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Midnight Mass The Beauty of Belonging to Christ and His Church To experience and share God's reconciling love

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# WELCOME TO EVERYONE

Please take a moment to TURN OFF all cell phones as the signal interferes with our sound system. Thank you.

Our Head Usher for today is Mrs. Lydia Jemmott.

## Welcome to the church of Christ the King

Welcome to the church of Christ the King. We gather here to experience and Share God's reconciling love. We hope you will encounter God in our music, in His Holy Word, in the Sermon and in the Holy Eucharist. But most of all we hope you will experience God in the love we all share with one another!

#### CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO THE NATION - December 2017



The Most Rev'd & Dr. The Hon. John Holder Bishop of Barbados & Archbishop of the West Indies

Each year at Christmas, the world pauses to celebrate and to acknowledge the significance of this day. The focus, if only for a while, is on an event that has impacted the

world in a manner in which few other events have. This event is the birth of Jesus, Our Lord.

Over the years Christmas has become wrapped in the type of sentimentality and revelry that cloud its profound message. Our celebration on this day, is about far more than the music we enjoy, the exchange of gifts, the eating and the drinking, and all the other practices associated with Christmas.

The story of Our Lord's birth in St. Matthew and St. Luke help us to understand what, and why we are celebrating on this day. They provide for us a message that speaks to the world today in a manner which is relevant and profound. In these stories, the harsh conditions surrounding Our Lord's birth are not glossed over and ignored. They help us to understand the importance of the message that the birth of Our Lord offers to the world.

In St. Matthew, Jesus a symbol of love, freedom, peace and a new beginning, becomes a threat to an establishment symbolised by Herod where the focus is on power and control.

In St. Luke, Jesus is the hope of the poor and the humble. Mary and Joseph, Elizabeth and Zechariah. along with the shepherds are drawn into new experiences, where they are offered the type of recognition and role, that are unusual for those in their social class. They are offered a place in God's great plan of salvation that seeks to transform humanity. It is in the ministry of Jesus, that experiences of this salvation are shared with many persons. The healing of the sick, the feeding of the hungry, the blessing of the children, the hope offered to the destitute, and the promise of the

Kingdom, are the experiences of Salvation that we celebrate at Christmas.

As we celebrate the birth of our Lord, let us be guided by the message of St. Matthew and be experiences of love, freedom and peace, even as Jesus was.

Let us, as well, accept the guidance of St. Luke, and proclaim through our lives the belief that God embraces the poor and humble. We can be experiences of this conviction for the less fortunate even as Jesus was.

Our celebrations at this time should therefore lead to our commitment to be experiences of love, freedom and peace, and so be a source of hope in a world where the very opposite, hatred, conflict and the lack of freedom, are the everyday experiences of many of God's children. May these celebrations motivate us to use the opportunities that are available, to work for peace where there is conflict, and for love and compassion where there is hatred and anger.

When this day has passed let us continue to live its message of peace and love. It is a message that never grows old. It is a message that this world needs to hear and experience each day.

May God grant you a blessed Christmas, and may his love guide and protect you through the coming year.

Your Friend and Bishop + John Barbados

Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts!

# **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

## **Preparation:**

And now as we prepare for worship, let us bow our heads and hearts before Almighty God as Mrs. Gaye Gajadhar leads us in our preparation. *(No applause please)* 

## Let us Pray together the Collect for Purity: Page 101 (BCP)

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** 

## **Opening Prayer:**

#### **Introit Hymn:**

#### **CPWI 665**

- Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed, where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed: Mary was that Mother mild, Jesus Christ her little Child.
- He came down to earth from heaven who is God and Lord of all, and his shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall; with the poor, and mean, and lowly lived on earth our Saviour holy.
- And through all his wondrous childhood, he would honour and obey, love, and watch the lowly Maiden, in whose gentle arms he lay: Christian children all must be mild, obedient, good as he.

