Saint Luke's Episcopal Church Tulsa, Oklahoma

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

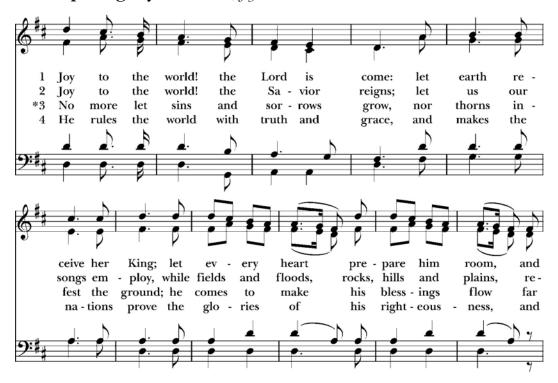


Christmas Eve December 24, 2025 10:45 p.m.

Carols: Hymnal 107, 84, 99, 105, 93, 109

All stand as able as the ministers process into the church

The Opening Hymn: H100, Joy to the world





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

The Word of God

The People standing as able, the Celebrant says

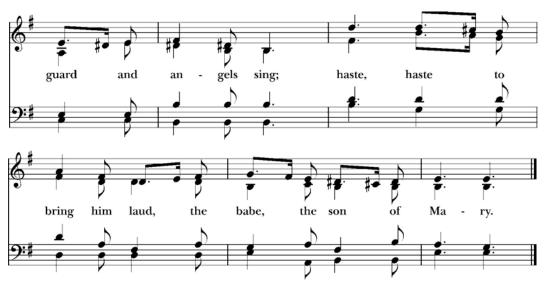
Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

The following hymn is sung or said, all standing as able

The Hymn of Praise: H115, What child is this





Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898). Music: Greensleeves, English melody; harm. Christmas Carols New and Old, 1871.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

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 People sit.

The First Reading: Isaiah 62:6-12

Reader A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have labored; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts. Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. The LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him." They shall be called, "The Holy People, The Redeemed of the LORD"; and you shall be called, "Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken."

After the Reading, the Reader may say
The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.
Silence may follow.

Psalm 97

The LORD is King; let the earth rejoice; * let the multitude of the isles be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about him, * righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.

A fire goes before him * and burns up his enemies on every side.

His lightnings light up the world; * the earth sees it and is afraid.

The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, * at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens declare his righteousness, * and all the peoples see his glory.

Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before him, all you gods.

Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, * because of your judgments, O LORD.

For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; * you are exalted far above all gods.

The LORD loves those who hate evil; *
he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

Light has sprung up for the righteous, * and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.

Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, * and give thanks to his holy Name.

The Second Reading: Titus 3:4-7

Reader A reading from Paul's letter to Titus.

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

After the Reading, the Reader may say

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

The Sequence Hymn: H83, O come, all ye faithful (1-3)





The Gospel: Luke 2:1-20

Then, all standing as able, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying
The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In 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!" When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

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

The Sermon: The Rev. John Rule

The Prayers of the People (Form II)

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Sarah Archbishop of Canterbury-Elect, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Poulson, our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask you prayers for the departed [especially_____], Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Peace

All stand as able. The Celebrant says to the People

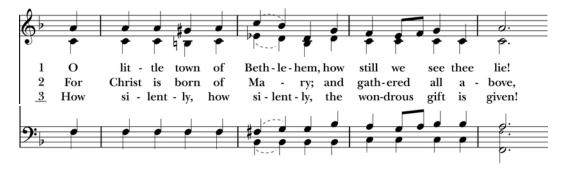
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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

The Offertory Sentence

The Offertory Hymn: H79, O little town of Bethlehem (1-3)





Words: Phillips Brooks (1835-1893). Music: St. Louis, Lewis H. Redner (1831-1908).

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him all creatures here below, Praise him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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.

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 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 the 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:

S-128 Sanctus

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.

The People stand or kneel.

Then 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.

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 this 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 St. Luke 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**.

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

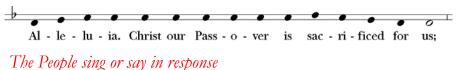
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.

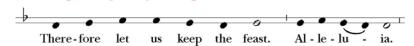
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Then the Celebrant sings or says





The Fraction Anthem: S164, Jesus, Lamb of God

Jesus, Lamb of God.

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins.

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world.

Give us your peace, give us your peace.

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.

All baptized Christians are invited and encouraged to receive the Body and Blood of Christ at the altar of this parish church. Gluten-free wafers are available.

The Postcommunion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says
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.

The Blessing of the Children

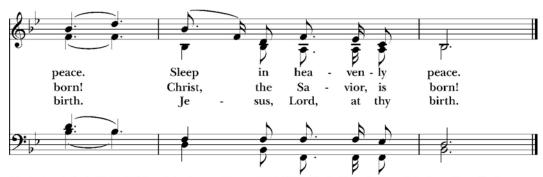
The Final Blessing

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.*

The Closing Hymn: H111, Silent night, holy night (all kneeling as able)



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Words: Joseph Mohr (1792-1848); tr. John Freeman Young (1820-1885). Music: Stille Nacht, melody Franz Xaver Gruber (1787-1863); harm. Carl H. Reinecke (1824-1910).

The Dismissal

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the People, who respond People Thanks be to God.

Our Lord Jesus Christ Head of the Church

The Right Reverend Poulson Reed

Bishop of Oklahoma

The Rev. John Rule

Vicar

Jack Kelly

Senior Warden

Craig Cottrell

Junior Warden

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+THE MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY+

Ministers:The Congregation of St. Luke's
Celebrant: & Preacher:The Rev. John Rule
Eucharistic Ministers:
Lectors:
Intercessor:
Acolytes:
Oblationers:
Organist:Paul Pinkosky
Ushers:
Counters:

Dr. Kryder's Prayer

Risen Lord:

Give us a heart for simple things: love, laughter, bread, wine, dreams. Fill us with green growing hope. And make us an Easter people, whose song is Alleluia, whose sign is Peace, and whose name is Love.

Amen.

Those For Whom We Pray THE MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH

<u>Prayers for Healing:</u> Drew, Claudette & John, Linda, Charlotte, John, Joseph & Tera, Yvonne

[Please let Fr. John or Melissa Mullen know if you wish to add someone to the Prayer List]

Those in Retirement Homes:

Those in the Armed Forces: For all who serve around the world

Christian People in the World: The people of Ukraine

The Clergy: Sarahthe Archbishop of Canterbury-Elect; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; John, our Vicar

Wardens: Jack Kelly, Craig Cottrell

<u>The Bishop's Committee:</u> Zac Cox, Sue Dishong, Anne GhostBear, Jana Gowan, Bill Hiddle, Carle Robbins, Dedee Cottrell, Susan Soulsby, and Rick Vivion

Our Parish Office Staff: Lee Ann Henley, Treasurer, Melissa Mullen, Secretary, Susan Moffatt, Bookkeeper

Our Organist: Drew Ashley

Our Choir: Lee Ann, Melissa, Betty, Janice

<u>The Faithful Departed:</u> All those who have died in Ukraine, and as a result of gun violence

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen*.



Adoration of the Shepherds
Philippe de Champaigne (1602–1674)

Welcome Visitors

We are glad you chose to worship with us today.

We would appreciate it if you would complete the card found in your pew and place it in the alms basin, or sign our guest register at the north or south entrance to the church.



May our Lord Jesus Christ bless your worship experience this day and go with you throughout the week.

Our Mission Statement

To know Christ and make him known through worship, prayer, study, fellowship, outreach, and witness in our daily walk.



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