

# St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Alexandria, Virginia

December 25, 2017 - Christmas Day Holy  
Holy Eucharist ~ Rite II (11 a.m.)

The Rev. Donna Foughty, Preacher  
and Celebrant

## 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 Sentence

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## Gloria

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## The Word of God

### The Book of Common Prayer

#### The Collect of the Day

*(from the insert)*

#### First Lesson

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. {3} 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. {4} 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. {5} For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. {6} 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. {7} 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.

#### The Psalm

Psalm 97

*(from the insert)*

#### The Epistle

Titus 3:4-7

*(from the insert)*

#### The Gospel

Luke 2[1-7] 8-20

#### Meditation

The Rev. Donna Foughty

#### A Christmas Litany

*(from the insert)*

#### The Peace *(stand)*

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## The Holy Communion

### Offertory

### Presentation of Gifts

### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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### Sanctus

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### The Lord's Prayer

### The Breaking of the Bread

*All baptized persons are invited to receive communion.*

### The Prayer of Thanksgiving

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### 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.*

### The Dismissal





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The Rt. Rev. Susan E. Goff, Suffragan Bishop  
**Ministers of St. Mark's** – Every Member  
**Rector** – The Rev. John Weatherly  
**Priest Associate** – The Rev. Donna Foughty  
**Volunteer Vicar de San Marcos** – The Rev. Juan Valderrama  
**Seminarians** – Michaelene Miller, The Rev. Cornelia Eaton  
**Youth Minister** – Gabriella Pineda  
**Music Director/Organist** – Tatiana Andronikova  
**Parish Administrator** – Becky Sanders  
**Sexton** – Francisco Robles ♦ **Accountant** – Mike Morgan