Christ Episcopal Church



Christmas Eve Music Program 10:30 p.m.

String Trio (Xin Yu Chang, Ronald Lopez, Lidia Sanchez)

Strings

O Come, O Come Emmanuel Barbara Ann Fackler Rachel Rumstay, harp

O Holy Night Adolphe Adam Chris Rutland, tenor and Issa Young, bass

Strings

Carol of the Bells

M. Leontovich, arr. by Peter J Willhousky St. Gregory Choir

Candlelight Carol

John Ritter

Hanae Kanno, soprano

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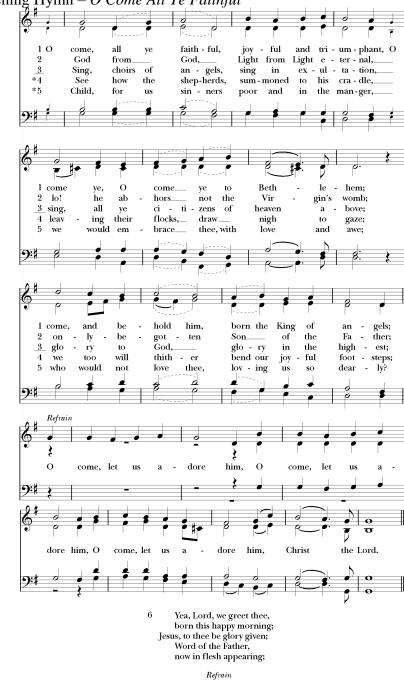
Strings

Sussex Carol Rachel Rumstay, soprano, Molly Stevenson, alto, Chris Rutland, tenor, Issa Young, Bass

Variations on Adeste Fideles Raynor Taylor Sue Ellen Rumstay, organ



December 24, 2022 11:00 P.M. Opening Hymn – O Come All Ye Faithful



Celebrant:Alleluia! Unto us a child is born!People:O come, let us adore him, Alleluia!

The Celebrant may say

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*.



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PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

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*.

People Amen.

The Lessons

Isaiah 9:2-7

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.

People The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 96 (Unison)

Cantate Domino

- 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.

Titus 2:11-14

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.



Then, all standing, a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 2:1-20

People

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.

PeopleThe Gospel of the Lord.Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon - The Rev. Dr. David Perkins

The Nicene Creed

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.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

The Peace

People	The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.			
Offertory – <i>Rise Up Shepherd, Go Tell It</i> by Lloyd Larsen Choir				
Doxology (Please stand) Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye Heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.				

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer B

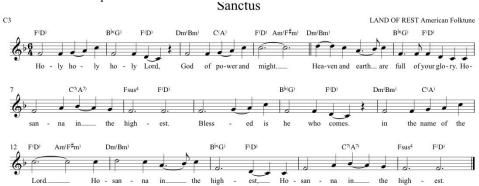
	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People



We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

And now, as our Savior has taught us we are bold to say People and Celebrant

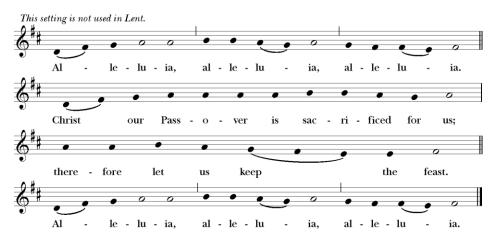
> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then will be sung



The Celebrant may say the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymns

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O Little Town of Bethlehem



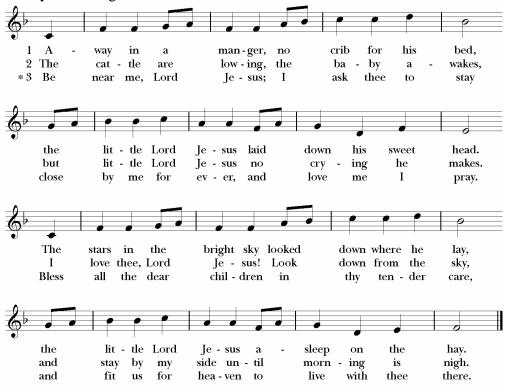
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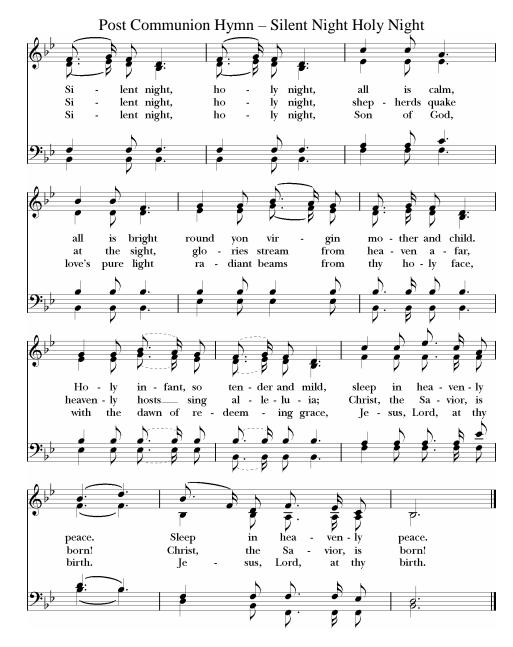
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Away in a Manger



Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.



Blessing

Hymn – Joy to the World



Dismissal

Response: Thanks be to God.

