

A Service of Nine Lessons & Carols
In Preparation for the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ
Sunday, December 18, 2016

Trumpet & Organ Prelude: "*Gloria in Excelsis Deo*"
G. F. Handel...arr. Brian Binder

Processional Carol 118 "O Come All Ye Faithful" v. 1 - 4

There is a special Sunday School Christmas program this morning. The children may leave during the first carol. The Advent wreath will be lit before the service.

The Bidding Prayer – The Rev. Robyn Cuming

First Lesson - Genesis 3:8-15, page 3 of the Pew Bible
God announces in the Garden of Eden that the seed of woman shall bruise the serpent's head. Reading by Lloyd Foote

Instrumental Trio "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

Composer: Traditional
Arr. Adrienne Buckley

Second Lesson - Genesis 22:15-18, page 18 of the Pew Bible
God promises to the faithful Abraham that in his seed shall the nations of the earth be blessed. Reading by Mary Stokes-Rees

Carol 119 "*Silent Night*"

Third Lesson - Isaiah 9:2-7 page 638 of the Pew Bible
Christ's birth and kingdom are foretold by Isaiah.
Reading by James Mullinger

Choir Anthem - "Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming"

Tune: Michael Pratorius
Text: 16 cent. German Hymn/ tr. by Theodore Baker

Fourth Lesson - Micah 5:2-4 page 865 of the Pew Bible
The prophet Micah foretells the glory of little Bethlehem.
Reading by Sylvia Loomis

Choir Anthem "Mid-Winter"

Text by Christina Rossetti (1830-1894) Music : Bob Chilcott

Carol 123 "*Once in Royal David's City*"

Verse 1 – solo: Deantha Edmunds
Verses 2 & 3 - Congregation joins

Fifth Lesson - Luke 1:26-38 page 56 of the Pew Bible
The Angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.
Reading by Wallace Turnbull

Choir Anthem "Mary's Lament"...Words & Music by Brendan Graham and Rolf Lovland, arr. John Purifoy
Violin: Daniella Sametz

Sixth Lesson - Matthew 1:18-23 page 1 of the Pew Bible
St. Matthew tells of the birth of Jesus.
Reading by Clare Smith

Choir Anthem "Nativity Carol"....John Rutter
Solo: Deantha Edmunds

Seventh Lesson - Luke 2:8-20 page 58 of the Pew Bible
The shepherds go to the manger.
Reading by Lew Hounsell

Choir Anthem: "Gloria!"...Sally K. Albrecht

Carol 135 "*Shepherds in the Field Abiding*"

Eighth Lesson - Matthew 2:1-11 page 2 of the Pew Bible
The magi are led by the star to Jesus.
Reading by Grat Wennberg

Instrumental: "The First Noel"

Arr. Andrew Hawryluk; Traditional
Violin: Danielle Sametz, Cello: John Buckley, Piano: Charles Willett

Ninth Lesson - John 1:1-14 page 91 of the Pew Bible
(The Congregation stands for the Ninth Lesson)
St. John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.
Reading by the Rev. Canon James Golding

Offertory Carol 148 "See Amid the Winter's Snow"

verse 1: all
verse 2: women only
verse 3: men only
verse 4: Choir only
verse 5: Pippa Wennberg
All join in the chorus after each verse

Closing Prayer & Blessing

Recessional Carol 154 "*Joy to the World*"

Trumpet & Organ Postlude:
"Joy to the World"...Layton James.
Based on ANTIOCH by G. F. Handel

Leading In Worship Today

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Celebrant: Canon Albert Snelgrove
Layreader: Mildred Urquhart
Sidesperson: Barb Burns

10:00 a.m. Service of Lessons & Carols

Officiate: Canon Albert Snelgrove
Servers: Dylan Foote
Sidespeople: Michael Wennberg
Alan Church

Altar Guild:

Dec 16: Jill Fanjoy, Jane Stewart,
Linda McEvoy, Laureen Jarrett
Dec 23: Amy McCracken, Pam Iype,
Jean MacDonald Judy Stiver,
Marg Chiarella, Christian Turnbull,
Penny McConaghy, Sharon Long,

Daily Bible Readings

for the Week of Dec 19

Monday Titus 2:1-15
Tuesday Titus 3:1-15
Wednesday Isaiah 52:1-12
Thursday Hebrews 1:1-14
Friday Psalm 98:1-9
Saturday Luke 2:1-14

Next Sunday – Dec 25

Christmas Day

Titus 2:11-14
Luke 2:1-14

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Office Hours Dec 19 - 23

Mon Dec 19 8:30 - 4:30
Tue Dec 20 8:30 - 4:30
Wed Dec 21 8:30 - 12 noon
Thu Dec 22 8:30 - 4:30
Fri, Dec 23 8:30- 12 noon

This Week at St. Paul's

Sun, Dec 18 Advent 4

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m.
Service of Lessons & Carols
Sunday School Christmas Program
11:30 a.m. Decorating Church

Tue, Dec 20

2:00 p.m. Eucharist Embassy Hall
3:00 p.m. Eucharist Jubilee Hall
7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Wed, Dec 21

10:00 a.m. Quilting

Thurs, Dec 22

7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Fri, Dec 23

7:00 p.m. Youth Group Christmas Party

Sat, Dec 24 Christmas Eve

4:30 p.m. Children's Service
6:00 p.m. Family Service
11:00 p.m. Midnight Choral Eucharist

Sun, Dec 25 Christmas Day

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Parish Directory

Bishop

The Right Rev. David Edwards

Rector

The Rev. Canon Albert Snelgrove

Assistant Priests

The Rev. Canon George Akerley
The Rev. Robyn Cuming
The Rev. Canon James Golding
The Rev. Eileen Irish

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Mr. Charles Willett

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The Parish Prayer Chain welcomes

people to call with specific prayer requests. This month's contact is

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