

# **The Church of Christ The King**

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***First Sunday After Christmas***

***A Rising Church: Embracing A Bold Vision***

***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. Wendy Howard.*

### Welcome to the church of Christ the King

A warm Christ the King welcome to all! We invite you to turn aside for a while from the fuss of your daily employment. Leave aside the tumult of your thoughts. Lay down your heavy cares and your burdensome distractions. Let us shut out everything except God and that which can help us in seeking him.

# Sung Eucharist & Sermon

## ORDER OF SERVICE

### Welcome:

**Leader:** The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

### Introduction of Service:

The Leader welcomes the congregation and introduces the service.

### Preparation:

And now as we prepare for worship, let us bow our heads and hearts before Almighty God in the words of our preparation.

*We have come into His house, and gathered in  
His name to worship Him.*

*We have come into His house, and gathered in  
His Name to worship Him.*

*We have come into His house, and gathered in His name  
to worship Christ the Lord, worship Him, Christ the Lord.*

*So forget about yourself and concentrate on  
Him and worship Him.*

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Him and worship Him.*

*So forget about yourself and concentrate on Him  
and worship Christ the Lord, worship Him, Christ the Lord.*

### 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:

## **Intriot Hymn: CH 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. ‘Fear not,’ said he (for mighty dread  
had seized their troubled mind);  
‘Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
to you and all mankind.
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.”

## **Opening Sentence:**

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### **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:**

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### **PRESIDENT:**

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

**ALL**

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

## **Prayer of Intent:**

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**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:**

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Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

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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: First Sunday After Christmas: Page 159 (BCP)**

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.*

## **MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

**1st Lesson: Isaiah 61:10-62:3**

Mrs. Roslyn Turney

**READER: A reading from the word of God, written in Isaiah Chapter 61, beginning to read at the 10<sup>th</sup> verse.**

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.

*The word of the Lord*

***ALL : Thanks be to God***

**Psalm 147:1-12**

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***(congregation remain seated)***

1. Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! \* how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!
2. The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; \* he gathers the exiles of Israel.
3. He heals the brokenhearted \* and binds up their wounds.
4. He counts the number of the stars \* and calls them all by their names.
5. Great is our LORD and mighty in power; \* there is no limit to his wisdom.
6. The LORD lifts up the lowly, \* but casts the wicked to the ground.
7. Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; \* make music to our God upon the harp.
8. He covers the heavens with clouds \* and prepares rain for the earth;
9. He makes grass to grow upon the mountains \* and green plants to serve mankind.
10. He provides food for flocks and herds \* and for the young ravens when they cry.
11. He is not impressed by the might of a horse; \* he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
12. But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, \* in those who await his gracious favor.

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

Eucharistic Minister

**READER: A reading from the word of God, written in Galatians Chapter 3, beginning to read at the 23<sup>rd</sup> verse.**

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.

*The word of the Lord*

***ALL : Thanks be to God***

### **Gradual Hymn: CH 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.*



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

***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.*

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

***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.*

4. Saints before the altar bending,  
watching long in hope and fear,  
suddenly the Lord, descending,  
in the temple shall appear.

***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.*

*(Final verse after Gospel)*

## **The Gospel:            John 1:1-18**

*(Congregation remain standing for the Gospel)*

**PRIEST:**            The Lord be with you

**ALL:**                **And also with you**

**PRIEST:**            The Holy Gospel according to John Chapter 1  
beginning to read at the 1<sup>st</sup> verse

**ALL :**                **Glory to Christ our Saviour**

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.

