## Lessons & Carols

December 19, 2021



# St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

## **WELCOME**

St. Cyprian's is a welcoming, inclusive, vibrant community of faith, where every person is invited to engage in our worship, mission, and ministry. This booklet contains all you will need for this evening's worship. If you are a visitor in-person, or to our live-streaming service, we would be honored if you would leave your name and email address to keep you informed of news of our church and ministries. WELCOME!

### Lessons & Carols

#### Prelude

#### Music for the Season

"A Christmas Pastorale" – Callahan "Still, Still, Still" – Burton "Prelude on 'Greensleeves'" – Callahan "Stille Nacht" – Burton "Mary, Did You Know" – arr. Larson Caren Umbarger, Violin

Introit

"Prepare the Way"

Barrett

#### Bidding Prayer

Hymn

#### "O come, O come, Emmanuel"



- 1 O come, O come, Em man
- 2 O come, thou Wis dom from
- 3 O come, O come, thou Lord
- 4 O come, thou Root of Jes

el, and ran - som u high, who or - derest on of might, who thy to free thine own from se,



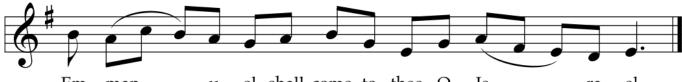
ra - el, that mourns in cap - tive Is lone - ly ile ex all things might path i ly: to us the of knowl - edge tribes on Si nai's height in an - cient times didst give the Sa - tan's tyr an - ny; from depths of hell thy ple



here un - til the Son of God show; and teach us in her ways law in cloud and maj - es - ty save and give them vic-tory o'er

ap - pear.

to go. Re-joice! Re-joice! the grave.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

O come, Desire of nations, bind all peoples in one heart and mind; bid envy, strife, and discord cease; fill the whole world with heaven's peace. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

First Lesson Isaiah 11:1-9

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Second Lesson

Isaiah 40:1-5

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.

Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

#### A voice cries out:

'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.

Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.'

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Third Lesson Jeremiah 31:31–34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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#### "Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken"



- 1 Glo-rious things of thee are spo-ken, Zi on, cit-y of our God.
- 2 Round each hab i ta tion hov-ering, see the cloud and fire ap pear
- 3 See, the streams of liv-ing wa ters, spring-ing from e ter-nal love,



God, whose word can-not be bro - ken, formed thee for a blest a - bode. for a glo - ry and a cov - ering, show-ing that the Lord is near. well sup - ply thy sons and daugh-ters and all fear of want re-move.





On the rock of a - ges found-ed, what can shake thy sure re-pose? Thus de-riv - ing from their ban-ner light by night and shade by day, Who can faint while such a riv - er ev - er flows, their thirst to as-suage?



With sal-va-tion's walls sur-round-ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes. safe they feed up - on the man-na which God gives them when they pray. Grace, so like the Lord the giv-er, nev-er fails from age to age.



Fourth Lesson Luke 1:26-38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.' But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.' Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

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People: Amen. Amen.

Anthem "Ave Maria" Caccini
Choir & Violin



Fifth Lesson Matthew 1:18–23

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.' All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.'

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Anthem

"All on a Silent Night"

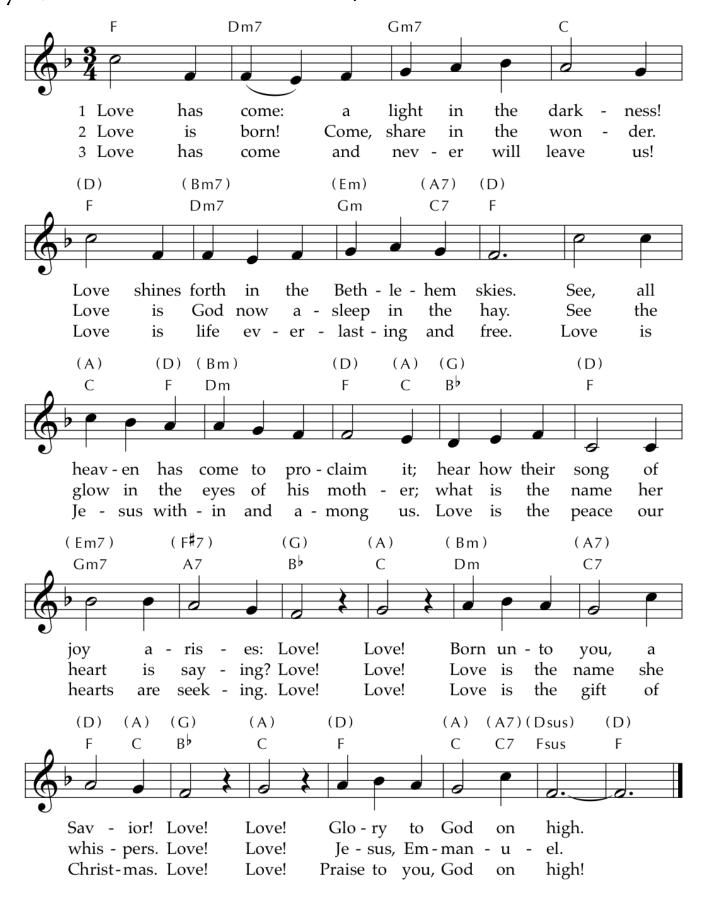
Sixth Lesson Luke 2:1-7

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

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#### "Love Has Come"



Seventh Lesson Luke 2:8–20

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!'

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

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#### "Angels we have heard on high"



Anthem

"Christmas Glory, Hallelujah" arr. Fettke & Grassi

Closing Collect

Anthem "Benedictus" Lewis



Blessing

Postlude

"Sweet Little Jesus Boy" Lanny Ballard, Tenor

Spiritual



Caren Umbarger, Violin

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# <u>Christmas Eve</u> <u>Festival Holy Eucharist</u>

Friday, Dec 24 at 5:30pm In-Person and Live-Streaming on YouTube



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