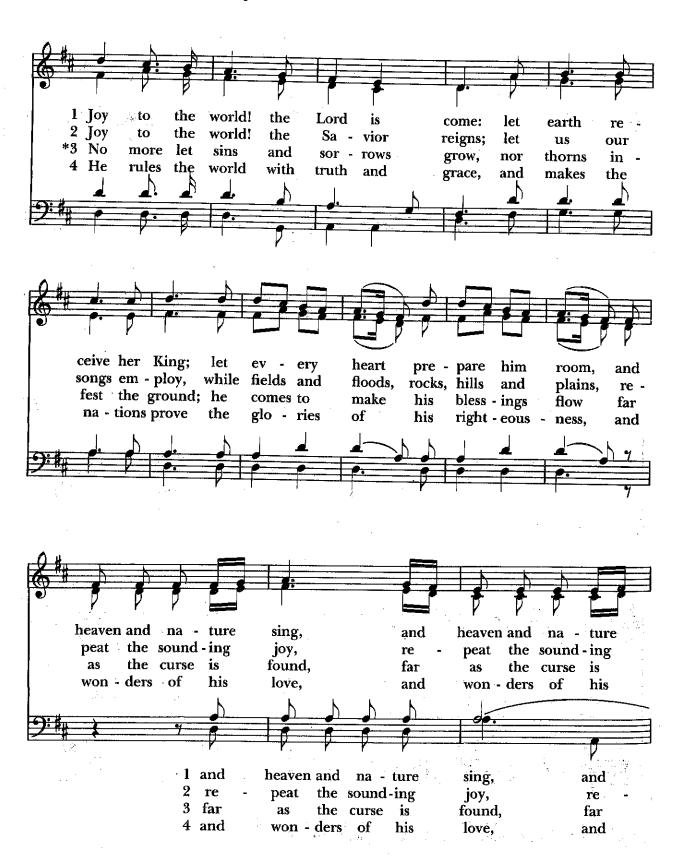
Sunday Eucharist... 9am & 11am Wednesday Eucharist: 10:30 am

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The First Sunday after Christmas Day December 27, 2020

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS December 27, 2020

PRELUDE......Sinfonia.......J.S. Bach
Processional Hymn – Hymnal 1982 - #100





The Word of God

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts 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.*

Gloria - Hymnal 1982 - S280 (service music is located in the front of the 1982 Hymnal and prefixed with the letter "s")

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen*.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A reading from Isaiah (61:10-62:3)

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not

keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 147:13-21

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- 13 Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; * praise your God, O Zion;
- 14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; * he has blessed your children within you.
- 15 He has established peace on your borders; * he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
- 16 He sends out his command to the earth, * and his word runs very swiftly.
- 17 He gives snow like wool; * he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
- 18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; * who can stand against his cold?
- 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; * he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 20 He declares his word to Jacob, * his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
- 21 He has not done so to any other nation; * to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

The Epistle

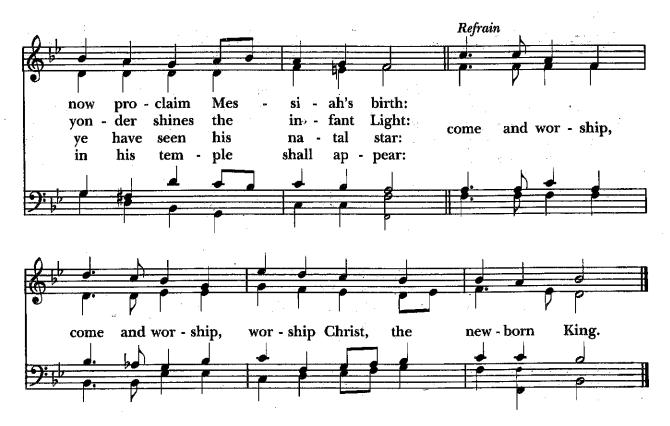
A reading from Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God. The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn – Hymnal 1982 - #93 (1-2)





Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 1:1-18

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known. The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon Hymn - Hymnal 1982 - #93 (3-4) pgs. 5-6

The Sermon The Rev. Cn. Don Woodrum

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.

The Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For all bishops and other ministers; For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence - The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord; For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence - The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence - The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; *Who put their trust in you*.

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 Priest says

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

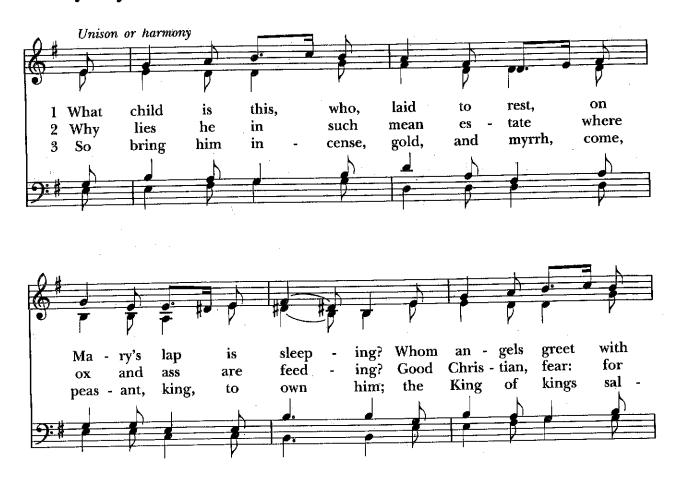
All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion Offertory Hymn #115





The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every- where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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:

Hymnal 1982 - S130 - Sanctus (service music is located in the front of the 1982 Hymnal and prefixed with the letter "s")

Celebrant and People

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.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith: Celebrant and People

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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*.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Hymnal 1982 – S164 – Agnus Dei (service music is located in the front of the 1982 Hymnal and prefixed with the letter "s")

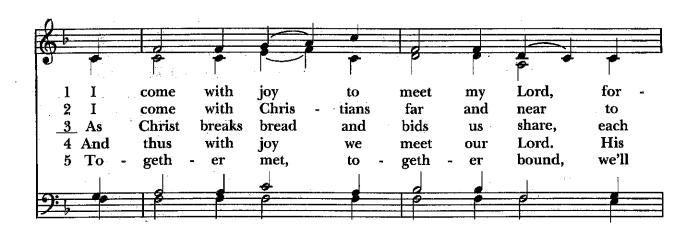
Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

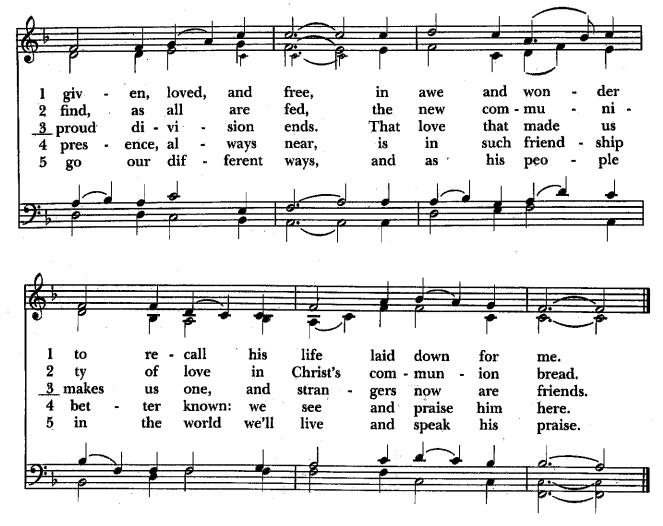
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People (All Baptized Christians are invited and encouraged to receive the Holy Sacraments of Bread and Wine)

