

# CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 PM Family Service



ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

# HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

**W**elcome to All Saints Episcopal Church! Whether you are a first time visitor or you have been a part of All Saints for generations, thank you for joining us this morning. We invite you to explore how All Saints can be a part of your journey with God.

**Dear Visitors**, if you are visiting, passing through, or searching for a spiritual home, you honor us by your presence. Please complete a welcome card found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate, or hand it to an usher or clergy person. We are so glad you are here!

## OPENING VOLUNTARIES

Night of the Star  
Adeste, Fideles  
Stille Nacht

Robert Elmore (1913-1985)  
Eric Thiman (1900-1975)  
Alan Bullard (b. 1947))

**HYMN** (*Sung by all, standing.*)

*Adeste Fidelis*



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O come ye, O
2. God from God,\_\_\_ Light from Light e - ter - nal,\_\_\_ lo! he ab -
3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion, sing, all ye
4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing;\_\_\_ Je - sus, to



come ye to Beth - le - hem; come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;  
- hors not the Vir - gin's womb; on - ly - be - got - ten Son\_\_\_ of the Fa - ther;  
ci - ti - zens of heav'n a - bove; glo - ry to God,\_\_\_ glo - ry in the high - est;  
thee be\_\_\_ glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;



O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -



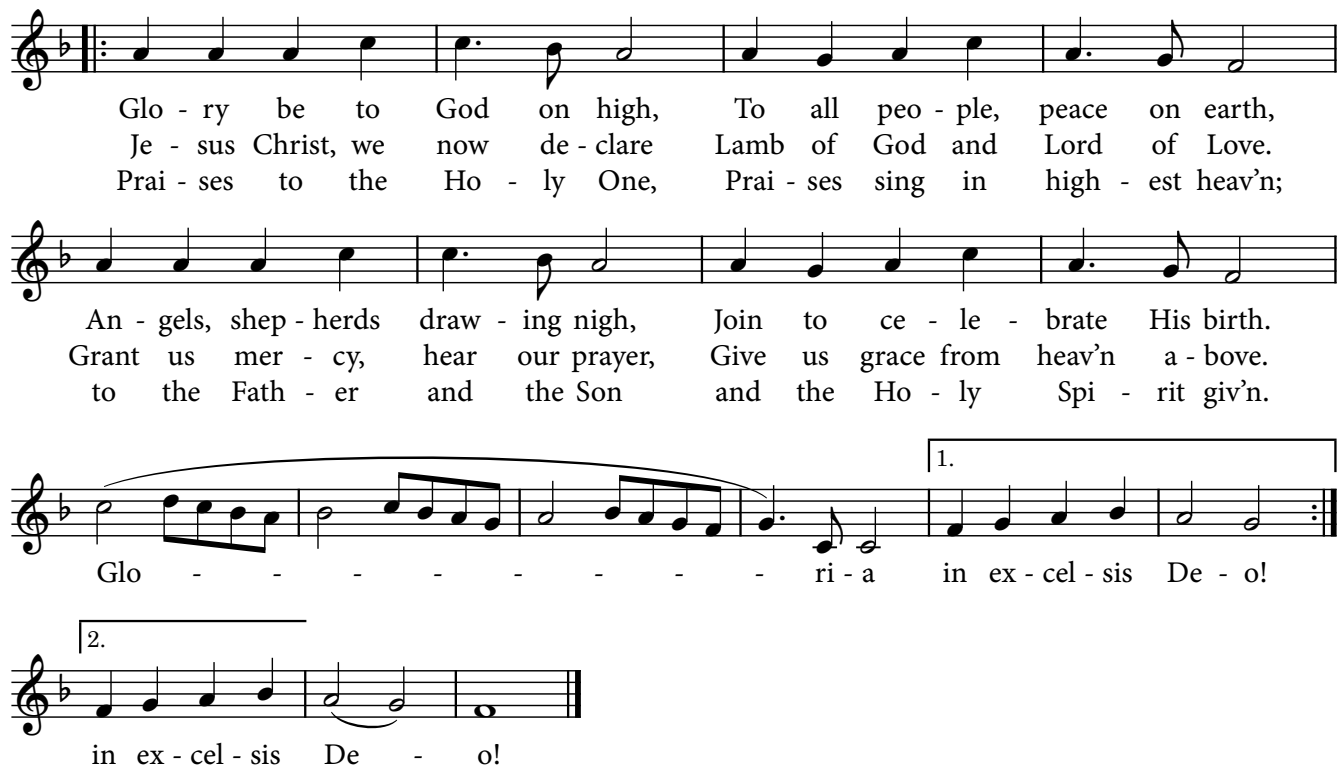
- dore him, Christ, the Lord.

