

*Celebrating Christ's Presence
In a Changing World*

St. Paul's Episcopal Church



**EPIPHANY OF THE
LORD**

January 2, 2022

10:30 am



Prelude: *Still, Still Still/Away in a Manger*
Sandra Eithun (1963-)

Welcome by the Rev. Sarah Hurlbert

EPIPHANY PAGEANT 2021

Hymns: (*With narration between each one*)

O Come, O Come Emmanuel
Once in Royal David's City

Michelle Gibson, tenor recorder
Worship and Rejoice #183 (v. 1)
(sung by congregation)

O Little Town of Bethlehem
Mary, Did You Know?

Michelle Gibson, handbells
Romelle Frey, flute

Sing a Song of Bethlehem

Julie Baglien, piano

In the Bleak Midwinter

Christy Randall, soprano

Angels We Have Heard on High

Worship and Rejoice #188 (v. 1)
(sung by congregation)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Worship and Rejoice #185 (v. 1 & 2)
(sung by congregation)

We Three Kings

Romelle Frey, flute

Joy to the World

Worship and Rejoice #179
(sung by congregation)

Prayers of the People

Intercessor: As we pray for the world please respond to each petition with the words “teach us your mercy”...

Intercessor: God of our beginning and our end, we confess to you that we live in a world that needs your mercy now more than ever. As we celebrate joyfully the coming of your son, we give thanks for those serving in our military, all first responders and our teachers. Gracious God,

People **Teach us your mercy.**

Intercessor We pray especially for children in places of violence, who hunger for love and compassion. Gracious God,

People **Teach us your mercy.**

Intercessor We pray for our leaders that they may govern with righteousness and not for personal gain, and that they may exercise compassion and lead by their own example. Gracious God,

People **Teach us your mercy.**

Intercessor We pray for those suffering from addiction, unemployment or poverty and need our help and hope. Gracious God,

People **Teach us your mercy.**

Intercessor We pray for the leaders and people of all faithful communities that seek to heal the world, who preach love in the face of hate and welcome the stranger as a friend. Gracious God,

People **Teach us your mercy.**

Intercessor We pray for those who are sick who wait for healing and peace. Especially(____)... Gracious God,
People **Teach us your mercy.**

Intercessor We pray for those who call the Interfaith Shelter their home this season, who fear the unknown and who search for connection and compassion. Gracious God,
People **Teach us your mercy.**

Intercessor We pray for those who have died who are now living in light with You. Gracious God,
People **Teach us your mercy.**

Intercessor We pray for those who have lost loved ones and find the holidays difficult where joy is hard to find. Gracious God,
People **Teach us your mercy.**

Celebrant: We trust that you are a God of righteousness, mercy, and steadfast love. We hope for the day when you will wipe away every tear and death and pain will be no more. Until that day comes, teach us your mercy and forget not your children. This we pray in you holy and merciful name. **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.
(silence is kept)

All **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Celebrant,

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements - Birthdays: Peggy Wilds, Margaret Lloyd, Dee Hurlbert, Jo Alipit, Dana Burkey. Sandra Kilian, Kim Perlos, & Tom Holsinger-Friesen.
Anniversaries?

The Holy Communion

The Presider says,

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *-Ephesians 5:2*

Meditation *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

Sandra Eithun (1963-)

(please kneel or stand as you are able)

The Great Thanksgiving

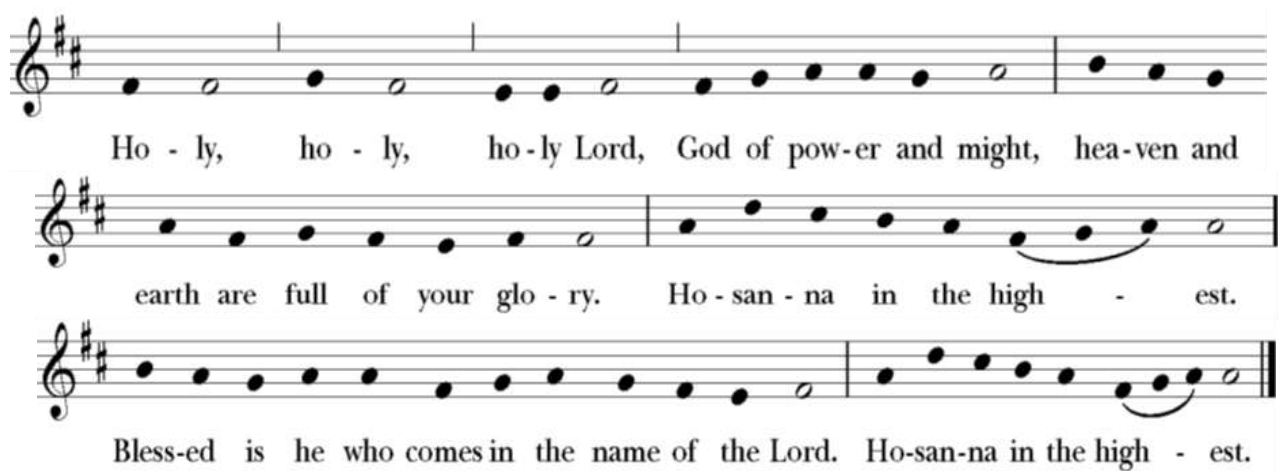
The Great Thanksgiving musical notation consists of four staves. The first staff is for the Celebrant, with lyrics: "The Lord be with you. And also with you." The second staff is for the People, with lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Celebrant, with lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People, with lyrics: "It is right to give him thanks and praise." The notation includes a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are written below the notes, and the staves are labeled "Celebrant" or "People" above the notes.

