



Anglican Parish of Holy Cross

Growing Relationships in Christ

Service of Holy Eucharist

December 24, 2020

Christmas Eve

The Book of Alternative Services (Green Book)

Presiding: The Rev. Dr. Kyle Norman

We Gather Together

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| Call to Worship: Canticle 4, page 76 | Marlene Stevenson |
| Prelude: "Angels We Have Heard On High" – arr: Patricia Sanders..... | Handbells |
| Lighting of the Candles | Solomon Norman |
| Welcome..... | The Rev. Dr. Kyle Norman |
| Solo: "Once in Royal David's City" | Jaydin Richardson |
| Gathering of the Community, page 185 | Carol Tubman |
| Glory to God, page 186..... | Kelly Zeeb |
| Christmas Collect: | Eric Christensen |

Eternal God, this holy night is radiant with the brilliance of your one true light. As we have known the revelation of that light on earth, bring us to see the splendour of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Lighting of the Advent and Christmas Candles

Trenholm-Boyle family

Reader: Jesus said "I am the light of the world. Those who follow me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

All: Come, Lord Jesus, Come Quickly

Reader: The Angels declared to the Shepherds "I bring you good news of Great joy, which will come to all people; for to you is born this day, in the city of David, A saviour. He is Christ The Lord" (Luke2:11). During Advent, we lit candles to remind us of the

gifts Jesus brings to our lives. We lit the candle of HOPE (*light candle of hope*), PEACE (*light candle of peace*), JOY (*light candle of joy*) and LOVE (*light candle of love*). Today we light the Christ Candle to declare that God’s promise has been fulfilled; our saviour has been born. God has come to you and I. O come let us adore him (*light Christ candle*).

All: Almighty God, we believe that Jesus is the Son of God, and the long-awaited Messiah. Help us experience the presence of Jesus in our lives. In celebrating Christ’s birth, may we find our hope to be fulfilled; our peace sealed; our joy complete; and our love made full. Amen.

Solo: “Gentle Mary, Tender Mary” – Jay Althouse Carol Christensen
Children’s Time Shane Noble

We Hear and Proclaim God’s Word

First Reading: Isaiah 62:6-12 Glen Christensen
Psalm 97..... Lisa Boulet and Tyler Rouleau
Second Reading: Titus 3:4-7 Onna Nicolay
Solo: “O Little Town of Bethlehem” Jim Tubman
The Gospel: Luke 2:8-20..... The Rev. Larry Nicolay
Sermon The Rev. Dr. Kyle Norman
Nicene Creed, page 188..... Colin Christensen

We Pray for the Church and the World

Prayers of the People..... Kathryn Bauer

- Those in Need in Our Parish: Doris Kashmanian, Jean Thompson, Greg Hansen, Charlene, Fay Versteegh, Clare Westbury, Marjorie McCarthy Cairns, Brenda Hanna

Confession of Sin, page 191 Elisabeth McDonald
Absolution The Rev. John Gishler
Sharing the Peace of Christ..... Mary Buchanan

We Celebrate the Lord’s Supper

Solo: “In the Bleak Midwinter” Mryka Hall-Beyer
Prayer Over the Gifts, page 273..... Barrie Griffiths
Eucharistic Prayer 3, page 198..... The Rev. Dr. Carmen Maier
The Lord’s Prayer, page 211 Ryan Murphy
The Breaking of the Bread 6, page 213..... The Rev. Dr. Carmen Maier
Hymn: “Silent Night” Recorded in 2015
Receiving Communion
We Go Into the World

Prayer after Communion, page 274.....Anne Davidson
Blessing.....The Rev. Dr. Carmen Maier
Hymn: "The Virgin Mary"
Dismissal..... Brenda Coleopy
Alleluia!
Postlude: "On This Day Earth Shall Ring" – arr: J. Wayne Kerr



Also Assisting Today

Doug Spreeman (Music Director); Members of Handbells Choir: Mary Mason-Leskowitz, Garrett Leskowitz, Mary Buchanan, Dianne Jones, Melanie McBride, Carol Tubman; Jim Tubman (Videographer and Editor)

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