

# St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Alexandria, Virginia

*We warmly welcome those who worship with us today.*

**Second Sunday after Christmas**

**January 3, 2016**

## **Christmas Acclamation**

*Celebrant: Alleluia, I bring tidings of great joy, to us a Son is born*

*People: To Us, a Savior is given. Alleluia*

## **Opening Hymn**

*Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning*

Hymnal #117 (Vs. 1-3)

1. Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,  
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.
2. Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining;  
Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;  
Angels adore him in slumber reclining,  
Maker and Monarch and Savior of all!
3. Shall we then yield him, in costly devotion,  
Odors of Edom and offerings divine?  
Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,  
Myrrh from the forest, and gold from the mine?

## **Gloria (2x)**

Taizé

*Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo*

## **The Collect of Christmas II**

*(from the insert)*

## **A Reading from Jeremiah 31:7-14**

*(from the insert)*

## **The Psalm**

Psalm 84:1-8

*(from the insert)*

## **A Reading from Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a**

*(from the insert)*

## **Sequence Hymn**

*As with Gladness*

Hymnal #119 (Vs. 1-3)

1. As with gladness, men of old  
Did the guiding star behold  
As with joy they hailed its light  
Leading onward, beaming bright  
So, most glorious Lord, may we  
Evermore be led to thee.
2. As with joyful steps they sped  
To that lowly manger bed  
There to bend the knee before  
Him whom heaven and earth adore;  
So may we with willing feet  
Ever seek thy mercy seat.
3. As they offered gifts most rare  
At that manger rude and bare;  
So may we with holy joy,  
Pure and free from sin's alloy,  
All our costliest treasures bring,  
Christ, to thee, our heavenly King.

## **The Gospel from Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23**

*(from the insert)*

**The Sermon**

The Rev. John A. Weatherly

**The Nicene Creed**

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**Litany of Healing**

*(from the insert)*

**The Confession**

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**Hymn at Healing** (remain seated)

*God Himself Is With Us*

Hymnal #475

1. God himself is with us:  
let us all adore him,  
and with awe appear before him.  
God is here within us,  
souls in silence fear him,  
humbly, fervently draw near him.  
Now his own, who have known  
God, in worship lowly;  
yield their spirits wholly.
2. Gladly, Lord, we offer:  
thine to be for ever.  
soul and life and each endeavor.  
Help us to surrender  
earth's deceitful treasures,  
pride of life, and sinful pleasures:  
thou alone shalt be known  
Lord of all our being,  
life's true way decreeing.
3. Thou pervadest all things;  
let thy radiant beauty  
light mine eyes to see my duty.  
As the tender flowers eagerly unfold them,  
to the sunlight calmly hold them,  
so let me quietly in thy rays imbue me;  
let thy light shine through me.

**The Peace**

**The Offertory Anthem**

*Your offering is greatly appreciated as it supports the parish's ministries  
and outreach to this community and the world.*

**The Presentation of Gifts** *(congregation stands and sings)*

“Angels we have heard on high,  
Singly sweetly through the night,  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their brave delight.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.”

**The Great Thanksgiving**

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**Sanctus**

*Holy, holy, holy Lord*

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**The Breaking of the Bread**

*All are invited to come forward to receive our Lord's Sacrament or if preferred, a blessing from the Priest.*

**Fraction Anthem**

Taizé

*Eat this bread, drink this cup.*

**Communion Hymn***What Star Is This*

Hymnal #124

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| 1. What star is this, with beams so bright,<br>More lovely than the noonday light?<br>It shines to herald forth the King,<br>And Gentiles to his crib to bring. | 2. True spake the prophet from afar,<br>Who told the rise of Jacob's star;<br>And the Eastern sages with amaze<br>Upon the wondrous token gaze. |
| 3. The guiding star above is bright;<br>Within them shines a clearer light,<br>And leads them on with power benign<br>To seek the Giver of the sign.            |   |

**Prayer after Communion** (kneeling)

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**Closing Hymn***We Three Kings*

Hymnal #128

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| 1. We three kings of Orient are;<br>Bearing gifts we traverse afar,<br>Field and fountain, moor and mountain,<br>Following yonder star.<br><i>Refrain</i><br>O star of wonder, star of light,<br>Star with royal beauty bright,<br>Westward leading, still proceeding,<br>Guide us to thy perfect light. | 3. Frankincense to offer have I;<br>Incense owns a Deity nigh;<br>Prayer and praising, gladly raising,<br>Worship him, God most high.<br><i>Refrain</i>                 |
| 2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain<br>Gold I bring to crown him again,<br>King forever, ceasing never,<br>Over us all to reign.<br><i>Refrain</i>   | 4. Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume<br>Breathes a life of gathering gloom;<br>Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,<br>Sealed in the stone cold tomb.<br><i>Refrain</i> |
|  | 5. Glorious now behold him arise;<br>King and God and Sacrifice;<br>Heaven sings alleluia,<br>Alleluia the earth replies.<br><i>Refrain</i>                             |

**The Dismissal***LEM:* Let us go forth into world, rejoicing in the power of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ! Alleluia*People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia***Postlude****Please join us for coffee and fellowship in our Parish Hall following the service.****Remember to wear your name tags!**

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Treasurer: Eric Bryda (Ex Officio)	Clerk: Wally Tienken (2017)
Worship: Linda Berg (2017)	Fellowship: Kathy Hughes (2017)
Outreach: Rosemary Kley (2015)	Newcomers: Nihal Masih (2015)
Pastoral Care:	Adult Ed: Pam Smith (2016)
Children's Ed: Ashley Bryda (2016)	Finance: Wally Tienken (2017)
Stewardship: Sara Dillich (2017)	

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**This Sunday – January 3, 2016**

**Next Sunday, January 10, 2016**

	<u>8:00 A.M.</u>	<u>10:00 A.M.</u>		<u>8:00 A.M.</u>	<u>10:00 A.M.</u>
<b>LEM</b>	Jackie Cerio	Mike Foughty Linda Berg	<b>LEM</b>		Pamela Smith Jim Bailes
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