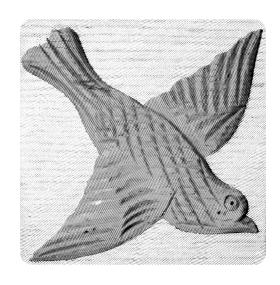


Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

January 5, 2025



Prelude

His Eye is on the Sparrow

Joe Utterback

Processional Hymn

As with gladness men of old

Hymnal 119

The Salutation

BCP 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

The Song of Praise

Angels we have heard on high (stanzas 1 & 4)

Hymnal 96

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lesson

Ieremiah 31:7–14

Thus says the Lord:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;

proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people,

the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,

and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,

among them the blind and the lame, those with child and

those in labor, together;

a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,

and with consolations I will lead them back,

I will let them walk by brooks of water,

in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;

for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock."

For the Lord has ransomed Jacob,

and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,

and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord,

over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd;

their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again.

Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,

and the young men and the old shall be merry.

I will turn their mourning into joy,

I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.

I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,

says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm 84

The cantor will sing the antiphon once; the congregation joins the second time and as indicated.



- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! * My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; * by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! * they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! * whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way. **Antiphon*
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, * for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, * and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
- 7 Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; * hearken, O God of Jacob.
- 8 Behold our defender, O God; * and look upon the face of your Anointed. Antiphon
- 9 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, * and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- 10 For the Lord God is both sun and shield; * he will give grace and glory;
- 11 No good thing will the Lord withhold * from those who walk with integrity.
- 12 O Lord of hosts, *
 happy are they who put their trust in you!

 Antiphon

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

We three kings (st. 3-5 after the Gospel)

Hymnal 128

Holy Gospel

Matthew 2:1–12

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

Then Herod secretly called for the

wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only 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:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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.

The Prayers of the People

adapted from St. John's Abbey

The Word of God, who was made flesh in Jesus Christ, is the source of grace and truth for us and for all people. Let us pray that God's gifts in Christ will change darkness into light for all the world.

That God's wisdom may dwell in those who serve the community of believers, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

That God's justice may dwell in those who are entrusted with public office, let us pray to the Lord; Lord, hear our prayer. Lord, hear our prayer.

That God's light may dwell in those who are overshadowed by sickness, suffering, despair, and other needs, especially ..., let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.

That God's favor may dwell in us who are gathered here, especially those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week: ... let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.

That God's glory may dwell in those who have been called in death to an eternal inheritance, especially ..., let us pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

BCP 360

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.

The Peace

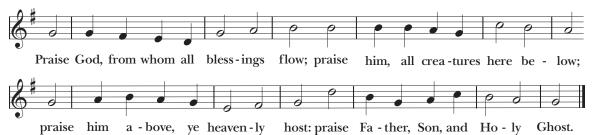
The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist, Prayer B

The full text of the liturgy is found on pages 367–369 of the prayer book.

Offertory Sermon to the Birds Andreas Willcher

Presentation of the Gifts (please stand)



Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.

The Great Thanksgiving

BCP 367

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

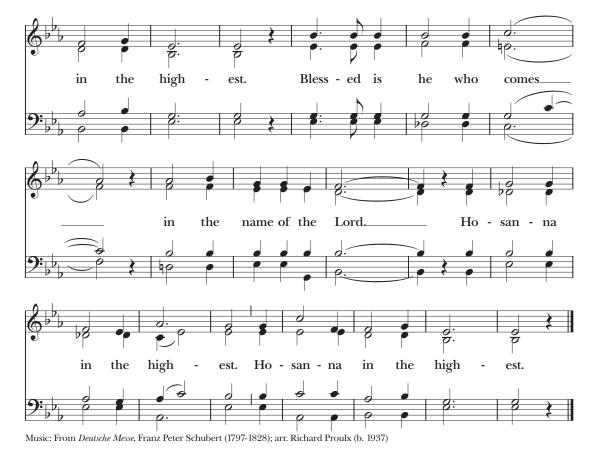
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

... 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 Hymnal S 130





The Eucharistic Proclamation

...Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Great Amen BCP 369

...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.

