

Welcome to The Redeemer. We're glad you're here!

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PRELUDE

Please stand as the bells herald the start of the liturgy.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

HYMN 93 Angels from the realms of glory
sung by all during the procession

Regent Square

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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Presider Almighty God,
People **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.**

GLORIA Hymn 96

Gloria

verses 1 & 2, sung by all

**1 Angels we have heard on high,
singing sweetly through the night,
and the mountains in reply
echoing their brave delight.
Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

**2 Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why these songs of happy cheer?
What great brightness did you see?
What glad tidings did you hear?
Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

Texts for the Collect, Readings, Psalm and Anthems can be found in the Worship Supplement.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

Following the Collect, the congregation is seated.

READING from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Following the reading:

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

**Worship at
The Redeemer
Sunday**

8:00am-Holy Eucharist
in Church

9:30am-Holy Eucharist
last Sunday of the month
Choral Matins with Communion
& via Livestream

5:00pm
1st & 3rd Sundays
Choral Evensong
during the academic year

Tuesday & Thursday
9:00pm-Compline via Zoom

GRACE NOTES. . .

*small things
that herald greater ones.*

*All by Ivor Davidson: A Companion
to the Theology of John Webster
Compiled by the Rector*

The most pressing obligation
of the church is not to
proclaim the Gospel, but first
to *hear it*, in all its disruptive
force.

HYMN 101

sung by all, standing

Away in a manger

Cradle Song

GOSPEL from The Gospel According to John 1:1-18

Before the reading of the Gospel

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew.

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

Following the reading of the Gospel

Priest The Gospel of the Lord. People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Jeremy O'Neill

NICENE CREED, said by all, standing

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**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, who, with the Father and the Son,
is worshiped and glorified, who 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, please continue to stand

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Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
and in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
People 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.**Presider 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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you. People **And also with you.***You are invited to exchange The Peace.*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The congregation is seated.

ANTHEM

sung by the choir

This is the Truth Sent from Above

Ralph Vaughan Williams

We need to resist the temptation to make the Gospel into a manageable and relatively tame message, something which can perform useful functions in our religious world.

**1. On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing
to the Lord, Christ our King, born on earth to save us; him the Father gave us.**

Refrain:

Id-e-o-o-o, id-e-o-o-o, id-e-o, gloria in excelsis Deo!

**4. On this day angels sing; with their song earth shall ring,
praising Christ, heaven's King, born on earth to save us; peace and love he gave us.
(Refrain)**

PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP 367 Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

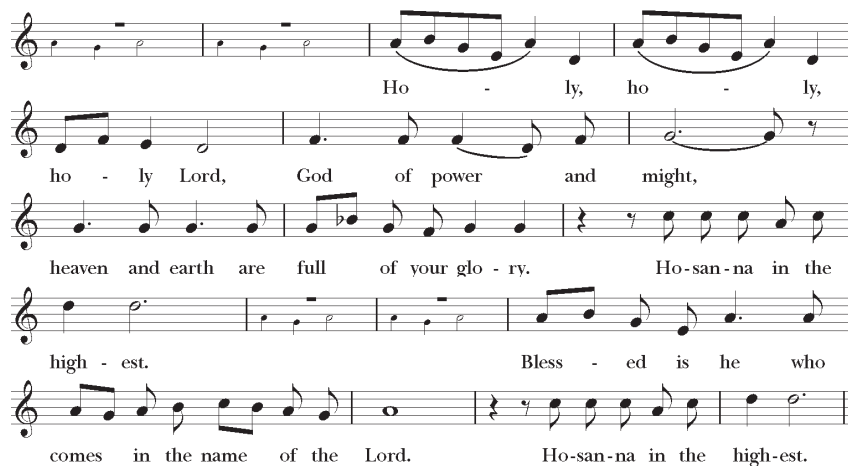
Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere
to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. . .

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:

SANCTUS Hymnal S128
sung by all

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Mathias



The Celebrant continues

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

Salvation is infinitely more
than moral or religious
pedagogy.

*During the Eucharistic prayer, it
is traditional to ring bells after
the words of institution. These bells
signal that what we gather to do in
worship is significant, not only for
those within the church building,
but for the entire community, and
indeed for the entire world.*

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER, said by all

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

All are welcome to receive Communion. Please proceed by way of the center aisle and return to your pew via the side aisles. To receive a Blessing, cross your hands over your chest. Infants and children may receive Communion or a Blessing. If needed, please ask for a gluten free wafer from the person administering Communion.

