

# First Sunday after Christmas Day

December 31, 2023



## 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 morning's worship. Information about upcoming events, activities, and ministries are found on the Announcement page. If you are a visitor 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!

### About Our Worship

The worship in this booklet follows the outline of **Holy Eucharist: Rite II** in the **Book of Common Prayer**. The **Eucharistic Prayer** is from **Enriching Our Worship**, a resource for the Episcopal Church's liturgy. The readings from Holy Scripture are from **Lectionary Year B** using the **New Revised Standard Version** of the Bible.

**A Note about Communion** – Our communion is bread and wine (by intinction). The celebrant will dip the bread in the chalice, placing it on your hand. If you do not wish to have the wine, simply let the celebrant know. Those not wishing to receive may come forward for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

PRELUDE

"Mary Had a Baby"

*Gant*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** (*Please stand as able*)

**"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"**

*In Dulce Jubilo*

1 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joi - ce with heart and soul and voice;  
2 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joi - ce with heart and soul and voice;  
3 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joi - ce with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;  
now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!  
now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!

ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.  
He has o - pened heav - en's door, and we are blest for - ev - er - more.  
Calls you one and calls you all to gain the ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!  
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!  
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice". It consists of six systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The music is in 6/8 time and G major. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines. The first system contains the opening line of the hymn, repeated three times. The second system contains the first verse of the hymn. The third system contains the second verse. The fourth system contains the third verse. The fifth system contains the fourth verse. The sixth system contains the fifth verse.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### OPENING ACCLAMATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

*Celebrant* Alleluia! To us a child is born:  
*People* Come, let us adore him. Alleluia!

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

# HYMN OF PRAISE

## "Angels We Have Heard on High"

Gloria



1 An - gels we have heard on high, sweet-ly sing-ing o'er the plains,  
2 Shep-herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro-long?  
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;



and the moun-tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.  
What the glad-some ti - dings be which in-spire your heaven-ly song?  
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.

*Refrain*



Glo - - - ri - a



in ex - cel - sis De - o! Glo -



ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

## THE 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. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 61:10--62:3

<sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>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. <sup>62:1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

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

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

## PSALM 147

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! \*

**how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!**

<sup>2</sup>The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; \*

**he gathers the exiles of Israel.**

<sup>3</sup>He heals the brokenhearted \*

**and binds up their wounds.**

<sup>4</sup>He counts the number of the stars \*

**and calls them all by their names.**

<sup>5</sup>Great is our LORD and mighty in power; \*

**there is no limit to his wisdom.**

<sup>6</sup>The LORD lifts up the lowly, \*

**but casts the wicked to the ground.**

<sup>7</sup>Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; \*

**make music to our God upon the harp.**

<sup>8</sup>He covers the heavens with clouds \*

**and prepares rain for the earth;**

<sup>9</sup>He makes grass to grow upon the mountains \*

**and green plants to serve mankind.**

<sup>10</sup>He provides food for flocks and herds \*

**and for the young ravens when they cry.**

<sup>11</sup>He is not impressed by the might of a horse; \*

**he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;**

<sup>12</sup>But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, \*

**in those who await his gracious favor.**

<sup>13</sup>Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; \*

**praise your God, O Zion;**

<sup>14</sup>For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; \*

**he has blessed your children within you.**

<sup>15</sup>He has established peace on your borders; \*

**he satisfies you with the finest wheat.**

<sup>16</sup>He sends out his command to the earth, \*

**and his word runs very swiftly.**

<sup>17</sup>He gives snow like wool; \*

**he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.**

<sup>18</sup>He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; \*

**who can stand against his cold?**

<sup>19</sup>He sends forth his word and melts them; \*

**he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.**

<sup>20</sup>He declares his word to Jacob, \*

**his statutes and his judgments to Israel.**

<sup>21</sup>He has not done so to any other nation; \*

**to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah!**

## THE SECOND READING

Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed.