Words: John Francis Wade (1711-1786); tr. Frederick Oakeley (1802-1880) and others  
Music: *Adeste fideles*, present form of melody att. John Francis Wade

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us;  
*People* **And we beheld God's glory.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



Glo - ry be to God on high, To all peo - ple, peace on earth,  
Je - sus Christ, we now de - clare Lamb of God and Lord of Love.  
Prai - ses to the Ho - ly One, Prai - ses sing in high - est heav'n;

An - gels, shep - herds draw - ing nigh, Join to ce - le - brate His birth.  
Grant us mer - cy, hear our prayer, Give us grace from heav'n a - bove.  
to the Fath - er and the Son and the Ho - ly Spi - rit giv'n.

Glo - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

in ex - cel - sis De - o!

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 212

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

## THE FIRST READING (*Please be seated.*)

Isaiah 9:2-7

**T**HE 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. 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.**



1 It came up - on the mid - night clear, that glo - rious song of old,  
 2 Still through the clov - en skies they come with peace - ful wings un - furled,  
 3 Yet with the woes of sin and strife the world has suf - fered long;  
 4 For lo! the days are haste - ning on, by pro - phets seen of old,



from an - gels bend - ing near the earth to touch their harps of gold:  
 and still their heaven - ly mu - sic floats o'er all the wea - ry world;  
 be - neath the heaven - ly hymn have rolled two thou - sand years of wrong;  
 when with the ev - er - cir - cling years shall come the time fore - told,



"Peace on the earth, good will to men, from hea - ven's all - gra - cious King."  
 a - bove its sad and low - ly plains they bend on hov - ering wing,  
 and war - ring hu - man - kind hears not the tid - ings which they bring;  
 when peace shall o - ver all the earth its an - cient splen - dors fling,



The world in sol - emn still - ness lay to hear the an - gels sing.  
 and ev - er o'er its Ba - bel - sounds the bless - ed an - gels sing.  
 O hush the noise and cease your strife and hear the an - gels sing!  
 and all the world give back the song which now the an - gels sing.

Words: Edmund G. Sears (1810-1876), alt.  
 Music: Carol, Richard Storrs Willis (1819-1900)

## THE GOSPEL (Please stand.)

Luke 2:1-14

*Presider* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**I**N 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, "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." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

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

**THE SERMON**

Bari Pitts & Dan Kniffen

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM III**

BCP, p. 387

*Leader*       Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*People*       **That we all may be one.**

*Leader*       Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*People*       **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Leader*       We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*People*       **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Leader*       We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*People*       **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Leader*       Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*People*       **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

*Leader*       Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*People*       **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Leader*       Give to the departed eternal rest.  
*People*       **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Leader*       We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*People*       **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Leader*       Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions.*

**THE PEACE** (*Please stand.*)

*Celebrant*    The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*       **And also with you.**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**W**HO is there that singeth so, *Nowell, nowell?*  
I am here, Sir Christèmas.  
Welcome, my lord Sir Christèmas!  
Welcome to all, both more and less!  
Come near, come near,  
*Nowell, nowell.*

