

# CHRISTMAS EVE December 24, 2007

11:00 p.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite II

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Prelude:

Processional Hymn: *83 O come, all ye faithful*

Blessing of the Crèche

## THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation BCP p. 355

Gloria in Excelsis *S 278* BCP p. 356

The Collect of the Day

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 enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The First Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7

Psalm: *96* (Sung by Choir & Congregation)

The Epistle: Titus 2:11-20

Sequence Hymn: *87 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*  
*Alleluia Verse*

The Holy Gospel: Luke: 2:1-14

The Sermon: The Rev. Michael E. Snider II

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

The Prayers of the People I BCP p. 383

The Peace

Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory *Alleluia, Noel!* *Ball*

Presentations of Gifts and Tithes *82 vs. 4*

The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer B BCP p. 367

Sanctus *S 128*

Memorial Acclamation *S 138*

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem *S 154*

Communion Hymns: *91, 78, 81, 94, 115*

Post-Communion Prayer BCP p. 365

Post Communion Hymn *111 Silent night, holy night*

*Acolytes will light the candle of the person seated at the end of each pew. Please light the candle of the person next to you. The sanctuary lights will be dimmed as we kneel to sing the hymn. (You may take your candle with you)*

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn *96 Angels we have heard on high*

Dismissal— Response "Thanks be to God"

Postlude

*On this most Holy Night, we welcome all visitors to Christ Church in the name of the babe born in Bethlehem, Jesus, who is Christ the Lord! Merry Christmas and a New Year full of abundant blessings! Please worship with us again!*

## SERVING TONIGHT

**Organist & Choirmaster:** Terry Whittington

**Lector:** Deak Kersey **Chalicer/Epistoler:** Jay Kephart

**Chalicer:** Bea Paine

**Ushers:** C. William Davis Marc Meachum

**Acolytes:** Deak Kersey Burt Kersey

Becky Beckett

**Altar Guild:** Mrs. Becky Beckett Mrs. Jay Kephart

Mrs. Linda Thomas Mrs. Annette Osborne

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** that grace the altar this Christmas Eve is given to the glory of God by **Barbara Sudduth** in memory of our Mother, **Nancy C. Sudduth**.

*The Christ Church Crèche is hand carved of solid wood by Dr. Ralph McCue. It is dedicated "In Loving Memory of Laurel Clarkson McCue", his mother.*

## CHRISTMAS EVERGREEN WREATHS

The Greens on the **Advent Wreath** are given by Mrs. M. T. Meachum in memory of Loved Ones.

The **Christmas Wreaths** on the **Front Doors** are given by C. W. Davis in memory of **Betsy Davis**.

**MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS\*\***

<i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Walter Sowers</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>John &amp; Becky Beckett</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Gina &amp; Frank Wilkinson</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Karen &amp; David Kelley</i>	<i>Carol Dail</i>
<i>Patricia &amp; Marc Meachum</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Michael &amp;</i>	<i>Mrs. Robert Richardson, Sr.</i>
<i>Elizabeth Richardson</i>	
<i>Terry Whittington</i>	<i>Terry &amp; Thelma Kelly</i>
	<i>Whittington</i>
<i>Joe &amp; Kitty Graham</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Lois Wells</i>	<i>Dan Wells &amp;</i>
	<i>Jacqueline Enequist</i>
<i>Peggy Foster</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Friends</i>	<i>Betsy Davis</i>
<i>Bobbi &amp; David Kersey</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Annette Osborne</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Janice &amp; Joe Sanders</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Creighton &amp; Barbara Lilly</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>The Broyles Family</i>	<i>Betsy Davis</i>
	<i>Sandy Connolly</i>
<i>John &amp; Delia Kersey</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Mary &amp; Don Kersey</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Sloane &amp; Mike Hunger</i>	<i>Charlotte Gillespie &amp;</i>
	<i>Betsy Davis</i>
<i>Budge &amp; John Hunter</i>	<i>Budge Hunter &amp;</i>
	<i>David Mitchell</i>
<i>Marla Creasy</i>	<i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Robert Belcher</i>
<i>Debbie &amp; David Faber</i>	<i>John &amp; Elaine Faber &amp;</i>
	<i>B. Peyton Anderson II</i>

**\*\* Poinsettia plants may be taken home after the 11:00 p.m. service**