



January 3, 2021
The Second Sunday of Christmas
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
Saint Peter's Episcopal Church
The Rev. Ronald Kolanowski, Rector
Joshua Ziemski, Organist

**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS
10:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST ~ RITE 2**

(All stand as the Officiant enters)

Opening Music: #102 "Once in royal David's city"

Celebrant: Alleluia!

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light!

***People:* Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

Gloria: #96 "Angels we have heard on high" (vs. 1 & 3)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day: O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:7-14

Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

The Psalm: Psalm 84:1-8

1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *

**My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

**2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where
she may lay her young;
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.**

- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.**
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.**
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley
will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.**
- 6 They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.**
- 7 LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.**
- 8 Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.**

The Second Lesson: Ephesians 1:3-6,15-19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

The Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

 `And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
 are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
 who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sequence Music

Sermon

The Rev. Ronald J. Kolanowski

The Nicene Creed

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**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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate
from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.***

Prayers of the People for Christmas

Presider: As we join the angels and celebrate with joy the birth of the Son of God, let us offer prayers to God who gives new birth to sons and daughters in every place.

Leader: By the birth of the timeless Son of God
in the womb of the Virgin Mary.

People: Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Leader: For Ian and Laura our bishops, Ron our priest, Donna our deacon and all the presbyters, deacons, and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

People: Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Leader: For all believers who put their trust in the incarnate Son of God.

People: Glory and praise to you, O living God.

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

People: Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Leader: For the conversion of all humanity to our blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

People: Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Leader: For travelers, for the sick and the suffering, for the hungry and the oppressed, for those in prison, and for the dying and the dead, especially for Richard Hagenow and Ed Murray; and remembering those for whom memorials have been given who are listed in our worship bulletin this Christmas season. For those celebrating birthdays this week (Kara Perriolat [1/5], Mark Robson [1/11]), or anniversaries at this time of isolation.

People: Glory and praise to you, O living God.

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

People: Glory and praise to you, O living God.

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

People: To you, O Lord.

Presider: Source of light and gladness, accept the prayers we offer on this joyful feast. May we grow in Jesus Christ who unites our lives to yours and who is Lord for all eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Confession of Sin and Absolution

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Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Jesus Christ, born this night, be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory Music: #109 "The first Nowell the angel did say"

Eucharistic Prayer B

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The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven 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.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage

of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Priest: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Priest: The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

God of love and grace, of justice and peace, we give you thanks that in the Sacrament of the altar you assure us of your presence within us and within the body of Christ, the faithful through all the generations; grant that we who have witnessed anew these holy mysteries, though unable to receive the physical elements of the Sacrament, may be moved by your indwelling Spirit ever more fully to embody your holy and life-giving presence, reshaping in your likeness the world around us, until we are gathered at last into the fullness of your glorious and eternal presence; through Christ our Risen Lord, Amen

Communion Music

Post Communion Prayer

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All: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Christmas Blessing

Closing Hymn: #93 “Angels, from the realms of glory”

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Rejoicing in the Messiah’s birth, let us go forth into the world in peace, to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

St. Peter's Prayer List

We pray for those in our community who have requested our prayers, especially Stephen, Loretta Ickes, Harry Denaker, Peter Myers, Eileen, Phil Chip" Lewis, Eusebio Martinez, Denise Ward, Karen Toms, Mary Jo and Bob.

We pray for all those who have died remembering especially Ed Murray, Richard Hagenow.

