

Holy Eucharist

December 24, 2021

Christmas Eve
10:00 pm



St. Alban's Episcopal Church

Our vision for St. Alban's is to be a spiritual home to share God's grace through worship, service, faith & love. We welcome all and strive to promote justice, peace, and love in our communities by following Jesus. So Come: Worship, Learn, Care, Connect with us!

PRELUDE MUSIC

The Wexford Carol

Howard Helvey

There is no Rose of Such Virtue

Robert Lehman

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion (from Messiah)

G. F. Handel

Samantha McGonigal, soprano

On Christmas Night

Ralph Vaughan Williams

THE WORD OF GOD

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

The people standing, the Presider announces the proclamation of Christmas.

Today, the twenty-fifth day of December,
unknown ages from the time when God created the heavens and the earth and
then formed man and woman in his own image.

Several thousand years after the flood, when
God made the rainbow shine forth
as a sign of the covenant.

Twenty-one centuries from the time of Abraham and Sarah; thirteen
centuries after Moses led the people of Israel
out of Egypt.

Eleven hundred years from the time of Ruth and the Judges; one
thousand years from the anointing of David as king;
in the sixty-fifth week according to the prophecy of Daniel.

In the one hundred and ninety-fourth Olympiad;
the seven hundred and fifty-second year from the foundation of the
city of Rome.

The forty-second year of the reign of Octavian Augustus; the
whole world being at peace,
Jesus Christ, eternal God and Son of the eternal Father, desiring to
sanctify the world by his most merciful coming, being conceived by
the Holy Spirit,
and nine months having passed since his conception, was
born in Bethlehem of Judea of the Virgin Mary.

Today is the nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *O come, all ye faithful*

1982Hymnal#83

1 O come, all ye faithful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
 2 God from____ God,____ Light from Light e - ter - nal,____
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,____
 *4 See how the shep-herds, sum - moned to his cra - dle,____
 *5 Child, for us sin - ners poor and in the man-ger,____

1 come ye, O come____ ye to Beth - le - hem;
 2 lo! he ab - hors____ not the Vir - - gin's womb;
 3 sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove;
 4 leav - ing their flocks, draw____ nigh to gaze;
 5 we would em - brace____ thee, with love and awe;

1 come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
 2 on - ly - be - got - ten Son____ of the Fa - - ther;
 3 glo - ry to God,____ glo - ry in the high - est;
 4 we too will thith - er bend our joy - ful foot - steps;
 5 who would not love thee, lov - ing us so dear - ly?

Refrain

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

dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

6 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
 born this happy morning;
 Jesus, to thee be glory given;
 Word of the Father,
 now in flesh appearing;

Refrain

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Presider says

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

GLORIA



1. Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2. Glo-ry be to Christ for-ev-er, Lamb of God and Lord of love,
3. Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a-lone, to you we call;

Might-y God of all Cre-a-tion, Fa-ther of sur-pass-ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav-ior, you have come from heav'n a-bove;
Ho-ly One in faith we name you, god most high, yet near to all:

we ex-alt you, we a-dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise!
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir-it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright!

Music: REGENT SQUARE, Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Presider 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.*

The people sit for the readings & psalm.

FIRST READING: *Isaiah 9:2-7*

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

²The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.

³You 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.

⁴For 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.

⁵For all the boots of the tramping warriors
and all the garments rolled in blood
shall be burned as fuel for the fire.

⁶For 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.

⁷His 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.*

Psalm 96

¹Sing to the LORD a new song; *
 sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.

²Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; *
 proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.

³Declare his glory among the nations *
 and his wonders among all peoples.

⁴For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
 he is more to be feared than all gods.

⁵As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *
 but it is the LORD who made the heavens.

⁶Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! *
 Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!

⁷Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; *
 ascribe to the LORD honor and power.

⁸Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; *
 bring offerings and come into his courts.

⁹Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; *
 let the whole earth tremble before him.

¹⁰Tell it out among the nations: “The LORD is King! *
 He has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;
 he will judge the peoples with equity.”

¹¹Let 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.

¹²Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy
 before the LORD when he comes, *
 when he comes to judge the earth.

¹³He will judge the world with righteousness *
and the peoples with his truth.

SECOND READING: *Titus 2:11-14*

A Reading from Paul's letter to Titus.