*PRIEST :This is the Gospel of Christ*

***ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord***

**Gradual Hymn:**                      **CH 60 (Final Verse)**

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 (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.*

**THE SERMON:**

**REFLECTION:**    Lord be thy word my rule

*Lord be thy word my rule, in it may I rejoice,*  
*Thy glory be my aim, Thy holy will my choice*  
*Thy promises my hope, thy providence my guard*  
*Thine arm my strong support, thyself my great reward.*

**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 C Page 108**

Ms. Joanna Hill

**LEADER**

With all our heart and all our mind let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

LEADER

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For the peace and welfare of the world, for the witness and work of the Church, and for the unity of all peoples:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For our Bishops and all ministers of God's Word and Sacraments, that they may be filled with truth and love and be found without fault at the Lord's coming:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For the leaders of the nations and for those in authority among us, that they may serve justice and promote the freedom and dignity of all peoples:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice and oppression, and for all who labour in the cause of human liberation and fulfilment:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For the sick, the suffering, the sorrowful, and the dying; and for all who remember and care for them:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For deliverance from the ravages of hurricane, earthquake, drought or flood, and for a just and proper use of God's creation:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For ourselves and all who confess the name of Christ, that we may show forth the excellencies of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvellous light:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

*Silence may be kept.*

ALL

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people in the multitude of your mercies. Look with compassion on us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious O Lord of love, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen

## 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.*

PRESIDENT

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 you 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:      There's a sweet, sweet Spirit**

*There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,  
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;  
There are sweet expressions on each face,  
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.*

*Chorus*

*Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove,  
Stay right here with us, filling us with Your love.  
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;  
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived,  
When we shall leave this place.*

*There are blessings you cannot receive  
Till you know Him in His fullness and believe;  
You're the one to profit when you say,  
"I am going to walk with Jesus all the way."*

*If you say He saved you from your sin,  
Now you're weak, you're bound and cannot enter in,  
You can make it right if you will yield,  
You'll enjoy the Holy Spirit that we feel.*



## Offertory Hymn: CH 57

1. From heaven high I come to you,  
I bring you tidings good and new;  
glad tidings of great joy I bring,  
whereof I now will say and sing.
2. To you this night is born a child  
of Mary, chosen Virgin mild;  
this little child, of lowly birth,  
shall be the joy of all the earth.
3. This is the Christ, our God and Lord,  
who in all need shall aid afford;  
he will himself your Saviour be  
from all your sins to set you free.
4. These are the tokens ye shall mark:  
the swaddling clothes and manger dark;  
there ye shall find the infant laid  
by whom the heavens and earth were made.
5. Now let us all with gladsome cheer  
go with the shepherds and draw near  
to see the precious gift of God,  
who hath his own dear Son bestowed.

*(Final verse after the Offertory Prayer)*

**The Offertory Prayer:**

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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:**

***CH 57 (Final verse)***

6. Welcome to earth, thou noble guest,  
through whom the sinful world is blest!  
In my distress thou com'st to me;  
what thanks shall I return to thee?

## **THE EUCHARIST**

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

PRESIDENT The Lord be with you.

ALL **And also with you.**

PRESIDENT Lift up your hearts.

ALL **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PRESIDENT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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 B:**

**Page 135 (BCP)**

**PRESIDENT**

Holy and gracious Father,  
all creation rightly gives you praise.  
All life, all holiness, comes from you  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,  
whom you sent to share our human nature,  
to live and die as one of us,  
to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

We therefore bring you these gifts,  
and we ask you to make them holy  
by the power of your Spirit,  
that they may become the Body and Blood of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who offered Himself in obedience to your will,  
the Perfect Sacrifice for all mankind.

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."

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.

"Do this, whenever you drink it,

"For the remembrance of me."

*One of the following Acclamations shall be said:*

**ALL**

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we  
proclaim the death of Christ until he comes again.**

*or*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*or*

**Christ Jesus is Lord.**

**He has set us free from the law of sin and death:**

**In his name alone is our salvation.**

## PRESIDENT

Father, calling to mind the death your Son  
endured for our salvation;  
His Glorious Resurrection and Ascension;  
His continual intercession for us in heaven;  
and looking for His coming again in glory,  
we offer you, in thanksgiving,  
this holy and life-giving sacrifice.

Look with favour on your Church's offering,  
and grant that we who eat and drink these holy gifts  
may be filled with your Holy Spirit  
and become one body in Christ,  
and serve you in unity, constancy and peace.

