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The Nativity of Our Lord - Christmas Eve, December 24 - 7:00 p.m.

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A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Stand and face processional cross*

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INVOCATION

C: Amen.

INTROIT

Sing in unison Ps 2:1-2;4-6; Antiphon: liturgical text



When all was still, and it was | midnight,*
your almighty Word, O Lord, descended from the | royal throne.
Why do the | nations rage*
and the peoples | plot in vain?
The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel
to- | gether,*
against the LORD and against his a- | noointed.
He who sits in the | heavens laughs;*
the Lord holds them in de- | rision.
Then he will speak to them | in his wrath,*
and terrify them in his fury, | saying,
“As for me, I have | set my King*
on Zion, my | holy hill.”
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
When all was still, and it was | midnight,*
your almighty Word, O Lord, descended from the | royal throne.

COLLECT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with your spirit.

P: Let us pray to the Lord. *Pastor prays collect*

C: Amen.

LESSON *Sit*

Isaiah 9:2-7

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN

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LESSON

Titus 2:11-14

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN

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GOSPEL PROCESSION *Stand*

Please stand and face the Pastor as he reads the Gospel from the center aisle

P: The Holy Gospel according to St Luke, Chapter 2.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 2:1-20

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN

Turn and face the cross

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HOMILY *Sit*

HYMN

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APOSTLES' CREED *Stand*

**C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

**and sits at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

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

GENERAL PRAYER

P: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

THE 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.**

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES (*Activate candle*) *Sit*

HYMNS

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(*Turn off candle*)

BENEDICTION *Stand*

C: Amen

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Turn and face the cross

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Christmas Day Divine Service is tomorrow at 10:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve Matins, December 31, 12:00 noon

Epiphany Matins, January 6, 12:00 Noon

Offering plates are located in the narthex.