



The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ: Christmas Eve

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church

Kenwood, CA

The Holy Eucharist - Rite Two

Tuesday, December 24, 2024 – 5:00p.m.

“To be a community that shares the joy of God’s love”

All sing!

Hymn 109 “*The First Nowell*”

Hymn 111 “*Silent Night*”

Hymn 115 “*What Child is This?*”

Hymn 87 “*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing!*”

Processional *All Stand*

Hymn 83 “*O Come All Ye Faithful*”

The Word of God

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

People And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Prayed by all

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.*

Hymn 96 “*Angels We Have Heard on High*”

Congregation/Choir

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

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. *Amen.*

The Lessons

Isaiah 9:2-7

Lector A Reading from Prophet Isaiah

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96

Congregation/Choir

desc.
Let the heav'ns re - joice, and the earth be glad!

Choir
Let the heav'ns re - joice, and the earth be glad!

- 1 Sing to the [LORD a] new song;*
sing to the LORD all the [whole] earth.
- 2 **Sing to the LORD and [bless] his name;***
proclaim the good news of his salvation from [day] to day.
- 3 Declare his glory a-[mong] the nations*
and his wonders a-[mong] all peoples.
- 4 **For great is the LORD and greatly [to] be praised;***
he is more to be feared than [all] gods.

Antiphon

- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, ... [they are] but idols;*
but it is the LORD who [made] the heavens.
- 6 **Oh the majesty and magnificence [of] his presence!***
Oh the power and the splendor [of] his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD you families [of] the peoples;*
ascribe to the LORD [honor] and power.
- 8 **Ascribe to the LORD the honor [due] his name;***
bring offerings and come in-[to] his courts.
- 9 Worship the LORD in the [beauty] of holiness;*
let the whole earth [tremble] before him.
- 10 **Tell 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."

Antiphon

- 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.

Antiphon

The Epistle

Titus 2:11-14

Lector A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to Titus

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 107 “*Good Christian Friends Rejoice*”

Congregation/Choir

The Gospel *All Standing as Able*

Luke 2:1-20

Presider 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.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Mack Olson

The Nicene Creed *All 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.

The Prayers of the People *All remain standing.*

Presider

Dear family of God, confident in the word made flesh and dwelling among us, let us bring to our loving God the petitions in our hearts this Christmas Eve, saying: “Christ, hear our prayer.”

Intercessor

For the community of believers throughout the world, for Megan, our bishop, and for all those in positions of leadership and authority, that they might direct us toward the service of God’s glory and the spread of God’s light to the ends of the earth, let us pray.

Christ, hear our prayer.

For the church gathered here in this Christmas celebration, that our worship of the Word made flesh might take on flesh in our living the gospel message, let us pray.

Christ, hear our prayer.

For the leaders of nations, that they may turn from ways of fear and warfare to the ways of your wisdom and grace, let us pray.

Christ, hear our prayer.

For all refugees, and for the victims of war, violence, and injustice, that they might know the power of the newborn Savior, let us pray.

Christ, hear our prayer.

For all our siblings, kin, or neighbors in any need, let us pray.

Christ, hear our prayer.

For all who dwell in the power of ignorance and disease, of poverty and homelessness, of division and hate, that the presence of Christ might work its wonders this day and this season, let us pray.

Christ, hear our prayer.

For the sick and the dying among us, especially for those we now name: Ann, Laretta, Vicki, Kate, Sandy, Mark, Cecelia, Brian, Diana, Karen, Barbara F., Barbara K., Leslie, Bob, and Marcia, are there others? (*You may add any you would name here.*) For all God's own who are suffering, and for those who care for them, that each might behold the salvation of our God and be blessed by the Prince of Peace, let us pray.

Christ, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died (*You may add any you would name here.*)

That they may know the hospitality of your kingdom, let us pray to the Lord.

Christ, hear our prayer.

Presider

Loving God, the joyful message of the angels fills us with gladness as we celebrate the coming of the Christ child to live among us in vulnerable humility: Let your divine light so dwell within us, that we may treasure your words, ponder them in our hearts, and continue the work of Christ's incarnation in our day, through Jesus our Savior, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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:

Hymn S-130 *Sanctus*

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full
Full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
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 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 [_____ 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 sing,

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant and People

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Hymn S-164 *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.

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn

Hymn 79 “*O Little Town of Bethlehem*”

Congregation/Choir

Communion Meditation

“*O Holy Night*” *Music by Adolph Adam, arr. by Mark Hayes*

Mark Kratz, tenor/Doug Richardson, piano

After Communion, the Presider says

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.

Blessing

The Priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you
in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with
the light of his holiness. *Amen.*

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's
birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel. *Amen.*

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to
heaven, give you his peace and favor. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Hymn 100 *"Joy to the World! the Lord is Come"*

Congregation/Choir

Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

Christmas at St. Patrick's

Christmas Day Service
Wednesday, December 25th 10:00AM

Ministers at Worship Today

Preacher & Presider: The Rev. Mack Olson

Crucifer: Brian Borgfeldt

Eucharistic Minister: Judith Kesot

Lectors:

OT and Psalm – Ann Schneider
NT – Jackie Senter

Intercessor: Ron Keith

Usher/Greeter: Eleanor Albon

Usher/Greeter: Judith Kesot

St Patrick's Music:

Mark Kratz, St Patrick's Music Director
Doug Richardson, St Patrick's Organist/ Pianist
St. Patrick's Choir

Zoom Service Host and Technician: Karl Mutch

Altar Flowers:

Altar Guild: Shona Burns
Sandy Keith

Welcome to St Patrick's

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The Rev. Carol Luther, Associate

The Rev. L.A. King, Associate

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Jackie Senter, Sr Warden

Minerva Haddad, Clerk

Chuck Wood

Matt Ganz

Adele Daw

Ron Keith, Jr Warden

Wendy Wood, Treasurer

Leslie Clark

Xavier Cabrales

Weekly Events at St. Patrick's

Art with Kate Rogers Mondays, 11 am

Tuesday Coffee Hour via Zoom at 10 a.m.

Holy Communion with healing prayer & anointing

Every Wednesday, 10 a.m. Church

Praying the Gospel of Thomas, Every Thursday,

8-8:45 am via Zoom

Compline- 4 p.m. on Thursdays via Zoom

Wellspring Every Friday 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Facilitator – Sharron Simpson

Monthly Events at St. Patrick's

Nomadic Shelter January 4th

Ministries of the parish that we cannot directly accomplish, except by our hospitable welcome to the following groups who meet at St Patrick's:

* AA Group, weekly on Wednesdays at 7:00PM, meets in the Parish Hall.

* Al Anon Group weekly on Wednesdays at 7:30PM meets in the Common Room.

* PEO, once a month on the first Thursday at 10AM, meets in the Parish Hall

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