¹¹The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, ¹²training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, ¹³while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. ¹⁴He 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.*

SEQUENCE HYMN Hark! the herald angels sing (Mendelssohn)

1 Hark! the herald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!
 2 Christ, by high-est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,

Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty.
 Risen with heal - ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,

with the an - gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
 hail, the Sun of Right - eous - ness! hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Refrain

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!

GOSPEL: *Luke 2:1-14*

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

¹In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. ²This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴Joseph 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. ⁵He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. ⁶While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷And 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.

⁸In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." ¹³And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, ¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

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

THE SERMON

Fr. J. Devin Rodgers

THE 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 Spirit¹
 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.*

¹ At these words it is appropriate to bow as a sign of reverence for the Incarnation.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon: Let us pray to God, who came among us in the birth of Jesus:

Leader: Gracious God, as a star rose, and drew people from great distances to Bethlehem that they might greet the Christ-child; Draw us, your Church, and all of your people to you – that we might be the Church and the People who you call us to be.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

As you gave Mary your Holy Spirit, filling her with the delight of your Presence; Fill us with your Spirit, and renew our lives.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

As Gentiles streamed to Jesus' Light, and Kings to the brightness of his rising; Draw our nation, our President, and all in authority, to God's brightness.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

As angels sang 'glorias' to you and proclaimed peace on earth, and goodwill among all peoples; Bring us your peace, and bring an end to and terror and strife.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

As shepherds were drawn away from their flocks by night; Draw those who do not know you yet to the knowledge and love of you.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

As Jesus was born in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn; Be especially present with those who have no where to lay their head, those who are vulnerable, and those who are hungry.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

As the Holy Family gathered together in Bethlehem, and traveled together to far off lands; Bless all families, especially the families of our parish, and protect those who travel.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

As your son came to proclaim the forgiveness of sins, and the gift of Life Eternal; Give to the departed eternal rest and let Light perpetual shine on them.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

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

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

For those who are sick and suffering, for those on our parish prayer list including Kate, Mary, P. Alexander, Mark, Janine, Janet, Linda, Louis, Robin, Michelle, Molly, Brent, Scott, Larry, Maria, Khadijah, Sarah, Gary, Edward and Mary, Gretchen, Emily, Mort, Pete and Linda, Mary and Mike, Nancy Maturo, Nancy and Perry, and Ben Dysart, for those serving in the military, including Greg, Abbey, Sean, and Tyler, for those serving in places of danger, especially Steven, Anne, Sam, Ben, and Maria, for the hungry and the oppressed, for those in prison, for our friends and our enemies

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

For those who have died especially for Lee O. Davis, for Pete Lowder in whose memory the door wreaths and the trees at the altar are given and for members of the Kilbourne & Williard families in whose memory the altar flowers have been given, and for those who were blessed by their lives among us.

Lord, in your mercy,
Here our prayer.

Presider: O Lord our God, may the Light and Hope of this night, and of your Son's Incarnation, reassure our hearts that you are among us, that you hear our prayer, and that you will be with us always, even to the end of the age. In the name of Jesus of Nazareth we pray. Amen.

THE PEACE

All stand.

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

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

Announcements

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Presider says

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. For everything in heaven and on earth is yours. Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom, and you are exalted as head over all. *1 Chronicles 29:11*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Rosa Mystica

St. Alban's Choir

Sharon Elery Rogers

DOXOLOGY

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

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

SANCTUS

1
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God__ of pow - er and might__

5
Heav'n and earth__ are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in__ the high - est.

9
Bless-ed is he__ who comes__ in the name__ of _ the Lord__ Ho - san - na in__ the

14
high - est, Ho - san - nah in__ the high - est.

The People stand or kneel. The Presider continues...

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into

covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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." **(+)**

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Presider and People

*We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.*

The Presider continues

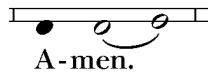
Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Alban and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People and Presider

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, forever and ever. Amen.

FRACTION ANTHEM *Choir & Congregation*

1. 0 Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way; you
 2. 0 Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way; you
 3. 0 Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way; e -

5

suf - fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.
 set - us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.
 ter - nal peace with God you made: have mer - cy now, we pray.

Music: WINCHESTER OLD, Nahum Tate, 1625-1715
 Text: ELW Setting 10, 2006, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

INVITATION

The Presider says

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.

