



Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill

Episcopal/Anglican

Alexandria, Virginia



The First Sunday After Christmas

December 30, 2018

Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10:30 a.m.

Page references are for The Book of Common Prayer.

Large Print Prayer Books are available; please request one from an usher.

*A professionally-staffed nursery is located in the south corner of the building (to the right as you face the organ);
restrooms are located on either side of the double wooden doors.*

In respect for those wishing to pray before the service begins, the congregation is asked to remain as quiet as possible.

Prelude:

Processional Hymn 99 “Go, tell it on the mountain”

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Opening Acclamation

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

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

The Collect for Purity

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Trisagion (S102, found in the front of The Hymnal 1982)

Archangelsky

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Isaiah 61:10 - 62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 147 *Laudate Dominum*

- 1 Hallelujah!
How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!
- 2 The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; *
he gathers the exiles of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted *
and binds up their wounds.

- 4 He counts the number of the stars *
and calls them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; *
there is no limit to his wisdom.
- 6 The Lord lifts up the lowly, *
but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; *
make music to our God upon the harp.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds *
and prepares rain for the earth;
- 9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains *
and green plants to serve mankind.
- 10 He provides food for flocks and herds *
and for the young ravens when they cry.
- 11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; *
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
- 12 But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, *
in those who await his gracious favor.
- 13 Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; *
praise your God, O Zion;
- 14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *
he has blessed your children within you.
- 15 He has established peace on your borders; *
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
- 16 He sends out his command to the earth, *
and his word runs very swiftly.
- 17 He gives snow like wool; *
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
- 18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; *
who can stand against his cold?
- 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 20 He declares his word to Jacob, *
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
- 21 He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments.
Hallelujah!

The Epistle: Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

The Word of the Lord

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual Hymn 96 “Angels we have heard on high”

Gloria

The Holy Gospel: John 1:1-18

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John

Response: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

The Gospel of the Lord

Response: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon: The Rev. Rachel Rickenbaker

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People:

After the Intercessor says “Lord of all creation,”
the congregation responds “*Come and dwell among us.*”

Confession of Sin & Absolution

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The Peace

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Organ Solo

The Doxology

Old 10

*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: Eucharistic Prayer B

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Sanctus (Please see insert)

Jane Tavernier

(Please stand, kneel or sit, as you are able.)

The Lord's Prayer

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

Response: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Agnus Dei (Please see insert)

Jane Tavernier

All baptized Christians are welcomed and encouraged to receive Holy Communion.

If you wish to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest.

Gluten-free hosts are available on request from the clergy.

Music during Communion

Hymn 78 "O little town of Bethlehem"

Forest Green

Hymn 82 "Of the Father's love begotten"

Divinum mysterium

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 109 "The first Nowell the angel did say"

The First Nowell

The Dismissal

Postlude:

Serving at this Eucharist: *Acolyte:* Elise Lein; *Altar Guild:* Brooke Roberts; *Chalice:* Marcia MacDonald; *Flower Guild:* The Immanuel Flower Guild; *Reader:* Mary Ann Rehnke; *Intercessor:* Natalie Doyle-Hennin; *Ushers:* Madeline Mitchell; *Coffee Host:* Carrie Cuddy; *Musician:* Daryl Ott; *Audio-Visual:* Katherine Maas; *Vestry Greeter:* Martha Shimkin; *Vestry Counter:* John Bednar; *Celebrant:* The Rev. Jan A. Maas