

**PRELUDE****GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN** "O Come All Ye Faithful" 283

**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**C** **And also with you**

**HYMN** "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" 270 vs. 1&2

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**L** The Lord be with you **C** **And also be with you**  
**L** Almighty God, you gave us your only Son to take on our human nature and to illumine  
the world with your light. By your grace adopt us as your children and enlighten us  
with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord, who lives and  
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**C** **Amen.**

**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. Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN** "Joy to the World" 267

**HEBREWS 1: 1-4**

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in  
these last days he had 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. Holy  
Wisdom, Holy Word **C** **Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN** "O Little Town of Bethlehem" 279



## The Holy Gospel According to Luke 2nd Chapter

<sup>1</sup>In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. <sup>2</sup>This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. <sup>3</sup>All went to their own towns to be registered. <sup>4</sup>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. <sup>5</sup>He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. <sup>6</sup>While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. <sup>7</sup>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.

<sup>8</sup>In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup>Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup>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: <sup>11</sup>to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup>This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup>And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup>"Glory to God in the highest heaven,

and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

<sup>15</sup>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." <sup>16</sup>So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup>When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; <sup>18</sup>and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. <sup>19</sup>But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup>The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C Praise to you, Lord Christ**

### SERMON

### HYMN OF THE DAY

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

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## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following is a listing of those who need your prayers. Our hope is that you will take this listing home with you and in your daily prayers remember those listed below.

Jimmy Abbott  
Laurie Abbott  
John & Francine Ahrens  
Kim & Will Ahrens  
Chuck Andersen  
Irene Barillaro  
Elana Barkasy  
Raymond Bazzolo  
Karen Bell  
Jim Bement  
Rebecca Bement  
Armando Binelli  
Eli Boda  
Lisa Bodnar  
Cheryl-Ann Bombardier

Holly Borden  
Donna Bruno  
Brusseau Family  
Eddie Burns  
Patsy Capuano  
Joe Casagni  
Liz Clinton  
Jill Cochrhne  
Nancy Colon  
Diane Currier  
Ora Curry  
Sigrid Devita  
Mahaila Dickinson  
Walter Dickinson  
Gerard Doll  
Irene Douglas  
Renate Duksis  
Judy Elliott  
Dorothy Elwood  
Jan Eucalitto  
Bruce & Liz Falls  
Christy Ferro  
Fred George  
Carol Gesner  
Pastor Wayne Gollenberg  
Susan Grenier  
John Grunder  
Alan Grunder  
Maggie Hanley  
Alexis Heintz  
Brad Herzberg  
Lynn Horka  
Mary Ingoldsby  
Jenn Johnson & Family  
Mike Jurkas  
Ed Killingbeck

Lynn Killingbeck  
Diana Levanti  
Rebecca Little  
Tommy Locascio  
Mervin Mank  
Cynthia Marine  
Richard Marine  
Janis Martin  
Shari Mendelsohn  
Michael Meyers  
Bob & Lynn Milano  
Denise Murphy  
Lynne & Bob Murphy  
Dennis Nalette  
Karen Ness  
Ron Nurnberg  
Caroline O'Brien  
Greg O'Brien  
Tom O'Brien  
Regina Pagano  
Bruce and Kathy Panella  
Gary Parker  
Maria Payne  
Colleen Peterson  
Mike Plouffe  
Mike & Diane Porto  
Caroline Quintal  
RuthAnn Rash  
Marge Raspiller  
Elfrieda Roller  
Dave Roskopf  
Chris Samele  
Rosemary Schibi  
Jay Shaw  
Linda Shaw  
Jon Sterling  
Linda Hoffman Stearns  
Dixie Travis  
Reid Underwood  
Mary Vargas  
Jackie Quinn Wassik  
Russ Wilmot  
Jean Marie Witt  
Pastor Larry & Nancy Wogman  
Amy Worthington-Cady  
Cookie  
Debbie E.  
Tom D.  
Anne  
Steve  
Rosaline  
Paul

Karen  
Katherine  
Helen  
Jo  
Jaiden  
Mike  
Curran  
Diane  
Charlie  
Michelle  
Miguel  
Jack & Barbara  
Clarence and Priscilla  
Diane H.  
Shannon  
Kathleen  
Betty M.  
Jack  
Rhett

### Family and Friends of Harriet Vergaro

### Kurt Schaller Family and Friends of Raymond Schaller

### Our Nursing Home Members

Doug Little  
Vinetta Nigels  
Doris Houk  
Marilyn Duteau  
Dee Gammon  
Anna Woike

### Our Military Friends

*Lord Jesus, Savior of the World and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of their Country. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers. Keep them close to you and help them live the commandments. Lord, Jesus give them courage to serve their country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthen them when they face hardship. Above all Lord, grant that when their service is finished that they may return to us, sound in mind, body and soul. Amen.*

Pvt. Brennan Thompson  
If you place a name on the Prayer List, it is your responsibility to let the office know either by Prayer of Concerns form in the Narthex, e-mail or a quick phone call, once per month if the name needs to remain on the list. Thank you.

**Sanctus**

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

**L** In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**C** 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,  
forever and ever. Amen

**Communion**

*Please open and receive your communion elements at this time.  
Wrappers can be left in the wastebaskets on your way out.*

**P** Come to the banquet, for all is now ready. The Body of Christ, given for you.

**C** Amen.

**P** The Blood of Christ, shed for you. **C** Amen.

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C** thanks be to God.

**P** We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

**Benediction**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace. **C** Amen.

**Closing Hymn** "Silent Night" 281

**Dismissal**

**AM** Go now in peace, to love and serve the Lord and your neighbors.

**C** Thanks be to God!

**THE PRAYERS**

**L** Let us pray with humble hearts.

**AM** For the Church, that we may rejoice in the coming of Christ. **C** Hear us, O Lord

**AM** For the world, that Jesus' gentle love may penetrate the hardest hearts, and that Jesus' divine peace may comfort the most weary soul. **C** Hear us, O Lord

**AM** For the powerful, that they may exercise their power with justice and mercy, and that they may be moved by the struggles of those whose burdens are many.  
**C** Hear us, O Lord.

**AM** For the homeless, the hurting, the rejected, the abused, and the fearful, that they may find in Christ and in Christians a new hope. **C** Hear us, O Lord.

**AM** For any other needs we now lift in silence of our loud.... **C** Hear us, O Lord.

**P** May these prayers, and all other needs, known and unknown, be met with grace from our blessed Savior, Jesus Christ. **C** Amen.



**P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** And also with

**P** Please extend to others a sign of peace.

**HYMN** "What Child is This?" 296

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**L** The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

**L** Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

**L** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**L** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

