



Anglican Parish of

St Luke

Mosman

Sung Eucharist The Nativity of Our Lord



Christmas 2020

Gathering of God's People

Opening Hymn

All sing

O come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him
born the King of Angels:
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Sing choirs of Angels,
sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
glory to God
in the highest;
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
born this happy morning,
Jesus, to thee be glory given;
Word of the Father,
now in flesh appearing:
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Words and Melody: John Francis Wade (c. 1711-1786)
Tune: Adeste Fidelis

Welcome

The glory of God has been revealed,
All: and all flesh shall see it together. Amen.

The Lord be with you,
All: and also with you

The Lighting of the Christmas Candle

God our Father,
today the Saviour is born
and those who live in darkness are seeing a great light.
Help us, who greet the birth of Christ with joy,
to live in the light of your Son
and to share the good news of your love.

**All: Lord Jesus, Light of light,
you have come among us.
Help us who live by your light
to shine as lights in your world.
Glory to you, our God, in the highest. Amen.**

The Christmas candle is now lit.

Sentence

I bring you good news of great joy for all people: to you is born this day in
the city of David a Saviour, Christ the Lord. *[Luke 2.10-11]*

Let us pray

**All: Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Kyries

The Mosman Setting by Samuel Donovan

Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer -

mf

-cy. Christ, have mer-cy, Christ, have mer-cy, Christ, have mer -

mp *rit.*

-cy. Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

Confession and Absolution

Christ, the grace of God, has dawned upon the world with healing for all.

Silence may be kept

Let us bring our weaknesses and infirmities to him, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

We pray together

**All: Merciful God, our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed;
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness
to all who turn to him in faith,
✠ pardon you and set you free from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Gloria

Please stand to sing

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The score consists of nine staves of music. The first staff begins with a 4-measure rest, followed by a series of eighth and quarter notes. Dynamic markings include *f* (forte) at the start of the first staff, *mf* (mezzo-forte) at the start of the second staff, *f* at the start of the fourth staff, *mp* (mezzo-piano) at the start of the fifth staff, *mf* at the start of the sixth staff, *mp* at the end of the sixth staff, *mf* at the start of the seventh staff, *p* (piano) at the start of the eighth staff, and *f* at the start of the ninth staff. The lyrics are printed below the staff, aligned with the notes. The score ends with a final whole note on the ninth staff.

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on
earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther, we
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have
mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the
Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and

peace to God's peo-ple on earth. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God___ the

f
Fa - ther. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's people on

ff *rit.*
earth. A - - - - - men.

The Collect

All glory to you, gracious God,
 for the gift of your Son,
 whom you sent to save us.
 With the angels, let us praise your name,
 and tell the earth his story,
 that all may believe, rejoice, and proclaim your love;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Ann Jobson

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

[Isaiah 9.2-7]

For the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

**Silent night, holy night,
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child.
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.**

**Silent night, holy night,
Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ the Saviour is born,
Christ the Saviour is born!**

**Silent night, holy night
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Saviour is born,
Christ the Saviour is born!**

*Words: Joseph Mohr (1792-1848)
Tr. John Freeman Young (1820-85) alt.
Music: Stille Nacht*

A reading from Paul's Letter to Titus

Paula Turner

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

[Titus 2.11-14]

For the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

The Holy Gospel

(Sing
twice)



A holy day has dawned upon us:

Come, you nations, and adore the Lord,

for today a great light has come upon the earth. Alleluia.

(Sing
twice)



The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke, Chapter 2, beginning at the 1st verse.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 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: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!" 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." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them.

But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

[Luke 2.1-20]

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon - The Reverend Dr Max Wood, Rector

The Nicene Creed

Let us join together in the words of the Nicene Creed

**All: We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation,
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the Community

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

Callum Close

Response after each segment of prayers

Lord in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

After the last petition the Presider says

Hear us, Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord,

**All: who lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

The Greeting of Peace

The greeting of peace is given by the Presider

Unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given, and his name shall be called
the Prince of Peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

The Offertory

The Presider continues

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.

All: Blessed be God forever.

The Great Thanksgiving

We sing the Sursum Corda

The Lord be with you.

All sing: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All sing: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All sing: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.

In your Word made flesh
you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts,
to give knowledge of your glory
in the face of Jesus Christ.
By his death on the cross
and rising to new life,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

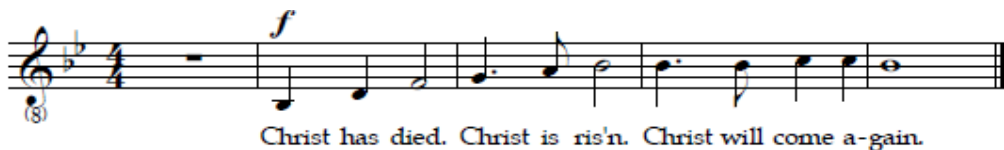
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
 might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Merciful God, we thank you
 for these gifts of your creation,
 this bread and wine,
 and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
 we who eat and drink them
 may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread
 and when he had given you thanks
 he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
 Do this in remembrance of me'.