<sup>24</sup>Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian. <sup>4:4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. <sup>6</sup>And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL HYMN *(Please stand as able)*

### "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

*Divinum Mysterium*



1 Of the Fa-ther's love be - got - ten, ere the worlds be - gan  
2 By his Word was all cre - at - ed; he com-mand-ed; it  
3 O, that birth for - ev - er bless - ed when the Vir - gin, full  
6 Christ, to thee with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly Ghost,



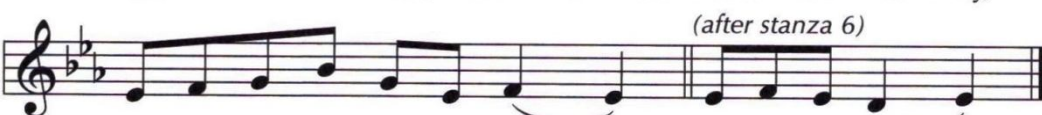
to be, he is Al - pha and O - me - ga; he the  
was done: heaven and earth and depths of o - cean, u - ni -  
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to thee, hymn and chant and high thanks-giv - ing and un -



source, the end - ing he, of the things that are, that  
verse of three in one, all that sees the moon's soft  
Sav - ior of our race, and the babe, the world's Re -  
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min - ion, and e - ter - nal vic - to - ry,



ev - er - more and ev - er - more! A - men.

## THE GOSPEL

**John 1:1-18**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup>in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. <sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup>The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. <sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>(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.'") <sup>16</sup>From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. <sup>17</sup>The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>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.

*Deacon* The Gospel of our Lord.

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

*(A period of silence follows the sermon)*

**The Nicene Creed** *(Please stand as 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.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader For Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Fr. Jim, Deacon Steve and Clerene who is seeking ordained ministry, and for all ordained and lay ministers;

People **For all who serve God in the Church.**

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*The people may add their own petitions aloud, or in the silence of their hearts*

Leader Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*The people may add their own thanksgivings aloud, or in the silence of their hearts*

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;

People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*The people may add their own prayers aloud, or in the silence of their hearts*

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People **Who put their trust in you.**

Leader We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

People **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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 eternal life. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

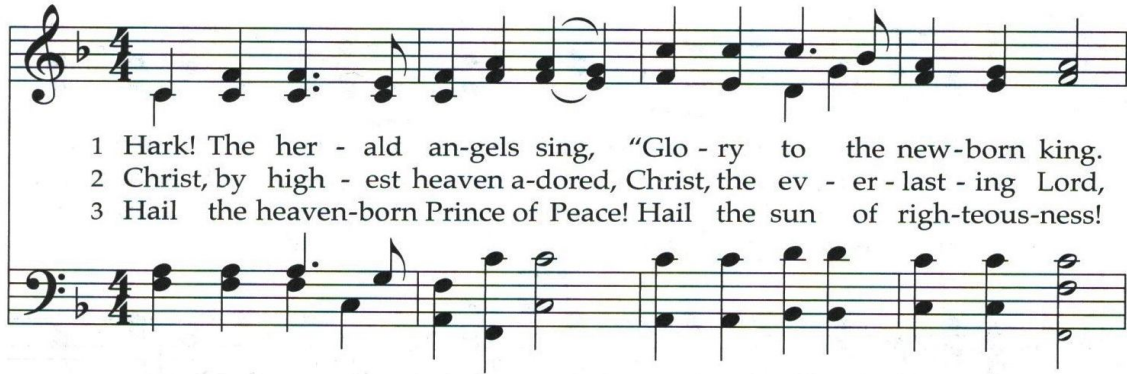


**The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God  
in loving memory of the parents of  
Gail and Bill.**

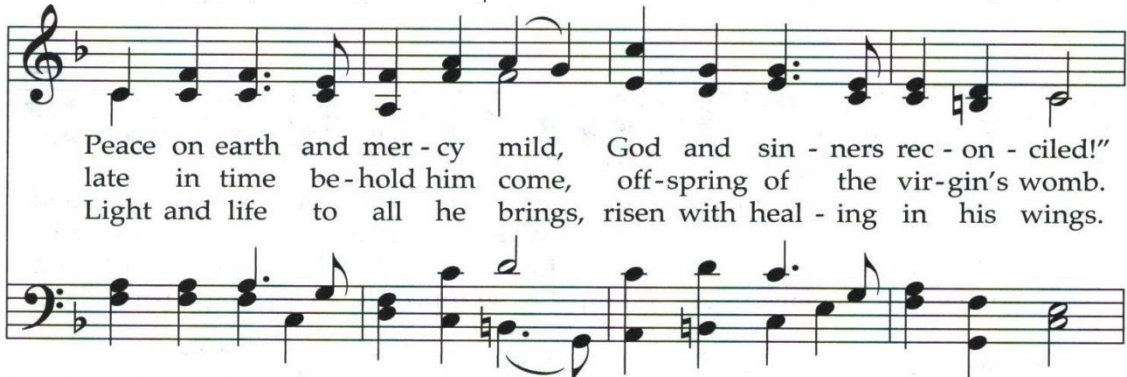
OFFERTORY + PRESENTATION HYMN (Please stand as able)

