Christmas Eve

Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright



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Welcome to the Episcopal Church An Anglican Communion **2StMs** St. Martin's and St. Matthew's

Please follow the Service in the Booklet and refer to this insert for Hymns and Readings.

HYMNS:	(all hymns are in the 1982	hymnal in your pew rack unless noted below)
Processional	Hymn 83	"O Come all ye Faithful" (v 1-4)
Gloria	Hymn 96	"Angels we have heard on High" (v 1-3)
Gradual	Hymn 81	"Lo, How a rose e'er blooming" (v 1-2, 3)
Offertory	Hymn 112	"In the bleak mid-winter" (v 1-3)
Post-Communion	Hymn 111	"Silent Night" (v 1-4)
Recessional	Hymn 100	"Joy to the World!" (v 1-4)

The First Reading

Reader: A Reading from Isaiah, Chapter 9

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.

After the Reading, the Reader says:	The Word of the Lord
People:	Thanks be to God.

Worship Leader: Please join me in reading the psalm of the day. Please read the bold print.

Psalm 96

Cantate Domino

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.

Sing to the LORD and bless his Name;

proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations and his wonders among all peoples.

For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; he is more to be feared than all gods. As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols;

but it is the LORD who made the heavens.

Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence!

Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!

Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; ascribe to the LORD honor and power. Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him. 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."

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.

Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the LORD when he comes, when he comes to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with his truth.

The Second Reading

Reader: A Reading from Titus, Chapter 2

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.

After the Reading, the Reader says:	The Word of the Lord
People:	Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

Please stand.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 2:1-14(15-20)

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.]

After the Gospel, silence may be kept.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERVICE TONIGHT

Celebrant	The Rev. Rubén Jurado
Worship Leader	Megan Hahn
Reader	Barbra Joosten
Crucifer	Shawn Herrick
Acolytes	Zach Sternbach Hunter Sternbach Serafina Tomasulo
Ushers	Linda and Skip Cherven
Altar Guild	Linda Finnegan, Pat Johnson, Linda LoPresti
Music Director	Owen Davitt
Musicians	Lily Kearney, Megan Hahn, Erin Hahn

Prayers needed:

For those who are ill or convalescing: Albert, Bishop Errol, Debbie, Douglas, Elias, Eva, Kathy F., Laura, Len, Lucia, Mara, Meghan, Nancy, Nell, Ordith, Pat, Richie, Teagan, Tom and Winnifred. Scott, Amanda, Joey, Vinnie, Diane, Sylvia, David, Chris, William, Donna, Carol, Debbie, Erin, Richard and HS.

For family & friends currently serving in the Armed Forces:

Olivia Beattie – US Army, Ryan O'Connell – US Army, Zach Harris – US Army For those who are unable to attend church: Leslie.

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CALENDAR

Dec	25	NO SERVICE at either Church on Christmas Day
	29	10 AM Holy Eucharist at St. Matthew's
		Rev Liz Golub, Celebrant
		(no service at St Martin's)
Jan	5	10 AM Holy Eucharist at St. Matthew's
		Fr. Rubén Jurado, Celebrant
	12	10 AM Holy Eucharist at St. Martin's
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