*Dieu vous garde, beaux sieurs,* tidings I you bring:  
A maid hath borne a child full young,  
Which causeth you to sing:  
*Nowell, nowell.*  
Christ is now born of a pure maid;  
In an ox-stall he is laid,  
Wherefore sing we at abrayde:  
*Nowell, nowell.*

*Buvez bien, buvez bien par toute la compagnie.*  
Make good cheer and be right merry,  
And sing with us now joyfully:  
*Nowell, nowell. Nowell.*

*After the anthem, please stand as you are able, as the offering is brought forward.*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Prayer B** (*Please stand.*)

BCP, p. 369

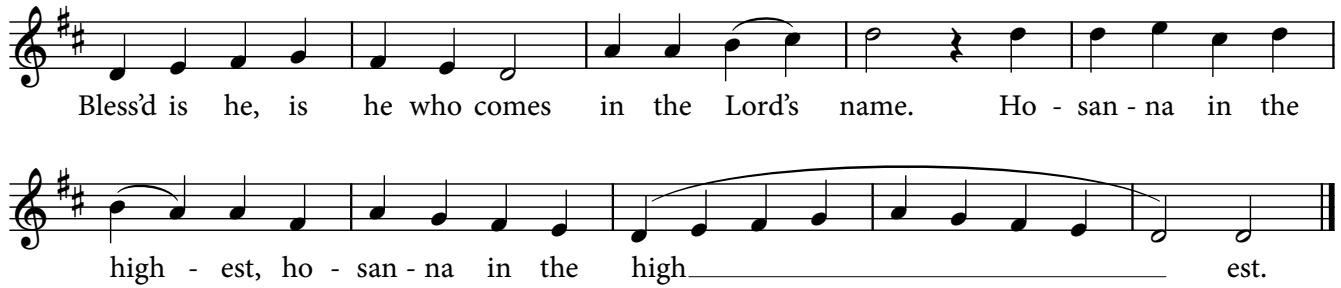
*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**I**T IS RIGHT, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth . . .

. . . 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:

**SANCTUS** (*Sung by all.*)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might. Heav'n and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - - - est.



*The people kneel or stand.*

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,

**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 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**

BCP, p. 364

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

**O**UR 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 & FRACTION ANTHEM** (*Sung by all.*)

O Lamb of God, O Ho - ly Child, who takes the sin of the world a - way; Have  
mer - cy on us, lamb so mild, the babe, the son of Ma - ry. This,  
this is your bo - dy giv'n, Your pre - cious blood, the gift of heav'n. Take,  
eat, for we are one in the babe, the son of Ma - ry.

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

The Iona Community

**T**HIS IS THE TABLE, not of the church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love him And who want to love him more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before; You who have tried to follow and you who have failed; Come, not because the Church invites you; It is Christ, and he invites you to meet him here.

**COMMUNION VOLUNTARY**

Words by Jean de Brébeuf (1593-1649), tr. Jesse Edgar Middleton (1894-1939)  
Traditional Carol, arr. by Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)

**T**WAS IN THE MOON OF WINTER-TIME when all the birds had fled,  
That mighty Gitchi Manitou sent angel choirs instead;  
Before their light the stars grew dim, and wandering hunters heard the hymn:  
"Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, In excelsis gloria."

Within a lodge of broken bark the tender Babe was found,  
A ragged robe of rabbit skin enwrapp'd His beauty round;  
But as the hunter braves drew nigh, the angel song rang loud and high . . .  
"Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, In excelsis gloria."

The earliest moon of wintertime is not so round and fair  
As was the ring of glory on the helpless infant there.  
The chiefs from far before him knelt with gifts of fox and beaver pelt.  
"Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, In excelsis gloria."

O children of the forest free, O sons of Manitou,  
The Holy Child of earth and heaven Is born today for you.  
Come kneel before the radiant Boy who brings you beauty, peace and joy.  
"Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born, In excelsis gloria."



