



# HOLY NATIVITY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany  
Holy Eucharist, Rite Two  
Sunday, February 13, 2022  
10:30 a.m.

**SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY!**



*Welcome to Holy Nativity!*

Opening Music "Though I May Speak" (Dale Wood)

John Durgan, organist

Opening Hymn "As with gladness men of old"

Hymn #119

1 As with glad - ness men of old did the guid - ing star be - hold;  
2 As with joy - ful steps they sped to that low - ly man - ger - bed;  
3 As they of - fered gifts most rare at that man - ger rude and bare;  
4 Ho - ly Je - sus! ev - ery day keep us in the nar - row way;  
5 In the heaven - ly coun - try bright, need they no cre - a - ted light;

1 as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam - ing bright;  
2 there to bend the knee be - fore him whom heaven and earth a - dore;  
3 so may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - loy,  
4 and, when earth - ly things are past, bring our ran - somed souls at last  
5 thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:

1 so, most gra - cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.  
2 so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek the mer - cy - seat.  
3 all our cost - liest trea - sures bring, Christ! to thee, our heaven - ly King.  
4 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.  
5 there for ev - er may we sing al - le - lu - ias to our King.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898). Music: Dix, melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872); arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889);  
harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

## The Word of God

### Children's Time

*All children are invited to come up for children's time. After, they will follow the cross out to participate in children's church, to return during announcement time.*

### Children's Choir "Majesty" (words and music by Jack Hayford, arr. by Larry Haron)

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People*            **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant may say*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*The following song of praise is sung, all standing*

### **Song of Praise Hymn S-280**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **The Collect of the Day**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People*            **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*        Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will

and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**  
*The people sit.*

## **The Lessons**

### **Old Testament Jeremiah 17:5-10**

Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals  
and make mere flesh their strength,  
whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert,  
and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,  
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,  
whose trust is the LORD.

They shall be like a tree planted by water,  
sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,  
and its leaves shall stay green;  
in the year of drought it is not anxious,  
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;  
it is perverse--  
who can understand it?

I the LORD test the mind  
and search the heart,  
to give to all according to their ways,  
according to the fruit of their doings.

*The Word of the Lord.*

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 1** *Beatus vir qui non abiit*

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \*  
nor lingered in the way of sinners,  
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

**2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, \*  
and they meditate on his law day and night.**

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*  
everything they do shall prosper.

**4 It is not so with the wicked; \*  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, \*  
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

**6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, \*  
but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

### **The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20**

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.  
*The Word of the Lord.*

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

# Sequence Hymn “O Christ, the Word Incarnate”

Hymn #632

1 O Christ, the Word In - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,  
 2 The Church from our dear Mas - ter re - ceived the word di - vine,  
 3 O make thy Church, dear Sa - vior, a lamp of pur - est gold,

O Truth, un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky;  
 and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.  
 to bear be - fore the na - tions thy true light as of old;

we praise thee for the ra - diancance that from the scrip - ture's page,  
 It is the chart and com - pass that o'er life's surg - ing sea,  
 O teach thy wan - dering pil - grims by this their path to trace,

a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.  
 mid mists and rocks and quick - sands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.  
 till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see thee face to face.

*Leader:*           The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
                          (6:17-26)

*People:*           **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now,  
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.”

"But woe to you who are rich,  
for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,  
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,  
for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

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

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Steve Bates

*On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing*

# 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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

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 and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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.



## **The Prayers of the People: Form III**

*People may remain standing, kneel, or sit reverently.*

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

## **Remember in Prayer**

*(Names stay on the list for 3 months. If someone needs to stay on longer, contact Madge Smith at madge@holy-nativity.org or 747-4000. Always get permission from the person before you add them.)*

**From our congregation:** Bruce McLawhorn, Harry Cooper, Betty Grammer, Alice Kinney, Carl Harris, Tass and family, Mary Troxell, Sarah Mason, Lou Churchill, Malinda Kelly, Hannah Davis, Olivia Clemons, Tim Phillips, Pat Spangler, Inge Churchill, David Burris, Liz Robin, Kelly Roberson, George McInnis, Terry Jangula, Michael Gailfoil, Ursula Hixson, Brianna Kelley, Jeannette Tremaine, Karen Seubert, Joe Ciccarelli.

**For our friends:** Shirley McNamara, Karen and Bruce Cox, Rose Leeth, Bob and Debbie Snuggs, Rosa Kulik, Ted Haney, Kevin Harvey, Mary Johnson, Charlie Mann, Dillion, Alexandra, Mary Johnson and Cooper, Julia Phillips, Rosy Hong, Connie McKee, Dee Burdett, Sue Miller, Ken Shockley.

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer** we pray for St. James' in Eufaula and for the gathering of the Diocesan Convention.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer** we pray for The Anglican Church of Japan.

**We pray for all active duty in the Armed Forces** serving in Bay County and throughout the world: Chris Morgan, Michael Darrah, Stacey Johnson, Christopher Landess, Greg Jenkins, Joseph Railey, Patrick Keenen, Jeremy Hough, Wes Eberhard, Stacey Holliday, Caleb Loveland, Robert Ice, Andrew Frye, Michael Keller, Rex Brown, Nicholas Longden, Marcus Duffy, James Cowart.

**We pray for those celebrating birthdays:** Feb. 13: Levi Barton, Scott Clemons, Feb. 15: Connie McClellan, Feb. 16: Kate Smith, Feb. 17: Reagan Duffy, Arthur Kraut, Feb. 18: Charlotte Eberhard, Feb. 19: Jackson Lee.

