HOLY EUCHARIST

The Holy Name of Jesus

ST. PAUL'S ON THE GREEN | JANUARY 1, 2023 - 11:00AM

Prelude

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 140 J.S Bach (1685-1750)

Please stand as the bell sounds.

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Words: Marcus Aurelius C. Prudentius, 4th C.; tr. Johm M. Neale, 1854, and Henry W. Baker, 1859, alt. Music: *Divinum Mysterium*, Plainsong, c. 13th C.; arr. based on C. Winfred

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be the Name, given above all names.

O come, let us a-dore.

SONG OF PRAISE



Words: French carol; tr. James Chadwick (1813–1882), alt. Music: *Gloria*, French carol; arr. Edward Shippen Barnes (1887–1958)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray.

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

Amen.

PSALM

THE LESSON seated

> The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them, The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People. Thanks be to God.

PSALM	sung by the Cantor	Psalm 8
	O God our Governor, * how exalted is your Name in all the world!	
	Out of the mouths of infants and children, * your majesty is praised above the heavens.	
	You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, * to quell the enemy and the avenger.	
	When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, * the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,	
	What are we that you should be mindful of us, * mere mortals that you should seek us out?	
	You have made us but little lower than the angels; * you adorn us with glory and honor;	
	You give us dominion over the works of your hands; * you put all things under our feet:	
	All sheep and oxen, * even the wild beasts of the field,	
	The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, * and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.	
	O God, our Governor, * how exalted is your Name in all the world!	
	Setting: Barry Rose	

Numbers 6:22-27

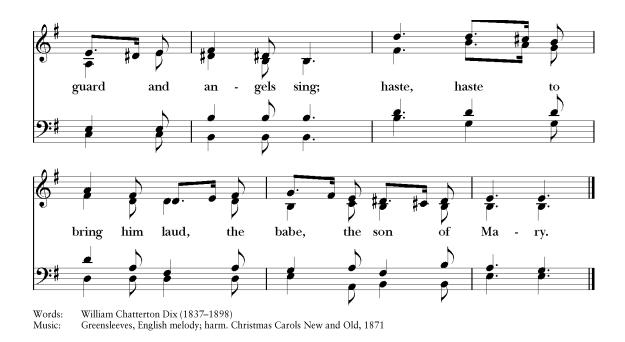
THE EPISTLE

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death--even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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GOSPEL HYMN standing

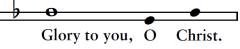




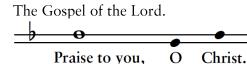
THE GOSPEL The Deacon or Priest intones

Luke 2:15-21

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.



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. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.



SERMON

The Rev. Daniel Simons

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

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, She* is worshipped and glorified. She 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.

*Holy Spirit in biblical languages is a feminine-gendered word, and we use the feminine pronoun here to highlight that aspect of God's fullness.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of wonder, in this holy season you become one of us. Startle us with your good news, and be born in our hearts, we pray.

Prince of Peace, you disarm the forces of violence. End all war and hatred, and unite every people and nation.

God above every name, be born in our hearts, we pray.

Child of the stable, you appear among the poor and the excluded. Reveal yourself to us in the forgotten and the dismissed.

God above every name, be born in our hearts, we pray.

Word made flesh, you sanctify our bodies with your presence. Teach us to treat the bodies of others and of ourselves with dignity and respect.

God above every name, be born in our hearts, we pray.

Vulnerable Savior, you know what it is like to suffer and be in need. Attend to those who yearn for your healing, including those whom now name: *(Please speak aloud or offer in silence the names of those for whom you are praying)*

God above every name, be born in our hearts, we pray.

Delight of the angels, you travel the distance between heaven and earth. Bring all who have died to the glories of your eternal home. (*Please speak aloud or offer in silence the names of those for whom you are praying*)

God above every name, be born in our hearts, we pray.

God above every name, you arrive in our lives in ways we neither anticipate nor comprehend. May we so marvel at the mystery of your Love come among us that our hearts are renewed and our lives are transformed as you are daily born within us. In the name of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with those around you.

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MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

A New Year Carol

Here we bring new water from the well so clear For to worship God with, this happy New Year

Sing levy dew, sing levy dew, the water and the wine; The seven bright gold wires and the bugles that do shine.

Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her toe, Open you the West Door, and turn the Old Year go. Sing levy dew, sing levy dew, etc.

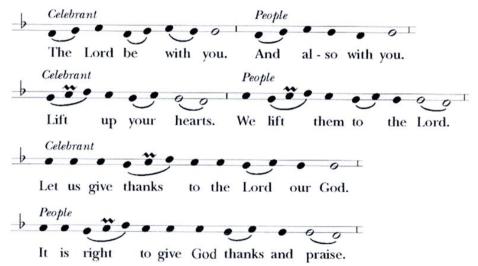
Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her chin, Open you the East Door, and let the New Year in. Sing levy dew, sing levy dew, etc. Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY standing



