



CHRIST AND GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Our Mission: Offering Hope, Healing and Hospitality

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 24, 2017

8:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II (BCP p. 355)

10:30 AM ADVENT IV & ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Prelude Noel Variations Daquin

Entrance Hymn 74 *Blest be the King whose coming*
Valet will ich dir geben

Collect of the Day

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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.**

Parish Announcements and Offertory Sentence

Organ Anthem at the offering:

Swiss Noel Daquin

At The Presentation Doxology Old Hundredth (Hymn 380 vs. 3)
standing

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all
creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise
Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*



Christmas Pageant

Opening Song *Get Ready* Sunday School Choristers

Scene I: The Prophecy

Narrator Noah Hunter

Prophet Samuel Gates

Hymn 65 *Prepare the way, O Zion* Congregation
Stanzas 1 & 2

Prepare the way, O Zion, your Christ is drawing near!
Let every hill and valley a level way appear.
Greet One who comes in glory, foretold in sacred story.
Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name.

He brings God's rule, O Zion; he comes from heaven above.
His rule is peace and freedom, and justice, truth, and love.
Lift high your praise resounding, for grace and joy abounding.
Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name.

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Scene II: The Annunciation

Narrator Paige Whitley

Gabriel Ann Morgan Matthews

Mary Madison Bailey

Hymn 81 *Lo, How a rose e'er blooming* Congregation
Stanzas 1 & 2

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming as seer of old have sung.
It came, a blossom bright, amid the cold of winter,
when half spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the Rose I have in mind,
with Mary we behold it, the Virgin Mother kind.
To show God's love a right, she bore to us a Savior,
when half spent was the night.

Joseph Barry Osogu

Hymn 72 *Hark the glad sound*

Congregation

Stanza 1

Hark! the glad sound! the Savior come, the Savior promised long;
let every heart prepare a throne, and every voice a song.

**Scene III:
The Arrival in Bethlehem**



Narrator

Noah Hunter

O Little Town of Bethlehem Viola
Meade Hall

The Innkeeper

Heidi Ingles

O Little Town of Bethlehem Viola

Meade Hall

Away in the Manger

Perusi Musazi/Tim Richardson



Scene IV: The Angels and the Shepherds

Narrator

Paige Whitley

Hymn 109 *The first Nowell the angels did say*

Stanzas 1 & 2

The first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields as they lay, keeping their sheep
On a cold winter's night that was do deep.

Refrain: Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star
shining in the east beyond them far,
and to the earth it gave great light
and so it continued both day and night. *Refrain*

Head Angel

Angel Osogu

Head Shepherd

Tripp Matthews

Shepherds

Elliot Evans
Forest Ingles
Aiden Lambert
Jackson Matthews
Sam Mead
Kamci Osogu
Dietrich Walker
Quentin Walker
Cayden Williams
Emily Wirt

Leading Angel

Dylan Hoffman

The Heavenly Host

Sophia Hoffman
Muriel Ifekwunigwe
Sophie McClure-Jones
Zoe Jones
Ainsley Mead
Joy Osogu
Jean Plymire
Melanie Roney
Hazelyn Walker

Hymn 102
Stanzas 1&2

Once in Royal David's City

Congregation

Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed;
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven, who is God and lord of all,
and his shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall;
With the poor, the scorned, the lowly, lived on earth our Savior
holy.

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Scene V: The Magi



Narrator

Moses Musazi

HYMN 128 *We Three Kings*

Stanza 1

Congregation

We three kings of Orient are,
bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.

Refrain: O__ star of wonder, star of night,
 star with royal beauty bright;
 westward leading, still proceeding,
 guide us to thy perfect light!

Star
Three Kings

MacKenzie Bailey
Faith Geisz
Katherine Thacker
Ashley Thacker

Stanza 5

Congregation

Glorious now behold him arise,
King and God and Sacrifice;
heaven sings alleluia:
alleluia the earth replies.

Refrain: O__ star of wonder, star of night,
 star with royal beauty bright;
 westward leading, still proceeding,
 guide us to thy perfect light!

HYMN 100 *Joy to the World*
(stanzas 1 & 4)

All Stand

Congregation

Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

Summary of Jesus' Life

Bill Queen

Blessing and Dismissal

Postlude *Joy to the World*

arr., Albin C. Whitworth



**A special thank you to all our youth and children for making
this *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever!!*
Please join us in Lackey Hall for Christmas cookies!**



USHERS: Marwee Walsh and Ann Riggs **AUDIO:** Kevin Whitley

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Church Members: Polly Davies, Horace Higgins, Valerie Jones, Barbara Ragsdale, Daphne Spurlock

Relatives and Friends: Elise Bethell, Shannon Farthing, Selena McColley, Tommy Parson, Mark Richards, Edward Roberts, Dana Watkins Spiers, and Renee Williamson.



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Tonight, December 24

8:30 p.m. A Prelude of Music for Christmas

9:00 p.m. Festival Holy Eucharist

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

Monday, December 25

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Carols

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS, December 31

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

10:30 a.m. Christmas Lessons and Carols

(No Sunday School)



The Church office will be closed from
December 25 through January 1.