

The people's responses are in bold.

VOLUNTARY *Noel Suisse*

Louis-claude Daquin

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please stand, as you are able.

OPENING HYMN • 105 God rest you merry, gentleman

GOD REST YOU MERRY

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP, p. 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.**

GLORY TO YOU, LORD GOD

(Hymn S236) Rutter



1. Glo - ry to you, Lord God of our fa- thers; you are wor- thy of praise; glo-ry to you.

2. Glo - ry to you for the ra - di-ance of your ho-ly Name; we will praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

3. Glo - ry to you in the splen- dor of your tem- ple; on the throne of your ma - jes- ty, glo-ry to you.

4. Glo - ry to you, seat- ed be- tween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to you.

6. Glo - ry to you, Fa- ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

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.**

Please be seated.

THE READING

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 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.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 147:13-21

chant by C.V. Stanford

The response is sung first by the choir, then by all as indicated.

Wor-ship the Lord, O Je - ru - sa - lem. Praise your God, O Zi - on.

13 Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; *

praise your God, O Zion;

14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *

he has blessed your children within you.

15 He has established peace on your borders; *
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.

16 He sends out his command to the earth, *
and his word runs very swiftly

Response

17 He gives snow like wool; *
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; *
who can stand against his cold?

19 He sends forth his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.

20 He declares his word to Jacob, *
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.

21 He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments.
Hallelujah!

Response

Please stand, as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN • 107 Good Christian friends, rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:1-18

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

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.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. David Barr

Please stand, as you are able.

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.

Please kneel, as you are able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray in thanksgiving for the births of George Ethen Doyle, son of Elizabeth & Josh Doyle and grandson of Nancy & Stack Scoville; and Matthew Berry Jacques, Jr., son of Anna & Matthew Jacques and grandson of Jane & Jack Jacques.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and John, our Bishop.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We pray for Joe, our President; Bill, our Governor; John, our Mayor, for the members of our parish in the armed forces serving our country, and for our enemies and those who wish us harm. We pray especially for those affected by the violence and suffering in Israel and the Middle East and in Ukraine.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for those who are ill, especially Reba Barker, Sandy Berry, Lucius Burch, Chris Carter, Anna Kate Craig, Ruth Cate, Livi Grasman, Susan Narramore, Acra Samuels, Trish Thomas, Mike Waller, and Trilby Williams.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We pray for those faithfully departed, especially Marilyn McIntosh Draughn Gardner, mother of Lyn Downey and grandmother of Emma and Martha Downey.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

*The celebrant prays the concluding Collect and the people respond **Amen.***

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PEACE

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The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please be seated.

THE OFFERTORY

Sans Day Carol

John Rutter

Now the holly bears a berry as white as the milk,
And Mary bore Jesus, who was wrapped up in silk:

And Mary bore Jesus Christ, our Saviour for to be,
And the first tree in the green-wood, it was the holly.

Now the holly bears a berry as green as the grass,
And Mary bore Jesus, who died on the cross:

Now the holly bears a berry as black as the coal,
And Mary bore Jesus, who died for us all:

Now the holly bears a berry, as blood is it red,
Then trust we our Saviour, who rose from the dead:

Please stand, as you are able.

AT THE PRESENTATION *The Doxology*

(Hymn 380, verse 3) Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise
him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer B*

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

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

The celebrant says a Proper Preface.

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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord

(Hymnal S130) Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please kneel or remain standing, as you are able.

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,

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

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 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE FRACTION ANTHEM

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Christ our Passover

(Hymnal S156) Near



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.

NOTES ON RECEIVING COMMUNION All baptized Christians are invited to receive the sacrament, regardless of age or denomination. Those who have not been baptized are welcome to a blessing—indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. If desired, you may intinct (dip) your wafer at the altar rail or have the LEM intinct it for you. Gluten-free wafers are available at the side station.

After receiving communion, a Prayer Minister will be available in the front right corner of the Nave to pray with you for intercessions, thanksgivings, or other petitions.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Whence is that goodly fragrance flowing

David Willcocks

Whence is that goodly fragrance flowing,
Stealing our senses all away?
Never the like did come a-blowing,
Shepherds, in flow'ry fields in May?

Bethlehem! there in manger lying,
Find your Redeemer, haste away,
Run ye with eager footsteps hieing!
Worship the Saviour born today.

What is that light so brilliant,
Breaking here in the night across our eyes?
Never so bright, the daystar waking,
Started to climb the morning skies!

