



CHRISTMAS DAY

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL & THE REDEEMER

DECEMBER 25, 2022 | 10:00 AM



You are welcome here.

A Little About St. Paul & the Redeemer

What kind of church is this?

St. Paul & the Redeemer (SPR) is a community that seeks to mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus, holding together a progressive outlook and a rootedness in the Christian faith. We are woven of different races, economic statuses, cultural backgrounds, faith backgrounds, gender identities, and sexual orientations, and we are strengthened and enriched by each person's story and voice.

Let's Get Connected

Welcome! If you are new, tell us about yourself and get connected to what's happening at St. Paul & the Redeemer.



Scan the code or visit sprchicago.org/new to complete a *Let's Get Connected* form.

Children & Youth at SPR

All children's and youth ministries will resume on Sunday, January 8.

Nursery, 9:00am-12:00pm

Professionally staffed nursery care is available during the service for children ages 0-4. The nursery is down the southwest stairs. Changing tables are in the downstairs restrooms and the nursery.

Children's Chapel, Sundays, during sermon

During the sermon at the 10:00am service, children from preschool to second grade are invited to a special liturgy in the children's chapel, featuring songs and a Bible story.

Godly Play, Sundays, after church

Children in preschool through fifth grade are invited to Godly Play. Children are welcome to join Godly Play at any time during the year.

Youth Group, Sundays, after church

Join us for youth group (grades 6-12). We gather every Sunday for 45 minutes to enjoy donuts, games, and discussion, and meet once or twice a month for field trips and special events.

SPR's Anti-Racism Vision Statement

We strive to become a beloved community that reflects on our own racial identities and recognizes racism and privilege in our church and society; works for justice by building relationships and sustained efforts to heal, reconcile, and seek Christ in each other; and acts to interrupt and dismantle white supremacist structures, transforming ourselves and our church to become a living embodiment of justice and peace.

Bulletin Rubrics

Throughout the bulletin, the congregation is invited to say all **bolded** text aloud. There are also times when it is customary to make the sign of the cross by touching your forehead, chest, left shoulder, and right shoulder. If you wish to do so, the + indicates that.

Giving to SPR

Every dollar you give to SPR supports our ministry to and with our community.



You may place cash or a check in the offering plate, give online at sprchicago.org/give-online or scan this code. If you are visiting, please do not feel obligated to give—it is our honor to have you as our guest!

Music Copyright

Except where otherwise indicated, all music not in the public domain is reprinted and streamed with permission under OneLicense.net #A-704721.

About the Cover Artwork

"Joy to the World!" from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

Original source:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/babasteve/31844535845/>.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Christmas Pastorale