- For he is our childhood's pattern, day by day like us he grew, he was little, weak, and helpless, tears and smiles like us he knew; and he feeleth for our sadness, and he shareth in our gladness.
- 5. And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love, for that Child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heaven above; and he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.
- Not in that poor lowly stable, with the oxen standing by,
  we shall see him; but in heaven, set at God's right hand on high; where like stars his children crowned all in white shall wait around.

### Priest: Introduction of the Advent Circle of Light

Dear friends in Christ, during the four Sundays of Advent, our congregation marked our preparation of the coming of Christ both as King and Judge of all and his incarnation on this night as a babe of Bethlehem. We did so each Sunday by lighting a candle on the Advent Wreath. We started on the first Sunday with Vision and Hope. On the second Sunday we added Peace. On the third Sunday we lit the candle of Love, that ingredient that brings warmth to our lives. Then on the fourth Sunday we lit the candle of Joy; not light heartedness or gaiety but a deep inner satisfaction made up of many parts rooted in God's providence. Like the circle of light, however, our life finds its centre in Christ and so we light the Christ Candle on Christmas Eve. It is Jesus who makes all the rest possible. As Christ's light shines within and through us, life's full beauty can be seen. And so tonight we welcome his presence by lighting the Christ Candle.

#### Lighting of the Advent Candle

The Altar party approaches the Advent Candle. The child lights the appropriate candle and says:

#### I Light the Christ Candle to welcome the Christ child.

The child then lights the Christ Candle and then in order, the other candles symbolizing Christ Candle and says: **Hope, Peace, Love and Joy.** 

Let us pray:

All :

O God our Father, on this day your Son Jesus Christ was born of the Virgin Mary for us and for our salvation. Bless this Christ Candle that we have prepared to celebrate the Holy Birth. May all who see it be strengthened in faith, and receive the fullness of the life that He came to bring; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit, He is alive and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

PRIEST: We now light our Christmas Tree and wish you all a Blessed Christmas.

## **Opening Hymn:**

## **CPWI 77**

1. 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, lo, he abhors not the virgin's womb; very God, begotten, not created:

Refrain:

3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing all ye citizens of heaven above: 'Glory to God in the highest:'

#### Refrain:

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

4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning; Jesu, to thee be glory given; Word of the Father now in flesh appearing:

#### Refrain:

## **Opening Sentences:**

## Page 97 (BCP)

#### Christmas

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent His son, born of a woman, born under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. Alleluia. *Galatians* 4: 4-5

or

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light: those who dwell in the land of deep darkness, on them has the light shone. *Isaiah 9:2* 

or

I bring you news of great joy, a joy to be shared by the whole people: today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. *Luke 2:10* 

or

To us a child is born, to us a son is given: and his name will be called the Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

## Acclamation & Prayer of Intent:

## Page 101 (BCP)

#### **PRESIDENT:**

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### ALL

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### ALL

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. Amen.

## The Kyries & Gloria:

Page 102 (BCP)

## THE KYRIES

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

#### **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One; you alone are the Lord; you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### THE COLLECT: Christmas Eve - Page 158 (BCP)

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

## **MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

#### 1st Lesson: Isaiah 9:2-7

Mr. Arleigh Cobham

**READER:** A reading from the word of God, written in Isaiah Chapter 9, beginning to read at the  $2^{nd}$  verse.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

The word of the Lord

ALL : Thanks be to God

## Psalm 96

## Page 594 BCP

#### (congregation remain seated)

- 1. Sing to the LORD a new song; \* sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.
- 2. Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; \* proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3. Declare his glory among the nations \* and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4. For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; \* he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5. As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; \* but it is the LORD who made the heavens.
- 6. Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! \* Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
- 7. Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; \* ascribe to the LORD honor and power.
- 8. Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; \* bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9. Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; \* let the whole earth tremble before him.
- 10. Tell it out among the nations: "The LORD is King! \* he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."
- 11. Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; \* let the field be joyful and all that is therein.
- 12. Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the LORD when he comes, \* when he comes to judge the earth.
- 13. He will judge the world with righteousness \* 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** 

## 2nd Lesson: Titus 2:11-14

**READER:** A reading from the word of God, written in Titus Chapter 2, beginning to read at the 11<sup>th</sup> verse.

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

*The word of the Lord* 

#### ALL : Thanks be to God

### **Gradual Hymn:**

1. A great and mighty wonder, a full and holy cure! The Virgin bears the Infant with virgin-honour pure:

#### Refrain:

repeat the hymn again! 'To God on high be glory, and peace on earth to men.'