The Lord's Prayer

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.



Music: From Deutsche Messe; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Communion of the People

We welcome all who wish to come to the Lord's Table. Please wait for the usher to invite you to come forward. If you wish to receive wine, you have two options: you may share the common cup or pick up a small individual cup as you approach. Extend your hands to receive the bread, then the server will offer you the common cup (please touch it and guide it to your mouth) or fill your personal cup if you present it. If you prefer to receive a blessing, simply cross your forearms over your chest.

Communion Hymn Love came down at Christmas Hymnal 84

Communion Music A Dove Flew Down from Heaven Hermann Schroeder

Song of the Flowers Andreas Willcher

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 366

Almighty and everliving God,

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.

Benediction

Recessional Hymn Brightest and best Hymnal 118

Dismissal

... Thanks be to God.

Postlude The Cuckoo Thomas Åberg

Please join us for coffee hour through the side doors immediately after the postlude!

Today, January 5th, 2025 is National Bird Day. In light of this fact, and because of the great loss of bird numbers over the past fifty years, I thought that it would be appropriate to call attention to both of these facts. Therefore, I have chosen to play organ music today that highlights the importance of our feathered friends! I hope you enjoy the birds in our service. — Jay Zoller

Serving Today

Thank you! If you would like to assist with the service occasionally, speak to a minister or greeter for more information.

Organist Jay Zoller

Acolyte Oliver Heiman

Lectors Miriel Ennis & Caroline Beail

Intercessor/Chalice Bearer Rhonda Rowe

Greeters Carla Hansen & Marshall Hansen

Livestream Brad Ely

Coffee Hour Betsy Brandt & Pam Middleton Altar Guild Pam Middleton & Dick Brown

The flowers in front of the lectern are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ruth Pieper by the Pieper family

Calendar

See allsaintsnorthfield.org during the week for event reminders

Wednesday, January 8

5:30PM Holy Eucharist

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

12:15PM Contemplative Prayer

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

9:30AM Sunday School 9:30AM Adult Education 10:30AM Holy Eucharist 11:45AM Coffee Hour 12:15PM Vestry Meeting 5:00PM Epiphany Service

OPM Epiphany Service at the Carleton Chapel

The 2025 Flower Chart is now out for signing up to donate the altar flowers in memory of or in thanksgiving for loved ones. You may bring the flowers yourself and set them on the altar stands or donate \$30, and the All Saints Flower Guild will take care of it. Also, email the church office (office@all-saintsnorthfield.org) with what you would like to be printed in the bulletin.

Vestry meets next Sunday, January 12 at 12:15. We will be finalizing the 2025 proposed budget to present to the parish at the Annual Meeting. Thank you to everyone who has turned in their 2025 pledge. If you would still like to submit a pledge, it is not too late! Contact Pam at pmiddlet58@ gmail.com if you would like a pledge form.

There are several openings on the vestry. If you are interested in serving or nominating someone, please speak with Fr. Cody or Liz Truman. We will be electing new members at the annual meeting.

Following the service on Sunday, January 12, we will be taking down the garland, Advent wreath, bows and creche figures as we enter the season of Epiphany. Please plan to stay to help!

All Saints is hosting an Epiphany service with the Carleton Chaplain's Office on Sunday January 12, 2024 at 5:00pm in Skinner Chapel at Carleton. Dinner will be served afterward. Please plan to join us!

Save the Date! The Annual Meeting is on Sunday January 26th following the service. Please watch the weekly news/bulletin for details about the meeting and lunch!

If you would like for us to make you a nametag (or a replacement nametag), please sign up on the clipboard on the nametag table in the Commons with your name as you would like it printed.

Celebrating their birthdays this week are Cassandra Cook-Quarry, 1/10 and Tim Halverson, 1/10. Best wishes to Cassandra and Tim! If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, and you would like it to be, please email the office with dates.

Senior Warden: Rhonda Rowe Junior Warden: Laura Kay Allen