**HYMNS** (*Sung by all, seated.*)

The Hymnal 1982

#107, Good Christian Friends  
#79, O little town of Bethlehem  
#105, God rest you merry, gentlemen  
#111, Silent Night

*In dulci jubilo*  
*St. Louis*  
*God Rest You Merry*  
*Stille Nacht*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER** (*Please stand.*)

BCP, p. 365

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**E**TERNAL 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**

**HYMN** (*See next page; sung by all, standing.*)

*Antioch*

**DISMISSAL**

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

Adeste, fideles

Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)

## PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S LITURGY

The Rev. Ben Robertson, *Officiant*  
The Rev. Amelia Arthur, *Presider*  
Bari Pitts & Dan Kniffen, *Children's Homily*  
Dorothy Mulvaney, Abigail Mulvaney, Bronwyn Mulvaney,  
Abby Brata, Cary Sherman, & Henry Robertson, *Puppeteers*  
Blair Wilcox, Dan Kniffen, David Litchfield, Matt Anderson,  
Lewis Washburn, & Abigail Mulvaney, *Lay Ministers*  
Gretchen & Spencer Gaffney, Lewis Washburn, & Wesley Smith, *Acolytes*  
All Saints Choristers & Schola  
Scott G. Hayes, *Director of Music*  
Daniel Stipe, *Principal Organist*  
Jack Burgoyne, *Piano*  
Marie Wilcox & Team, *Ushers*  
Cheryl Law & Team, *Altar Guild*

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# JOY TO THE WORLD

1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -  
 2 Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let us our  
 \*3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -  
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and  
 songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, re -  
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow far  
 na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness, and

heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture  
 peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing  
 as the curse is found, far as the curse is  
 won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

1 and heaven and na - ture sing, and  
 2 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re -  
 3 far as the curse is found, far  
 4 and won - ders of his love, and

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.  
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.  
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heaven and na - ture sing,  
 peat the sound - ing joy,  
 as the curse is found,  
 won - ders of his love,

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

# Poinsettia Dedications 2024

## In Memory Of:

Irvin Barnard  
Swade, Sr. & Patricia A. Beasley  
Fr. Ted Bishop  
Lee Brown  
Hedwig & Hermann Buettner  
Kate Chang  
Henry & Nina Chang  
Dr. & Mrs. C.C. Chewning, Jr.  
C.C. Chewning, III  
Nancy Cormany  
Bob & Gayle Cosgrove  
Louis & Margaret Crowder  
Grace & Clyde Dalrymple  
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Claiborne Winborne & Rick Richardson  
Martha & C.B. Rosser  
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Carl Russell Smith  
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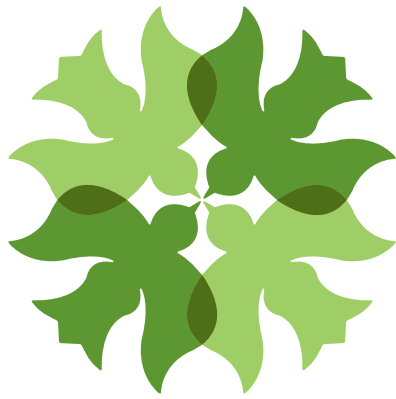
## In Thanksgiving For:

Myles & Owen Fallen  
Gretchen & Spencer Gaffney  
Presley Bruch Key  
Addie, Cline, Finn, Kayla, & Oliver  
Mollie McClure  
Andrew and Lindsey Rapisarda  
The Family of Claiborne Winborne & Rick Richardson  
The Youth of All Saints  
Kathryn & Mike Shourds  
Luke & Lindsay Shourds  
Anne & Susan

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Nicole Roger Alan  
Ben & David  
Mary Booth Davis  
James & Dianne Forsythe  
Scott, Amy, & Alice Hayes  
Eric, Mary, & Violet Hayes  
Barbara Jeter  
Pearl Kuemmerle  
The Rev. Ross Mackenzie  
Martha Gordon Wallace Michael  
Alice Anderson & William Herbert Michael  
Keller Darlin Sandra  
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Melanie, Errol, and Carl White





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