

65™ Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols

4:00 PM · December 15, 2024

PRELUDE

Ding Dong Merrily on High
It Came Upon a Midnight Cleararr. David Cherwien (b. 1957)
In Dulci Jublio, BWV 608
O Little Town of Bethlehem
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly
Carol Prelude on 'Greensleeves'
Carol of the Bells

The St. Dunstan Handbell Choir

Verses 2–5 are sung by the choir, please stand and join us in singing verse 6



The Bidding Prayer The Rev. Paul Frolick

The Lord's Prayer

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.

One Of the Father's heart begotten, ere the world from chaos rose, He is Alpha: from that fountain all that is and hath been flows; He is Omega, of all things yet to come the mystic Close, evermore and evermore.

- Two By his word was all created; He commanded and 'twas done; earth and sky and boundless ocean, universe of three in one, all that sees the moon's soft radiance, all that breathes beneath the sun, evermore and evermore.
- Three He assumed this mortal body, frail and feeble, doomed to die, that the race from dust created might not perish utterly, which the dreadful law had sentenced in the depths of hell to lie, evermore and evermore.
- Four O how blest that wondrous birthday, when the Maid the curse retrieved, brought to birth mankind's salvation, by the Holy Ghost conceived; and the Babe, the world's Redeemer, in her loving arms received, evermore and evermore.
- Five This is he, whom seer and sybil sang in ages long gone by; this is he of old revealed in the page of prophecy; Lo! he comes, the promised Saviour; let the world his praises cry! Evermore and evermore.
- Six Sing, ye heights of heav'n, his praises; Angels and Archangels, sing! Wheresoe'er ye be, ye faithful, let your joyous anthems ring, ev'ry tongue his name confessing, countless voices answering, evermore and evermore.

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON: Genesis 3:8-15

Benjamin Halgren, Junior Chorister

God announces in the garden of Eden that the seed of woman shall bruise the serpent's head.

Deo gracias! Adam lay ibounden in a bond; four thousand winter thought he not to long. Deo gracias! And all was for an appil that he tok, as clerkes finden written in their book. Deo gracias! Ne had the appil takè ben, ne haddè never our lady a ben hevenè quene. Blessed be the time that appil takè was. Therefore we moun singen. Deo gracias!

THE SECOND LESSON: Genesis 22:15-18

Donna Wessel Walker, Senior Chorister

God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall the nations of earth be blessed.

There shall come forth a shoot from Jesse, a branch shall grow from his roots. There shall come forth a shoot from Jesse, and God shall rest, and the Spirit shall rest on him. The spirit of wisdom and love, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and spirit of truth, the true gift of the glory of God. O come, Emmanuel, come soon.

THE THIRD LESSON: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Suzanne Bender,

Director of the Saint Dunstan Handbell Choir

Christ's birth and kingdom are foretold by Isaiah.

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set your people free; from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee. Come, O come, Emmanuel! Come, come O Jesus, come, O come, Emmanuel!

THE FOURTH LESSON: Micah 5:2-4

Deborah Friauff, Director of Music

The prophet Micah foretells the glory of little Bethlehem.



THE FIFTH LESSON: Luke 1:26-38

Chris Watson, Parishioner, Ann Arbor City Councilmember

The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Carol: There is no Rose (A Ceremony of Carols)Benjamin Britten The St. Andrew's Adult Choir There is no rose such vertu as is the rose hat bare Jesu. Alleluia. For in this rose conteined was Heaven and earth in litel space, res miranda. By that rose we may well see there be one God in persons three, pares forma. The aungels sungen the shepherds to: Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gaudeaumus. Leave we all this werldly mirth, and follow we this joyful birth. Transeamus. Alleluia, res miranda, pares forma, gaudeamus, transeamus. THE SIXTH LESSON: Matthew 1:18-23 Kay Wade, Senior Warden Saint Matthew tells of the birth of Jesus. Carol: *Today a Savior is Born* Lynn Shaw Bailey (b. 1955) The St. Andrew's Junior and Cherub Choirs Today a Savior is born for you. Glory to God in the highest! This will be a sign to you, the babe asleep on the hay. Tell the news to ev'ryone, Jesus, Messiah, is born today! Shepherds ran to Bethlehem to see the babe on the hay. Angels in the heavens sang, "Jesus, Messiah, is born today." THE SEVENTH LESSON: Luke 2:8-16 The Rev. JoAnn Kennedy Slater, Priest Associate The Shepherds go to the manger. 1 While shep-herds watched their flocks by night, all seat - ed on the ground, 2 "Fear not," said he, for might - y dread had seized their trou-bled mind: "To Da - vid's town, this day is born of Da-vid's you, in line 4 "The Babe you there shall find to heaven - ly hu - man view dis played, spake the ser - aph, and forth-with ap-peared a throng shin - ing an - gel glo - ry shone a - round. the Lord came down, and 1 the of 2 "Glad tid - ings great joy I bring to and all man - kind. of you shall be 3 the Sa - vior, who is Christ the Lord; and this sign: all mean - ly wrapped in swath-ing bands, and in a man - ger laid." 5 an - gels prais - ing God, who thus ad - dressed their joy - ful of 6 "All glory be to God on high and on the earth be peace; good will henceforth from heaven to men begin and never cease." THE EIGHTH LESSON: Matthew 2:1-11 The Rev. Sally Boelter, Priest Associate The wise men are led by the star to Jesus. Carol: Creator of the Stars of Night......arr. Joe Galyon The St. Dunstan Handbell Choir