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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

The Hymnal 1982 #S124



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. 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;**

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 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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Hymn S154

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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.

Communion Hymns

Worship & Rejoice #191

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

Worship & Rejoice #232

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

After Communion, the Celebrant says,

Let us pray.

We pray with those worshipping with us online and here with us:

Celebrant and People,

Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

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 for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Celebrant blesses the people, saying,

Life is short, and we have too little time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind....
and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. **Amen**

Closing Hymn: Worship & Rejoice #198
Good Christian Friends Rejoice!

Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*
Sandra Eithun (1963-)

❖ ALTAR FLOWERS for today are GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD
and IN LOVING MEMORY of my husband Robert by Suzi Howe.

Worship Ministers:

The Rev. Sarah Hurlbert; The Rev. Melissa Congleton;

Julie Baglien, Organist;

Samuel, Intercessor & LEM

Sandra Kilian, LEM; Sue Hammett, LEM & Acolyte;

Christie Swanson & Laura Orr, Ushers

Special thanks as always, to our tech team - for their faithfulness & expertise!

A Special **THANK YOU** to Rev. Melissa and Kim Perlos, for all your hard work putting together the Epiphany Pageant; all our talented vocalists and musicians, and most of all to the wonderful young parishioners of St. Paul's for their participation!



Please join us after the service today to help de-green the church!

Announcements

- NO ECW Meeting in January. Due to the expected rise in Omicron cases, the January tour of the SOAR House has been RESCHEDULED to Saturday, April 2.
- Christian education for K-12 resumes between Sunday services from 9:15 to 10:15AM next Sunday, January 9th.
- SAVE THE DATE: Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held in-person this year after the 10:30 am service on Sunday, January 23rd.

St. Paul's Weekly Calendar

1/2/2022 – 1/9/2022

Day	Activity	Time	Location
SUNDAY 	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist/ Epiphany Pageant Coffee Hour	8:00 am 10:30 am	Sanctuary Sanctuary Holy Spirit Hall
MONDAY			
TUESDAY	Cardio Drumming Toastmasters	5:15 pm 6:00 pm	Holy Spirit Hall Sm. Dining Room
WEDNESDAY	Bible Study Holy Eucharist FB Live Compline Service	10:30 am 12:15 pm 8:00 pm	Sm. Dining Room Chapel Facebook
THURSDAY	Cardio Drumming Handbells	5:15 pm 6:00 pm	Holy Spirit Hall Chapel
FRIDAY			
SATURDAY			
SUNDAY	Holy Eucharist Adult Forum Church School Holy Eucharist/ Coffee Hour	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am	Sanctuary Sm. Dining Room Upstairs Classrooms Sanctuary Holy Spirit Hall

Worship and Rejoice #183 (v. 1)

Once in Royal David's City

Once in royal David's city
stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby
in a manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little child.

Worship and Rejoice #188 (v. 1)

Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply
echo back their joyous strains.

Refrain:

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

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Worship and Rejoice #185 (v. 1- 2)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King:
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with th'angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Refrain:

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King."

Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of the Virgin's womb:
veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail th'incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel. [*Refrain*]

Gloria
IN EXCELSIS DEO

Worship and Rejoice #179

Joy to the World

Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns;
let all their songs employ;
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sin and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.

Communion Hymn:

Worship & Rejoice #191

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

It came upon the midnight clear,
that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth
to touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on the earth, good will to all,
from heaven's all gracious King":
the world in solemn stillness lay
to hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come,
with peaceful wings unfurled,
and still their heavenly music floats
o'er all the weary world;
above its sad and lowly plains
they bend on hovering wing,
and ever o'er its Babel sounds
the blessed angels sing.

For lo, the days are hastening on,
by prophets seen of old,
when, with the ever-circling years,
shall come the time foretold,
when peace shall over all the earth
its ancient splendors fling,
and all the world give back the song
which now the angels sing.



Communion Hymn:

Worship & Rejoice #232 *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our Lord to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph,
cherubim, with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the Presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
"Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord most high!"

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Closing Hymn:

Worship & Rejoice #198 *Good Christian Friends Rejoice!*

Good Christian friends, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ was born today;
ox and ass before him bow,
and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
now ye hear of endless bliss;
Jesus Christ was born for this;
he has opened heaven's door,
and we are blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
now ye need not fear the grave;
Jesus Christ was born to save;
calls you one and calls you all
to gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save!
Christ was born to save!





And he shall be called

WONDERFUL
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MIGHTY GOD

EVERLASTING

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PRINCE OF PEACE

ISAIAH 9:6



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