

The Holy Eucharist

RITE II

The Nativity of Christ

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CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
UNIVERSITY DISTRICT + SEATTLE, WA

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH!

We are so glad you are here. If this is your first time worshipping at Christ Church, we are especially delighted by your presence. Your hopes, dreams, fears, and mess are all welcome in this space.

If you would like to know more about Christ Church, please fill out one of the newcomer cards in your pew and place it in the plate at the offering or hand it to an usher. You may also fill out the form online using the QR code in your pew. We look forward to getting to know you.

Children

We are a community for all ages, and children are especially welcome to run around, play, and cry in the sanctuary during the worship service. There is a corner on the north side (on your left if facing the altar) with toys and books, and all are welcome to use it. We hope you and your children feel welcome and comfortable here.

Nursery care is not available for special services.

Children's safety is of total importance. Each adult working with children has passed a background check and completed mandatory safety training. No child is ever left alone with an adult.

Covid Practices

Masks are required and available at the door.

Why are we still masking?

1. Because Covid, among other airborne viruses, is still killing and disabling people, and it is preventable. Most of us will never meet the people whose lives are destroyed by careless spreading of disease in public, but that does not mean we should not protect them. Jesus taught us to heal, not to make people sick.
2. Because masking is a form of access. Masking is necessary for people whose immune systems are compromised or vulnerable: people with cancer, people with transplants, people with autoimmune diseases, pregnant people, the elderly, and babies who are not old enough to be vaccinated. We do not believe only the able-bodied should be able to attend worship safely.
3. Because we are a sacrificial tradition. Jesus died on the cross for the liberation and salvation of all, and asked us to lay down our lives for our friends. If an hour or two of mild discomfort allows all people to participate, and prevents the death and disabling of the most vulnerable in our society, then we cheerfully and wholeheartedly invite that discomfort.

Questions may be directed to Rev. Shelly: revshellyfayette@gmail.com

Air Movement and Filtration: We have upgraded our HVAC system to provide significantly increased air circulation. Additionally we have added HEPA-level filtration as well as UV scrubbers that sanitize the air in the sanctuary.

Testing for Preacher: The only person who will remove their mask during the service will be the preacher. The sermon is the portion of the service where there is no written and visual corollary. So, it is important for people to be able to hear the preacher clearly and lip reading is essential for many. The preacher will take two rapid antigen tests, 48 hours apart, before the service.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

All rise in Body or Spirit.

Opening Hymn Joy to the world!

ANTIOCH

1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -
2 Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let us our
*3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -
4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and
songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, re -
fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow far
na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness, and

heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture
peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
as the curse is found, far as the curse is
won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

1 and heaven and na - ture sing, and
2 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re -
3 far as the curse is found, far
4 and won - ders of his love, and

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heaven and na - ture sing,
 peat the sound - ing joy,
 as the curse is found,
 won - ders of his love,

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The Lighting of the Christ Candle

The four candles on the Advent Wreath and the Christ candle are lit. An individual is invited forward to light the candles and say:

The four candles we have lit during Advent represent hope, peace, joy, and love. All of them are manifest in the one we light tonight: the Christ Candle. In Christ we find the hope of transformation, the peace that follows justice, the joy of self-fulfillment in community, and the love that encompasses us in all our wildness. In Christ we find light and life, and the courage to be like him, answering his call and following in his footsteps.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

The Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting **Amen.**

1 The first No - well the an - gel did say
2 They look - ed up and saw a star

1 was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;
2 shin - ing in the east be - yond them far,

1 in fields as they lay, keep - ing their sheep,
2 and to the earth it gave great light,

1 on a cold win - ter's night that was so deep.
2 and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.

6 Then let us all with one accord
sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
that hath made heaven and earth of nought,
and with his blood our life hath bought.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson

Isaiah 9:2-7

Reader A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People

Thanks be to God.

Sing to God a new song; *
sing to God all the whole earth.
Sing and bless God's holy Name; *
proclaim the good news of salvation from day to day.
Declare God's glory among the nations, *
God's wonders among all peoples.
For God is great and greatly to be praised, *
more to be feared than all gods.
As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols, *
but it is God who made the heavens.
Oh, the majesty and magnificence of God's presence! *
Oh, the power and the splendor of God's sanctuary!
Ascribe to God, you families of the peoples, *
ascribe to God honor and power.
Ascribe due honor to God's holy Name; *
bring offerings and come into the courts of praise.
Worship the Most High in the beauty of holiness; *
may the whole earth stand in awe.
Tell it out among the nations that God reigns! *
God has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;
God 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 God, who will come, *
who will come to judge the earth.
God will judge the world with righteousness *
and the peoples with truth.

