

St. Monica's Episcopal Church

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Welcome to Saint Monica's Episcopal Church. We rejoice that you came to our church today, and we hope that you feel at home here.

As you consider what brought you here, perhaps seeking spiritual growth, looking for community, or responding to a simple invitation, please take a moment to look at the opportunities listed in the announcements included with this bulletin to find ways to grow in your faith and find a place of welcome. If you have any questions about how you can take part in the community of St. Monica's or about the Episcopal Church, please feel free to contact Fr. Jonathan Evans.

Again, we are glad you are here at Saint Monica's Episcopal Church where all are welcome.

CHRISTMAS DAY HOLY EUCHARIST II

Sunday, December 25, 2022

10:00 am

Rector

The Rev. Jonathan W. Evans

Assisting Priest

The Rev. Sylvia R. Czarnetzky

Organist and Choirmaster

Dr. Ronald Doiron

Lector

Ruthann Turley

Greeter

Tom Coté

Usher

Mike McCampbell

Acolyte

Betsy Smith

Altar Guild Members

Ruthann Turley, Heather Williamson, Joyce Gebhardt, Linda Freund, Linda Smith, Sue Baker

Camera Operator

Tom Coté

Flower Team

Debbie Corey
Sharon Lapierre

** Please remember to silence your electronic devices during the service. **

Service begins with the lighting of the candles and the organ voluntary. Please use this time for silent prayer and meditation.

Voluntary

This Christmastide (Jessye's Carol)
Carol Hedman, Soloist

Donald Fraser

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand as you are able

Hymn in Procession

O Come, All Ye Faithful
(Stanzas 1, 3, 5 & 6)

Hymn 83

Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Gloria

Glory to God in the Highest

Robert Powell, Hymn S-280

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

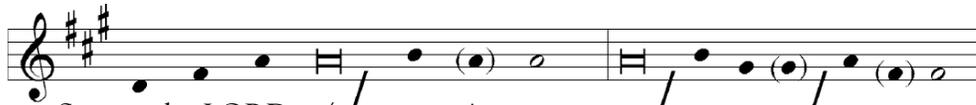
First Reading

Isaiah 9:2-7

The 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.

Psalm

Psalm 96



- 1 Sing to the LORD a / new song;*
- 2 Sing to the LORD, / all the whole earth.
- 3 Sing to the LORD and / bless his Name;*'
proclaim the good news of his salva/tion from day to day.
- 4 Declare his glory among the / nations*
and his wonders a/mong all peoples.
- 5 For great is the LORD and greatly to be / praised.
he is more to be / feared than all gods.
- 6 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but / idols;*
but it is the LORD who / made the heavens.
- 7 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his / presence!*
Oh, the power and the splendor of his / sanctuary!
- 8 Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the / peoples;*
ascribe to the LORD ho/nor and power.
- 9 Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his / Name;*
bring offerings and / come into his courts.

- 9 Worship the LORD in the beauty of / holiness;*
 let the whole earth trem/ble before him.
- 10 Tell it among the nations: "The / LORD is King!"*
 he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peo/ples with equity."
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is / in it;*
 let the field be joyful and / all that is therein.
- 12 Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the LORD / when he comes,*
 when he / comes to judge the earth.
- 13 He will judge the world with / righteousness*
 and the / peoples with his truth.

The Second Lesson

Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
 People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hymn 87

Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior 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!"

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Jonathan W. Evans

Please stand as you are able

The Nicene Creed

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Please stand, or kneel as able.

The Prayers of the People: Form IV

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Response: Hear our prayer.

Concluding Collect

Confession of Sin

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Please stand as you are able.

The Peace

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

During the Offering

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming
Sung by St. Monica's Choir Ensemble

Bruce Neswich

Please stand as you are able.

Offertory Hymn

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice
(Verses 1 & 2)

Hymn 107

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ is born today; He hath opened heaven's door, and we are blest forevermore.

Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice, with heart and soul and voice; now ye hear of endless bliss;
Jesus Christ was born for this! He hath opened heaven's door, and we are blest forevermore.

Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer D, BCP 372

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 him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Holy, Holy, Holy

R. Proulx, S-125

Memorial Acclamation

We Praise You...

McNeil Robinson, S-141

Great Amen

Amen

McNeil Robinson, S-147

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn S-119

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Christ Our Passover

David Hurd, Hymn S-154

You are invited and encouraged to come to God's table. The communion bread is received on an outstretched palm.

If you wish to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please cross your arms over your chest.

Communion Anthem

Mary's Slumber Song

Max Reger

Women of the St. Monica's Choir

Communion Hymn

Angels We Have Heard On High

Hymn 96

Please stand as you are able.

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Response: *Amen.*

Hymn in Procession

Joy to the World!

Hymn 100

The Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice!

Arr. Wilbur Held

Parishioners are invited to remain seated and listen to the final Voluntary or leave quietly to greet and converse with one another outside of the Church.