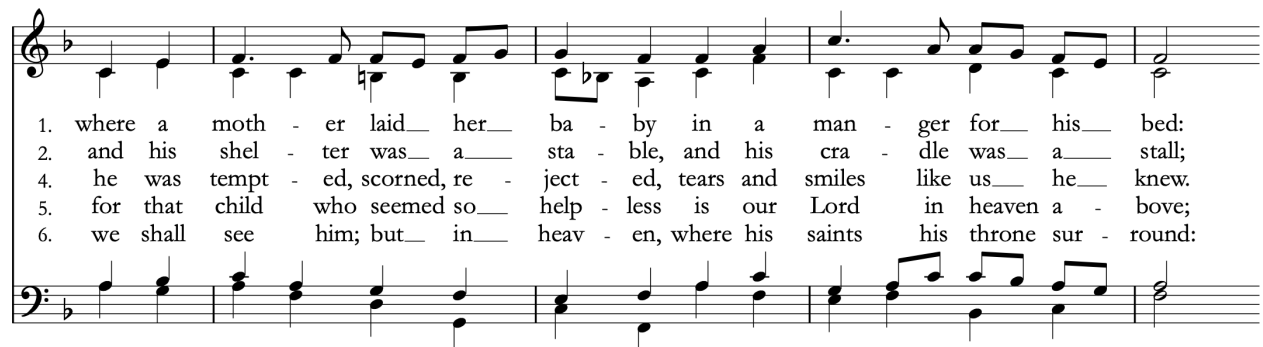
M. E. Possi

Entrance Hymn

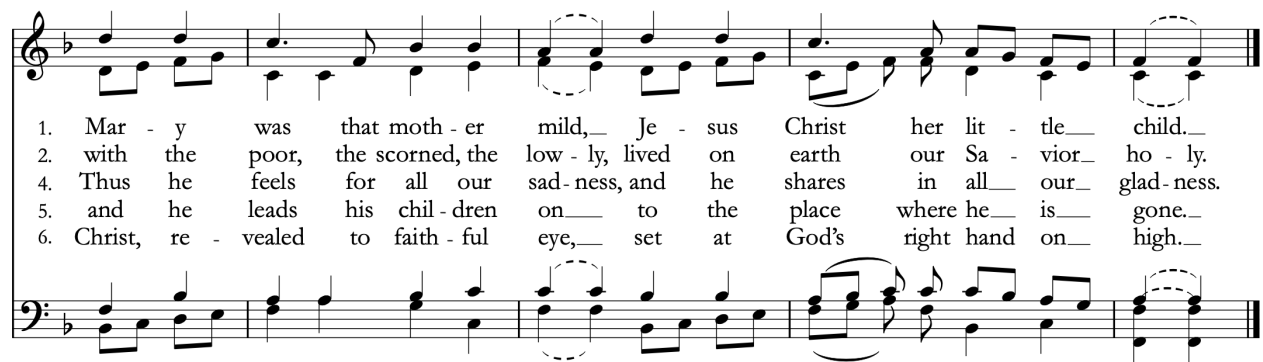
All sing.



1. Once in roy - al Da - vid's cit - y stood a low - ly cat - tle shed,
2. He came down to earth from heav - en, who is God and Lord of all,
4. For he is our life - long pat - tern; dai - ly, when on earth he grew,
5. And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own re - deem - ing love;
6. Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the ox - en stand - ing round,



1. where a moth - er laid her ba - by in a man - ger for his bed:
2. and his shel - ter was a sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall;
4. he was tempt - ed, scorned, re - ject - ed, tears and smiles like us he knew.
5. for that child who seemed so help - less is our Lord in heaven a - bove;
6. we shall see him; but in heav - en, where his saints his throne sur - round:



1. Mar - y was that moth - er mild, Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child.
2. with the poor, the scorned, the low - ly, lived on earth our Sa - vior ho - ly.
4. Thus he feels for all our sad - ness, and he shares in all our glad - ness.
5. and he leads his chil - dren on to the place where he is gone.
6. Christ, re - vealed to faith - ful eye, set at God's right hand on high.

The Hymnal 1982 #102: "Once in royal David's city"

Words: Sts. 1-2 and 4-6, Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.

St. 3, James Waring McCrady (b. 1938).

Music: *Irby*, melody Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876); harm. Arthur Henry Mann (1850-1929).

Welcome

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God,

you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ:

Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer,

may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge;

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

The Lessons

Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of the messenger who announces peace,
who brings good news,
who announces salvation,
who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices,
together they sing for joy;
for in plain sight they see
the return of the LORD to Zion.

Break forth together into singing,
you ruins of Jerusalem;
for the LORD has comforted his people,
he has redeemed Jerusalem.

The LORD has bared his holy arm
before the eyes of all the nations;
and all the ends of the earth shall see
the salvation of our God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino*

Let us read the psalm responsively by verse.

Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things.

**With his right hand and his holy arm
has he won for himself the victory.**

The LORD has made known his victory;
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

**He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**

Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

**Sing to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.**

With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the King, the LORD.

**Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it,
the lands and those who dwell therein.**

Let the rivers clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,
when he comes to judge the earth.

**In righteousness shall he judge the world
and the peoples with equity.**

Epistle (New Testament) Reading

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

Romans 1:1-7

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you"?

Or again, "I will be his Father, and he will be my Son"?

And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him."

Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his servants flames of fire."

But of the Son he says,

"Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom. You have

loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions."

And, "In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

All sing.

