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The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

Gathering

Love One Another

Love one another, for love is of God.
He who loves is born of God, and knows God.
He who does not love does not know God,
For God is love, God is love.

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Procession to the Altar

Hymn #93 *Angels, from the realms of glory*

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

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

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, said at 8am;

Benedictus es, Domine, sung at 10am
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**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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born this day of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from Jeremiah (31:7-14)

Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let

them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

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

Psalm 84

(Read in unison after the first asterisk)

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! ***My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**
- 2 **The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.**
- 3 **Happy are they who dwell in your house! *they will always be praising you.**
- 4 **Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.**
- 5 **Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.**
- 6 **They will climb from height to height, *and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.**
- 7 **LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; *hearken, O God of Jacob.**

- 8 **Behold our defender, O God; *and look upon the face of your Anointed.**
- 9 **For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, *and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.**
- 10 **For the LORD God is both sun and shield; *he will give grace and glory;**
- 11 **No good thing will the LORD withhold *from those who walk with integrity.**
- 12 **O LORD of hosts, *happy are they who put their trust in you!**

A Reading from Ephesians (1:3-6, 15-19a)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

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

Gradual Hymn #84 vss. 1, 2

Love came down at Christmas

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew (2:13-15, 19-23)

After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph

got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son." When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazorean."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ

Gradual Hymn #84 vs. 3

Love came down at Christmas

The Homily

Fr. Haynes

Silence for reflection

The Nicene Creed (Standing, as able.)

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.

Prayers of the People

Let us pray.

For the holy Church of God, that we may boldly proclaim the good tidings of the Incarnation of Jesus Christ. We pray especially for Bartholomew, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, Francis, Bishop of Rome, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our presiding bishop, Greg our bishop; for priests, deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

O God who is with us, **hear our prayer.**

For the Anglican Communion, especially the Dioceses of Lagos - (Nigeria), Lagos Mainland - (Nigeria), Lagos West - (Nigeria), Lahore - (Pakistan), South Western Brazil - (Brazil), Southeast Florida - (The Episcopal Church), Lainya - (South Sudan), Southeastern Mexico - (Mexico), Lake Malawi - (Central Africa), Southern Brazil - (Brazil), Gippsland - (Australia), and The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia; our diocese, especially St. Alban, Edmonds; Redeemer, Kenmore; and our parish, especially for our parishioners Pete & Barb Stanton; Bea Stensrud; Kathy Stewart.

O God who is with us, **hear our prayer.**

For the leaders of the world, especially our president, our congress, and our courts, that they may follow the example of the Prince of Peace by striving for peace and justice among the nations. We pray for our armed forces and for those who are deployed, especially for those we now name.... O God who is with us, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially for the blessings we now name... O God who is with us, **hear our prayer.**

For those who travel, that their reunions may be occasions of celebration and that they return safely to their homes. O God who is with us, **hear our prayer.**

For the homeless, the unemployed, the hungry, and all who are alone and forgotten, that we, who have received so abundantly, may give generously for their lives and needs.

O God who is with us, **hear our prayer.**

For those who do not yet know the Light of Christ, that their hearts may be filled with hope, peace, joy and love.

O God who is with us, **hear our prayer.**

For those who are sick, that they may be blessed by your healing grace. We pray for all those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, praying especially for Lyn, Areewa, Brenda, Marisa, Sandy, Paulette, Erica, Rico, Steven, Ken, Jan, Sue, David, Jenny, Elaine, Ann, Stephen, Jacquie, Bob, Joan, Dianne, Jackie, Christian, Ryan, Hollie, Anna, Adam, Christine, Kahlan (pronounced KAY-lin), Theresa, Beth, Bob, Daniel, Justin, Seattle Children's Hospital families and for those we now name....

O God who is with us, **hear our prayer.**

For the departed, that they may have rest in that place where the angels sing gloriously for all eternity, remembering especially those we now name....

O God who is with us, **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Leader and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may

delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant

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

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Offertory

Hymn #81

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming

Our Sunday loose cash offerings now go to our Local Outreach/Discretionary Fund, which directly serves families and individuals in need within our community. Your generosity makes saying "yes" to those who need help the most possible.

The Great Thanksgiving – B

[Please see Book of Common Prayer, pg. 367]

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 proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing...

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

(Said at 8:00; sung at 10:00)

(printed on the Ivory Pew Sheet)

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. The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God...

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 our sacrifice of praise and
thanksgiving...

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**

Lord's Prayer *said at 8 am & sung at 10 am
(printed on the Ivory Pew Sheet)*

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we
now pray,

**Our father in heaven
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and Holy Communion

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is
sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**
Alleluia

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 ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then
immediately deliver it to the people.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with
these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

*This is our Lord's Table, and He is our host. All persons are
invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who have yet to be
baptized are encouraged to speak with the clergy after the
service about becoming baptized into Christ's Body.*

*Gluten-free hosts and alcohol-free wine are available upon
request at the rail.*

Communion Music

Hymn #89 *It came upon a midnight clear*
Hymn #79 *O little town of Bethlehem*

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray:

Celebrant and People

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for
feeding us with the spiritual food of the most
precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior
Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy
mysteries that we are living members of the
Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal
kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the
work you have given us to do, to love and serve
you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To
him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and
glory, now and forever. Amen.**

The 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 Holy Spirit be among you, and
remain with you always. **Amen.**

Procession to the Neighborhood

Hymn #92 *On this day the earth shall ring*

St. Matthew Mission Statement

To be a church that passionately embraces and values all people, growing in the love of Christ through word and action.

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Merry Christmas!