May He make us a perpetual offering to you  
and enable us, in communion with  
blessed Mary and the whole company of heaven,  
to share in the inheritance of your saints.

With Him, and in Him, and through Him,  
by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
we worship you, Father Almighty,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven  
in songs of everlasting praise:

## ALL

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Page 144 (BCP)

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

Page 145 (BCP)

*One of the following may be used*

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.**

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)**

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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: CH 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.
4. He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of His love,  
and wonders, and wonders, of his love.

### **Communion Hymn: CH 704**

1. When Jesus came from Nazareth  
He walked beside the sea.  
He talked to working fisher folk  
and said, 'Come follow me.  
Come follow me and you will know  
a love so strong it never ends.'  
And they who came to trust His word  
became his fisher friends.
2. And He and they as fisher friends,  
when winter storms unfurled,  
all left their homes and went with him  
to teach and heal the world.  
To teach and heal a hurting world,  
to help where there was pain and need,  
and to teach, not just by spoken word  
but by each loving deed.
3. When Jesus died on Calvary  
He suffered grievous pain;  
His fisher friends could not believe  
that He would rise again.  
But He would rise, and joy would come,  
and when the stone was rolled away,  
then their nets again with fish were filled  
and darkness turned to day.

4. By every loving deed today  
and every day to be,  
we witness we have heard His voice  
say, 'Come and follow me.  
Come follow me to heal the world  
till pain and hate and hurting ends;  
and I will be your risen Lord  
and you my fisher friends.

### **Communion Hymn: CH 58**

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:***

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

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

***Refrain:***

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

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.'*

**Communion Hymn: CH 82**

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.

*During the singing of the next hymn, all children who are not confirmed are invited to the Altar for a Blessing.*

### **Hymn for the Blessing & Recommitment: CH 65**

***Refrain:***

*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:***

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

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

***Refrain:***

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

3. Down in a lowly manger  
the humble Christ was born,  
and God sent us salvation  
that blessed 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!*

**Hymn for the Blessing & Recommitment: CH 80**

1. O come, little children; come one and come all,  
O come to the manger in Bethlehem's stall,  
and see what our Father in heaven above  
has sent to us all on this earth with his love.
2. O see in the manger so meek and so mild,  
O see in the soft light the heavenly Child,  
in swaddling clothes folded, his beauty more sweet  
than angels, whose voices his lowly birth greet.
3. His bed, little children, a manger with hay;  
his mother and Joseph in ecstasy pray,  
the shepherds in wonder their glad worship bring,  
While chorus of angels sweet glorias sing.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

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*One of the following shall be used*

**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**

### 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.**

### Additional Notices and Announcements:

#### Hymn of Eucharistic Thanksgiving: CH 66

1. **GOD** from on high hath heard!  
Let sighs and sorrows cease!  
Lo, from the opening heaven descends  
to man the promised peace.
2. Hark! through the silent night  
angelic voices swell;  
their joyful songs proclaim that God  
is born on earth to dwell.

3. See how the shepherd-band  
speed on with eager feet;  
come to the hallowed cave with them  
the holy Babe to greet.
4. But O what sight appears  
within that lowly door!  
A manger, stall, and swaddling clothes,  
a child, and mother poor!
5. Art thou the Christ? The Son?  
The Father's image bright?  
And see we him whose arm upholds  
earth and the starry height?
6. Yea, faith can pierce the cloud  
which veils thy glory now;  
we hail thee God, before whose throne  
the angels prostrate bow.
7. Our sinful pride to cure  
with that pure love of thine,  
O be thou born within our hearts,  
most holy Child divine.

