

8:40 a.m.

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

Prelude: Conditor alme siderum.....by Richard Wagner

Processional: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.....Hymnal # 56 (1,2,3,4)

The Opening Acclamation.....BCP pg. 355

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.*

Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

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Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, Christ, have mer - cy.

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Collect of the Day

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Word of God

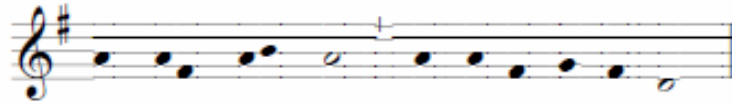
(Please be seated)

First Lesson: Samuel 7:1-11,16

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, “See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.” Nathan said to the king, “Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.” But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?” Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

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

Psalm 89 (*McGregor*)



Your love, O Lord, for ev-er will I sing.

Cantor: *Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness. For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens. Antiphon.*

Cantor: *I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn an oath to David my servant: I will establish your line for ever, and preserve your throne for all generations. Antiphon.*

Cantor: *Happy are the people who know the festal shout! They walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence. They rejoice daily in your Name; they are jubilant in your righteousness. Antiphon.*

Cantor: *For you are the glory of their strength, and by your favor our might is exalted. Truly, the Lord is our ruler; the Holy One of Israel is our King. Antiphon.*

Second Lesson: Romans 16: 25-27

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen.

Gradual: Savior of the Nations, ComeHymnal # 54 (1,2/3,4)

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke:

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon:Fr. Haynes

(Please stand)

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 worshipped 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

(Please Kneel)

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader: As a people in darkness waiting for the coming of the light of Christ, let us pray to the Lord,

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Leader: For the Unity of Christ's One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church, let us pray to the Lord,

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Leader: For Katharine our presiding bishop, Greg and Nedi our bishops, for priests, deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God, let us pray to the Lord,

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Leader: For peace, justice and freedom to all; for our armed forces and those who are deployed [especially ...]; and for the end of terrorism, war and violence throughout the world, let us pray to the Lord,

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Leader: For the poor, the hungry, the oppressed, the unemployed, those in prison, and for the sick and suffering; praying for all those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, especially... and for those we now name..., let us pray to the Lord,

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Leader: For those anticipating the birth of a child, a move, a change in employment or any new beginning; we give thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially for the gift of life itself as we celebrate this week the birthday(s) of ... [and the wedding anniversary(ies) of ...] and for other blessings we now name..., let us pray to the Lord,
People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Leader: For those who have died and now abide in Christ's presence, [remembering especially this week ...] let us pray to the Lord,
People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

The Confession

Leader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

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.*

The Absolution

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.

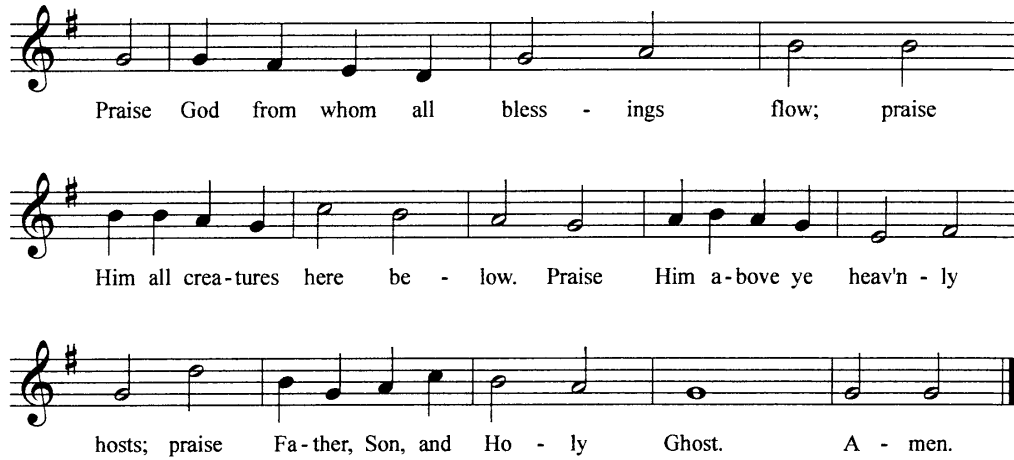
People: And also with you.

Celebration Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

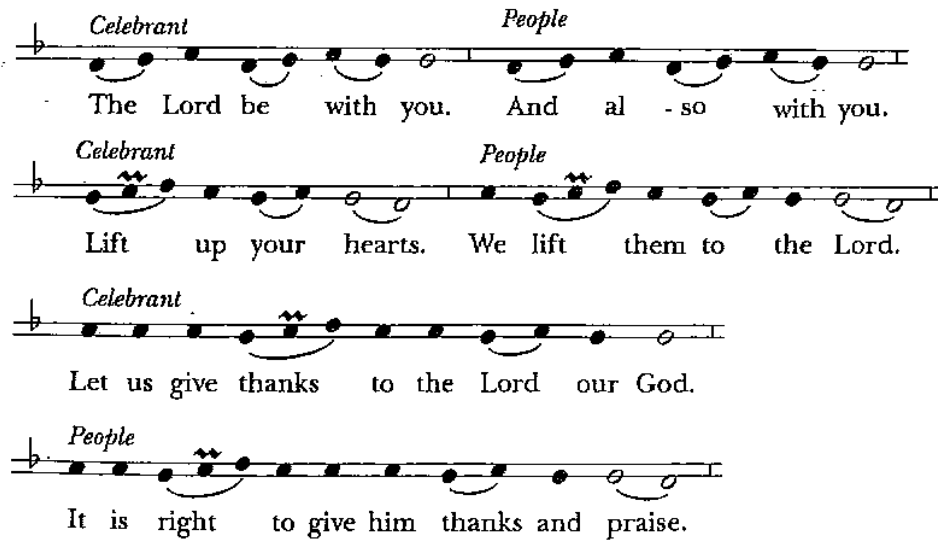
Offertory Anthem: Ave Maria..... Giulio Caccini/arr. Patrick M. Liebergen

