

CHRISTMAS EVE

7:00 PM



St. David's Episcopal Church and School

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**The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ
Christmas Eve
7:00pm**

PRELUDES

PROCESSIONAL

“O Come All Ye Faithful”

Adeste Fideles (H 83)
Arr. David Willcocks

**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!**

**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:**

**O come, let us adore Him; O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!**

**Sing, choirs of angels; Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above!
Glory to God, In the highest:**

**O come, let us adore Him; O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!**

**Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, Born this happy morning;
Jesu, to Thee be all glory giv'n!
Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing:**

**O come, let us adore Him; O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord!**

WELCOME

The Rev. Stephen P. Hagerty

OPENING COLLECTS

Please remain standing as you are able.

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

You may be seated for the readings.

FIRST READING: *Isaiah 9:2-7*

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: *Psalm 96:1-3, 11-13*

William Ferris



SECOND READING: *Titus 2:11-14*

A reading from the book of Titus.

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN “Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”

Mendelssohn (H 87)
Arr. David Willcocks

**Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled:**

**Joyful all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies,
With th’angelic host proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem.**

**Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King.**

**Christ, by highest heav’n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come
Offspring of a virgin’s womb:**

**Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail th’incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.**

**Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn King.**

THE GOSPEL: *Luke 2:1-14(15-20)*

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ

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.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

SEQUENCE HYMN (cont.)

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!

Hail the Sun of Righteousness!

Light and life to all he brings,

Ris'n 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.

Hark! the herald angels sing

Glory to the newborn King.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Stephen P. Hagerty

Please take a few moments in silence to hear what the Spirit is saying to you.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon:

With hearts full of wonder at the mystery of the Word made flesh, let us bring our prayers before God, with Jesus who comes to dwell among us as heaven touches earth tonight.

Reader:

Gracious God, bless your Church throughout the world. May we, like the shepherds, proclaim the good news with joy.

Lord, in your mercy,

Let our weary world rejoice.

Prince of Peace, shine your light into every place of conflict, fear, and injustice. Guide all leaders to govern with wisdom, compassion, and integrity, so that all may live in safety and dignity.

Lord, in your mercy,

Let our weary world rejoice.

God of comfort, draw near to the lonely, the hungry, the sick, and the grieving. May your presence bring healing, hope, and peace to all who suffer this night.

Lord, in your mercy,

Let our weary world rejoice.

God of love, bless our families, friends, and neighbors. Help us to welcome everyone including the stranger, to care for the vulnerable, and to share the joy of Christ's birth in word and deed.

Lord, in your mercy,

Let our weary world rejoice.

We remember those who have gone before us. May they rest in the light of your eternal glory, and may all be comforted by the promise of resurrection.

Lord, in your mercy,

Let our weary world rejoice.

Celebrant:

God of light and life, hear the prayers we offer on this most holy night. Fill us with the hope of the angels' song, the peace of the Christ child, the joy of Mary's song, and your love that never ends. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon: 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

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“The First Nowell”

arr. Mack Wilberg

Bruno Nasta, Violin

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being; sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS

“Holy, Holy”

Mass of a Peaceful Spirit

Francesca LaRosa

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -

san - na, Ho - san - na, in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer:

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself, yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with St. David all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

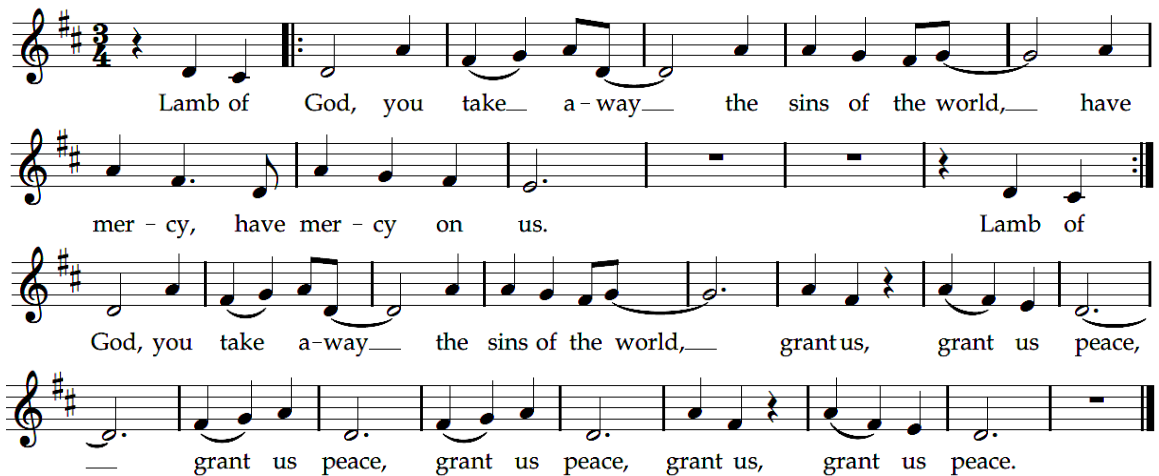
People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION HYMN