Praise to the Lord of all creation,
Glory to God the fount of grace;
May peace abide in every nation,
Goodwill in men of every race.

Please kneel, as you are able.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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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.

THE BLESSING

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Please stand, as you are able.

CLOSING HYMN • 92 On this day earth shall ring

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THE DISMISSAL

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Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY *Finale on 'Hark. the herald angels sing'*

David Willcocks

WORSHIP NOTES

Clergy The Rev. J. Malone Gilliam, celebrant; and the Rev. Dr. David Barr, preacher

Verger Don Greene

Acolytes Michelle Ikejiani, Tinsley Graham, and Julia Calton

Lector Doug Gortner

Lay Eucharistic Ministers Eric Grasman, Jason Callen, Ella Redkevitch, and Mary Chris Waller

MUSIC NOTE

Both the text and tune of today's sequence hymn are quite old and possibly of Divine origin. The first mention of either is recorded by mystic Heinrich Suso (1295-1366), who gave the following account of a vision: "At another time, on the same festival (Christmas), after he had spent many hours in contemplating the joys of the angels and daybreak was at hand, there came to him a youth who bore himself as though he were a heavenly musician...[T]hen they drew the Servitor (Suso) by the hand into the dance, and the youth began a joyous ditty about the infant Jesus, which ran thus: '*In dulci jubilo*.'" The oldest manuscript of the tune dates from 1340, and later that century was well-known as a dance carol. This hymn first appeared in an Episcopal hymnal in 1916, and it has been a fixture ever since.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In your prayers this week, please pray for the following:

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, and the Anglican Church of Rwanda.

In the Episcopal Church, we pray for Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry.

In the Diocese of Tennessee, we pray for our Bishop, John Bauerschmidt, and the Episcopal Church.

In our community, we pray for Holy Name Catholic Church.

In our parish, we pray for all parishioners of St. George's; our Nashville Fellows, Alex, Derek, Laura, and Olivia; and our Organ Intern, Abe.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Essentials Small Groups Our next series of small groups will dive into the dramatic story of Exodus. In Exodus, we have the story of God's redemptive work through Moses, the shepherding of God's people into a new life with him, and the giving of God's own words in the Law. This spring, please join us as we walk alongside Moses and learn more of God's strength, power, and profound compassion for his people. Join a 10-week, small group study today. Groups launch in mid-January. Details at stgeorgesnashville.org/essentials.

New Opportunities in 2024 There are so many ways to engage at St. George's – from Bible studies to church events, from new college grads to our robust senior adults. We invite you to pick up the new 2024 opportunities brochure or visit stgeorgesnashville.org for a complete list of offerings this season.

Seniors Helping Others Our senior adults gather on Tuesday, January 9, at 10:00am in the Library to write Valentine cards for our veterans. New people are welcome anytime, and we organize a new project each month. Contact church member Karen Lackey if you can help: lackeykab@gmail.com or 615-260-8063.

Journey of Hope Anyone who has experienced a deep loss of any kind is invited to participate in this series on Thursdays, January 11 - February 15, from 9:00 to 10:30am. This 6-week course is led by a licensed professional counselor who specializes in grief and trauma. Under the care of a professional, you will learn about tools to process your grief in a safe and loving Christian environment. Please contact Robin Puryear to learn more or join the class: robin.puryear@stgeorgesnashville.org or 615-385-2150 x 247.

Church in the Yard Volunteers are invited to prepare food Saturday morning (January 13) and to set up worship and serve the meal on Sunday afternoon (January 14) at Church of the Holy Trinity downtown. St. George's supports this ministry the second Sunday of every month. Learn more and sign up online at stgeorgesnashville.org/outreach.

Newcomer Gathering Meet clergy, parishioners, and other newcomers during an informal Sunday morning gathering at 10:05am in the church library. Our next event is Sunday, January 14, at 10:05am.

Choral Evensong Please join us on Sunday, January 14, at 5:00pm in the Nave for a contemplative service of choral music and chant led by St. George's Choir. Stay after the service for a reception with members of the choir.

Application Season for Nashville Fellows Did you know that each year, our church hosts a group of recent college

graduates as they study, grow in faith, and pursue their vocations? These Nashville Fellows live with host families from our church, participate in graduate-level seminary classes one day a week, and work in their field of choice four days a week. Do you know a college senior who desires to start their next chapter well? Encourage them to apply now for the 12th Nashville Fellows Class at thenashvillefellows.com. The next application deadline is January 15.