2. The Word becomes incarnate, and yet remains on high; and cherubim sing anthems to shepherds from the sky:

#### Refrain

3. While thus they sing your Monarch, those bright angelic bands, rejoice, ye vales and mountains, ye oceans, clap your hands:

#### Refrain

(Final verse after Gospel)

## **CPWI 58**

The Gospel:	Luke 2:1-20	
	(Congregation remain standing for the Gospel)	
PRIEST: ALL:	The Lord be with you And also with you	
PRIEST:	The Holy Gospel according to Luke Chapter 2 beginning to read at the 1 <sup>st</sup> verse	
ALL:	Glory to Christ our Saviour	

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. 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 Savior, 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 favors!" 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.

PRIEST : This is the Gospel of Christ

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord

## **CPWI 58(Final Verse)**

#### Gradual Hymn:

4. Since all he comes to ransom, by all be he adored, the infant born in Bethl'em, the Saviour and the Lord:

#### Refrain

repeat the hymn again! 'To God on high be glory, and peace on earth to men.'

## **THE SERMON:**

**REFLECTION:** (No applause please) Mr. Dwain Gill- Mary Did You Know

#### **The Nicene Creed**

#### Page 104 (BCP)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. of all that is seen or 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, one in 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 was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered, died and was buried. On the third day he rose again in fulfilment of 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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 Bidding Prayer:**

### The Intercessions: Form F (Page 115 BCP) Mrs. Jennifer Spooner

Let us pray for the Church and for all people according to their needs. Lord in your love.

#### ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER Bless and inspire all members of the clergy, especially \_\_\_\_\_\_, our Bishop; \_\_\_\_\_\_, our Priest(s). \_, our ALL

That their lives may be examples of their teaching, and that they may rightly and faithfully administer your holy Sacraments.

#### LEADER

Guide and protect all Heads of State and all who bear rule, especially those in this our (President/Governor-General), \_\_\_\_\_ the Prime Minister, land: and all members of Parliament and all persons serving in Local Government. ALL

That our people may be godly and peacefully governed.

#### LEADER

Direct those who administer justice; and strengthen those who guard and protect the land.

#### ALL

#### That our people may dwell in peace.

#### LEADER

Reveal the common good to those in positions of public trust and to decision-makers in industry and commerce.

#### ALL

#### That freedom and dignity may prevail among us.

#### LEADER

Enlighten with your Spirit all places of education and learning.

#### That the whole world may be filled with the knowledge of your truth.

#### LEADER

Comfort and help all persons who are in any trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially (\_\_\_\_\_).

#### ALL

#### Help us to help them, O Lord.

#### LEADER

Remember our brothers and sisters, (especially \_\_\_\_\_,) and all others who have died in your faith and fear.

#### ALL

#### Grant them peace and eternal life.

#### LEADER

We thank you, heavenly Father, for the witness of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour; for the holy Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles and Martyrs; and all the Saints who have been good examples in their several generations.

#### PRIEST

And finally let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

A period of silence may be kept.

#### ALL

Accept our prayers and intercessions, Father, according to your wisdom, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

## The Act of Penitence:

Page 123 (BCP)

#### PRESIDENT

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

A period of silence shall be kept.

Let us therefore confess our sins.