DISTRIBUTION

This is the Lord's Table, and we are his guests. In communion we are fed with his body and blood and believe that Christ is truly present. If you desire to receive the sacrament, come to the communion rail. Standing or kneeling, extend your hands and you will receive the host (wafer). Due to COVID restrictions we are practicing communion in one kind (bread only.) If you desire a gluten-free wafer, please indicate this to the priest. If you desire to receive a blessing, cross your hands over your heart and the priest will provide a blessing.

COMMUNION MUSIC CAROL *O Little Town of Bethlehem* 1982Hymnal#78
Choir & Congregation

Unison or harmony

1 O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
 2 For Christ is born of Ma - ry; and gath - ered all a - bove,
 3 How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous gift is given!
 *4 Where child - ren pure and hap - py pray to the bless - ed Child,
 5 O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;

1 A - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
 2 while mor-tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - dering love.
 3 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heaven.
 4 where mis - er - y cries out to thee, Son of the mo - ther mild;
 5 cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.

1 yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;
 2 O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth!
 3 No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,
 4 where char - i - ty stands watch - ing and faith holds wide the door,
 5 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;

1 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
 2 and prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.
 3 where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.
 4 the dark night wakes, the glo - ry breaks, and Christ - mas comes once more.
 5 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el!

CHOIR ANTHEM: *Let There be Light*

- Mary McDonald

COMMUNION HYMN *In the Bleak Midwinter* 1982 Hymnal #112*Choir & Congregation*

1 In the bleak mid - win - ter, frost - y wind made moan,
2 Our God, heaven can - not hold him, nor earth sus - tain;
3 An - gels and arch - an - gels may have gath - ered there,
4 What can I give him, poor as I am?

earth stood hard as i - ron, wa - ter like a stone;
heaven and earth shall flee a - way when he comes to reign:
cher - u - bim and se - ra-phim throng - ed the air;
If I were a shep - herd, I would bring a lamb;

snow had fal - len, snow on snow, snow on snow,
in the bleak mid - win - ter a sta - ble - place suf - ficed
but his mo - ther on - ly, in her maid - en bliss,
if I were a wise man, I would do my part;

the in the bleak mid - win - ter, long a - go.
the Lord God in - car - nate, Je - sus Christ.
wor - shiped the be - lov - ed with a kiss.
yet what I can I give him - give my heart.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Presider 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 people stand or kneel.

SOLO:

O Holy Night

Jackson Cleland, baritone

Adolphe Adam

THE WORD BECAME FLESH & BRINGS LIGHT TO THE WORLD: *John 1:1-14*

The lights are dimmed. The flame originating from the Christ Candle is shared throughout the congregation as the presider proclaims the story of the Incarnate Word from the Gospel of John.

HYMN *Silent night, holy night (Stille Nacht)*

Music score for the hymn "Silent Night, holy night (Stille Nacht)" in G clef, 2/4 time. The score consists of four staves of music with lyrics in both English and German. The lyrics are as follows:

Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm,
 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, shep - herds quake
 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God,
 Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild, sleep in hea - ven - ly
 heaven - ly hosts sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sa - vior, is
 with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy
 all is bright round yon vir - gin mo - ther and child.
 at the sight, glo - ries stream from hea - ven a - far,
 love's pure light ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,
 peace. Sleep in hea - ven - ly peace.
 born! Christ, the Sa - vior, is born!
 birth. Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

BLESSING

May the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the perseverance of the magi, the obedience of Joseph and Mary, and the peace of the Christ-child be yours this Christmas; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit (+) be with you now and remain with you always. *Amen.*

PLEASE EXTINGUISH CANDLES

RECESSATIONAL HYMN *Joy to the world! the Lord is come* 1982Hymnal#100

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,

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!
People *Thanks be to God.*

POSTLUDE

Vom Himmel hoch
(From Heaven Above)

Wilbur Held

Servers in Worship at this Service

Presider	Fr. J. Devin Rodgers
Deacon	The Rev. Craig Foster
Organist & Choir Master	Dr. Karen Eckenroth
Lector	Ernestine Ujah
Intercessor	David Fanning
Altar Guild	Nancy Kilbourne & Kay Holley

*The altar flowers are given
to the Glory of God
and
in memory of
the Kilbourne & Williard Families*

*The wreaths on the Red Doors are given
to the glory of God and in loving memory
of
Lee O. Davis
by her children,
Lucie, Betsy, Cynthia and Tom.*

*The trees at the altar are given to the glory of God
and
in loving memory
of
James "Pete" Lowder.*