**We pray for those celebrating anniversaries:** Feb. 16: Martin and Kathy Brust, Feb. 19: Wayland and Glenda Patterson.

**The Altar Flowers** this Sunday are given by Ivan and Florencia Pereira in memory of Ivan's Dad, Gabino.

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or suitable collect.*

## **Greetings and Announcements**

### **The Holy Communion**

*The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture*

**Offertory** “Tuba Tune” (C. S. Lang)

John Durgan, organist

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Eucharistic Prayer B*

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says*

*People* The Lord be with you.

*Celebrant* **And also with you.**

*People* Lift up your hearts.

*Celebrant* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*People* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*Celebrant* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*A Proper Preface is said by the Celebrant.*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

**Sanctus S-130**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand, kneel, or sit reverently. Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,**

**We proclaim his resurrection,**

**We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

**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.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Then may be sung or said* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.  
A period of silence is kept.*

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*  
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*and may add*

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*  
The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [*Amen.*]

*or with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

### **Postcommunion Prayer**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*  
Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,**

**you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.**

**Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Benediction and Blessing**

# Closing Hymn "Christ upon the mountain peak"

Hymn #129

1 Christ up - on the moun - tain peak stands a - lone in  
 2 Trem - bling at his feet we saw Mo - ses and E -  
 3 Swift the cloud of glo - ry came. God pro - claim - ing  
 4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son! Law and pro - phets

glo - ry blaz - ing; let us, if we dare to speak,  
 li - jah speak - ing. All the pro - phets and the Law  
 in its thun - der Je - sus as his Son by name!  
 fade be - fore him; first and last and on - ly One,

with the saints and an - gels praise him. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 shout through them their joy - ful greet - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Na - tions cry a - loud in won - der! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 let cre - a - tion now a - dore him! Al - le - lu - ia!

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*The Deacon, or a Priest, dismisses the people.*

*The People respond*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Postlude Music**

John Durgan, organist

### **Today's Ministers**

Preacher/Celebrant

The Rev. Steve Bates

Assisting

The Rev. Tom Weller

Organist/Dir. Of Choirs

John Durgan

Chalice Bearers

Lisa McLendon and Kelly Roberson

Lector

Daniel Melzer

Acolytes

Tyler Shores, Jackson Lee, Laney Lee, Esteban Pereira

Ushers

Linda Weller and Lori Bates

Greeter

Michael Fuller

Video Production Director

A.J. Jeffery

Altar Guild

Mary Bonham, Lisa McLendon, Monica Phillips



# ***SAINTS ALIVE***

Please check our website at [www.holy-nativity.org](http://www.holy-nativity.org) for the latest information about programs and events. Go to [www.diocgc.org](http://www.diocgc.org) to check out everything about the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast.

## **Parish Family Retreat at Camp Beckwith! This is the time to sign up!**

Friday, April 22-Sunday, April 24, 2022

\$120 per person. Includes room, activities, and 5 meals.

(Accommodation Upgrades and Downgrades Available)

Contact Tricia Berry 407-456-0232 or [TNE1025@hotmail.com](mailto:TNE1025@hotmail.com) to register or sign up on the sign up sheet in the foyer .

**Bishop's visit and Confirmation Classes scheduled.** Bishop Russell will be here on Mothers Day, May 8th for his visit and for confirmations at the 10:30 am service. Confirmation Classes will start March 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am. Please call the church office at 850-747-4000 or email Madge at [madge@holy-nativity.org](mailto:madge@holy-nativity.org). Youth and adults will have their own classes.

## **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper: March 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 pm**

We will feast on pancakes, sausages, applesauce and gumbo before Lent begins! Find the baby in the King's Cake and you will win reserved seating and parking on Easter Sunday! Donations will be accepted.

**Ash Wednesday Services: March 2nd at 7:30 am and 6:00 pm with imposition of ashes.** (No Wednesday Night dinner or programs)

## **The new Altar Flower Chart for 2022 is up on the bulletin board in the foyer.**

You can make a donation toward the altar flowers for a certain Sunday. The cost is \$25. Just note on your check it is for Altar flowers. Sign your name on the date, include the reason for the donation and I will include your message in the Sunday bulletin.

## **Wonderful Wednesdays!**

Our Wonderful Wednesday Worship and Programs (including Children's Choir) have begun for the new year! Please make plans to join us and look for upcoming news about this year's Lenten Program. Come see why Wednesdays are the BEST day of the week!! Children's Choir Rehearsal – 4:30, Worship- 5:30, Dinner - 6:00, Programs - 6:30. Don't hesitate to call the office with questions! 850-747-4000

***over***

## **We're ready to start up Supper Club "Dining Out" again!**

We will gather at Alice's on Bay View on Sunday, March 6, at 5:00 p.m. We'll start with cocktail time and then grab a seat for a nice Dutch-treat dinner. While we are together we can mull over the plans for Supper Club.

This is adults only and we ask that you sign up so that we can have an idea of how many we will be. For those concerned with the closeness/exposure of a restaurant, we will have the restaurant to ourselves and plenty of space. There is also an outdoor dining area. Alice is normally closed on Sunday evening but will open just for us.

Please call or text Mary Ellen Pettis at 850-628-4700 or email at [trespiscs522@gmail.com](mailto:trespiscs522@gmail.com). We are looking forward to rekindling some of that wonderful Holy Nativity fellowship that some of us have been missing terribly since Covid interrupted our lives.



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The Rev. Tom Weller, Associate

### **SERVICES**

#### **Sundays**

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite One  
(Nursery provided)
- 9:15 am Adult Sunday School
- 10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite Two  
(Children's Christian  
Education & nursery is  
provided)
- 5:30 pm *five-thirty* service  
followed by dinner and  
programs (Sept. – May)
- 6:00 pm SummerTime: Evening  
Prayer followed by dinner  
(June –August)