

**ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
CHRISTMAS EVE  
FESTAL HOLY EUCHARIST  
WITH PAGEANT  
December 24, 2025 - 5:00 PM**



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## Prelude

*The ringing of the bell signals that our worship is about to begin.  
Please stand as you are able.*

Welcome

The Reverend Kathryn L. King

Hymn #83 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (vs. 1-3)

*Adeste Fideles*

## THE WORD OF GOD

### ***Prayer at the Creche and placing of the Baby Jesus***

Most merciful and loving God, you have made this night holy by the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ, born of Mary his blessed mother: Inspire us with grace that we may keep Jesus' birth at the center of our joyous celebration of Christmas and that we may also rejoice forever as your daughters and son, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: The word was made flesh and dwelt among us:

***Congregation: And we beheld his glory.***

***Celebrant: Let us pray together:***

***O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also be with him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit Christ lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.***

Hymn #83 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (vs. 4-6)

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The Opening Acclamation

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## The Christmas Pageant

The All Saints Players

Cast and \*Readers:

Lily Bicking, Jack Pavacic, Grace Pavacic, Julia Bartholomew, Roca-Mar Albuquerque-Reid, Luan Albuquerque-Reid, Marea Albuquerque-Reid, Henry Levine, Emilia Levine

\*Olivia Bartholomew, \*Kai Albuquerque-Reid, \* Hunter Keaba, \*Matthew Kelber,

\*Shea Bicking

Director: Lori Copman

*Please be seated.*

*This service and pageant are being recorded and will be posted on our Facebook page and website so that you can give your attention to experiencing the telling of the story by our children and youth. Photography is permitted during the pageant from your seat. We will make an opportunity for a full cast photo at the conclusion of the pageant.*

*Where indicated, the congregation sings the carol to help tell the story. Please remain seated throughout the pageant and carols.*

**Hymn #265** vs 1-2 **“The Angel Gabriel from Heaven came”**

**Hymn #79** vs 1-3 **“O little town of Bethlehem”**

**Hymn #96** vs 1-2 **“Angels we have heard on high”**

**Hymn #101** vs 1-2 **“Away in a manger”**

**Hymn #128** vs 1&5 **“We three Kings”**

**Hymn #99** vs 1-3 **“Go Tell It on the Mountain”**

### **Group photo opportunity**

*The All Saints Players and Crew remain on the chancel steps for group photographs to be taken by friends and family.*

**The Nicene Creed**

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## **Prayers of the People**

Olivia Bartholomew

As we join the shepherds and celebrate with joy the birth of Jesus Christ, let us offer prayers to God who shines the light of Christ on all creation.

By the birth of the Jesus Christ in the womb of the Virgin Mary.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For Sally our bishop and the presbyters, for the deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For the leaders of the nations and all in authority, and for peace and justice.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For the giving of our blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to the whole human race.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For the travelers, for the sick and the suffering, for the hungry and the oppressed, for those in prison, and for the dying and the dead.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need.

**Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Remembering our most glorious and Blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

**To you, O Gracious God.**

**Together: source of light and gladness, accept the prayers we offer on this joyful feast. May the Rising Sun of Christ spread across the world and brighten all humanity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Exchange of the Peace**

## **Announcements**

**Offertory Hymn #87 “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”**

## **The Doxology**

**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.**

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A  
Sanctus #S130  
The Lord's Prayer

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## **The Breaking of the Bread**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Fraction #S164

Richard Proulx

## **The Communion of the People**

*Please follow the direction of the ushers to receive Communion. If you need the sacrament brought to your seat, please let the ushers know and the Rector is happy to come to you.*

*As you return from Communion you will be given a candle. Please pass the light as it comes to you. Following the post-communion prayer, the lights will be dimmed for the singing of Silent Night.*

**Communion Anthem "Once In Royal David's City"**

*Milas*

**Hymn #89 "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"**

**The Post-Communion Prayer** (*Please stand as you are able.*)

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**Communion Hymn #111 "Silent Night" (vs 1&3)**

STILLE NACHT

*The lights will be dimmed for the singing of Silent Night. The congregation may kneel as you are able.*

## The Blessing

Please extinguish your candles and place them in the basket as you leave the church.

May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **AMEN.**



## Hymn #100 “Joy To the World” (vs 1, 2, 4)

## The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth rejoicing in the newborn King, Alleluia!

**People: Thanks be to God, Alleluia!**

**Postlude:** Noel Grand Jeu et Duo

*d'Aquin*

## Service Participants

|                        |                              |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Celebrant:             | The Reverend Kathryn L. King |
| Prayers of the People: | Olivia Bartholomew           |
| Eucharistic Minister:  | Greta Schneider              |
| Acolyte:               | Piper Colyar                 |
| Organist:              | John Milas                   |
| Trumpeters:            | Al Coffey, Joe Luckenbill    |
| Altar Guild:           | Linda Gyurko, Lois Eberhart  |



The Altar is adorned to the Glory of God.

## Christmas through Epiphany at All Saints

December 24<sup>th</sup>

9 PM Festive Holy Eucharist with instrumentalist

Service includes pre-service music and candlelight

Silent Night

Thursday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

Festal Holy Eucharist with carols and homily at 10:15 AM

Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup>

Single Service at 10:15 AM with carols

Friday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>

Epiphany Concert and Reception 6:30 PM

Please sign up to bring cookies.

Open to the public, bring family and friends of all ages.

Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup>

The Feast of the Epiphany Observed 10:15 AM

Includes chalking of the doors and Kings pageant

Feast of the Epiphany Open House at the Rectory

4:30 - 7PM please RSVP for planning purposes

**Rector**

The Reverend Kathryn L. King

**Priest Associate**

The Reverend Mary Frances Schjonberg

**Minister of Music**

John Milas, AAGO, ChM

**Parish Administrator**

Robin Beaudry

**Sexton**

Jeanette Caldwell

**Treasurer**

Larry Kyse

**Bookkeeper**

Cheryl Smith

**Senior Warden**

Christine Kyse '27

**Junior Wardens**

Chad Newsome '28    Jane White '27

**Vestry**

Linda Carduner '26                      Michael Ling '26

Hilary Morse '28                      Chris Niebling '26

Jo Patrone '27                      Clayton Smith '28



**IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION: SCAM ALERT** - Please remember that neither Kathryn nor anyone at All Saints will ever ask you to purchase gift cards, send money, or make purchases on their behalf via email or text. If you receive such a request, please contact the parish office so we can notify the rest of our parish family.