Communion Hymn –Hymnal 1982 - #304





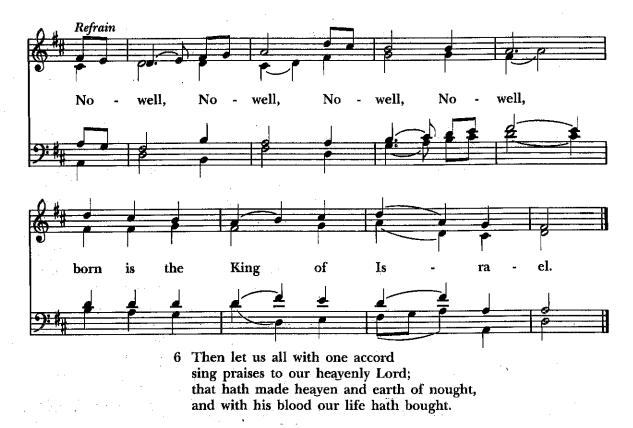
Let us pray. Celebrant and People

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.

Blessing: The Priest offers a blessing.

Recessional Hymn – Hymnal 1982 - #109





The Deacon, dismisses them with these words

Alleluia, Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

The People respond Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia. POSTLUDEThe Heavens Declare....B.Marcello

In an effort to keep current needs on the prayer list, names will remain for a month. If you see a name that needs to remain longer, please call or email the church office.

PRAYER LIST The prayers of the parish are requested for: Marion Harvard, Sister Maria Ann, Walter Wofford, George "Buzzy" Burt, Tanya Fulgham, Diana Kosty, the family of Gail Mickel, the family of Jean Reach, Rosemary Eakins, the family of James Kent, Dina James, Carol Sue Styles, Patty Ross, Albert Sutton, Brent Trost, Dennis Roy, Craig Jacobsen, Dn. Phyllis Doty, Brad Green, DeLaine Cribb, and Brittany Smith.

Sustained Illness/Concern: Mindy Morgan, Brandon Gaskins, Glenn

Miller, Kris Cheatham, Vivian Bass, Bill Green, Susanne Walters, The Rev. Godsmark, Phyllis Taylor, Bob Stross, Kristen Braddy, Russell Johnson, Glenn Miller, Jackie Kent, Mtr. Tulia, Chris & Kathy Thomas, Gwyn Herrington, Cole Thomas

Our soldiers deployed: Jonathan Richichi, James Smith, Casey Brewer, Sean Beegle, Cody Beegle, Edward Owen and stateside; Brent Trost, Matthew Beegle, Lincoln Queale, Dillon Ellis, Andy Chamberlain, and Robert Ice.

Pray for the Diocese of Cuba, our companion church: Fielés á Jesus, and their rector Mtr. Tulia. Pray for Dukatole and the children. St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Madison, and Shepherd's Hands of the Suwannee Valley Free Clinic

<u>ALTAR FLOWERS</u> The altar flowers today are given by Susie and Brant Helvenston to the Glory of God and in thanks for the blessing of our anniversary.

DIRECTORY UPDATE: Please complete a directory update form that was emailed last month. You can also pick one up in the parish hall or contact the church office.

AFRICAN TEAM MINISTRIES This season, African Team Ministries is offering a virtual display of the African Crafts in place of the normal display they have sent us in the past. The link for the Virtual display is https://africanteamstore.square.site/

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING This year, St. Luke's will hold an in person and virtual Annual Parish meeting on January 31st after the 11:00 service. At this meeting, you will vote on the 2021 budget, select two new vestry members by lot, and two delegates for the 2022 Diocesan Conference. Please be a part of this annual meeting. Due to Covid 19 restrictions, we ask that you RSVP to the church office

whether you will be attending virtually or in person so we can plan for spacing. PLEASE SUBMIT NAMES FOR PROSPECTIVE NEW VESTRY MEMBERS TO YOUR CURRENT VESTRY MEMBERS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Church Office will be closed the week after Christmas 12/28-1/1/21

DOK Meeting 1/5/21 @4:30 in parish hall.