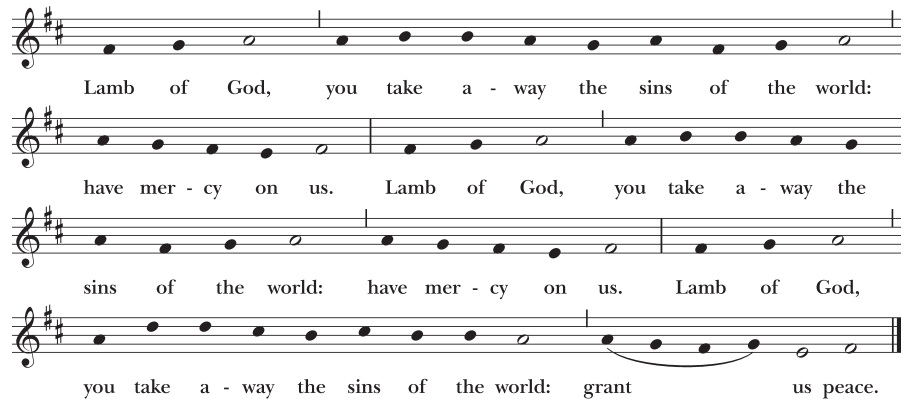
To inhabit the world of the Gospel is to go on living out amazement.

AGNUS DEI Hymnal S161

Lamb of God

David Hurd

sung by all



Celebrant The gifts of God, for the people of God.

The congregation is seated and is invited to proceed to Communion.

ANTHEM

Coventry Carol

arr. Martin Shaw

sung by the choirs

HYMN 112 (if needed)

In the bleak midwinter

Cranham

sung by all, seated

FROM COMMUNION TO COMMUNITY

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER, standing

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The Presider says: Let us pray

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.

SENDING OUT OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR, standing

BLESSING

HYMN 107

Good Christian friends, rejoice

In dulci jubilo

sung by all, standing

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Traditional - Rite I

Almighty God, who hast poured upon us the new light of thine incarnate Word: Grant that the same light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Contemporary - Rite II

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.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

READING from the Book of Isaiah 61:10-62:3

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 be-

fore 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.

PSALM 147:12-20

Laudate Dominum (Praise the Lord)

Henry Smart

12. Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem
praise thy God, O Zion.
13. For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates
and hath blessed thy children within thee.
14. He maketh peace in thy borders
and filleth thee with the flour of wheat.
15. He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth
and his word runneth very swiftly.
16. He giveth snow like wool

- and scattereth the hoar-frost like ashes.
17. He casteth forth his ice like morsels
who is able to abide his frost?
18. He sendeth out his word, and melteth them
he bloweth with his wind, and the waters flow.
19. He sheweth his word unto Jacob
his statutes and ordinances unto Israel.
20. He hath not dealt so with any nation
neither have the heathen knowledge of his laws.

READING from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

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

GOSPEL from The Gospel According to John 1:1-18

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.

ANTHEM TEXT

This is the Truth Sent from Above Ralph Vaughan Williams

This is the truth sent from above,
The truth of God, the God of love:
Therefore don't turn me from your door,
But hearken all, both rich and poor.
The first thing which I do relate
Is that God did man create,
The next thing which to you I'll tell,
Woman was made with man to dwell.
Then, after this, 'twas God's own choice
To place them both in Paradise,

There to remain, from evil free,
Except they ate of such a tree.
But they did eat, which was a sin,
And thus their ruin did begin.
Ruined themselves, both you and me,
And all of their posterity.
Thus we were heirs to endless woes,
Till God the Lord did interpose,
And so a promise soon did run,
That he would redeem us by his Son.

Coventry Carol 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!

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MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by: given by: Edith Durham in memory of: Bea Blackman

SERVING THE PARISH

8:00 am

Lector: Darrell DeMoss

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Hopkins

Altar Guild Team: Jane Hastings, Carol Harris, Charlotte MacLean,
Sook Hee Yoo

Clergy: Jeremy O'Neill-Preacher, Peter Vanderveen-Officiant/Celebrant

Flower Guild: Susan Bloom, Sallie Greenough, Roz Pendergast

Ushers: Kent Silvers, Lisa McLean

9:30am

Lector: John Herzog, Jenny Kirkpatrick

Eucharistic Minister: Cannie Shafer

Acolytes: TBD

Altar Guild Team: Jane Hastings, Carol Harris, Charlotte MacLean,
Sook Hee Yoo

Choir: Staff Singer Quartet

Children's Chapel: Glenn Beamer, Jo Ann Jones

Clergy: Jeremy O'Neill-Preacher, Peter Vanderveen-Officiant, Jo Ann
Jones-Celebrant

Eucharistic Visitors: Jeanne Holeman, Barbara Ladd

Flower Guild: Susan Bloom, Sallie Greenough, Roz Pendergast

Greeter: Sally Moser

Director of Music & Organist: Andrew Senn

Organ Scholar: Daniel Colaner

Livestream Operator: David Woods

Ushers: TBD

Vergers: Bob Mikrut-Head Verger, Grace Vauclain