# ST. EDWARD'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA

The Reverend Dr. Richard C. Bauer, Rector



Second Sunday after Christmas January 3, 2021 10:00 a.m. Service

#### Featuring: the St. Edward's Band

(The Rev. Dr. Rick Bauer, Dr. Randy Westgate, Mike Freshwater & Jamie Alton)

## The Liturgy of the Word

#### Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare Him room
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns Let men their songs employ While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains Repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy Repeat, repeat the sounding joy

No more let sins and sorrows grow Nor thorns infest the ground He comes to make His blessing flow Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found Far as, far as the curse is found

He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness And wonders of His love, and wonders of His love And wonders, wonders of His love

The People standing the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

#### **Angels We Have Heard on High**

Angels we have heard on high Sweetly swinging o'er the plains And the mountains in reply Echoing their joyous strains

Gloria In Excelsis Deo Gloria In Excelsis Deo

Shepherds why this jubilee? Why these songs of happy cheer? What great brightness do you see? What glad tidings did you hear?

Gloria In Excelsis Deo Gloria In Excelsis Deo

Come to Bethlehem and see Him Whose birth the angels sing; Come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King

Gloria In Excelsis Deo Gloria In Excelsis Deo

See within in a manger laid Whom the angels praise above Mary, Joseph lend your aid While we raise our hearts in love

Gloria In Excelsis Deo Gloria In Excelsis Deo

#### The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

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*.

People Amen.

The Lessons (The People sit)

#### First Reading: 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.

The Word of the Lord.

#### People Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 84

#### Quam dilecta!

- 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.
- [9 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, \* and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- 10 For the LORD God is both sun and shield; \* he will give grace and glory;

11 No good thing will the LORD withhold \* from those who walk with integrity.

12 O LORD of hosts, \* happy are they who put their trust in you!]

#### Second Reading: 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.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### What Child Is This

What child is this who laid to rest On Mary's lap is sleeping Whom angels greet with anthems sweet While shepherds watch are keeping This, this is Christ the king Whom shepherds guard and angels sing Haste, haste to bring him laud The babe, the son of Mary

Why lies he in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding
The end of fear for all who hear
The silent Word is speaking
This, this is Christ the king
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing
Haste, haste to bring him laud
The babe, the son of Mary

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh
Come peasant king to love him;
The king of kings salvation brings
Let loving hearts enthrone him
This, this is Christ the king
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing
Haste, haste to bring him praise
The babe, the son of Mary

The Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

#### People Glory to you, Lord Christ

The parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem every year for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Chris

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Richard C. Bauer

#### The Nicene Creed

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.

#### The Prayers of the People Form IV

The Leader and People pray responsively

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

#### **Confession of Sin**

Celebrant and People

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 your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen

The Celebrant says the absolution

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 (All stand)

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **People And also with you.** 

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

#### O Holy Night

O Holy night! The stars are brightly shining It is the night of our dear Savior's birth Long lay the world in sin and error pining 'Til He appeared and the soul felt its worth A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn Fall on your knees; O hear the Angel voices O night divine, O night when Christ was born O night, O Holy night, O night divine!

#### The Lord's Prayer

People and Celebrant say the Lord's Prayer together

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.

#### Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Composed by St. Alphonsus Liguori in the 18th century

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. *Amen*.

#### **Silent Night**

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 Al-le-lu-ia Christ the Savior is born Christ the Savior is born

Silent night, holy night
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth
Jesus, Lord at Thy birth

#### Christmas Season Blessing

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May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness. *Amen*.

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel. *Amen*.

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor. *Amen*.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.

#### The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world,

Rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### **Go Tell It On The Mountain**

Go tell it on the mountain Over the hills and everywhere Go tell it on the mountain Our Jesus Christ is born

While shepherds kept their watching Over silent flocks by night Behold throughout the heavens There shone a holy light

The shepherds feared and trembled When lo! above the earth Rang out the angel chorus That hailed our Savior's birth

Go tell it on the mountain Over the hills and everywhere Go tell it on the mountain Our Jesus Christ is born

Down in a lowly manger Our humble Christ was born And God sent us salvation That blessed Christmas morn

Go tell it on the mountain Over the hills and everywhere Go tell it on the mountain Our Jesus Christ is born

## Serving the Liturgy

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#### The St. Edward's Band

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#### Readers

Jamie Alton Lucetta Kiefer

#### Altar Guild

Julie Hoff, Bev Hess

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Province of Sudan

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Andrew's, Shippensburg

We pray for Christians, Muslims, and Jews and all people of faith throughout the world who are suffering persecution for their beliefs.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: Elaine Radcliffe; Peg Reiley, Daniel and Rachael Smith; Brian Roberts; Harry and Bruni Rolfe.

Praying for those we love and who are important in our lives is an essential component of our worship, but many of the names listed and read out in the Prayers of the People are known only to those who have requested them, and the list grows each week. So, when we come to the Prayers of the people in the service, the names for those "You are asked to pray for" and those "for our military personnel" will not be read aloud; rather we invite you to lift those names up to God in Christ silently in your heart as we pray the Prayers of the People, adding any others you wish to pray for.

