



All Saints Anglican Church

BIBLICAL FAITH + APOSTOLIC ROOTS

December 24, 2024

Christmas Eve—11 pm



HOLY COMMUNION

If you are visiting with us today, please take time to let us get acquainted.

Pick up a “Welcome bag” from one of our greeters, complete the visitor’s card attached, and drop it in our offering plate.

PRELUDE

All Saints Handbell Choir

WELCOME

The congregation stands for the singing of the processional hymn

28 O come, all ye faithful (*vv 1-3,6*)

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;

Come and behold him, born the King of angels;

Refrain: O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord.

God of God, Light of Light eternal,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb:
Very God, Begotten, not created; *Refrain*

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;
Glory to God all Glory in the highest; *Refrain*

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing; *Refrain*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Prayer Book, p. 145

V. For unto us a child is born,

R. **Unto us a son is given.**

The congregation kneels

COLLECT FOR PURITY

p. 124

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

761 KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The congregation stands for the following hymn which is sung in lieu of the Gloria and remains standing for the Collect of the Day

27 **Angels we have heard on high**

Angels, we have heard on high,
Singing sweetly through the night,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their brave delight.

Refrain: Glo...ria in excelsis Deo.
Glo...ria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why these songs of happy cheer?
What great brightness did you see?
What glad tidings did you hear? *Refrain*

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ, the Lord, the newborn King. *Refrain*

See him in a manger laid
Whom the angels praise above;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
While we raise our hearts in love. *Refrain*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

V. The Lord be with you.
R. **And with your spirit.**
V. Let us pray.

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the revelation of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

The congregation may be seated for the first lesson

FIRST LESSON: **Isaiah 9.1-7**

Pew Bible, p. 573

*Please stand for the reading of the Psalm which will be said
responsively by whole verse.*

PSALM: 96

O sing unto the Lord a new song; sing unto the Lord, all the
whole earth.

**Sing unto the Lord and praise his Name; tell of his
salvation from day to day.**

Declare his honor to the nations, and his wonders to all
peoples.

**For the Lord is great, and highly to be praised; he is
more to be feared than all gods.**

As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; but it is
the Lord who made the heavens.

**Glory and majesty are before him; power and honor
are in his sanctuary.**

Ascribe unto the Lord, O you families of the peoples, ascribe
unto the Lord worship and power.

**Ascribe unto the Lord the honor due unto his Name;
bring offerings and come into his courts.**

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole
earth stand in awe of him.

**Tell it out among the nations, "The Lord is King;
it is he who has made the world so firm that it
cannot be moved; he shall judge the peoples
righteously."**

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea
make a noise, and all that is therein.

**Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it;
then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice
before the Lord.**

For he comes, for he comes to judge the earth, and with
righteousness to judge the world, and the peoples
with his truth.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The congregation may be seated for the second lesson

EPISTLE: Titus 2.11-14

Pew Bible, p. 998

Please stand for the singing of the gradual hymn and remain standing until invited to sit by the preacher.

62 O Little town of Bethlehem (*verses 1-2*)

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by;
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight

For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.

O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth!
And praises sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth

789 Gloria tibi

V. The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Saint...

R. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

GOSPEL: Luke 2.1-20

Pew Bible, p. 857

V. The Gospel of the Lord

R. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

62 O Little town of Bethlehem (*verses 3,5*)

How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heav'n.
No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive him, still
The dear Christ enters in.

O holy child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray!
Cast out our sin and enter in; Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;
O come with us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.

SERMON: **The Nativity According to St. John** *Fr. Michael*

The congregation stands for the Nicene Creed

NICENE CREED

Prayer Book, p. 127

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten 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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and 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,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.**

All kneel for the prayers and confession

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Book p. 128

At the conclusion of each petition is said:

Reader Lord, in your mercy:
People **Hear our prayer.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

p. 129

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence. The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your
ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION & COMFORTABLE WORDS

p. 130

The congregation stands for the exchange of peace

PEACE

V. The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

R. **And with your spirit.**

Please be seated for the announcements

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The congregation stands for the Doxology

208 *Doxology*

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.

PRESENTATION

V. ...All things come from you, O LORD,

R. **And of your own have we given you.**

SURSUM CORDA

Prayer Book, p. 132

V. The Lord be with you.

R. **And with your spirit.**

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, our duty and our joy, 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 Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary his mother, was made truly man, yet without the stain of sin, that we might be cleansed from sin and given the right to become your children. Therefore...

SANCTUS

Schubert

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might, (2x)
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in
the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

All kneel during the Eucharistic Prayer

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Prayer Book, p. 132

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

p. 133

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*The congregation is invited to join in the conclusion of the
Eucharistic prayer:*

**...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.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Book p. 134

**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.**

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Prayer Book p. 135

**We do not presume to come to this your table,
O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,**

but in your abundant and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up
the crumbs under your table;
but you are the same Lord
whose character is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean
by his body, and our souls washed
through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him,
and he in us. Amen.