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

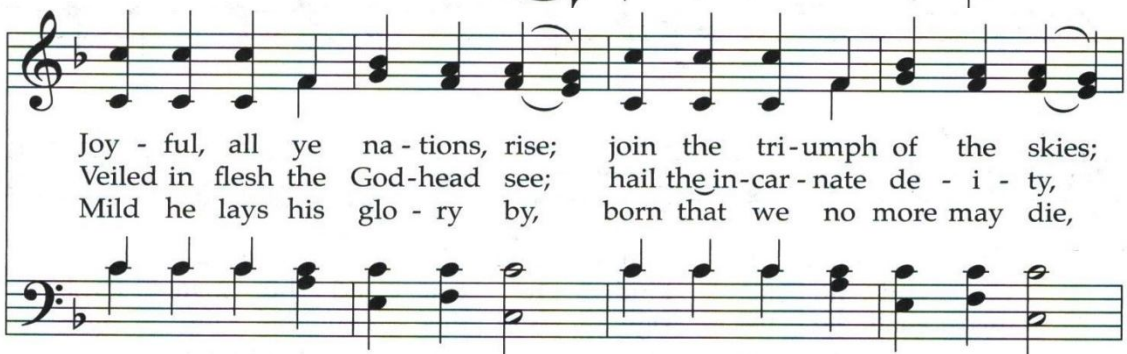
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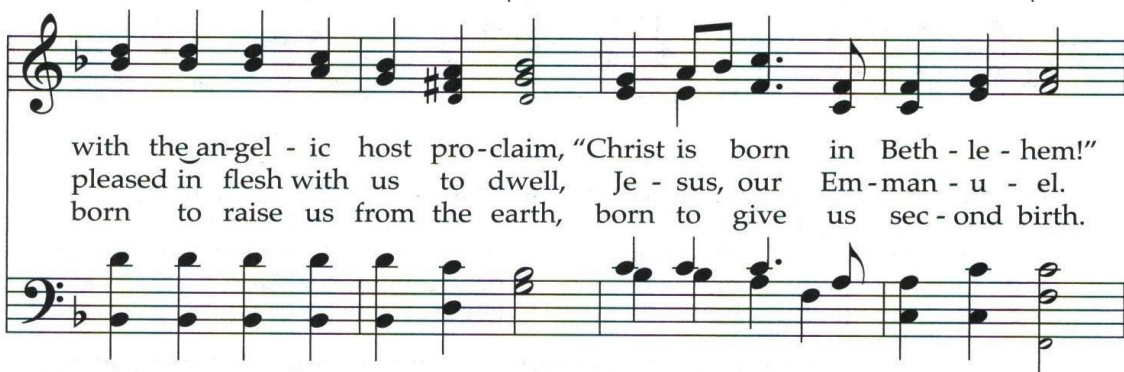
1 Hark! The her - ald an-gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born king.  
2 Christ, by high - est heaven a-dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,  
3 Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the sun of righ-teous-ness!



Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"  
late in time be-hold him come, off-spring of the vir-gin's womb.  
Light and life to all he brings, risen with heal - ing in his wings.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise; join the tri-umph of the skies;  
Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the in-car - nate de - i - ty,  
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



with the an-gel - ic host pro-claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"  
pleased in flesh with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Em-man - u - el.  
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.



Hark! The her - ald an-gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born king!"



# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

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

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

*Celebrant* It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of the  
2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the  
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## *The Celebrant continues*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Blessed Mary, Blessed Cyprian and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN!**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

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

## COMMUNION CHANT

### "Gloria"

*Taize*

*(All sing together)*

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Communion Chant 'Gloria'. The first staff is in G major (one flat) and 6/8 time. It contains the melody for the first line of text: 'Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!'. The second staff is in the same key and time signature and contains the melody for the second line of text: 'Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!'. Both staves have asterisks above the first and third measures, indicating points of emphasis or breath marks. The lyrics are written below the notes.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Loving God,  
we give you thanks  
for restoring us in your image  
and nourishing us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.  
Now send us forth  
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;  
that we may proclaim your love to the world  
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

## BLESSING

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN *(Please stand as able)*

#### "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

*Spiritual*

Go, tell it on the moun-tain, o-ver the hills and ev - ery - where;

go, tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born!