After supper, he took the cup,
 and again giving you thanks
 he gave it to his disciples, saying,
 'Drink from this, all of you.
 This is my blood of the new covenant
 shed for you and for many
 for the forgiveness of sins.
 Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me'.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:

**All: Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to say:

**All: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the bread and says

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body

All: For we all share in the one bread.

All sing the Agnus Dei

(8) *p*
Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on

(8) *mp*
us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on

(8) *mf*
us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world,

(8) *mp* *p* *rit.*
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

The Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Come let us take this Holy Sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving. **Amen.**

After Communion

The Presider says

Let us pray

God of heaven, dwelling among us,
we thank you for feeding us with this holy food.
By your grace keep us ever faithful
to your Word made flesh
that as his body in the world
we may bring your presence to all people.

Father,

**All: we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

Final Hymn

All sing

**Hark! The herald angels sing
glory to the newborn King;
peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled:
joyful all ye nations rise,
join the triumph of the skies
with the angelic hosts proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem:
*Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn king.***

**Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord.
Late in time behold him come
offspring of a Virgin's womb!
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
hail the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus our Emmanuel:
*Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn king.***

**Hail the heaven-born Prince of peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings;
mild he lays his glory by,
born that man no more may die,
born to raise the sons of earth,
born to give them second birth:
*Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the newborn king.***

*Words: Charles Wesley (1701-1788)
Music: Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)*

The Blessing and Dismissal

Christ the Son of God, born of the Blessed Virgin Mary, fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will; and the ✠ blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
✠ In the name of Christ. Amen

Postlude: Festive Trumpet - David German (b. 1954)



The Rector, Wardens,
Parish Council
and
everyone at St Luke's
wish you and your loved ones
a
Safe, Happy and Holy
Christmas Season



Please pray for...



Our Diocese, Northern Region and our local church community

The Archbishop:	The Most Revd Dr Glenn Davies
The Regional Bishop:	The Rt Revd Chris Edwards
Northern Region:	Parishes of Balgowlah and Barrenjoey (Avalon Beach and Palm Beach);
Local churches:	St Clement's Mosman; clergy and people

Missions 2020

Anglicare Sydney:

Mobile Community Pantry Program;
Bill Farrand, Anglicare Community Services Manager

Bush Church Aid:

BCA Indigenous Ministry Officer,
The Revd Neville Naden and Mrs Kathryn Naden

Anglican Board of Mission:

Sustainable Livelihoods Program, Kenya;
The Revd John Deane, ABM Executive Director

Those we are holding in prayer

Immediate Sick

Jennifer

Those Requiring On-Going Prayer:

Alex Dimitric, John Dimitric, Irina Dimitric, Justin Reid, Heather, Bernie Walsh, Keren Snell, Christine Hurford, Shannour, Chloe Turner, Denise Thomas, Eileen Menzies, Mary Douglas, Liam Gorman, Rosemary Walsh, Anthony Bowra, Barbara Fisher, Elke Kroeger-Radcliffe, Dallas Ford, David Park, Ann Neill

People in Residential and Home Care:

Dawn Holdaway, Ruth Burleigh, Richard Lloyd, Betty Gemmell, Mary Shuttleworth, Elaine Porter, Helen Huby, Dorothy Bashford, Pat Wood, Jean Barton, Robin Wilks, Denis Pearson

NOTICES

PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CLOSURE

Please note, the Parish Office is now closed until 9.30am on Monday, 4 January 2021. For urgent pastoral matters during this period, please contact the Rector on Mb: 0439 475 714.

MID-WEEK SERVICES

Please note that our mid-week Holy Eucharist services are in recess until Thursday 4 February at 11am.

SAFETY IN MINISTRY

St Luke's is committed to the principles of Safety in Ministry of the Anglican Diocese of Sydney. Copies of our Child-Safe, Child-Friendly policy are available in the porch and on the parish website. If you have any queries, please contact Dr Jocelyn Chey, tel: 9967 5136 or the Rector, tel: 9969 6910.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Dec 27 **Christmas 1 - Sung Mattins** *Online*

Jan 3 **Epiphany - Sung Eucharist 9am** *To be advised*

Jan 10 **Baptism of Our Lord - Sung Eucharist 9am** *To be advised*





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**St Luke's is a place of rich and diverse liturgy, where life and faith connect.
We are a progressive community that welcomes all people regardless of
gender, age, race, sexual orientation or religion.**