The Second Lesson

Titus 2:11-14

Reader A Reading from the book of Titus.

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.



1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, on
 2 Why lies he in such mean es - tate where
 3 So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, come,



Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with
 ox and ass are feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for
 peas - ant, king, to own him; the King of kings sal -



an - thems sweet, while shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
 sin - ners here the si - lent Word is plead - ing.
 va - tion brings, let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.

Refrain



This, this is Christ the King, whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;



haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Ma - ry.

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Presider

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

*People***Glory to you, O Christ.**

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.

Presider

The Gospel of our Savior.

*People***Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Homily

The Rev. Shelly Fayette

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider In peace let us pray to God our Redeemer.

Intercessor Christ born for us, Child of God given for us: help us to know you, to worship and to serve you.
Holy God,

People **hold us in your love.**

Intercessor Wonderful Counsellor, you order all things with your wisdom: help the Church to reveal the
mystery of your love and fill her with the Spirit of truth

Holy God,

People **hold us in your love.**

Intercessor Mighty One, all authority rests on your shoulders: guide the leaders of all peoples and bring in your
realm of justice and righteousness.

Holy God,

People **hold us in your love.**

Intercessor Everlasting God, you call us to live together in unity: protect by your mercy all your children, bless
our families and renew our communities.

Holy God,

People **hold us in your love.**

Intercessor Prince of peace, you bring reconciliation through the cross: by your healing power give to all who
suffer your gift of wholeness and peace, especially ,Eric, Kathy and Chris, Kathleen, Lorry, Frank,
Judy, Kay, Marie, Nora, Joanne, Laura, Gary, Ellie, Jennifer, Anne, and those we now name...

Holy God,

People **hold us in your love.**

Intercessor Christ, whose radiance filled a lowly manger, give the glory of your resurrection to all who rest in
you, especially those we now name...

Holy God,

People **hold us in your love.**

Presider Holy One, just as angels and shepherds worshipped at the manger throne, we bring to you our
offerings of prayer;

All **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of God be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Sentence

Presider But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:14-15*

Christ Church exists because of all our offerings - time, labor, money, prayer, creativity, kindness. At this time, you are invited, not pressured, to make a financial offering to support our vision, and as an act of gratitude for God's abundance in your life. Your one-time, weekly, or annual gift to us funds our street ministries, allows our staff to grow, bolsters our discipleship and formation, and keeps the lights on. You may donate online at christchurchseattle.org, clicking the donate button. You can also mail your gift to Christ Church at 4548 Brooklyn Ave NE, Seattle, WA, 98105. You can also donate via text; text the amount you wish to give (5, 10, etc.) to 206-222-7262. Thank you. We are grateful for your generosity.

*Today we are also collecting a Designated Offering to be given to ROOTS. Information about this designated offering recipient and ways to donate can be found at the end of this bulletin. Envelopes for donations are available in the pews. Please be sure to write **ROOTS** on any donations you make towards this.*

Caity Anderson-Patterson, *mezzo-soprano*

Of our Maker's love begotten,
Ere the worlds began to be,
Thou art Alpha and Omega,
Thou the source, the ending Thee,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see,
Evermore and evermore.

At Thy word the worlds were framèd;
Thou commanded, it was done:
Heav'n and earth and depths of ocean,
In their threefold order one;
All that grows beneath the shining
Of the moon and burning sun—
[Evermore and evermore.]

O that birth forever blessèd,
When the virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,
Bore the Savior into this place
And the babe, the world's Redeemer,
First revealed his sacred face—
[Evermore and evermore.]

This is he whom seers in old time
Chanted of with one accord,
Whom the voices of the prophets
Promised in their faithful word;
Now he shines, the long-expected;
Let creation praise its God—
[Evermore and evermore.]

O ye heights of Heav'n adore him!
Angel hosts Thy praises bring!
All dominions bow before Thee
To exalt our God, we sing.
Let no tongue on Earth be silent,
Every voice in concert ring—
[Evermore and evermore.]

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All rise in Body or Spirit as gifts are brought forward.

