

Saint Christopher's Episcopal Church
Fairborn, Ohio



First Sunday after Christmas Day
December 30, 2018

The Celebration of Holy Communion
Ten o'clock in the morning

Adult Forum – 9:00 AM

Sunday School for Youth and Young Adults – 9:30 AM

Nursery Care, Sunday School for Pre-K through Middle School – 10 AM

The Prelude

“What Child Is This?”

Soloist: Ofoname Eguaroje

The Processional Hymn: # 83 (verses 1-3) “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People **You come to your people and set them free.**

Bidding Prayer

Christmas Lessons and Carols

The First Lesson Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-25
(God creates man and woman to live in obedience to him in the Garden of Eden)

Hymn # 84 “Love Came Down at Christmas”

The Second Lesson Genesis 3:1-15
(Adam and Eve rebel against God and are cast out of the Garden of Eden)

Hymn # 82 (Verse 1) “Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

The Third Lesson Isaiah 40:1-11

(God comforts his people and calls on them to prepare for redemption)

Hymn # 75 (Verse 1) “There’s A Voice in the Wilderness Crying”

The Fourth Lesson Luke 1:26-58

(The Angel Gabriel announces to the Virgin Mary that she will bear a Son)

Hymn # 101 “Away In a Manger”

The Fifth Lesson Luke 2:1-20

(Jesus is born at Bethlehem and is worshiped by angels and shepherds)

Hymn # 93 (Verses 1 & 2) “Angels, from the Realms of Glory”

The Sixth Lesson Luke 2:21-36

(Jesus receives his name and is presented to Simeon in the Temple)

Hymn # 99 “Go Tell It on the Mountain”

The Seventh Lesson John 1:1-18

(The Word was made flesh and we have seen his glory)

Hymn # 79 “O Little Town Of Bethlehem”

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**



The Celebrant gives the offertory sentence.

The Music at the Offertory “Christmas Sanctus” by Lee Dengler

The Doxology # 96..... “Angels We Have Heard on High” vs 1

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant 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.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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:

The Sanctus“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord” S125..... (Sing in unison)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

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,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

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 Christopher and 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!**

The Celebrant says

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

The Celebrant says

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Prayers for healing are offered at the back of the church during Holy Communion
or at the front of the church after the service*

The Communion Hymns: # 109 "The First Nowell"
102 "Once in Royal David's City"
94 "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray:

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 and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Recessional Hymn: #87 “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

Announcements

The Dismissal

Minister: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Postlude

Special Music

Melody Kelley



ANNOUNCEMENTS, REMINDERS

- ☆ **Altar flowers Sunday December 30** – given by Theresa Turner celebrating Colin’s 17th birthday.
- ☆ **Monday December 31** – 9 p.m. ECW/M New Year’s Eve Party!
- ☆ **Monday December 31** – Youth and Young Adult overnight.
- ☆ **Tuesday January 1** – NEW YEAR’S DAY Holiday. Church office closed.
- ☆ **Saturday January 5** – 8:30-noon Community Blood Drive.
- ☆ **Saturday January 5** – 3 pm Funeral service for John Ziegenhagen. Music rehearsal before, reception following.
- ☆ **Sunday January 20** – Annual meeting and Potluck.
- ☆ **Weekly Healing Service** – Tuesdays at noon Healing Service with Holy Communion.
- ☆ **Thursdays – 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice**
- ☆ **Prayer Concerns:** Please call or email Joyce D’Alessandris to activate the Prayer Tree. email: rjdallessandris@gmail.com, phone: 254-0005.
- ☆ **The January Lantern** will be available at stchristophersfairborn.org. A printed copy is available upon request.



ECW/M New Year’s Eve party. We will have games, food, new party hats and champagne, both alcoholic and not. The party starts at 9 and will be over shortly after midnight. Please bring a snack to share. The cost will be \$5 apiece to cover the cost of drinks and party supplies. Please join us.

Coming in January 2019
Community Blood Drive at St. Christopher’s on Saturday,
January 5, 2019, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Donors can make an appointment using
www.donortime.com.
Please watch for additional information.

~ MISSION STATEMENT ~

**“Living the Great Commandment by Ministering
to Our Neighbors in Body, Mind and Spirit.”**

Those Who Serve	
Celebrant	The Rev. John S. Paddock
Worship Leader	Toni Olgeaty
Chalice Bearers	Ed Smith
Acolyte	James Lester
Reader #1:	Theresa Turner
Reader #2:	Debbie Snively
Reader #3:	Lauren Faller
Reader #4:	Ann Foster
Reader #5:	David Manship
Reader #6:	Judy Brainard
Reader #7:	Stan Nelson
Ushers	Ann Foster, Sierra Lester
Healing Prayers	tbd
Greeters	Judy Brainard, Gordon Hermann
Nursery	Volkmer
Altar Guild	Eleanor and Becky Wood
Tellers	Deb Snively
Fellowship	open
Director of Music Ministries	Melody Kelley
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