You are asked to pray for: Amy, Bill, Reed and Cole Swiernik, The Rev. Dr. Rick Bauer and family, Reenie Cardwell, Joe Holwager, Arch Cross, Mary Walker, Liz Yeager, Patricia Stout, Mimi Stauffer, Robert Hubbard, Tom Joerger, Donna J. Mott, Charlotte Jakiel, Dakota Patrone, DJ Dixon, Robert, The Rev. Jay Croft, Robert Carter, Dorothy Diehl, Barbara Bradfield, Fran Davis, Cody Campbell, Heather, Cheryl Shearer, Myra Taylor, Sally Mears, Barry Leed, Dr. Randy Cohen and Family, Aaron Rowe, Sr., Dorothy Rowe, Dr. Karl and Carolyn Moyer, James Pentland Moore, Rick Welk, Max Lown, Aiden Guillory, Winnie Sternberg and her family, Paul Gomez, Jillian, Adelaide L. Petersen, Dorothy Johnson, Annette Green, Stanley Jakiel, John Holena, Joe Holena, Carrie, Larry Haffey, Janine Holena; Ted Fitzgerald; Peter Kelly; Cindy and Ken; Teresa Kennedy; the family of Julie Sandblade – Elle, Dustin, and Robby; Amy Diehl; Jim Gayenski; all prisoners who are on lockdown due to COVID19

You are asked to pray for our military personnel who are being deployed or serving in the military: Rev. David J. Sparks, Evan Westgate, Adam and Christina Grim, David Peck, David Sternberg, John Lewis, Gordon Frankenfield, Allison Tomich, Mike Spurr, Seamas Whitesel, Capt. Andrew Pfeiffer, 1st Lt. Thomas Whitesel, Brandon Fox, Alex Kube, Richard Mutari, Dustin Burleson, Anthony Koser, Jack Hawk, Christina Dragon, Justin Carnahan, Clayton Tennies, Benjamin Jenkins, Andy Lopez

#### Welcome Visitors and Newcomers!

The community of St. Edward's is glad you are worshipping with us this morning, via our live stream. If you would like more information about the ministry of St. Edward's, please contact our parish office or visit our web site: sainteds.org

## WELCOME TO ST. EDWARD'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH "Joy in the Lord as Companions in Christ"

The Rt. Reverend Audrey Cady Scanlan, DMin Bishop of Central Pennsylvania The Reverend Dr. Richard C. Bauer, Rector Michelle Bentley, Parish Administrative Assistant Karen E. Waddill, Organist & Pianist Patrick Ishler, Choir Director

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP

10:00 a.m. service live streamed on YouTube Live – St. Edward's channel

We offer the following worship & ministry, below, but due to Covidtide, we have temporarily suspended in-person gathering.

8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist: Rite I ~ lo:15 a.m. - Holy Eucharist: Rite II

10:40 a.m. Christian Education ages pre-K/K – Grade 12 Nursery is available up to age 4

#### WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Due to Covidtide, this service is temporarily suspended for in-person gathering. 12:00 p.m. - Holy Eucharist with meditation & healing

#### FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER

7:00 p.m.: Join us on Zoom – led by Patrick Ishler <u>https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/86327105082</u> Join Code: 863 2710 5082

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### Weekly Announcements

As we celebrate this Second Sunday after Christmas, we also prepare for the Feast of the Epiphany (Jan. 6) that continues through the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday. The gospel stories of this season describe various events that manifest the divinity of Jesus. The coming of the Magi is celebrated on the Epiphany. The Baptism of our Lord is observed on the Sunday after Epiphany. The gospels for the other Sundays of the Epiphany season describe the wedding at Cana, the calling of the disciples, and various miracles and teachings of Jesus. The Last Sunday after the Epiphany is always devoted to the Transfiguration. Jesus' identity as the Son of God is dramatically revealed in the Transfiguration gospel, as well as the gospel of the baptism of Christ. We are called to respond to Christ in faith through the showings of his divinity recorded in the gospels of the Epiphany season.

An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church, A User-Friendly Reference for Episcopalians

The January Scepter is available online and in color copies at church, available to be picked up Monday – Friday, from 11 AM – 3 PM. You may also pick up your grocery cards, 2021 giving envelopes, and consider signing up for Altar Flowers for the 2021 year! If you have any questions or would like items mailed to you, please contact the parish office!

Please prayerfully consider your support of the **Hempfield Area Food Pantry**. So many of our neighbors are in dire need. The HAFP has been so thankful for the robust support of the St. Edward's community in 2020. And, we thank you all, as well. Let's continue our tradition of generosity for those less fortunate than ourselves.

St. Edward's is offering a full complement of Adult Spiritual Formation commencing in January!

Please check your weekly emails which will have all the Zoom invitation details.

Praying Morning and Evening Prayer using the 1979 Book of Common Prayer: January 28th, February 4th, February 11th from 7:00-8:30 PM: Contact Br. David Rutledge for more information & to register, by 01/25: drutledge1225@gmail.com

Contemporary Bible Study: Wednesday Evenings starting January 13th from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM: The focus for this session will be on the Gospel of Mark from an Anglican/Episcopal perspective. Our Study Guide will be: Borg, Marcus (2019), Conversations with Scripture – The Gospel of Mark (Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars Study). Please email Yvonne Gasperetti at ygasperetti@gmail.com or Bill Gasperetti at bgasperetti@att.net or call us at 717.459.3222.

Lunch & Learn: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices: Fridays from 12 Noon – 1 PM: Join Father Rick and Bob Mosebach as we continue exploring our Episcopal Beliefs and Practices with the text, Walk in Love by Scott Gunn and Melody Wilson Shobe, as well as the Book of Common Prayer and additional study guides.

**Friday Evening Prayer: Each Friday at 7:00 PM:** This is a wonderful way to peacefully end our week and is led by Patrick Ishler.

**Taize Service, First Saturday of each month at 5:00 PM:** Members of St. Edward's are cordially invited to join St. Luke's for our Zoom Taize service.

Virtual Coffee Hour, Sundays from 11 AM – 11:40 AM hosted by Christina McLaughlin. Join Code: 419 646 4139 Pass code 449312 JOIN US!!