Continuing Prayer List: Stephen, Ambrosio Vidal and family, Eileen Doughty, Phil "Chip" Lewis, Bob Kell, Stephen, Kate, Tammy Lopez; Teddi; Bill W.; Sean, Caroline; Russ Boehle, Emma; Janice, Jared and Jenna; Nelson Moore; Daniel Paez, Kyle Ethan; Sharon, Tim Redden; "Cousin" Phil & Norm H.; Cole; Alyssa & Kayden, Mary; Loretta Ickes, Cheryl & Bruce, Val & Stephen, Mark & Tina, John & Dottie, Gloria, Maryellyn, Gary, J & J, Arlene, Judy P., Bill, John M., George A., Mark P., Liz, Nancy, Katy, Chris; Sarah McCracken, Ginny Hellstrom, Jacob Mika; Alice & Bob; John; Cailin & son Connor Campbell; Richard; Flora; Alice Wentz; Daryl Cook; Megan Sulzinski, Janet Kay; Ella; Liz; Bill S.; Patty Sullivan; Marcia Brown; Joan Conley; John & family; Jeanette Wade; Susan Hicks & family; Jeannette Farren & family; Grace Jensen; Becky, June; Ella & Nelson; James; Rina Bettancourt; Alberta's granddaughter, Jessica;

Clyde & Georgette Conrad	Odina, Ethel, Shirley & Louise Domingue; Clyde Sr., Lillian & Raymond Conrad
Natalie & Harry Culver	James Michael Culver & Dr. Lynn Harner
Sandy DeRosa	Anna Rathjen, Anne Lowenhaupt; Phil Lowenhaupt, Lucille Seles
Marge Dill	Michael Dill
Betty Dombrowski	Henry Dombrowski
Henry & Joyce Dombrowski	Angie & John Banulski Judy & David Martin
Chuck & Marcia Eaton	Ethel, Harrison & Harry Eaton, George, Barbara, Georgia, Lee, Jack & Pam Potterton
Kathy Edenburn	Henry Jones, Sean Edenburn
The Eells Family	Clarence & Thomas Michaud Bonnie Eells, Doris Luetjen
Carole Eller	Ethel & Joseph Lusky, Frederick Eller, Charles T. Murphy
Stephen & Victoria Fisk	Douglas Henry Fisk, Doreen Edith Dibben, Marcos Antonio Vidal, Rachel Wheeler- Rossow, Marcos Veliz
Allison, Eric, Sam & Amy Forrest	George W. Clark Walter S. Forrest
Jack & Audrey Gasper	The Stevens Family & The Gasper Family

Chris and Cathy Gerke	Elizabeth Gerke, John McCashland
Donna Gray	Richard H. Gray, Jr.
Maryann Hickleton	Richard W. Lynch, Sr., Marie Anna Trudelle
Mark & Laurel Houle	Dorothy Proctor Houle, Maria Carmela Terlizzi
Irene Jones	Edward Jones, Stefan & Veronica Okapal, Arthur & Prudence Jones Sr., Emily Faulkner, Anne Iannuzzi
Donna Lee Kay	Alex Kay, Nettie Kay, Alec Kay, Miles, Marjorie, Bruce, David Roberts
Gayle Kataja	Merle & G. Earle Porter, Natalie & Claude Jones, Peter C. Kataja, Kyle Porter Buttice
Bob & Pat Kell	Mr. & Mrs. William Lake, Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Kell
Kathy Kniep	Jeanne & Robert Wessman, Paul LeBreton, Blanche Schultz & Evangeline Kniep
Ron Kolanowski	Helen Kolanowski, Julie Kolanowski, Julia Doleys, Bernie Fortier, Emilie Washneski
Curt & Ellen Kraemer	Gary Van Heest
Bob & Barbara LaMay	Sam & Bertha Sebastian, James Batson, Brad & Bette Batson
Mary & Joe Latour	Alice Hagenow
Cathie & Ray Litwin	George Litwin, Joseph Litwin
Bob ManWarren	Lavern & Nellie ManWarren

Walter Marino	Audrey Marino
Briant and Marianne Marsh	Risley & Alice Marsh Margaret & Robert Fatzinger
John & Sandy Marshall	Our parents, Howard & Marjorie Marshall, Emmett & Marie Hartz
Peter Meshanic	Phyllis Meshanic, Von Kosal Soy
Steve & Barbara Mondrach	Steve and Emmy Lou Mondrach and Bob and Mary Ann Siegle
Nelson and Marianne Moore	Kenneth Moore, Maitland Moore, Glen & Martha Moore, Glenn Moore, Jr., Herbert G. Richter, Herbert & Margarete Richter, Linda Richter
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