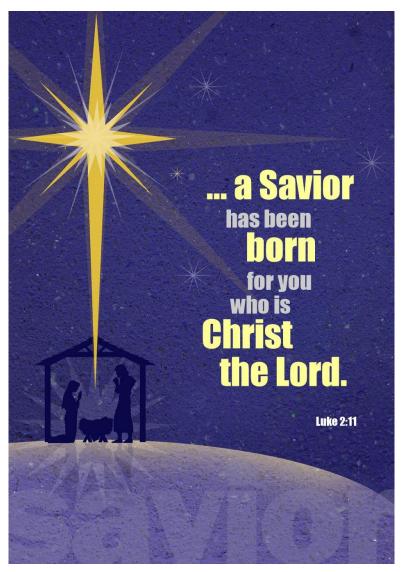
The Nativity of the Lord

DECEMBER 24TH AT 10:00 PM



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church Salem, Virginia

Merry Christmas!

We are thankful that you are worshipping with us today!

A nursery (staffed by a nursery coordinator and parent volunteers) is available during the 10:30 AM Sunday Mass for children ages 6 months to 3 years. The nursery is located down the hall from the commons in the Family Life Center.

(The nursery will be closed until January 11th.)

See an usher for directions to the nursery or restrooms, or to request a hearing assistance device.

If you would like information about activities or joining our parish, please contact the office at 540-387-0491 or email us at office@olphsalem.org.

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PRELUDE

Song: Lo, How a Rose arr. Govenor

READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16



READING: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11



READING: Luke 3:1-6

CHORAL SELECTION: A Voice in the Desert Ronald Nelson

READING: Luke 1:26-38

PRELUDE



Text: Basque carol; para. by Sabine Baring-Gould, 1834–1924, alt. Tune: GABRIEL'S MESSAGE, 10 10 12 10; Basque carol; harm. by Charles E. Pettman, 1865–1943

READING: John 1:1-9

An Advent Proclamation Olaf Malmin **CHORAL SELECTION:**

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (from the *Roman Martyrology*)

INTRODUCTORY RITES

(stand)

O COME. ALL YE FAITHFUL **GATHERING SONG** 1. O come, all faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O ye God of God,_ Light_ of____Light,_ Sing, choirs of ex - ul - ta - tion, an - gels, sing in fi dé - les. laé - ti, tri - um-phán - tes, Ve ste O Beth le - hem: come ve. come ye to He comes Vir Lot forth from the gin's womb. Sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove! ní te. ní te inBéth le - hem. ve Come be - hold him, the King gels; and born of an Our God. got - ten ver y be not cre a ted. Glo God. all glo - ry in the high est; ry to Na - dé vi Re - gem tum te. an geló rum. O a - dore him. O come, let a - dore him. come, let us us Ve - ní - te a - do - ré mus, ve - ní - te a - do - ré-mus.

Text: Adeste fideles; John F. Wade, c.1711-1786; tr. by Frederick Oakeley, 1802-1880, alt. Tune: ADESTE FIDELES, Irregular with refrain; John F. Wade, c.1711-1786

us

GREETING

O

come, let

- ní - te

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son,

a - do - ré

+ and of the Holy Spirit.

a - dore

him.

mus

Christ,

Dó

the Lord!

mi - num.

People: Amen.

Priest: The Lord be with you. (or other greeting)

People: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Priest/Deacon: (invocation) Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest/Deacon: (invocation) Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Priest/Deacon: (invocation) Lord, have mercy.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life.

People: Amen.

GLORIA





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COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

Priest: Let us pray.

(We pause to offer our silent intentions to God.)

... God, forever and ever.

People: Amen.

(sit)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 9:1-6

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

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 96



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Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14

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

(stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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Priest/Deacon: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest/Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

Priest/Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

(sit)

HOMILY



(stand)

PROFESSION OF FAITH - THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven.

(please kneel)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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.

I 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 adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Deacon/Lector:... let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Today's second collection supports Commonwealth Catholic Charities.

Thank you for your generosity.

(sit)

OFFERTORY SONG O HOLY NIGHT arr. Biery

Verse 1: 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!

Verse 2: 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, there came the wise men from the Orient land.

The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger; in all our trials born to be our friend.

He knows our need, to our weakness is no stranger.

Behold your King; before Him lowly bend! Behold your King; before Him lowly bend!

Verse 3: Truly He taught us to love one another;

His law is love and His gospel is peace.

Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother,

and in His name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,

let all within us praise His holy name.

Christ is the Lord! O praise His name forever!

His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim! His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim!

(stand)

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours

may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands

for the praise and glory of his name,

for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Priest: ...who lives and reigns forever and ever.

People: Amen.

PREFACE DIALOGUE

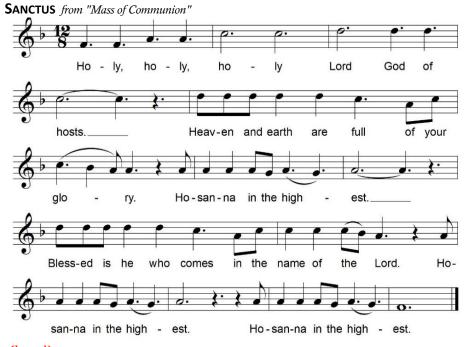
Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts. People: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

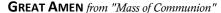
People: It is right and just.

PREFACE



(kneel)







(stand)

OUR FATHER

People: 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.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord ... coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

People: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are

yours, now and forever.

SIGN OF PEACE

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

People: And with your spirit.

Priest/Deacon: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.



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(kneel)

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away

the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the

supper of the Lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my

soul shall be healed.



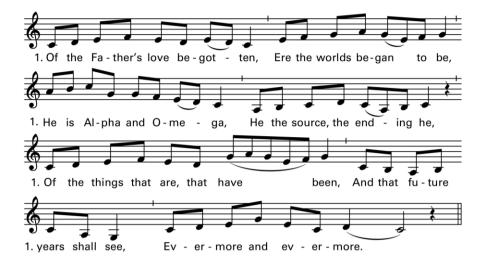
Catholics who are prepared to receive the Eucharist are invited forward to receive Communion at this time. If you are Catholic but not prepared to receive the Eucharist, or if you are not Catholic, we invite you to come forward with your arms crossed over your chest, and we will share a short prayer with you.



The Word be-came flesh, and we have seen his glo - ry.

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COMMUNION SONG OF THE FATHER'S LOVE BEGOTTEN





POST-COMMUNION SONG A CELTIC SILENT NIGHT Raney

- Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright
 Round you virgin mother and child. Holy infant so tender and mild,
 Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.
- Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight, Glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly host sing alleluia; Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!

(stand)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest: ...who lives and reigns forever and ever.

People: Amen.

BLESSING OF FAMILY NATIVITY FIGURES

THE CONCLUDING RITE

(stand)

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Priest: The Lord be with you. **People: And with your spirit.**

Priest: ... with the light of virtue. People: Amen.
Priest: ... heralds of his Gospel.
Priest: ...the Church in heaven.
People: Amen.
People: Amen.

Priest: And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the

Son, + and the Holy Spirit come down on you and remain

with you for ever. **People: Amen.**

Priest/Deacon: Go in peace. (or other dismissal)

People: Thanks be to God.

CLOSING SONG JOY TO THE WORLD

- 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.
- Joy to the earth, the Savior 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.
- No more let sin 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, wonders of his love.

Text: Psalm 98; Isaac Watts, 1674-1748
Tune: ANTIOCH, CM; arr. from George F. Handel, 1685-1759, in T. Hawkes; Collection of Tunes,