Choir/Solo:



There's a star in the east on— Christ - mas morn,
If you take good_ heed to the an - gel's words,

ALL:



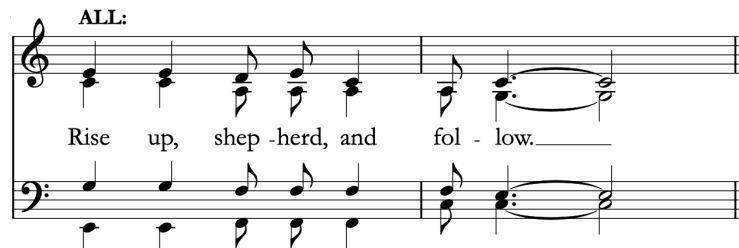
Rise up, shep - herd, and fol - low,_____

Choir/Solo:




It will lead to the place where the Christ was born,_____
You'll for - get your_ flocks, you'll for - get your herds,_____

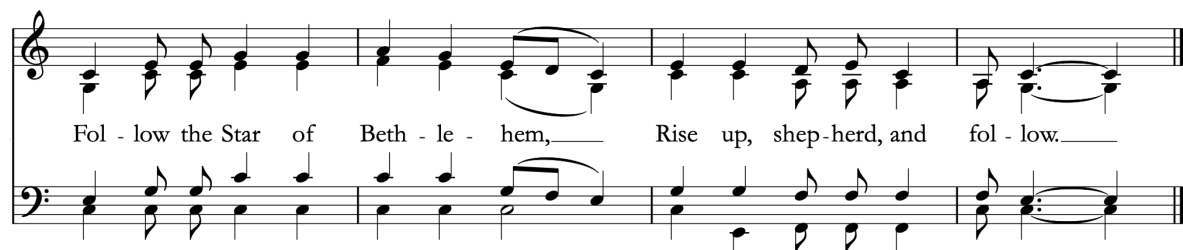
ALL:



Rise up, shep - herd, and fol - low._____



Fol - low, fol - low, Rise up, shep - herd, and fol - low,_____



Fol - low the Star of Beth - le - hem,_____ Rise up, shep - herd, and fol - low._____

Apostles' Creed

Please stand as able.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
+ the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the church and for the world.

Gracious God, as we remember the birth of your Son, open our eyes that we may behold your face; open our hearts and minds to your presence. We give thanks that in Christ you share in our humanity and open for us the gate of glory.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the health and well-being of all children, especially those who are homeless or in homes that are unsafe. Bless the work of all those who nurture, teach, and advocate for them.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all who have enriched our lives by their goodness, all who have accepted us and cared for us. We pray for all who are separated from loved ones at this time and all who are lonely.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We thank you for all the joys of this life. We ask your blessing on **Yasmin Morris** (12/26), **Sankar Muthu** (12/26), **Leslie Pilot-Gatton** (12/29), **Jerome Scott** (12/29), **Esther Foiles** (12/31), **Sara Kennedy** (12/31), and **David Larsen** (12/31) as they begin another year, and **Bob & Sheila Bator** (12/26), **Linda & Ron Thisted** (12/30), and **Jonathan & Daniella Pereira** (12/31) as they celebrate their anniversaries. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all those who are weary and weak, all those who are in pain, sick, or suffering, especially **Audrey Lisa** Tate (friend of Shirley Knight), **Jo Ann** Roberts, **Teresa** Massie Peterson (friend of Jo Ann Roberts), **Patrick** Ferlo (brother of Roger Ferlo), **Naomi** Haynes, **Jennifer** Penn, **Tim** Brown (cousin of Maureen Jesuthasan), and all those on our prayer list.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We ask that you bless our friends and loved ones who have departed this life with the gift of life and love eternal. We especially remember **Betty** Cotton (great-aunt of Twila Jones, 12/21/22), **Jewel** Starnes (mother of Pamela Anderson, 12/26/21), **Dana** Stewart (parishioner, 12/26), **Jack** Schultz (grandfather of Maureen Jesuthasan, 12/28), and **Alice** Karl (parishioner, 12/28).

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I invite you to offer your own prayers and thanksgivings, ending each with "Lord, in your mercy."