1 While shep-herds kept their watch-ing o'er si - lent flocks by night,  
2 The shep-herds feared and trem-bled when lo! a - bove the earth  
3 Down in a low - ly man - ger the hum - ble Christ was born,

to Refrain

be - hold, through-out the heav-ens there shone a ho - ly light.  
rang out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth.  
and God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ-mas morn.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The first system includes the lyrics 'Go, tell it on the moun-tain, o-ver the hills and ev - ery - where;'. The second system includes 'go, tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born!' and is marked 'Fine'. The third system includes three verses of lyrics. The fourth system includes the lyrics 'to Refrain' and 'be - hold, through-out the heav-ens there shone a ho - ly light. rang out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth. and God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ-mas morn.'.

## DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace, to love and serve God's world.  
People Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

"Joy to the World"

Jones

## **St. Cyprian's Activities & Announcements**

### **Annual Congregational Meeting –Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> in the Mission House after the Service**

There are 4 seats up for election on the Mission Board for 2 year terms. The nominees are:

Lanny Ballard John Miller Sheila Stafford Mignon Williams

Also up for election are the 2 delegates and 2 alternate delegates to Diocesan Convention. The alternate delegates would only serve if for some reason the delegates were not able to attend the Annual Diocesan Convention on September 21, 2024. The nominees for the 2 delegate seats are:

Clerene Romeo Lanny Ballard

The nominees for the 2 alternate delegate seats are:

Melinda Hilsenbeck Lucy Lang

Healing Service – Second Wednesday, Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> at 3pm

### **Zoom Meetings**

**Aging Angels – Tuesdays at 10am**

**Virtual Coffee Hour – Wednesdays at 10am**

**Centering Prayer – Wednesdays at 4:30pm**

**Racial & Social Justice Discussion Group – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays at 10am**

### **Prayer List**

We pray for those known to the people of St. Cyprian's who are ill or who have asked for our prayers: Karen Cash, Theo & Lily Pignataro, Pat Laurencelle, Janet Stowers, Lynelle & Jeff, Penelope, Goody Seymour, Karen Honans, Leila Seibert, Fr. Christopher Martin, Domingo C., Lanny Ballard, Mtr. Celeste Tisdelle, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Anita McDonough, Lynn Timmons, Martha Bailey, Mignon Williams, Jonathan Brunjef, Joe Finnegan, Carrie C., Barb Lofquist, Michelle Curlee, Jane Schwab, Harrison, Brandi Killings, Kenny Brown, Clifford Romeo, Sue Rausch, Pat Ethridge, George Paul, Kirby von Egidy, Henning Toensmann, Carol Ann Romaine, Bobbi Miller, Elise Osako and Jim Colee.

*Those listed below will be prayed for by The Daughters of the King, and members and clergy of St. Cyprians.*

Dennis Edwards, Clayton, Richard & Darlene, Carole Prior, Ron, Jim, Tom, Chloe, Elena, Parker Aune, Penny Rolleston, Alan Turner, Sally Yocum, Isaac Katcher, Roger & Sandy Pinnicks, Susie, Bruce Cudworth, Melissa & Family, Traude, Pam & Dick Sherry, Michael, Lurna, Margaret, Sandy, Diane, Michael Kratz, Diane Radibeau Wise, Dick & Karin Jeter, John Neuman, Donna Bahr, Bev Curry and family, Patricia Maxwell, Anthony Patterson, Jane Rhodes, Anthony & Claire, Raymond & Leslie Stricklen, Cheryl Hundley, Curt Charlton, Susie Calvaruso, The Morrissey Family, Catherine Martin, and Liza Aston.

**About the Prayer List** – To add a name to our Prayer List, with their permission, please call 904-829-8828 or email Deacon Steve at stcyprianssteve@gmail.com. Please let us know when to take off someone's name.

### **St. Cyprian's Staff**

**The Rev. James C. Dannals – Interim Vicar**

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**The Rev. Steve Seibert – Deacon**

**Deacon's Office Hours:** Tues & Wed 9:30am-4pm

**Kathleen Vande Berg – Music Director & Organist**

**Holly Horahan – Office Administrator**

# Stewardship Progress Report

2024 Pledge Goal \$154,000

Thank you so much to everyone who has made their pledge for 2024! If you are still planning to make a commitment to St. Cyprian's in the coming year, we urge you to please turn in your card as soon as possible. A final accounting of the pledges will help us present an accurate 2024 budget at the Annual Congregational Meeting on January 7<sup>th</sup>.

Cards returned so far:	48	Total amount pledged:	\$126,517
# of households who increased their pledge:	27	Average increase amount:	29%

This graph shows the distribution of last year's annual pledges.

