



**SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**HOLY EUCHARIST (RITE II)**

**CHRISTMAS I**  
**DECEMBER 28, 2014**  
**10:00 AM**

*The opening music offers a time for prayerful meditation.  
Please silence all devices.*

**GATHERING MUSIC**

*Christmas Day*  
*(please stand, if able, at the tolling chime)*

arr. Gustav Holst

**\*OPENING SALUTATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY**

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 355

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

**\*HYMNAL #82**

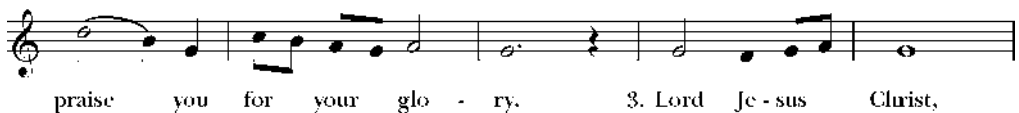
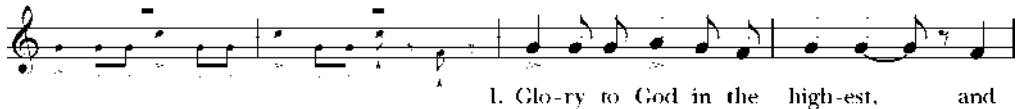
*Of the Father's Love*

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

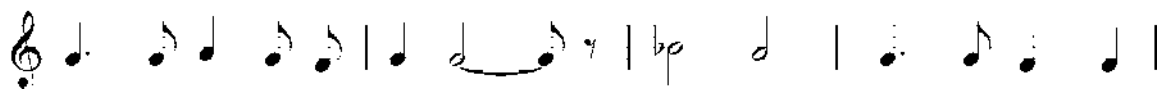
*Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the  
Inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily  
magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.  
*People* **Amen.**

**\*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO**

William Mathias



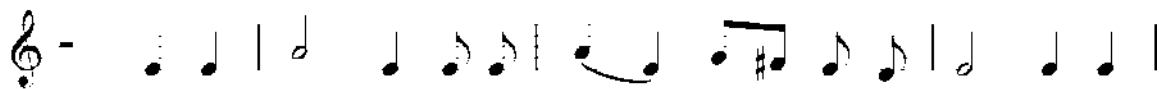
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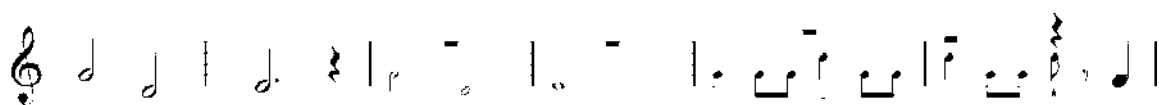
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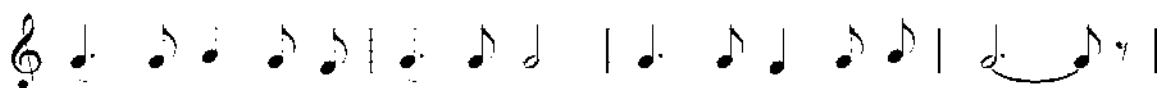
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;




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ceive our prayer. 6. For



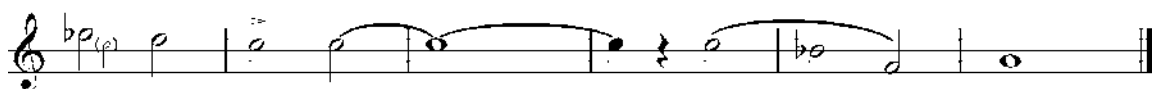
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of



God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**\*COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

***People* And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

***People*            Amen.**

*(congregation is seated following collect)*

**FIRST LESSON            Isaiah 61:10-62:3    *(seated)***

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

***People*            Thanks be to God.**

- 13.    Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; \*  
         praise your God, O Zion;**
- 14.    For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; \*  
         he has blessed your children within you.**
- 15.    He has established peace on your borders; \*  
         he satisfies you with the finest wheat.**
- 16.    He sends out his command to the earth, \*  
         and his word runs very swiftly.**
- 17.    He gives snow like wool; \*  
         he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.**
- 18.    He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; \*  
         who can stand against his cold?**
- 19.    He sends forth his word and melts them; \*  
         he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.**
- 20.    He declares his word to Jacob, \*  
         his statutes and his judgments to Israel.**
- 21.    He has not done so to any other nation; \*  
to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah!**

**SECOND LESSON** Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*(please stand, if able, for the Gospel procession)*

**\*HYMNAL #97**

*Dost Thou in a Manger*

DIES EST LAETITAE

*(stanzas 1-2 sung before the Gospel reading, stanza 3 sung after)*

*Gospeller*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**\*HOLY GOSPEL**      John 1:1-18      (*standing, if able*)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. 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 testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

*Gospeller*      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SERMON**

(*a time of silent reflection follows the sermon*)

**\*NICENE CREED**

*(said by all standing, if able)*

**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.**

*(standing or kneeling according to your custom)*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy.