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayer List: Audrey Lisa Tate (friend of Shirley Knight), Jo Ann Roberts, Teresa Massie Peterson (friend of Jo Ann Roberts), Roger Wolcott (brother-in-law of Curtis Myers), Patrick Ferlo (brother of Roger Ferlo), Jake Dombroski (friend of Ryan Bailey), Mel Hodder (brother-in-law of Mary Naftzger), Bob Bator, David Farris, Jennifer Penn, Hyacinth Evans, Rahsaan Clark Morris, Tim Sehr, Pamela Anderson, D. Maria Neighbors, Dan Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), Barbara Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), Stacey Morris, David Daniels, Marian Elliott, Naomi Haynes, Amelia Dammen (grandniece of Lisa Rademacher), Pauline and Bill Reynolds (parents of Liza Reynolds), Tim Brown (cousin of Maureen Jesuthasan), William Jenkins (uncle of Twila Jones), and Rock Sehr, as well as their caregivers.

Prayers of the People: Adapted from David Adam, *Glimpses of Glory: Prayers for the Church Year (Year C)*.
Collect at the Prayers: *A New Zealand Prayer Book*, Liturgies of the Eucharist: Thanksgiving for Creation & Redemption.

Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you,

opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other,

in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us

through our Savior Jesus Christ,

that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

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

Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Please remain at your seat and wave to greet your neighbors. Some announcements will be given; there's much more to find out in the front and back pages of this bulletin.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

I Saw Three Ships

From *Wassail! Christmas Carols for Piano*
by David Evan Thomas (b. 1958).

The Great Thanksgiving

All stand as the offering is brought to the altar.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

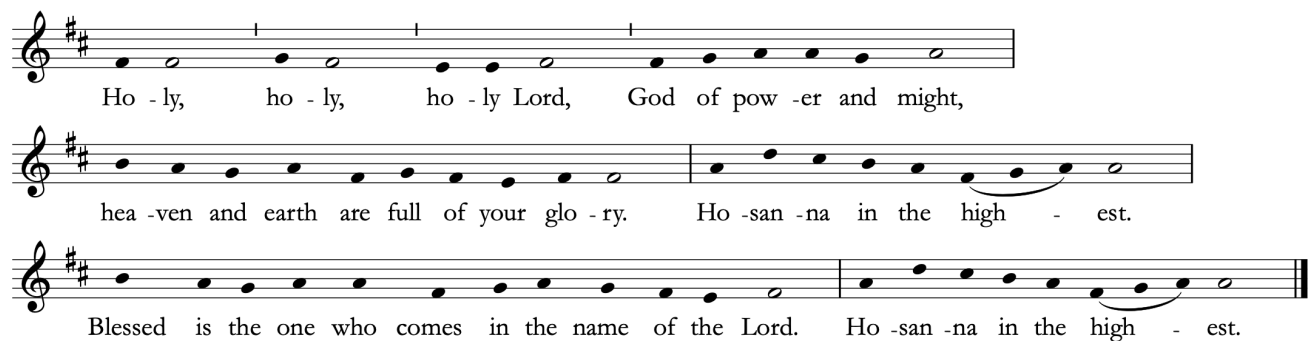
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 sung or said.

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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: *A New Plainsong*, David Hurd (b. 1950).

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

The Book of Common Prayer, 1979, Eucharistic Prayer A.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Music: *A New Plainsong*, David Hurd (b. 1950).

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All, without exception, are invited to receive communion. If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please let the ushers know. If you want gluten-free bread, tell the communion minister. If you would like a blessing in place of communion, cross your arms over your chest.

Communion Music

All sing.

1 Lo, how a Rose e'er bloom-ing from ten - der stem hath sprung!
 2 I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, the Rose I have in mind,
 * 3 O Flower, whose fra - grance ten - der with sweet - ness fills the air,

Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing as seers of old have sung,
 with Ma - ry we be - hold it, the Vir - gin Mo - ther kind.
 dis - pel in glo - rious splen - dor the dark - ness ev - ery - where;

It came, a blos - som bright, a - mid the
 To show God's love a - right, she bore to
 true man, yet ve - ry God, from sin and

cold of win - ter, when half spent was the night.
 us a Sa - vior, when half spent was the night.
 death now save us, and share our ev - ery load.

