

CHRISTMAS EVE December 24, 2008

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

Prelude: Carols by Harpist

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 II BCP p. 385

The Peace

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory *What Is This Lovely Fragrance* *Alwes*

Presentations of Gifts and Tithes *82 vs. 4*

The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer D BCP p. 372

Sanctus *S 128*

Memorial Acclamation *S 141*

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem *S 154*

Communion Hymns: *91, Carols by Harpist*

Post-Communion Prayer BCP p. 365

Post Communion Hymn *** 111 Silent 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 *93 Angels from the realms of glory*

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

Guest Harpist: Laurel Thompson

Chalicer/Lector: Louisa Sowers

Chalicer/Epistoler: Don Williams

Ushers: C. William Davis Marc Meachum

Acolytes: Elizabeth Burton Becky Beckett

Altar Guild: Mrs. Jay Kephart Mrs. Linda Thomas
Mrs. Patty Richardson

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**.

**Poinsettias may be taken home after the 11:00 p.m. service

MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS

In Memory of

<i>Patricia & Marc Meachum</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Annette Osborne &</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Joseph Hunnicutt III</i>	
<i>Michael & Elizabeth Richardson</i>	<i>Mrs. Robert Richardson, Sr.</i>
<i>Terry Whittington</i>	<i>Terry & Thelma Kelly</i> <i>Whittington</i>
<i>Friends</i>	<i>Betsy Davis</i>
<i>The Wells Family</i>	<i>Dan Wells</i>
<i>Peggy Foster</i>	<i>Jim Foster & Beth Carter</i>
<i>Bobbi & David Kersey</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Creighton & Barbara Lilly</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Janice & Joe Sanders</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>John & Becky Beckett</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Becky & Jim Steorts</i>	<i>Our Military Men & Women</i> <i>& Families, past & present</i>
<i>Buck & Louisa Sowers</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Jay Kephart</i>	<i>Rick</i>
<i>Elizabeth & Cameron Clement</i>	<i>Adele, Bill and Rutledge</i>
<i>The Ralph McCue Family</i>	<i>Dr. Ralph W. McCue</i> <i>Dr. & Mrs. Alonzo McCue Jr.</i> <i>Mrs. Lucile H. Gilliss</i>
<i>Donald M. Kersey, Sr.</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Debbie & David Faber</i>	<i>B. Peyton Anderson II,</i> <i>Elaine Melton Faber</i> <i>John Smith Faber</i>
<i>Kay & Mike Sudduth</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>
<i>Sloane & Mike Hunter</i>	<i>Margaret & David Mitchell,</i> <i>Charlotte Gillespie</i> <i>"Budge" Hunter</i>
<i>Helen Goodykoontz</i>	<i>H. Alan Goodykoontz</i>
<i>Diane, IV, Grace,</i>	<i>Bing Sudduth</i>
<i>Jarrold & Heather</i>	
<i>Patricia Wilson-Delp</i>	<i>Mom, Dad, and Jacquie</i>
<i>John & Delia Kersey</i>	<i>Loved Ones</i>

In Honor of

<i>The Ralph McCue Family</i>	<i>In Honor of Mary E. McCue</i>
<i>Paul, Rebecca & Paul Broyles</i>	<i>Christ Church</i>