“Lamb of God”

Mass of a Peaceful Spirit

Francesca LaRosa



The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us, grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace." The score includes repeat signs and a double bar line at the end.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of
God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us, grant us peace,
grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us, grant us peace.

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is his will that those who want him should meet him here. † These are the Gifts of God for the People of God.

Holy Communion

*The congregation remains seated until an usher invites them forward for Communion. Jesus invites the whole world to be in a relationship with him. All baptized persons of any denomination are welcome to our Lord's Table where bread and wine are blessed and broken and shared in remembrance of Christ Jesus our Lord. If you would like a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your needs known to the ushers. A healing minister will be near the entrance to provide healing prayers for anyone who would like a prayer for themselves or someone else during the distribution of the Holy Eucharist.
All are welcome.*

COMMUNION MEDITATION

*Bruno Nasta, Violin
Ginny Maddock, Piano*

COMMUNION HYMN

“O Holy Night”

Ashley Seminaro, soloist

Cantique de Noel

Arr. Jay Althouse

**O holy night, the stars are brightly shining.
It is the night of the dear Savior’s birth.
Long lay the world in sin and error pining,
Till he appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.**

**Fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born!
O night divine! O night, O night divine.**

**Led by the light of faith serenely beaming,
With glowing hearts by his cradle we stand.
So, led by light of a star sweetly gleaming,
Here came the wise men from the Orient land.
The King of kings lay there in lowly manger,
In all our trials born to be our friend.**

**O fall on your knees! O hear the angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born!
O night divine! O night, O night divine!**

COMMUNION HYMN

“Coventry Carol”

*Robert Croo, Joëlle Gouel
Arr. Martin Shaw*

**Lully, lulla, thou little tiny child,
By by, lully, lullay.**

**O sisters too, how may we do for to preserve this day
This poor youngling, for whom we do sing,
By by lully lullay?**

Herod, the king, in his raging, charged he hath this day
His men of might, in his own sight, all young children to slay.

That woe is me, poor child for thee! And ever morn and day,
For thy parting neither say nor sing
By by, lully lullay!

Lully, lulla, thou little tiny child,
By by, lully, lullay.

COMMUNION HYMN “It Came Upon a Midnight Clear”

Carol (H 89)

1 It came up - on the mid - night clear, that
2 Still through the clov - en skies they come with
3 Yet with the woes of sin and strife the
4 For lo! the days are haste - ning on, by

glo - rious song of old, from an - gels bend - ing
peace - ful wings un - furled, and still their heaven - ly
world has suf - fered long; be - neath the heaven - ly
pro - phets seen of old, when with the ev - er -

near the earth to touch their harps of gold:
mu - sic floats o'er all the wea - ry world;
hymn have rolled two thou - sand years of wrong;
cir - cling years shall come the time fore - told,



"Peace on the earth, good will to men, from
 a - bove its sad and low - ly plains they
 and war - ring hu - man - kind hears not the
 when peace shall o - ver all the earth its
 heaven's all - gra - cious King." The world in sol - emn
 bend - on hov - ering wing, and ev - er o'er its
 tid - ings which they bring; O hush the noise and
 an - cient splen - dors fling, and all the world give
 still - ness lay to hear the an - gels sing.
 Ba - bel - sounds the bless - ed an - gels sing.
 cease your strife and hear the an - gels sing!
 back the song which now the an - gels sing.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours. Take us, renew us and remake us. What we have been is past; what we shall be, through you, still awaits us. Lead us on. Take us with you. Amen.