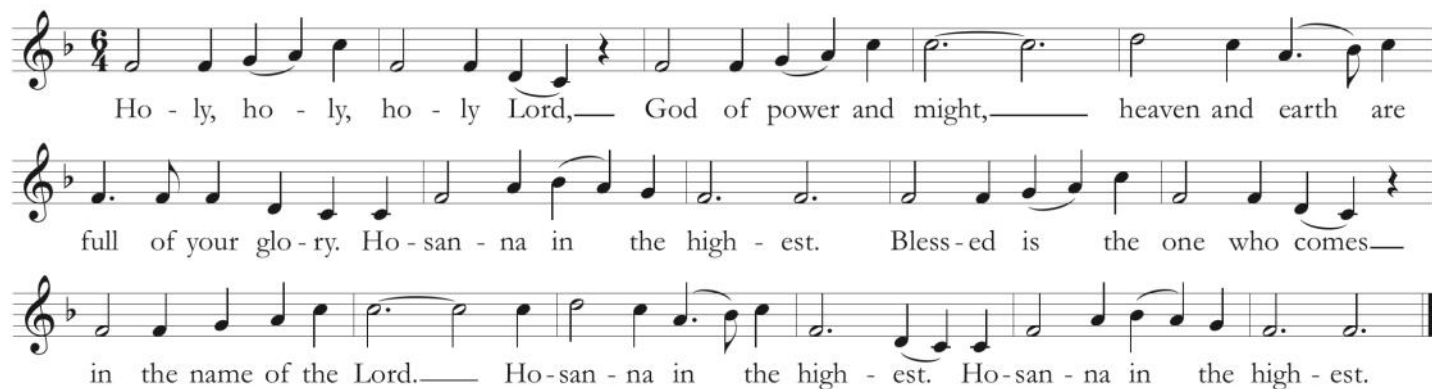
Eucharistic Prayer



The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first two staves are for the Presider and the People, with the lyrics: "The Lord be with you. And also with you." The third staff is for the Presider, with the lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise."

Presider It is truly right to glorify you, O God, our Refuge and Strength, and to give you thanks, for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

Sanctus



The musical notation is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of three staves of music. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, — God of power and might, — heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes — in the name of the Lord. — Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est."

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Presider

We acclaim you, Holy God, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, given the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might dwell as faithful companions with all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Gracious God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, Jesus lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom, to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose, Jesus gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for the One who died and rose for us, Jesus sent the Holy Spirit, the first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for Jesus to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, Jesus loved them to the end; at supper with them Jesus took bread, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; offered thanks and gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Most Blessed One, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming Christ's resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting Christ's coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

All

**We praise you, we bless you,
We give thanks to you
and we pray to you, the Rock of our Salvation.**

Presider

We pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, O God, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with matriarchs, patriarchs, prophets, apostles and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

For yours is the majesty, O Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost, yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
All **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Communion

Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation:

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy things for holy people.

All are welcome at God's table. All are welcome to receive Communion. You may choose to either stand at the altar rail or kneel. The priest will place a piece of bread in your hand. Gluten-free wafers are available; let the priest know. A Eucharistic minister will present the cup, please carefully guide it to your lips.

For reasons of public health, please do not dip the bread into the wine. If you do not wish to partake of the common cup, know that the totality of Jesus is fully present in both the bread and wine. When we receive only bread we are still receiving complete communion.

If you do not wish to receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward to the rail, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing from the priest. You may also remain reverently in your seat.

Communion Anthem Creator of all time and space CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

Caity Anderson-Patterson, *mezzo-soprano*

Creator of all time and space
We read your image on each face
Great Spirit of the cosmic whole,
You made us body, mind and soul

We thank you for the human mind
In mystic harmony designed
For word and image, dream and thought
For lessons learned, and answers sought

O God of planet, moon and sun
We wonder knowing all you've done
That you befriend the human race
And fill our lives with love and grace

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1. A - way in a man - ger, No crib for a bed, The lit - tle Lord
 2. The cat - tle are low - ing, The Ba - by a - wakes, But lit - tle Lord
 3. Be near me, Lord Je - sus, I ask Thee to stay Close by me for -

Je - sus Laid down His sweet head; The stars in the sky Looked
 Je - sus, No cry - ing He makes; I love Thee, Lord Je - sus! Look
 ev - er, And love me, I pray; Bless all the dear chil - dren In

down where He lay, — The lit - tle Lord Je - sus, A - sleep on the hay.
 down from the sky, And stay by my cra - dle, Till morn - ing is nigh.
 Thy ten - der care, And take us to heav - en, To live with Thee there.

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All rise in Body or Spirit.

Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

People **Almighty and ever living God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries.
that we are living members of the Body of Christ,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Presider May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Candle Lighting

The people light each other's candles in the dark and quiet.

Silent night! Holy night!
All is calm, all is bright
'round yon virgin mother and child!
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace,
sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! Holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight.
Glories stream from heaven afar,
heav'nly hosts sing, "Alleluia!
Christ the Savior is born!
Christ the Savior is born!"

Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
radiant beams from Thy holy face
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth!
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth!