6 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning; Jesus, to thee be glory given; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;

Refrain

THE NINTH LESSON: John 1:1-8

The Rev. Paul Frolick, Rector

Saint John unfolds the mystery of the Incarnation.

This little Babe so few days old, is come to rifle Satan's fold; all hell doth at his presence quake, though he himself for cold do shake; for in this weak unarmèd wise the gates of hell he will surprise. With tears he fights and wins the field, His nake breast stands for a shield, His battering shot are babish cries, His arrows looks of weeping eyes, His martial ensigns Cold and Need, and feele flesh his warrior's steed. His camp is pitchèd in a stall, His bulwark ut a broken wall; the crib his trench, haystalks his stakes; of shepherds he his muster makes; and thus, as sure his foe to wound, the angels' trumps alarum sound. My soul, with Christ join thou in fight; stick to the tents that he hath pight. Within his crib is surest ward; this little Babe will be thy guard. If thou wilt foil thy foes with joy, then flit not from this heavenly Boy.

Collect

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Blessing





CHRISTMAS EVE Tuesday, December 24

4:00 PM Family Eucharist + Christmas Pageant *

9:00 PM NEW TIME! Festival Choral Eucharist *

CHRISTMAS DAY Wednesday, December 25 10:00 AM

Holy Eucharist

Services will be held as reaularly scheduled December 27 - 29.

Wednesday, January 1 10:00 AM

Holy Eucharist

* Livestreamed on YouTube

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8:00 AM Spoken Eucharist 9:15 AM Family Service 10:00 AM Choral Eucharist

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THE SAINT ANDREW'S CHOIRS

Deborah Friauff, Director Oliver Steissberg, Accompanist

Adult Choir

Soprano Robin Berry Celia Bridges Hilary Garton Aileen Gatten Susie Lorand Hannah Resnick

Alto Lorraine Field Kim Hudolin Ally Norris Haley Olson Lucy Richert Sarah Teske DonnaWessel Walker

Junior Choir

Tenor

Christopher Bickley Jonathan Gardner Alfred Hero Akshaya Varghese

Bass

Stephen Bates Michael Field Bill Harper Tim Jensen Parks Mason Derek Peterson Norm Richert Nathan Sten

Cherub Choir

Benjamin Halgren John Acton Samuel Halgren Eleanor Floyd Addy Jacobsen Mira Pavlovich Addy Peterson Quinn Miller

Organist & Director of Music Deborah Friauff

Organ Scholar Oliver Steissberg

Officiant Paul Frolick

LEADERS IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Acolytes Bill Harper Elle McCreadie Addison McCreadie

Usher Sarah Inwood

THE SAINT DUNSTAN HANDBELL CHOIR

Suzanne Bender, Director

Suzy Bender Shirley Harden Mary Black Mary Jane Medlock Ruth Brook Dyanna Posch Liz Hagemeister Kevin Ross Suzanne Schluederberg Liz Halgren

THE SAINT ANDREW JUNIOR HANDBELL CHOIR

Liz Halgren & Suzy Bender, Directors

Benjamin Halgren Samuel Halgren Addy Jacobsen Quinn Miller

UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS

University of Michigan Organ Department to host

Weekly Organ Recitals

at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Thursdays from 12:15 - 12:45 pm January 16 - April 10, 2025

Music for Meditation Abraham Wallace, Organ

February 2, 2025 at 7:00 pm Compline at 8:00 pm

These events are free and open to the public. For more information: standrewsaa.org