The Hymnal 1982 #81 "Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming"
 Words: St. 1-2, German, 15th cent.; tr. Theodore Baker (1851-1925). St. 3, Friedrich Layrit (1808-1859); tr. Harriet Reynolds Krauth Spaeth (1845-1925).
 Music: *Es ist ein Ros*, melody from *Alte Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, 1599; harm. Michael Praetorius (1571-1621).

All sing.

1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry; and gath - ered all a - bove,
3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous gift is given!
4. Where chil - dren pure and hap - py pray to the bles - sed Child,

1. A - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
2. while mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - dering love.
3. So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heaven.
4. where mi - se - ry cries out to thee, Son of the mo - ther mild;

1. yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;
2. O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth!
3. No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,
4. where char - it - y stands watch - ing and faith holds wide the door,

1. the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
2. and prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.
3. where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.
4. the dark night wakes, the glo - ry breaks, and Christ - mas comes once more.

The Hymnal 1982 #79 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Words: Phillips Brooks (1835-1893).

Music: *Saint Louis*, Louis H. Redner (1831-1908).

Sending Forth

Please stand as able.

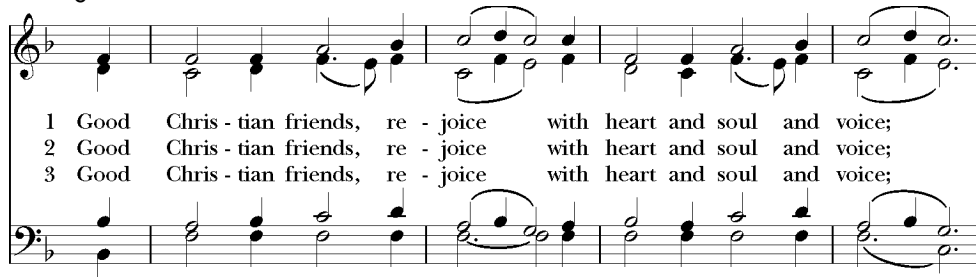
Let us pray.

**God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Blessing

Live without fear: Your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road, and may the blessing of God, + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Mother of us all, be with you always. **Amen.**

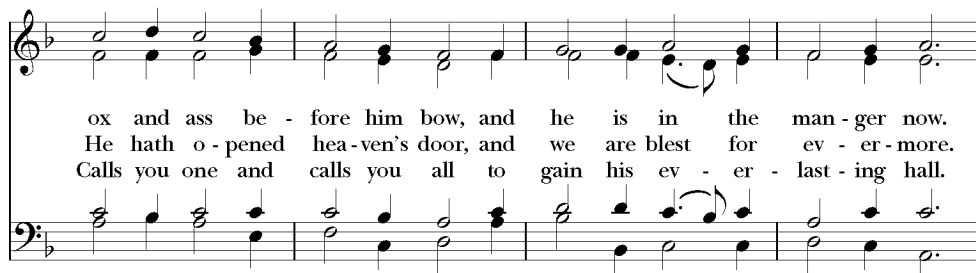
All sing.



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
2 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
3 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;



give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
now ye hear of end - less bliss; Je - sus Christ was born for this!
now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!



ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
He hath o - pened hea - ven's door, and we are blest for ev - er - more.
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.



Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

The Hymnal 1982 #107 "Good Christian friends, rejoice"

Words: John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

Music: *In dulci jubilo*, German carol, 14th cent.; harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944).

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

How Great Our Joy!

Traditional German Carol

arr. Bill Wolaver



Coming Up at SPR

New Year's Day Worship

On Sunday, January 1, join us for worship at 8:00 or 10:00 AM.