*People* Hear our prayer.

**COLLECT FOR ST. JOHN'S** *(said together by the congregation)*

Gracious God: by your love you have called us to proclaim with joy the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**CONFESSION OF SIN** (*standing or kneeling, according to your custom*)

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*(silence is observed)*

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**

*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.

*People* **Amen.**

**THE PEACE**

*(congregation stands, if able)*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*(you may exchange signs of God's peace)*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*(seated)*

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*All are invited to share at the Lord's table. At the altar railing you may stand or kneel to receive the bread and the wine. You may drink from the cup or touch the bread to the wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing you may indicate so by crossing your arms. Gluten-free wafers are available on request of the minister distributing bread.*

**OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

**VOCAL DUET**

*Laudamus te from Gloria*

A. Vivaldi

**DOXOLOGY** (Hymnal #380, stanza 3) *(standing, if able)*

OLD 100TH



# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER C

Book of Common Prayer, p. 369

*Celebrant*                                          *People*  
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                                          *People*  
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*  
 It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*(sung monotone)*

- Celebrant*                                          God of all power . . . glory and praise.  
***People***                                                      **Glory to you for ever and ever.**
- Celebrant*                                          At your command . . . our island home.  
***People***                                                      **By your will they were created and have their being.**
- Celebrant*                                          From the primal elements . . . against one another.  
***People***                                                      **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**
- Celebrant*                                          Again and again . . . freedom and peace.  
***People***                                                      **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**
- Celebrant*                                          And therefore . . . in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS

W. Mathias

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven 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.

*Celebrant continues . . .*

And so, Father . . . Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Celebrant*  
**People**

Remembering now . . . sacrifice of thanksgiving.  
**We celebrate his death and resurrection,**  
**as we await the day of his coming.**

*Celebrant*  
**People**

Lord God of our Fathers . . . world in his name.  
**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

*Celebrant*

Accept these our prayers . . . generation to generation.

*People*

A-men.

**LORD'S PRAYER**

*(said by all)*

**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.**

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**FRACTION**

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

**VOCAL SOLO**  
**HYMNAL #324**  
**HYMNAL #115**  
**HYMNAL #333**  
**HYMNAL #325**

*Domine Deus from Gloria*  
*Let All Mortal Flesh*  
*What Child is This*  
*Now the Silence*  
*Let Us Break Bread*

A. Vivaldi  
PICARDY  
GREENSLEEVES  
NOW  
Trad. Spiritual

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*(said by all)*

**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.**

**HYMNAL #100**

*Joy to the World*

ANTIOCH

**BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

*Deacon*      Our worship here has ended.  
                    Now our service in the world begins.  
                    Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

**VOLUNTARY**

*Fantasy on ANTIOCH*

Jayson R. Engquist

*(You are invited to listen to the closing music from the front choir stalls)*

**SERVICE PARTICIPANTS—DECEMBER 28, 2014 AT 10:00 A.M.**

CELEBRANT	The Reverend Kate Bradtmiller
PREACHER	Craig Lemming
DEACON	The Reverend Margaret Thor
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST	Jayson R. Engquist
ST. JOHN'S ADULT CHOIR	
SOLOISTS	Jessica Bandelin, soprano Stephanie Oman, mezzo-soprano
ALTAR GUILD	Dusty Mairs, Susan Aylesworth, Phillip Baird, Shirley Cooper, Phyllis Frisby, Patty Byrne Pfalz
VERGER	Phillip Baird
READERS	Joan Potter
ACOLYTES	Tim Krall, Caroline Krall, Linnea Krall, Sabine Krall
USHERS	George Kinkead, Mason Kinkead, Jeff Olsen, Peggy Olsen
GREETERS	Jennifer Kinkead, Lea Anne Schmidt
COFFEE HOUR	Marilyn Conklin



**THE PRAYERS**

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

John, Annie, Anna, Ian, Sarah, Evan, Pat, Patti, and Peggy.

**ONGOING PRAYERS FOR**

Pat, Millie, Peter, Ginny, Jack, Camille, Susan, Terry, Shepherd, Christopher, Marge, and Amy.

**PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD**

The Middle East, including Gaza, Israel, Syria, Pakistan and Iraq; for all victims of the Ebola virus; Ferguson, MO; refugees and those who serve them; for all killed and injured in the Pakistani school massacre.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

In thanksgiving for the lives of William E. Ward Jr and Jerry Wagner.

**IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

Pray for the Most Rev. and Rt. Hon. Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; for the Most Rev. Dr. Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop; and for the Rt. Rev. Brian N. Prior, Bishop of the Episcopal Church in Minnesota.

**IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN MINNESOTA'S CYCLE OF PRAYER**

Pray for the foundations that minister to children with special needs, especially for the work of the Sheltering Arms Foundation and for all who work in child protection agencies throughout the State of Minnesota.

