

The Nativity of our Lord



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT WITH HOLY EUCHARIST RECEIVED SPIRITUALLY

December 23, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Performed Online and at Immanuel Chapel

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL

Episcopal /Anglican
Alexandria, Virginia

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Melchior

Corinne Cowan
Caspar

Rachel Wilson
Balthazar

Sydney Onley
Isaiah
The Angel Gabriel

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The Prophet Micah

Grace Wensing
Prophet 3

Rayna Johnson
The Virgin Mary

Sophie Johnson
Sheep

Grace Wensing
Elizabeth

Celeste Rush
Donkey

THE IMMANUEL CHRISTMAS QUARTET

Felicity Amos, mezzo-soprano
Emily Riley, soprano
Allan Gervacio, tenor
Vasili Varfis, bass



HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

Prelude: Noël Nouvelet

Traditional French Carol

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People: *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Music by the choir: We Three Kings, O Little Town of Bethlehem, Away in a Manger,
Angels We Have Heard on High, Silent Night

The Prayers of the People: Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

Silence

Welcome from The Assistant Rector

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Doxology: Hymn 380, verse 3

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*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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The people remain standing. The Celebrant, continues:

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: ***And also with you.***
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: ***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.***

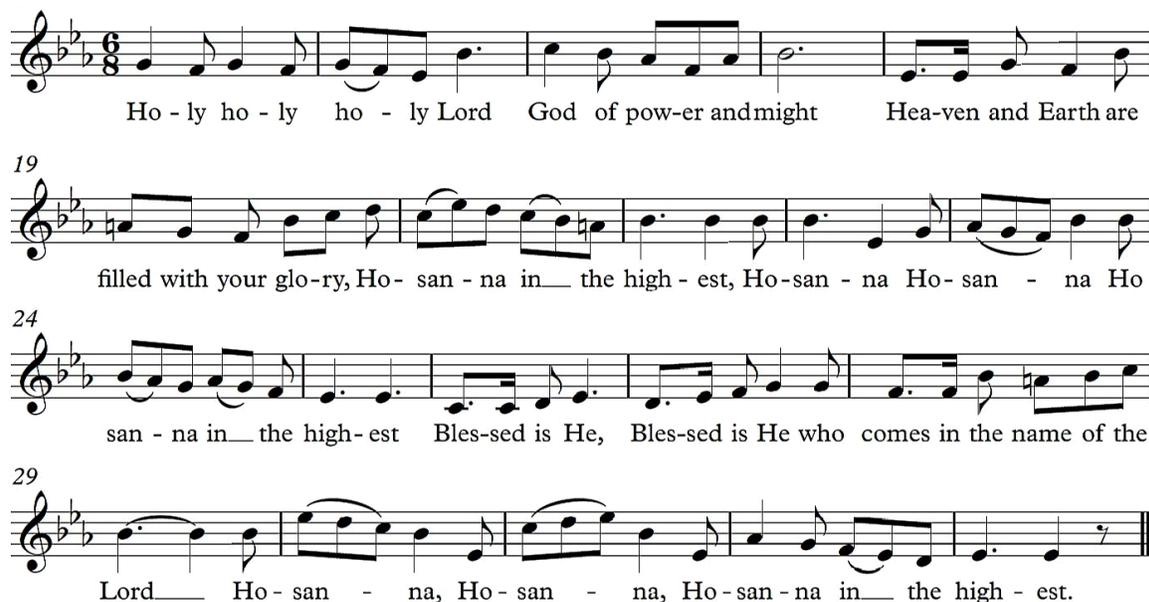
The Celebrant proceeds:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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 (from A Mass for Immanuel)

Jane Tavernier



Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord God of pow-er and might Hea-ven and Earth are
filled with your glo-ry, Ho- san - na in_ the high - est, Ho-san - na Ho- san - na Ho
san - na in_ the high- est Bles-sed is He, Bles-sed is He who comes in the name of the
Lord_ Ho- san - na, Ho- san - na, Ho-san - na in_ the high - est.

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;***

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 ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Joseph 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,

People and Celebrant

***Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Given 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,
for ever and ever.
Amen***

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

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

Agnus Dei (from A Mass for Immanuel)

Jane Tavernier

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Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world

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Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world

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Have mercy Have mercy Have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God, for the People of God.

*People: Faithful God,
in the wonder of your wisdom and love,
you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels
and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.
Though we cannot now consume
these gifts of bread and wine together,
we thank you that we have received Christ's presence,
the forgiveness of sins,
and all other benefits of Christ's passion and resurrection.
By the power of the Holy Spirit,
may we embody your love,
be renewed for your service,
and be reflections of the awakened and risen Lord.
Amen.*

Post Communion Prayer

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant 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 Christmas Blessing

May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one all things earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; 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

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude: Variation on Joy to the World

Hal H. Hopson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMASTIDE



2020

December 24	5:00 p.m.	Christmas Spiritual Holy Eucharist	YouTube Channel
December 25	11:00 a.m.	Christmas Day Holy Eucharist	YouTube Channel
December 27	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite II	Via Zoom and YouTube

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January 3	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite II with Children's Homily	Via Zoom and YouTube
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CHRISTMAS EVE HOLY EUCHARIST

December 24, 2020 at 5p.m.



Photo courtesy of Virginia

Weather permitting, please join us for a special outdoor **Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist at Sunset, 5:00 p.m.** broadcast live online from the Immanuel Chapel directly to Immanuel's YouTube channel.

Look for the most up-to-date details in your weekly email.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Christmas Morning Holy Eucharist
December 25th at 11a.m.
[Immanuel's YouTube Channel](#)

Visit our website www.icoh.net, at the top middle-right of the landing page in the purple "Worship Schedule", box, click on the text "YouTube here".

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 1:14

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