Silent night! Holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
with the angels let us sing
"Alleluia" to our King:
"Christ the Savior is born!
Christ the Savior is born."

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The Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Daily Bread

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHURCH

The church office will be closed December 23-January 1 for the Christmas Holiday. The office will resume normal office hours after the New Years Holiday (Tuesday - Thursday, 9am-5pm).

Tuesday, December 24, 2024 - Christmas Eve
7:00pm - Holy Eucharist Rite II - The Nativity of Christ

Wednesday, December 25, 2024 - Christmas Morning Eucharist (pajamas and fancy dress welcome!)
10:00am - Holy Eucharist Rite II - The Rev. Shelly Fayette, *presiding and preaching*

Sunday, December 29, 2024 - The First Sunday After Christmas
10:00am - Morning Prayer Rite II - Danielle Hope, *presiding*
11:30am - Street Chaplaincy

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**Christmas Designated Offering - ROOTS Young Adult Shelter
December 24 and 25, 2024**

On special Sundays during the church year, we collect donations to support other organizations. Designated Offerings are a chance for our church community to recognize and support organizations that are aligned with our values and mission, and all funds collected go directly to the organization we are supporting. As part of our observation of Christmas, we will be collecting an offering to support **ROOTS Young Adult Shelter** on **Sunday, December 24th**.

ROOTS helps young adults aged 18-25 who are experiencing housing instability here in the U District by providing safe, overnight shelter and essential resources while also helping them find housing. Their programs and services include on-site case management, hot meals, and a weekly health clinic. More information can be found at <https://rootsinfo.org/>.

Donate Online:

You can make your donation online by Zelle, PayPal, or Venmo at <https://www.christchurchseattle.org/donate>

Please indicate that your donation is for **ROOTS**. If your Zelle, PayPal, or Venmo won't let you add a memo, please email office@christchurchseattle.org to let us know your donation is for the designated offering.

Donate In Person or by Mail:

Checks should be made out to Christ Episcopal Church and include the memo: ROOTS. If you are not attending the service, you can mail your check to: Christ Episcopal Church, 4548 Brooklyn Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98105. Cash donations can be put in the plate, using an envelope available in the pews and at the back of the church. Please include your name and address as well as ROOTS on the envelope.

**Work Party
Saturday, 12/28, 10am-4pm**

In preparation for our remodel in January, we need to move lots of things for safekeeping. Please join us for any amount of time you can give on December 28. Many hands make light work! Snacks and pizza will be provided.

Update on Renovation as of 12/19

We are getting closer to the start of construction!

Of course, as with any huge project, there are some uncertainties about the schedule, and at the moment there are still many small tasks to accomplish. It is probable that—despite our best efforts—not every detail will unfold as smoothly as we would like. It is possible that construction will not actually start at the crack of dawn on January 6. Nevertheless, we want to be prepared and not create any obstacles for the construction workers.

In addition to the work party on December 28, you may see other preparations. The old organ console and the exposed organ pipes will be removed on December 27, 30, and 31. The altar will be relocated shortly after that. Shelly has assured us that because the changes are temporary, the church does not need to be deconsecrated. Still, we will need to get used to people making noise and sawdust in our holy spaces for a few months.

Giveaways: kitchen appliances, loveseat, and pews!

The renovation will create a new, expanded kitchen, and it will be equipped with plumbing and appliances that are compatible with Seattle Public Health Food Service Permit requirements. Consequently, the old appliances in the existing Church House kitchen will need to find new homes. These are all General Electric machines in working order: a refrigerator, a dishwasher, and a combination oven-stove-microwave. If you're curious, take a peek the next time you are in the building.

The adjacent room (former library) contains a black loveseat that will no longer be needed.

Because the remodeled sanctuary will be furnished with individual chairs, the pews will be donated to a salvage organization. But you are welcome to bring one home! We believe that they are solid oak (not veneer), and they are heavy. There are a handful of short pews (34 inches tall, 22 inches deep, and 72 inches long). There is one 88-inch long pew, and plenty of 130-inch (almost 11 feet) pews.

These freebies are available to anyone, not just parishioners, so feel free to share this information with friends who might be looking for a new dishwasher or a slab of oak. If you would like to claim one (or more) of these items, you would need to arrange your own labor and transportation, and the items would need to be out of the building by January 6.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In Thanksgiving for and In Memory of

Jessie Nugent

From Pat and Tom Johnson & Ken and Lana Nugent

Reb, Robert and Sarah

From Lucy Ray

Jon and Joyce Massuco, Tom and Naomi Buckingham

From Heidi Massuco

Jean and Allan Parker, Joan and Mel Burkhalter, Barbara Parker, and Gordon Pollard

From Edie Burkhalter

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