#### FORM A

#### ALL:

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name. *Amen* 

#### FORM B

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 neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as we ought. 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 ABSOLUTION:**

### Page 124 (BCP)

#### PRESIDENT

Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

## THE GREETING OF PEACE:

Page 124/125 (BCP)

## FORM A

#### PRESIDENT

We are the body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

#### ALL

Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

## FORM B

#### PRESIDENT

If your are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you,

#### ALL

Leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

### FORM C

PRESIDENT

The Kingdom of God is justice, peace, and joy, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

ALL

They who thus serve Christ are acceptable to God and approved by others.

The President shall then greet the congregation.

#### PRESIDENT

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

### ALL And also with you.

The President and people shall greet one another in the name of the Lord.

## Peace Song: MP 83 Come join the celebration

Come and join the celebration, it's a very special day; come and share our jubilation, there's a new King born today!

- 1. See the shepherds hurry down to Bethlehem; gaze in wonder at the Son of God who lay before them. Come and join ...
- 2. Wise men journey, led to worship by a star, kneel in homage, bringing precious gifts from lands afar, so Come and join ...
- 3. 'God is with us,' 'round the world the message bring; He is with us, 'Welcome!' all the bells on earth are pealing. Come and join ...

## **Special Presentation:**

## **Bajan Brass**

#### **Offertory Hymn:**

#### **CPWI 70**

 It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old, from angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold: 'Peace on the earth, good will to men, from heaven's all-glorious King!' the world is solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing.

2.	Still through the cloven skies they come, with peaceful wings unfurled; and s till their heavenly music floats o'er all the weary world: above its sad and lowly plains they bend on hovering wing; and ever o'er its Babel-sounds the blessèd angels sing.
3.	Yet with the woes of sin and strife the world has suffered long; beneath the angel-strain have rolled two thousand years of wrong; and man, at war with man, hears not the love-song which they bring: O hush the noise, ye men of strife, and hear the angels sing.
4.	And ye, beneath life's crushing load, whose forms are bending low, who toil along the climbing way with painful steps and slow, look, now! For glad and golden hours come swiftly on the wing:

look, now! For glad and golden hours come swiftly on the wing; O rest beside the weary road, and hear the angels sing.

Final verse after the Offertory Prayer)

### **The Offertory Prayer:**

## Page 126 (BCP)

#### PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE,

Father, we offer to you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Offertory Hymn:

For lo, the days are hastening on, 5. by prophet-bards foretold, when, with the ever-circling years, comes round the age of gold; when peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendours fling, and the whole world give back the song which now the angels sing.

## **THE EUCHARIST**

## Sursum Corda: (The Lord be with you) Page 126/127 (BCP)

ALL	It is right to give God thanks and praise
PRESIDENT	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
PRESIDENT ALL	Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.
PRESIDENT ALL	The Lord be with you. And also with you.
DDECIDENT	The L and he with you

#### PRESIDENT

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father Almighty, everlasting God:

### The Proper Preface: (Christmas)

#### Page 127 (BCP) Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

## Sanctus: (Holy, Holy, Holy)

Page 131 (BCP)

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### ALL

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might; 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!

## The Eucharistic Prayer D:

Page 140(BCP)

#### PRESIDENT

All glory, praise, and thanksgiving be unto you, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, you created the world and all mankind, and in your tender mercy gave your only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon Him, and to suffer death upon the cross, for our redemption. He made there, by His own oblation of Himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and He instituted, and in His holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of His precious death, until His coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech you; and be pleased to accept, bless and sanctify these gifts and creatures of bread and wine, that they may be for us the Body and Blood of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

For, on the night He was betrayed He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take this, and eat it: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me". And after supper He 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins, Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

PRESIDENT In faith we acclaim You, O Christ ALL: Dying You destroyed our death; Rising You restored our life; Christ Jesus, come in glory.

Now therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we your servants with all your holy people, having in remembrance the blessed passion, mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension of your beloved Son, do offer unto your Divine Majesty this Bread of eternal life and this Cup of everlasting salvation, rendering thanks to you for the wonderful redemption which you have made possible for us in Him.