CANDLE LIGHTING

“SILENT NIGHT”

Stille Nacht (H 111)

Arr. Dan Forrest

The Celebrant will begin the candle lighting by lighting the ushers' candles while all join in singing the hymn. The ushers will light the first candle in each row.

Please light the candle of the person next to you, sharing the light of the world that is reborn in each of us.

**Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child;
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace.
Sleep in heavenly peace.**

**Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.**

**(Silent night, holy night,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth)**

**Silent night, holy night,
wondrous star, lend thy light.
With the angels let us sing,
“Alleluia” to our King.
Christ, the Savior, is born!
Christ, the Savior, is born!**

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL

“JOY TO THE WORLD”

Antioch (H 100)

arr. M. Burkhardt

**Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive its King;**

**Let ev'ry heart prepare him room
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing!**

**Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let all their songs employ,
While fields and floods,
Rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

**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
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteous ness
And wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love!**

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Reverend Stephen P. Hagerty, Celebrant
The Reverend Maureen Carey, Deacon

Thank you to the church office staff: Rev. Stephen P. Hagerty, Maureen Carey, Ginny Maddock, Kimberly Gauthier, and all of our office volunteers

Thank you to our musicians today:

Ginny Maddock, Music Director/Piano/Organ/Voice

Bruno Nasta, Violin

Andrew Bluhm, Trumpet

Doug Wilson, Trumpet

Daniel Twentey, Trombone

Lindsey Smith, Trombone

Caleb Grady, Timpani

Ashley Seminario, Voice

And the St. David's Choir:

Andrew Bluhm, Jenifer Bluhm, Rohit Dean, L.A. Hurst, Karen Knox,

Patty Maddock, Jim Maddock, Rachel Moody, Bill O'Donnell,

Patricia Schutz, Madge Van Ness.

*Thank you to all our volunteers and all those who make our
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Christmas Poinsettia Dedications



The poinsettias are donated honoring and cherishing loved ones

In Loving Memory

Sandra Beckett *by Rich, Katherine, and Connor Goodwin*

William T “Ted” Bluhm *by Jenifer and Andy Bluhm*

Jim Carr *by Victoria Mantyla*

Rev. Kenneth and Anna Brown, Frederick and Elizabeth Pester *by Betty Brown*

Bill and Elin Frymoyer *by Nina Frymoyer*

Bernard Halprin *by Jackie Halprin*

Brenda Lee Huff, Helen Stella Koss, Joan Marie Huff,

Glaysd Violet Gonzalez Montanez *by Travis and Jessica Huff*

Bruce Johnson, Wright, Marylou, David, Brian, and Sue Johnson, Clayton and Ruby Parsons,
and Michael Hatcher *by Bobbie Johnson*

My dear friends, Kelly Rosselot and Gina Sweetman *by Adell Panetta*

Shirley and Tom Powell, Terry and Fred La Pilusa *by Joseph and Beth La Pilusa*

My parents, Rebecca Steed and Allan T. Steed *by Allan Steed*

My Mom, Barbara Davis *by Patti, Hunter, and Carolyn Davis*

Laurel Mader *by Sara and Thomas Dunn*

In Thanksgiving

For the St. David’s Community (near and far) and Staff for the ongoing support
of my ministry *by Rev. Maureen Carey, Deacon*

For our parents and grandparents: Gene Beckett, Henry, and Charlotte Goodwin
by Rich, Katherine, and Connor Goodwin

St. David’s and Rev. Stephen *by Bobbie Johnson*

For St. David’s – *by Hart Asbury*

For My daughter and grandchildren – *by Marguerite Emshoff*

For St. David’s – *by Jim Tracy and Charlotte Wood*

For St. David’s – *by Bob and Lori Maller*

In Celebration

Celebrating Rev. Stephen’s “new-ish” Ministry *by Margot Culhane and Liz Jones*

Honoring the Ordination of Rev. Maureen Carey, Deacon
by Margot Culhane and Liz Jones

Our beautiful grandchildren *by David and Pamela Moore*