New Worship Schedule Begins January 8

Thank you to all those who completed our recent survey about worship times! Over 80% of respondents were open to trying out a combined service, and 95% were excited about hearing a combined choir. Beginning January 8 and continuing through June 11, we will try out the following worship schedule:

8:00 AM: Worship (Rite I, spoken)

9:00 AM: Free time with child care provided; open space for small groups and committee meetings

10:00 AM: Worship (Rite II, with music)

11:05 AM: Formation for all ages

To ask questions or share feedback, please contact the Rev. Catherine Healy at healy@sprchicago.org.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the parish, with budget review and election of new vestry members, will be held Sunday, January 29, at 11:00 AM.

Love in a Dish

Please consider making a "Love in a Dish" meal for the Swift family as they transition into life with new family member Chloe (mealtrain.com/g6nq93), or for Patti Lanfair as she rebuilds her home after the recent Hyde Park condo fire (mealtrain.com/r2z81L).

Crèche Exhibit

Visit the Byllesby Room to see a display of crèches from around the world! This exhibit, created by Bob Bator, will be open until January 8.

January Adult Formation

In January 2023, **SPR's Faith in Action Team** will be hosting a 3-part series called "Putting Faith into Action: Housing Justice in Chicago." Join us in the parish hall at 11:05am on the following dates:

- **January 8:** Learn about the theology around housing and homelessness, and housing justice work of fellow parishioners, with the Rev. Lydia Gajdel and Leslie and Ron Gatton.
- **January 15:** Rev. Catherine Healy talks about the history of Martin Luther King Jr.'s work on housing justice in Chicago.
- **January 22:** Hear from other organizations about their housing justice work and how to get involved, with Janice Miller from Sunshine Gospel Ministries and their Housing Equity Initiative

Serving Today

December 25, 2022, 10:00 AM

Presiders: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur

Preacher: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur

Deacon: The Rev. Jack Seymour

Music Leader: Mark Bilyeu

Lectors: Twila Jones, John Adewoye

Intercessor: Mel Parks

Acolyte: Matthew Erlec

Ushers: Baiju Markose, Stefi Baiju

Altar Guild: Twila Jones

Vestry Greeter: Fran Spaltro

Livestream: Jared Beverly

Staff

The Rev. Catherine E. Healy, *Rector*

The Rev. Barnabas E. Pusnur, *Associate Rector*

The Rev. Jack Seymour, *Deacon*

Mark Bilyeu, *Director of Music*

Megan Cather, *Children's Music Assistant*

Lindsey Strieter, *Director of Children's Formation*

The Rev. Roger Ferlo, *Priest Associate*

The Rev. Lydia Gajdel, *Priest Associate*

Lukasz Jedrzejewski, *Sexton*

Savannah Hegyi, Dennis Kalup,

Ian Murrell, & Ariana Strahl, *Staff Singers*

Sabrina Foster, Ashley Lanfair, & Patricia Lanfair,
Nursery Teachers

Vestry

Twila Jones, *Warden*

O. Michael Agina

Traci Beck

Jonathan Foiles

Meryl Prochaska

Rebecca Luttrell

Frances Spaltro, *Warden*

Tayo Adegoke, *Treasurer*

Nicholas Bellomy

Vicky Legge

Jason Evans

Celia Paris

Partners in Ministry

Beulah Shoemith Elementary School

We support our neighborhood school through tutoring, arts programs, and gardening.

Community Renewal Society

We are a member congregation of CRS, which organizes faith communities for social change.

Crossroads/Chicago ROAR

Chicago ROAR supports our anti-racism commitments through facilitation and training.

Episcopal Diocese of Chicago

We are proud to belong to the Chicago South Deanery of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago.

Murray Fellows

Through this program, we mentor and encourage the next generation of LGBTQ+ Christian leaders.

Open Kitchen

SPR members gather monthly to cook meals for Kenwood UCC's Feed the People Soup Kitchen.

St. Patrick's Church & School, Haiti

Our collaboration with St. Patrick's in Tom Gateau, Haiti, includes school lunch and music programs, teacher salaries, and capital projects.

St. Paul & the Redeemer Food Pantry

Our food pantry is open to the community every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:30 PM.

Syrian Community Network

Each year, SPR sponsors a newly resettled refugee family from Syria through visits, tutoring and more.



St. Paul & the Redeemer
4945 SOUTH DORCHESTER AVE | CHICAGO IL 60615-2907