And we beseech you O Father, to accept upon your heavenly altar this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and to grant that by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in His blood, we and all your whole Church may obtain remission of our sins and all other benefits of His passion.

And we pray that by the power of your Holy Spirit all who shall be partakers of this holy Communion may be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be numbered in the glorious company of your Saints.

And here we offer and present unto you O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice

And although we are unworthy to offer unto you any sacrifice, yet we beseech you to accept this, our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits but pardoning our offenses;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto you, O Father Almighty, throughout all ages, world without end.

ALL: Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer:

PRESIDENT As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

#### ALL

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 for ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread:

PRESIDENT We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

ALL

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

or

PRESIDENT

God of promise, You have prepared a Banquet for us.

ALL

Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

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#### or

PRESIDENT	
This is the true bread which comes from heaven.	
ALL	
Whoever eats this bread will live forever.	
The Agnus Dei: (Lamb of God)	Page 147 (BCP)
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 peace.	

### **Invitation to Communion:**

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### FORM A

#### PRESIDENT

My brothers and sisters in Christ, draw near and receive His Body which He gave for you, and His Blood, which He shed for you. Remember that He died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

## ALL

Grant gracious Lord, that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son, Jesus Christ and drink His blood, that we may evermore dwell in Him and He in us. Amen.

## FORM B

#### PRESIDENT

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## ALL

Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad songs of praise to Him.

## FORM C

#### PRESIDENT

Draw near and receive the Body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ with faith and thanksgiving.

ALL

We do not presume to come to this your table, most merciful Father, trusting in our own righteousness, but only in your boundless mercy. We are not even worthy to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the Lord ever the same, ever merciful. Grant therefore Lord of grace and love that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and drink his blood that with bodies and souls made clean from every stain of sin we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.

## The Administration of Communion:

During the singing of the Communion Hymns, we invite to the Lord's Table all those persons who are communicant members in this church and in their respective churches. "Please remember to place your arms across your chest if you are taking communion by intinction, that is, by the Priest dipping the bread into the wine."

## Communion Hymn: CPWI 73

1. 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.

- 2. Joy to the world, the Saviour reigns; let us our songs employ: while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.
- 3. 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, 4. and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love, and wonders of His love,

#### **Communion Hymn:** Refrain:

### **CPWI 65**

Go tell it on the mountain. over the hills and everywhere; go tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born!

1. While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night, behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light.

#### Refrain

2. The shepherds feared and trembled when lo! above the earth rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Saviour's birth.

#### Refrain

3. Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born, and God sent us salvation that blessèd Christmas morn.

#### Refrain

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; go tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born!

## **Communion Hymn:**

#### **CPWI 82**

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

4. O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray; cast out our sin, and enter in: be born in us to-day. We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell: O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.

#### Communion Hymn: CPWI 79

- 1. O Christ, Redeemer of our race, thou brightness of the Father's face, of him, and with him ever one, ere times and seasons had begun;
- 2. thou that art very Light of light, unfailing hope in sin's dark night, hear thou the prayers thy people pray, the wide world o'er, this blessed day.
- 3. Remember, Lord of life and grace, how once, to save a ruined race, thou didst our very flesh assume in Mary's undefiled womb.
- 4. Today, as year by year its light sheds o'er the world a radiance bright, one precious truth is echoed on, 'tis thou hast saved us, thou alone.
- 5. Thou from the Father's throne didst come to call his banished children home; and heaven, and earth, and sea, and shore his love who sent thee here adore.
- 6. And gladsome too are we today, whose guilt thy blood has washed away; redeemed the new-made song we sing; it is the birthday of our King.
- 7. O Lord, the virgin-born, to thee eternal praise and glory be, whom with the Father we adore and Holy Ghost for evermore.