Doxology



Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
Him all crea-tures here be - low. Praise Him a-bove ye heav'n - ly
hosts; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
Eucharistic Prayer B



Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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.

Celebrant: It 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 (Schubert)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
 might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
 full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
 in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

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;

Celebrant continues

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 the Blessed Virgin Mary 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 Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
 be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
 dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
 as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
 us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
 from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
 and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Celebrant: 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.

Invitation to Communion

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

Communion Hymn: The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came..... Hymnal # 265
(1: all; 2: solo; 3: solo; 4: all)

(remain kneeling)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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 for ever. **Amen.**

The Blessing

May the sun of righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn: O Come, O Come Emmanuel..... Hymnal # 56 (5,6,7,8)

Postlude: Prepare the Royal Highway by Paul Manz

Today's Liturgy

Liturgists

8:40 a.m.

Lay Readers – Pat Nordgren, Monty Tolman
LEM's – Harold Archibald, Teddy Mitchell,
Terry Estvold, Doris Sherrill
Acolytes – Lauren Dudley, Tanner Bush, Lindon
Coulter
Ushers – Paul & Barb Kosct, Sandra Turner
Greeters – Ruth Bartels, Jean Gray

10:50 a.m.

Lay Readers – Lucinda Williams, Dave Iannuzzi
LEM's – Dave Iannuzzi, John Lloyd, John Clancy,
Nicki Adams
Acolytes – Joseph Bocchi, Andrew & Maddy
Gonzalez
Ushers – Paul Bocchi
Greeters – Tracey Johnston, Kay Suiter

Altar Candles

The altar candles are given by Jean Swenson Newell in loving memory of Ollie, and son, Peter; Ethel Bonifant in loving memory of her husband, Bern; Venette Hagen in loving memory of her father, E.R. Maybin, on his birthday, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Adams in thanksgiving for their great-grandson, Phoenix Purnhagen, on his birthday.

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are given by Hanya Gore, John and Dakota in loving memory of her parents, A. William. And Anna B. Hajjar. Marilyn Cowan in thanksgiving for the birthday of her daughter, Catherine.

Remembrances for the Week

Birthdays

21 Jo Jastad
21 Christine Coulter
21 Julie Klingbeil
21 Staci Guffey
23 Caroline Wiseman
24 John Lloyd

Death Anniversaries

23 Lou Miller
25 Nina Snell
27 Martha Morrison

Special Announcements

-TONIGHT -Fr. Haynes installation as Rector of St. Mary's at 5:00 p.m.

-Thank you for your total support of the Annual Coat Drive. The School collected approximately 130 coats and they were given to the Salvation Army at the Wednesday Eucharist.

Wise Men needed

If you would be willing to lend us your wise men from your family crechè to use at the January 3rd Epiphany Luncheon for centerpieces, please call Ruth Bartels at 847-7122. We would need them by January 2 and will return them to you on Sunday, January 4.

Dear Parishioners,

This past Tuesday, we held the annual **St. Mary's Christian School Christmas Program**. The children from the 3 Year Old Program through M5 were participants. It was a fantastic and joyful performance. Mrs. Barbie Gonzalez, Music Teacher, arranged and adapted the program, Signs of Christmas, original score by Cathy Skogen-Soldner. The church was nearly full with school families and parishioners. I have posted a copy of the actual program in the Narthex on the white board where you normally find school announcements. The cover was created by Multiage Two student Samuel Guffey. A reception hosted by the School Board followed the Program.

Much of our school time this past week was interrupted by snow delays and even closures. The school will be on Christmas break from December 22 – January 4. School reopens on Monday, January 5.

On behalf of the Staff and school families, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parishioners and Parish Staff for all of their support. We are blessed with a wonderful Christian school where the children 'learn to love and love to learn'. Thank you for your good stewardship and, this of course, includes your prayers.

You will be in our Christmas prayers of thanksgiving as we celebrate the birth of Jesus and the New Year!

Blessings,
Glen Lutz, Principal

Adult Cate-WHAT??

Introducing the Adult Catechumenate! Beginning Wednesday, January 7, 2009, our Adult Catechumenate will explore with great depth and lively engagement topics such as Holy Scripture, Salvation History, Church History, the Book of Common Prayer, and much, much more. Whether you are new to the Church or old, seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Reception into the Church or just interested in growing more in your faith, come and enjoy. Two identical class times are available: 3:00 - 4:30 pm or 7:00 – 8:30 pm.

Please contact Fr. Haynes:
(stmarysrector@gmail.com or 253.588.6621 x207)

Poinsettia Donors

This is the last day that you can sign up for your Poinsettia dedication. The signup sheets are in the narthex.

