

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Alexandria, Virginia

December 24, 2017 - Christmas Eve

Holy Eucharist ~ Rite II(5:00pm/9:00p.m.)

Prelude

Christmas Acclamation:

Celebrant: Alleluia, I bring tidings of great joy. To us a Son is born.

People: To us a Savior is given. Alleluia.

Processional Hymn

Hark, The Herald Angels Sing

Hymnal #87

Station at the Christmas Creche

Opening Acclamation

Gloria in Excelsis

BCP p. 355

Hymnal #96 (Vs. 1, 4)

The Word of God

The Book of Common Prayer

The Collect of the Day

(from the insert)

First Lesson

Isaiah 9:2-7

(from the insert)

The Psalm

Psalm 96

(from the insert)

The Epistle

Titus 2:11-14

(from the insert)

Sequence Hymn

Of The Father's Love

Hymnal #82

The Gospel – Told in parts

Luke 2:1-14 [15-20]

“The Holy Gospel of Our Lord and Jesus Christ, According to Luke”

R “*Glory to You, Lord Christ*”

N And it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. And this registration was first made when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be registered, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee out of the city of Nazareth into Judea, unto the City of David which is called Bethlehem because he was of the house and lineage of David to be registered with Mary, his espoused wife, who was great with child. And so it was that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds

abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them,

Angel "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: You shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

N And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

Congregation "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to all!"

N And it came to pass, when the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another,

Shepherds "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which has come to pass, which the Lord has made known unto us."

N And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the

saying which was told them concerning this Child. And all those who heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen.

“The Gospel of the Lord”

Praise to You, Lord Christ!

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Hymnal #79 (Vs. 5)

Meditation

A Christmas Litany

The Peace (*stand*)

The Rev. John Weatherly

(from the insert)

BCP p.360

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Still The Holiest Night

by Phil Kern

Presentation of Gifts

God Rest You Merry Gentlemen

Hymnal #105 (Vs. 1, 4)

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharist Prayer B

BCP p. 367

Sanctus (said)

BCP p. 367

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

All persons are invited to receive communion on this Holy Day!

Communion Hymn

Away in a Manger

LEVAS #27

The First Nowell

Hymnal #109

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

BCP p. 366

Hymn (*lights are dimmed, candles are lit*) *Silent Night, Holy Night*

Hymnal #111

The Christmas Blessing

May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon himself, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness.

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy this Christmas season, and make you heralds of the Gospel.

And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you this night and in all the year to come. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn

O Come All Ye Faithful

Hymnal #87

Postlude

We warmly welcome all who gather with us this evening!

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This Evening – December 24, 2014

	<u>5 PM</u>	<u>9 PM</u>
LEM	Jeanne Shafer Donna Anderson	Pam Smith Sheryl Sims
Lectors	Doug Varner	Russ Bradley
Intercessors	Jeanne Shafer	Jimmy Bailes
Acolytes	Katherine Larson Chloe Lewis	Tyler Chui Andrew Alonzo
Greeters	TBD	Bonnie Brown-Wilkins
Ushers	Jimmy Bailes Steve Mitchell	Wally Tienken Terry Tienken
Tellers		Ed Kley David Powers
Vestry Person	Doug Varner	Jimmy Bailes

Christmas Day

	<u>11 AM</u>
LEM	Mike Foughty N/A
Lectors	Nell Brill Mike Foughty
Intercessors	Rosemary Kley
Acolytes	Ben Slobodin Hailey Heyse
Greeter	Delta Youngquist
Ushers	Wally Tienken Terry Tienken
Tellers	Ed Kley David Powers
Vestry Person	Nihal Masih