Communion Hymn: CPWI 91				
1.	While shepherds watched their flocks by night, all seated on the ground, the angel of the Lord came down, and glory shone around.			
2.	<ul><li>'Fear not,' said he (for mighty dread had seized their troubled mind);</li><li>'Glad tidings of great joy I bring to you and all mankind.</li></ul>			
3.	'To you in David's town this day is born of David's line a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord; and this shall be the sign:			
4.	'The heavenly Babe you there shall find to human view displayed, all meanly wrapped in swathing bands, and in a manger laid.'			
5.	Thus spake the seraph; and forthwith appeared a shining throng of angels praising God, who thus addressed their joyful song:			
6.	'All glory be to God on high, and to the earth be peace; good will henceforth from heaven to men begin and never cease."			
Communion Hymn: CPWI 60				
1.	Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth; ye who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth:			

**Refrain (with IRIS);** come and worship Christ the newborn King, come and worship, worship Christ the newborn King.

Or Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

**Refrain (with REGENT SQUARE):** come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the new born King.

 Shepherds, in the field abiding, watching o'er your flocks by night, God with man is now residing, yonder shines the infant Light:

#### Refrain

 Sages, leave your contemplations; brighter visions beam afar; seek the great Desire of Nations; ye have seen his natal star:

### Refrain

- 4. Saints before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear, suddenly the Lord, descending, in the temple shall appear.
- 5. Though an infant now we view him, he shall fill his Father's throne, gather all the nations to him; every knee shall then bow down:

## Refrain

### **Post Communion Prayer:**

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#### ALL

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we who share His Body live His risen life; we who drink His cup bring life to others; we upon whom your Spirit shines give light to the world. Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### or

Eternal God and Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you and all persons in you, with gladness and singleness of heart, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### or

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 honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen

## **Final Blessing**

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#### Christmas

Christ, who by His incarnation gathered into one, all things earthly and heavenly, fill you with His joy and peace; and the blessing ...

#### or

Christ the Son of God, born of Mary, fill you with His grace to trust His promises and obey His will; and the blessing ...

#### or

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with the good news of His kingdom; and the blessing ...

.....of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

#### ALL Amen.

## **Bishop's Message:**

## **Additional Notices and Announcements:**

## Hymn of Eucharistic Thanksgiving:

**CPWI 68** 

1. Hark! The herald-angels sing glory to the new-born 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.'

#### Refrain:

Hark! the herald-angels sing Glory to the new-born King.

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord, late in time behold him come, offspring of a Virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see! Hail, the incarnate Deity! Pleased as Man with man to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.

#### Refrain

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.

#### Refrain

## DISMISSAL

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you ALL: And also with you.

**PRESIDENT** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen.** 

## **BENEDICTION:**

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FelizNavidad FelizNavidad FelizNavidad Prospero Ano y Felicidad. I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas From the bottom of my heart.

I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas From the bottom of my heart.

If you were blessed and enjoyed our service

Tell and bring others

Help them experience God's reconciling

Love for themselves and then share it with others.



# The Si Nomen Singers Of Barbados

## PRESENT: And The Glory Of The Lord

Friday, January 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The Church of Christ The King Admission \$20.00 Tickets available at the Church



## **LOOKING AHEAD**

**DECEMBER 2017** 

Monday 25th	8:00 a.m.	Sung Eucharist & Sermon
		Christmas Day - Blessing of the Crib
Thursday 28th		Holy Innocents Day
Sunday 31st		FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
	8:00 a.m.	Sung Eucharist & Sermon
	11:00 p.m.	Mass of the Holy Name, Watch Night Service
		Blessing & Annual Old Year's Lime
		JANUARY 2018
Wednesday 3rd	12:05 p.m.	Midweek Mass
Saturday 6th		CTK Leaders Conference - Professor Noel Titus
Sunday 7th	8:00 a.m.	First Sunday after the Epiphany
Wednesday 10th		Midweek Mass
Sunday 14th	8:00 a.m.	Second Sunday after the Epiphany
Wednesday 17th		Midweek Mass
Saturday 20th		New Members orientation
Sunday 21st	8:00 a.m.	Third Sunday after the Epiphany
		New members installation