

# Nativity of Our Lord

## December 24, 2021 3pm

*We are eager to engage all ages in this special worship service for children and their families. Feel free to move around the church with your children, as needed. Please note, everyone in church (except age two and under) must wear a mask covering the nose and mouth. We are livestreaming the service.*



# CHRISTMAS

Hymn 87 "Hark! the herald angels sing"

Mendelssohn

Collect for Christmas Eve

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Priest* Together we pray:

*People* Heavenly Father, the night sky shines with the Light of your Son, Jesus Christ. He was born as one of us and laid in a manger, and now his love shines through the whole world. We ask that you bring the love of Jesus into our hearts, and make it shine in us, this day and always. Amen.

A Children's Liturgy for Christmas Eve

Hymn 79 "O little town of Bethlehem" (verse 1)

Hymn 56 "O come, o come, Emmanuel" (verse 1)

Hymn 101 "Away in a manger" (verse 1)

Hymn 96 "Angels we have heard on high" (verse 1)

Hymn 128 "We three kings" (verse 1)

Hymn #83 "O come, all ye faithful"

Prayers of the People

*Priest* Holy God, we thank you for our parents and caregivers. Help them when they are in need of strength and support, and help us to show our love to them. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Priest* We thank you for our grandparents and other family members. Help us to show our gratitude for their wisdom and generosity. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Priest* We ask you to bless all children throughout the world. We thank you for our brothers and sisters, and for our friends. Help us to remember and care for those children who do not have families to be with this Christmas. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Priest* We remember in our prayers all those who are sick or suffering. Help all those who tend to them, and give them comfort in their time of need. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Priest*        Tonight is Christmas Eve. Help us celebrate the birth of Jesus, your Son, as we pray for peace and joy throughout the world. May your light shine in the darkness this day and always. Lord, in your mercy,  
*People*        Hear our prayer.

### The Lord's Prayer

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.

### Announcements

Hymn 111 (vs. 1-2) "Silent night"

*Stille Nacht*

*Adults may help children light and carefully hold their candles during the singing of the hymn, using the aisle sconces to light the first candle.*

### Final Blessing

Hymn 100 (vs. 1-2) "Joy to the world!"

*Antioch*

### Dismissal

*Priest*        Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

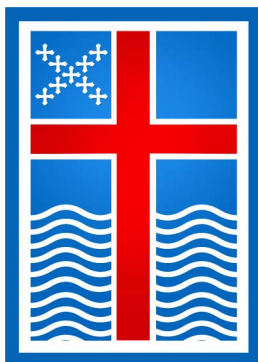
*People*        Thanks be to God.

**All are invited to enjoy a cupcake and sing  
Happy Birthday to Jesus on the patio following the service.**



*Officiants* Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole, Rev. Margaret Schwarzer, and Rev. Mia Kano  
*Organist* Helen Ward Mannix

*Cupcakes* DD Alexander and Elizabeth Svedlund



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