**AT ST. JOHN'S**

Kayoro Village, Uganda; Holy Apostles, our companion parish; Hearts to Homes families.

## **WELCOME**

### **GUESTS**

We are delighted that you have come to St. John's to worship God this morning. If this is your first time here, please fill out a guest card and place it in the offering plate, or sign the Visitor's Book at the back of the church. We invite you to make St. John's your church home. Join us downstairs in the Gathering Space, directly beneath the church, for refreshments and fellowship after this service.

### **NURSERY**

St. John's welcomes everyone, including children of all ages, to attend the worship service. For children age 5 and younger, parents can also choose to use the nursery. Care is provided starting at 9:00 am in the Undercroft, right beneath the sanctuary. If, for any reason, you and your child need to leave the church during the service, you can still hear the service in the Undercroft and Nursery. Simply ask the nursery attendant to adjust the sound. During Coffee Hour, nursery workers will supervise children who want to play in the gym. To reach the gym, follow the hall past the music room and through the double doors.

### **RESTROOMS**

Located in the lower level Undercroft down any set of stairs.

### **THANK YOU**

For silencing cell phones and other electronic equipment. Please do not use flash cameras during the worship service.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please refer to announcement insert for upcoming events.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR\*

### **Sunday, December 28—The First Sunday after Christmas**

Holy Eucharist Rite I	8:00 am	Church
St. John's Café	9:00 am	Meditation Room
Children's Choir Rehearsal	9:00 am	Music Room
Adult Choir Rehearsal	9:00 am	Chancel
Godly Play	9:45 am	Classrooms
Sung Eucharist Rite II	10:00 am	Church
Coffee Hour	11:15 am	Gym

### **Monday, December 29**

Men's Alanon Meeting	6:00 pm	Meditation Room
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### **Thursday, January 1**

Office Closed		
Big Book AA Meeting	7:30 pm	Fireside Room

### **Saturday, January 3**

Pageant Rehearsal	10:00 am	
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### **Sunday, January 4**

Holy Eucharist Rite I	8:00 am	Church
St. John's Café	9:00 am	Meditation Room
Children's Choir Rehearsal	9:00 am	Music Room
Adult Choir Rehearsal	9:00 am	Chancel
Sung Eucharist Rite II	10:00 am	Church
Coffee Hour	11:15 am	Gym
Confirmation Class	1:00 pm	Green Room

\*Please visit [www.stjohnsstpaul.org/news-events/calendar/](http://www.stjohnsstpaul.org/news-events/calendar/) for a full calendar of events.

# ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## CLERGY AND STAFF

The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson, <i>Rector</i> .....	651-228-1172 x11
The Reverend Kate Bradtmiller, <i>Associate Rector</i> .....	651-228-1172 x18
The Reverend Margaret Thor, <i>Deacon</i> .....	651-631-8308
Sarah Dull, <i>Parish Administrator</i> .....	651-228-1172 x10
Jayson R. Engquist, <i>Director of Music and Organist</i> .....	651-228-1172 x36
Kate Graber, <i>Handbell Choir Director</i> .....	952-890-3616
Jean Hansen, <i>Children, Youth, &amp; Family Minister</i> .....	952-201-0424
Ivan Holguin, <i>Building Assistant</i> .....	612-246-6774
Mary Kay Knapp, <i>Children's and Youth Choirs Director</i> .....	515-991-8757
The Reverend Barbara Mraz, <i>Writer in Residence</i> .....	651-228-1172 x12
John Oldfield, <i>Office of the Treasurer</i> .....	651-228-1172 x14
Chris Tegeler, <i>Building Manager</i> .....	612-961-0063
Longkee Vang, <i>Youth Ministry Assistant</i> .....	651-503-0450
Elizabeth Watkins, <i>Communications Assistant</i> .....	651-228-1172 x10
Dunfa Weretti, <i>Building Assistant</i> .....	612-545-7816

## VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Phillip Baird, <i>Vergers</i> .....	651-228-1172 x10
Alden Drew, <i>Parish Archivist/Historian</i> .....	612-623-8019
Dorothy Ek, <i>Music Librarian</i> .....	651-228-1172 x38
Paul Rudoj, <i>Composer in Residence</i> .....	603-355-7429
Paige Hagstrom, <i>Coffee Hour Coordinator</i> .....	651-454-0016
Craig Lemming, <i>Compline Coordinator</i> .....	857-891-8780
Don Postema, <i>Senior Warden</i> .....	651-489-3062
Joan Potter, <i>Liturgical Coordinator</i> .....	651-228-1172 x10
Diane Power, <i>Altar Guild Coordinator</i> .....	651-222-1031
George Power, <i>Columbarium Coordinator</i> .....	651-222-1031
Jill Thompson, <i>Lay Reader Coordinator</i> .....	651-330-2601
Jerry Woelfel, <i>Junior Warden</i> .....	651-225-1237