Postlude – *Noel Fanfares*

Charles Callahan

Clergy The Rev. Dr. David Perkins

Servers

Eucharistic Ministers Stefani Carroll Phyllis Holland Jeani Synyard

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Acolytes J.D. Greneker Nancy Lutsko Mike Tanner Chip Whiting

Ushers Tom Carroll Al Turner

Musicians

Issa Young, Choirmaster Sue Ellen Rumstay, Organist



Tom & Stefani Carroll

Christmas Flowers

<u>Given by:</u>	In Memory of:	Given by:
Dottie Pitts	Buddy Pitts; Dot Read & Bill Read	Ed & BJ Mistick
Duke Guthrie	John & Peggy Guthrie	
Pat Denmark	S.J. Denmark	Jerry Byrd
Allan & Joan Dear	Sandra Stevenson; Ann Coslow; Kathie Stevenson; David Alan Brown; Dr. & Mrs. S. Walter Martin; John Youmans	Al & Anne Turner
John & Phyllis Hiers	Margaret & Emory Hiers; Jane & Joseph Romita, George Chadwick	Larry & Elizabeth Wiser
Ken & Michane James	Our Son Raymond Crouso; Our Father Boyd James	Jeani Synyard
Judy DeMott	Jerry DeMott, Jay DeMott; Cobbie and Roscoe DeMott; James Butler; Cherice and Richard Craig	Ingrid Carroll
	-	Marge Fitzsimons
Sally Nunn	Bill Nunn, Mr. & Mrs. W.G. Nunn, Jarrell Tillman, Mr. & Mrs. B.L. Tillman	Sandy & Elise Sandbach
John & Marcia McRae	Walt & Jan Carter, Jack Fitzsimons, Grif Griffin, Liz Salter, Josie Parten, Patricia Richardson	Merrill & Frances Guice
Anne Reid	Annie Mae Reid, Bill Reid	Phil & Margaret Mittiga
Pauline Brown	Gerald Anderson, William Leo Brown, Emma Lee Brown, Olivia Bates Kerr, Hugh B. Kerr, Ray Young, Chaplain Chris Young	Martha Leake
The Len Carter Family	Jan S. and Walton T. Carter, Jr.	Ann & Brad Burnette
Carolyn Eager Coleman	William G. Eager, III	Ann & brau burnelle
Debbie McLeod	Joe Parker; Randy Parker	Gloria Boyette Corker

Jimmy Carroll

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Byrd	Elmer & Emma Lee Byrd, Robert Byrd			
Anne Turner	Bill & Virginia Turner, Dolf Hatcher			
& Elizabeth Wisenbaker	Brooks & Mary Lovelace, Gordon & Doris Wisenbaker, Steven Lovelace, Marie Wisenbaker Waters, Serra Wisenbaker, John Wisenbaker, Jr.			
Synyard	Mike Synyard, Jean & Tommy Blocksom, Missy Rushing			
d Carroll	Jimmy Carroll; Frances Carroll & Lilli Scherp			
e Fitzsimons	Jack Fitzsimons			
y & Elise Sandbach	Dave & Sue Sandbach, Frances Crawford, Jeff Crawford			
ill & Frances Guice	Eloise and Cody Smith; Nita and Claude Guice			
& Margaret Mittiga	Mr. & Mrs. Christie Patterson, Sr. Mr. & Mrs. Christie Patterson, Jr. Mr. & Mrs. Philip Ross Mittiga			
ha Leake	Dr. James R. Leake Dorraine Leake			
& Brad Burnette	Beth Burnette; Jo Church & Laura Church; Jewel & Brad Burnette; Joye & Howard Bradley			
a Boyette Corker	Frank Corker, Ike Boyette			
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Connie Flowers



Christmas Flowers

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Family & Friends

Family

In Thanksgiving for:

Christ Church Family

The Hiers children and grandchildren

Callum Eager, Hopkins Eager, Daniel S.

Choir; Kathy Armstrong; Issa Young

Noah, Cecilia, Ingrid, Mike, Lenka and

Fifty-four years of marriage!

Grace Cortese - Granddaughter

My family & my church family

Holly, Glen and Jeri-Lyn, Jackie and Mike

Daniela Carroll, and Barry & Cindy Story

<u>Given I</u>	<u>oy:</u>
John & P	hyllis Hiers

Jerry Byrd

Carolyn Eager Coleman

Allan & Joan Dear

Tom & Stefani Carroll

Ron & Pat Bezona

Martha Leake

Dennis & Patricia Marks

Clinton & Jeana Beeland

Ed & BJ Mistick

Connie Flowers

Jeani Synyard

Poinsettias may be taken home after the 11:00 service.

Thank you to everyone who purchased flowers to decorate the church.

Given by: Fr. David Perkins

Dottie Pitts

Frances & Merrill Guice

Will & Bonnie Hanson

John & Marcia McRae

Julia & Julius Ariail

Judy DeMott

Sandy & Elise Sandbach

Peter & Happy Ingeman

Marge Fitzsimons

Debbie McLeod

Brad & Ann Burnette

Sally Nunn





In Thanksgiving for: Family, Friends, & Christ Church Pitts Family & Read Family Tristan and Robin Guice Claire, Chris & Joshua Hanson Marge Fitzsimon; Lucille Griffin; Brad & Ann Burnett – 60th Anniversary The children and grandchildren of Julia & Julius Ariail Nikki, Bobby, Maddie and Blake Yarbrough; Mark, Amy, Taylor and Sarah DeMott; Dylan and Cheyenne DeMott; My Christ Church family; Chris Sandbach; Lauren, Tanner and Anna Crawford Darby; Stephen, Kacie & Henry Parker Sandbach Our Family & Friends, Christ Church and its Vestry and Staff, Fr. David Perkins and all our Clergy John & Marćia McRae

The Parker Girls

Elizabeth South, Bradford Hanson, Kate Hanson, Cathy & Jeff Hanson, Jerry Byrd

Kip, Tina, Olivia & McKey Nunn; Jan, Todd, Leila & Emily Skinner