AGNUS DEI

Prayer Book p. 136

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Grant us your peace.

All visitors are welcome to receive Holy Communion who have been baptized with water in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and who receive Communion in their own church.

Children are encouraged to come to the altar rail with their parents and participate in the Lord's Supper if they have been baptized and taught the meaning of Communion; if they are not yet ready to receive, they may cross their arms and receive a blessing.

Those who may have difficulty coming to the communion rail, may speak to one of the ushers and a member of the clergy will bring communion to you in your seat.

INSTRUMENTAL:

Kelly Abrams, Harp

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What Child is this

What child is this, who, laid to rest
On Mary's lap, is sleeping,
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain: This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard
and angels sing.
Haste, haste to bring him laud,
The babe, the son of Mary.



Why lies he in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading. *Refrain*

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh;
Come, peasant, king, to own him.
The King of kings salvation brings;
Let loving hearts enthrone him. *Refrain*

Please stand for the singing of the post-communion hymn

70

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 the angelic host proclaim,
“Christ is born in Bethlehem!”
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 the incarnate Deity,
Pleased as man with man to dwell;
Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark! The herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!"



Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth,
Hark! The herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Please kneel for the post-communion prayer.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Prayer Book, p. 137

Heavenly Father,

**We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.**

**And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have
given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful
witnesses of Christ our Lord.**

**To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

60 Silent Night

Silent night, holy night; All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night; Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar;
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

CHRISTMAS BLESSING:

May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness. **Amen.**

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel. **Amen.**

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Please stand for the recessional hymn

30 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 world! the Savior reigns;
Let men 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 sins 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, and wonders of his love.

DISMISSAL



UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Day - 10:30 AM	December 25
Church Office Closed	Dec 25-26, Jan 1
No Evening Programs	Dec 25, Jan 1
No Sunday School	December 29
Children’s Epiphany Pageant	January 5



The Christmas 2024 poinsettias and greenery decorating the church are presented by the following families:

Presented By:

Bess, Mike & Loren Davis

Jean Thompson

RC & Ellie Rover

Lori Overson

Doug Williamson

Mike & Suzi Albritton

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David & Sheri Schafer

David Barrett

Ofilo Family

Ray & Robin Spratlin

Ugbajah Family

Becky & Mike Murphy

Randy Cardoza

MaryWall & Dozier Hood

Vince & Pauline Bonura

In Memory Of:

George & Nelly Bonville

Raymond Thompson

*Our Loving Parents, Craig & Bea
Rover and Rob & Kay Graver*

My beloved husband, Tom Overson

My beloved wife Debbie Williamson

*Lane & Opal Albritton, Ken Albritton
Ginger Torres*

*Rush & Jody Stouffer and
Ginny Torres*

*Our parents: Bertie & Marilyn
Wiseman and Frederick & Mary
Lou Schafer*

*Tammy, Gene & Jane Barrett
and Marvin & Carol Thrasher*

*Our parents: Christian Ebom &
Phlorence Grace Ofili;
Grandparents: Elkanah & Alice
Ofili and Leonard & Rachel Caulker*

Ellis & Pat Spratlin and Larry Rolfs

Mr & Mrs Alexander Ugbajah

Our departed family and friends

Kappy Cardoza

My Mom, Turner C. Richardson

*Herman & Hannah
Zimmerman;*

*Vince & Leona Bonura;
Rosemarie Paeth; Barbara
Engler; Charlene Lepianka*

Kathy Kimmell

Robin & Ray Spratlin

The O.K. Kimmell Family

*With fond memories of Helen
Hutchinson, who was always
willing to step in when and
where she was needed*

Presented By:

Ray & Robin Spratlin

Jean Thompson

Ugbajah Family

Joe & Jan Lindsay

French & Ginger Bell

Vince & Pauline Bonura

Becky & Mike Murphy

Steve & Caren Moran

Rusty & Amy Zaring

Randy Cardoza

MaryWall & Dozier Hood

In Thanksgiving For:

Bonnie Rolfs

*My children & grandchildren and
God's many blessings in my life*

My Family; Ugbajah Family

*Our children, grandchildren &
great grandchildren*

*Fr Michael & Elizabeth; Fr Don &
Nancy; Fr Alan & Teresa; Fr Cass
& Audie; Canon Jessica & David*

*Our children, grandchildren &
great grandchildren*

Our children & grandchildren

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our ASAC choir

*Ansley, Anderson, Isabella & William
Cardoza*

26 Christmas' with all my boys