Room in the Inn Winter Shelter Our Room in the Inn ministry continues as we host both men and women overnight during the cold months ahead. There are now additional volunteer opportunities posted for our men's shelters on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, and our next women's shelter is Thursday, January 18. We hope you will join us in providing food, shelter, friendship, and care to our unhoused neighbors. Visit stgeorgesnashville.org/riti for details and to sign up.

Bradford Gallery Event Save the date for our next Bradford Gallery Event. On Thursday, January 18, all are welcome to join us at 5:30pm for a light reception and another engaging talk inspired by the work of artist Makoto Fujimura on exhibit in the gallery.

Sunday School Classes Sunday School classes resume on Sunday, January 21, at 10:05am, with offerings for children, youth, and adults. Newcomers are welcome at any time! Visit stgeorgesnashville.org/ministries for details.

20s & 30s Kick-Off Party Calling all young adults! Join us Sunday, January 21, for a fun event to kick off the semester. Watch for details at stgeorgesnashville.org/youngadults.

The Worry-Free Parent with Sissy Goff Mark your calendars and make plans to join us on Thursday, January 25, at 5:30pm for a special evening with Sissy Goff of Daystar Counseling Ministries. This free event will invite us to reflect on a critical topic for our community: managing worry and anxiety in parenting. Space is limited, so register soon at stgeorgesnashville.org/parenting.

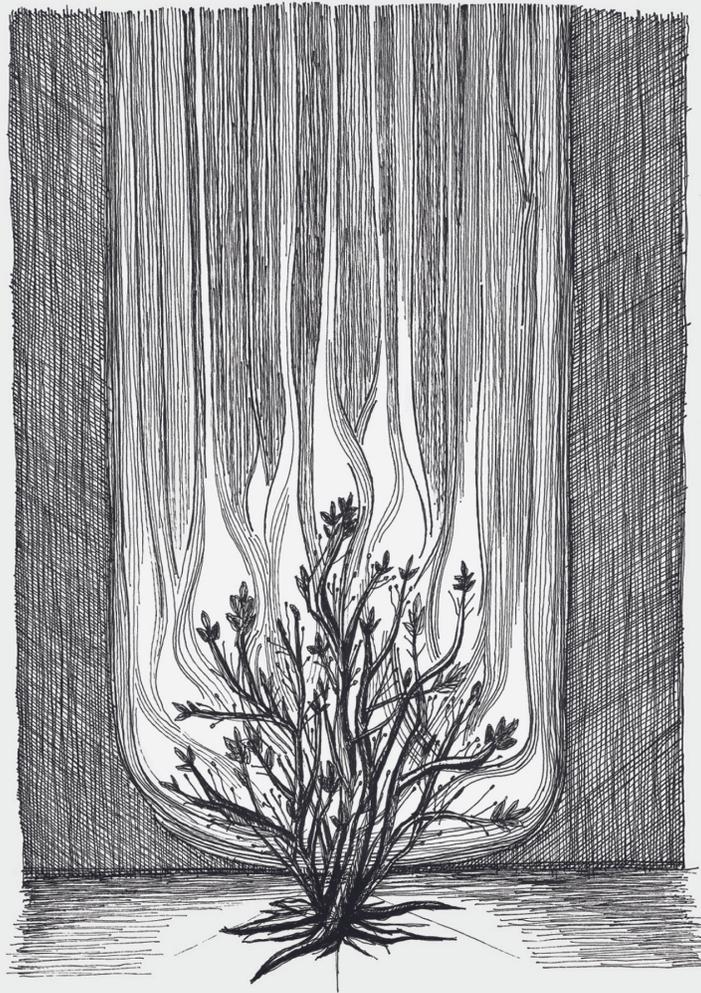


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EXODUS

Essentials



*New Bible study groups launch January 22.
Sign up now at stgeorgesnashville.org/essentials.*

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The Rev. Margery Kennelly, Associate Rector
The Rev. Richard Kew, Priest Associate
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SUNDAY SERVICES

7:30, 8:45, and 11:00am: Holy Eucharist
9:00am: The Table
5:00pm: Evening Prayer & Holy Eucharist

WEEKDAY SERVICES (CHAPEL)

7:00am Monday - Saturday | Daily Worship
10:00am Wednesday | Healing Prayer



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