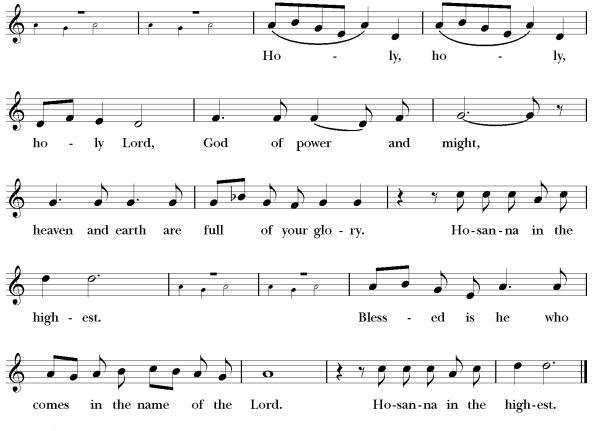
Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1861Music: Grafton, melody from Chants ordinaires de l'Office Divin, 1861; harm. Songs of Praise, 1925

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



O Eternal Wisdom, we praise you and give you thanks, because you emptied yourself of power and became foolishness for our sake; for on this day you were delivered as one of us, a baby needy and naked, born into poverty and exile, to proclaim the good news to the poor, and to let the imprisoned go free. Therefore, we sing with the hosts of heaven, with the angels, and with all those who have loved you throughout the ages, and we praise your name, evermore singing:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS



Setting: William Mathias (1934-1992)

Blessed is our brother Jesus, bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh; who, on the night when he was delivered over to death, gathered his friends, took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and said: "This is my body, given for you." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, for the remembrance of me."

Be among us now as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



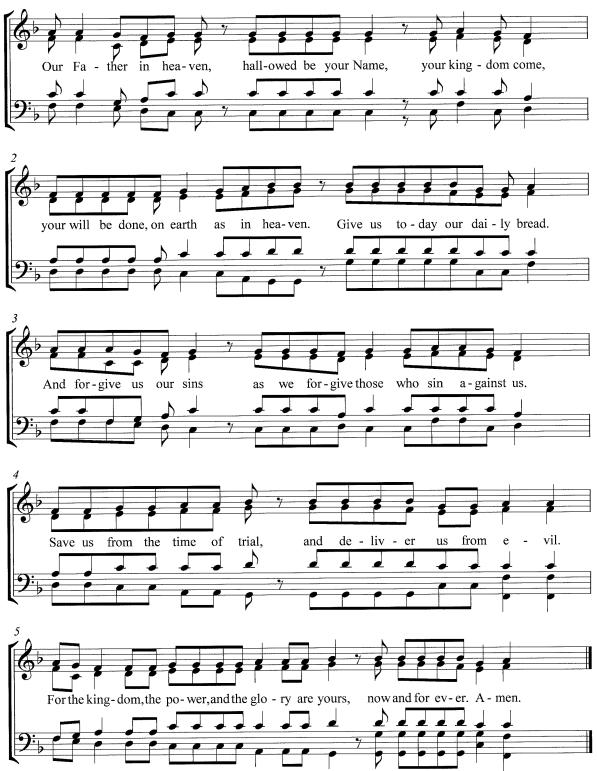
Setting: Jackson Hill (b. 1941)

Come now, Holy Spirit, embrace us with your comforting power. Brood over these bodily things, and make us one body in Christ. As Mary's "Yes" brought forth your Son, may Christ be ever born in us for the life of the world. All this we pray in the risen life of the one who unites heaven and earth, your son, Jesus Christ, through whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all power and glory are yours, now and for ever,



Music: McNeil Robinson II (1943-2015)

THE LORD'S PRAYER



setting: Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov (1844-1908); adapted.

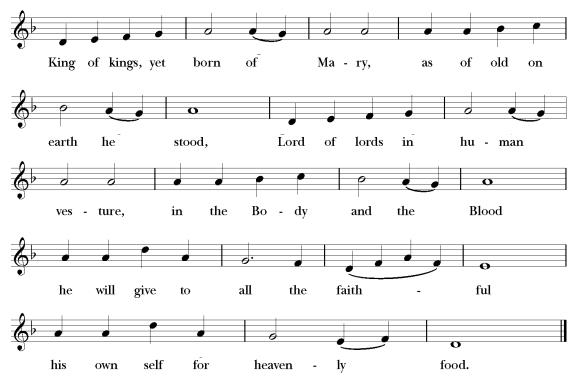
The Communion

The Celebrant breaks the bread and invites the People to Communion, saying

This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Everyone is welcome to receive the bread and wine of Communion. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Gluten-free hosts are available upon request, grape juice is available in the blue-dot cups. Healing prayer is available in the side aisles for those wishing to pray with someone for any need in their lives.

All sing together as the distribution of Communion begins.



Words:Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885)Music:Picardy, French Carol (17th cent.)

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. 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, Eternal Majesty, Incarnate Word, and Abiding Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

HYMN IN PROCESSION



Words: Charles Wesley (1707–1788), alt SEP

Music: Mendelssohn, Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847); adapt. William H. Cummings (1831–1915)

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

Organ Voluntary

Praeludium – Herman Schroeder(1904-1984)

Coming up at St. Paul's

Holy Eucharist in Commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King January 15, 9:00am and 11:00am

THE WORSHIP IS OVER - THE SERVICE BEGINS

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