## **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:            Praise God from whom all blessings flow**

*Praise God from whom all blessing flow,  
praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts,  
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

*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.*

## *Holy Days*

### *The Holy Name*

*The Feast of the Holy Name commemorates the circumcision and naming of the baby Jesus eight days after the Nativity. This was in keeping with Jewish laws. The story is recorded in St. Luke's gospel from which we get the canticle popularly known as the Nunc Dimittis.*

### *The Christmas Season*

*Christmas is more than a day, in fact the celebrations for Christmas actually stretches for twelve days. The first day of Christmas is December 25<sup>th</sup> and the last day is the day before Epiphany.*

*The prevailing atmosphere of Christmas has continually evolved, ranging from a sometimes raucous, drunken and carnival-like state in the Middle Ages to a tamer family oriented, children-centered theme introduced in a 19<sup>th</sup> century reformation. Today, we note an ever increasing secularization and commercialization of the season.*

*Despite these changes in the attitude towards Christmas, for us the belief that God came into the world in the form of man to atone for the sins of humanity is considered to be the primary purpose of celebrating Christmas.*

*What it takes*

*It only takes one life*

*To make a difference*

*And blessed be the person who will live it.*

## Happy Birthday

Ms. Esther Jordan	Sun	Dec 29
Ms. Sandra Myers	Sun	Dec 29
Ms. Adele Lewis	Tues	Dec 31
Mr. Charles Nurse	Thurs	Jan 2
Miss Marillyn Haynes	Sat	Jan 4

## Children Birthday

Crystal Tudor	Monday	Dec 30	(15 yrs)
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## Happy Anniversary



Mr. Chesterfield Austin & Mrs. Cynthia Austin	Thurs	Dec 3	(22 yrs)
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### Our Prayer List

Please remember and pray for those who are travelling.

Please remember and pray for those who are in hospital:

Please remember and pray for those who are recuperating:

#### **Please remember those who have requested the prayers of the Church:**

Cynthia Wilson, Margo Hamblin, Norma Douglas, Stanley Medford, Grafton Brathwaite, Cecile Isaacs, Monica Downes, Joyce Fitt, Edlin Chandler, Joyce Clarke, Bernard Sealey, Itheil (Jimmy) Adams, Mr. & Mrs. Sylvester Jones, Seibert Scantlebury, Henderson Hinds, Elsie Clarke, Alexis Alleyne.

#### **Please remember and pray for those who are sick & shut-in:**

Omata Allamby, Erma Babb, Eric Best, Grafton & Doreen Brathwaite, Isolene Mason, Marjorie McCollin, Marge Walke, Maureen Workman, Patricia Lorde (Snr.), Agnes Mars, Anita Skeete, Carmen Shepherd, Karmina Lavine, Rosemary Gooding-Carmichael.

#### **Please remember and pray for those who grieve:**

The family of the late Monica Kirton. We remember all those who have died. May the Almighty God, who gave them life, take them back to himself and grant them eternal peace.

### Notice

The Co-ordinators of the Singing Priests Concert, the Choir Concert and the Christmas Wonderland have asked that all ticket monies be paid in immediately. Thank you all for your support.

# The Si Nomen Singers Of Barbados

&

The Royal Barbados Police Force Band

PRESENT:

## LOVE CAME DOWN AT CHRISTMAS

**Friday, January 3, 2020**

**at 7:30 p.m.**

**The Church of Christ The King**

**Admission \$25.00**

**Tickets available at the Church**



**NEXT SUNDAY, 5th January, 2020**

### SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

**8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist & Sermon**

**10:30 a.m. Sunday School**

#### READINGS:

**Jeremiah 31: 7-14 / Psalm 84: 1-8 / Ephesians 1: 3-6, 15-19**

**Gospel: Matthew 2: 13-15, 19-23 / Luke 2: 41-52 / Matthew 2: 1-12**

## LOOKING AHEAD

### DECEMBER 2019

Tuesday 31st    11:00 p.m.    **Mass of the Holy Name, Watch Night Service  
& Blessing**

### JANUARY 2020

Sunday 12th    8:00 a.m.    **First Sunday after the Epiphany:  
Baptism of our Lord**

Sunday 19th    8:00 a.m.    **Second Sunday after the Epiphany**