

## Faith Formation and Christian Education

### Did you know

“The celebration of Christmas in Jamaica dates back to the period of slavery in the 17th century....During that period, plantation work would cease from Christmas Eve until Boxing Day, every year, and plantation owners would give each of the slaves the annual gift of a piece of cloth and meat. For slaves, who usually had only the entrails and other leftover scraps of the animal, the treat of meat was a delight, but what triggered even more merriment was the rare gift of wine the slaves received. The plantations then had all-night dances that included masqueraders and plenty of drumming. It is from these all-night dances that one of Jamaica’s most enduring Christmas traditions emerged — Jonkunnu.”

*Jamaican Christmas Customs by the Jamaica Information Service*

### Quote for reflection

“Stevie Wonder used to have a hit that said, ‘I just called to say I love you.’ In Jesus, in this birth it is as if God were saying to you, and to you, and to you, and to me, ‘I just called to say I love you....’ God through Jesus says to you, ‘...You are precious to me and help me to have a truly Anno Domini in 2000 – a new society, compassionate and gentle, caring and sharing – for I just called to say I love you.’”

*From Archbishop Desmond Tutu’s 1999 Christmas sermon at the Washington National Cathedral*

### Question for reflection.

How, in this Christmas season, can I communicate to others God’s message of “I love you”?

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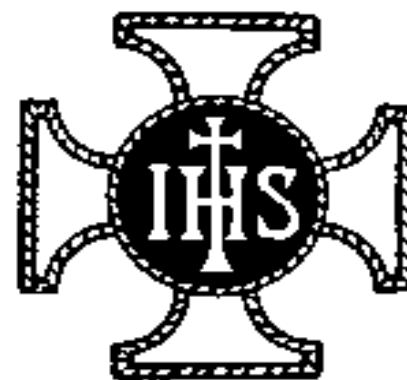
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**Processional Hymn 383 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven**

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| <p><b>1.</b> Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;<br/>To his feet thy tribute bring;<br/>Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,<br/>Who like me his praise should sing?<br/>Alleluia, alleluia!<br/>Praise the everlasting King.</p> <p><b>2.</b> Praise him for his grace and favor<br/>To our fathers in distress;<br/>Praise him still the same as ever,<br/>Slow to chide and swift to bless:<br/>Alleluia, alleluia!<br/>Glorious in his faithfulness.</p> | <p><b>3.</b> Father-like, he tends and spares us<br/>Well our feeble frame he knows;<br/>In his hands he gently bears us,<br/>Rescues us from all our foes.<br/>Alleluia, alleluia!<br/>Widely as his mercy flows.</p> <p><b>4.</b> Angels, help us to adore him;<br/>Ye behold him face to face;<br/>Sun and moon, bow down before<br/>him, Dwellers all in time and space.<br/>Alleluia, alleluia!<br/>Praise with us the God of grace.</p> |
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**4.** Thou camest, O Lord, with the living word  
That should set thy people free;  
But with mocking scorn and with crown of thorn  
They bore thee to Calvary: **R**

**5.** When the heavens shall ring, and the angels sing,  
At thy coming to victory,  
Let thy voice call me home, saying, "Yet there is room,  
There is room at my side for thee:" **R**

**Opening Sentence (Stand)**

V. Blessed be the Lord our God.

**R. By whose grace we are yet alive.**

V. Blessed be His Son Jesus Christ

**R. By whose rising we are set free.**

V. Blessed be the Spirit of God.

**R. In whom is our hope and our joy.**

*Minister and people:*

Father, we come together in the Name of your Son Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, to offer you our worship, praise and thanksgiving. To you belong all power and glory. You are the source of all goodness. Let our worship bear witness to your peace and saving power. Through your Spirit may we ever rejoice in the abiding presence of our risen and ascended Lord. **Amen.**

**Invitatory (Tune: Crimond)**

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| <p><b>1.</b> O gracious Light, the brightness pure<br/>Of the eternal One,<br/>O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed,<br/>The Father's only Son!</p> | <p><b>2.</b> Our eyes now, as the sunset comes,<br/>Behold the vesper light;<br/>We sing your praises Father, Son,<br/>And Spirit as is right.</p> |
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**3.** Lord, you are worthy at all times  
O joyful voices praise,  
O Son of God, Giver of life,  
Through endless worlds and days.

## Hymn 424

1. Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us  
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;  
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,  
for we have no help but thee;  
yet possessing every blessing,  
if our God our Father be.

2. Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us,  
all our weakness thou dost know;  
thou didst tread this earth before us,  
thou didst feel its keenest woe;  
lone and dreary, faint and weary,  
through the desert thou didst go.

3. Spirit of our God, descending,  
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,  
love with every passion blending,  
pleasure that can never cloy;  
thus provided, pardoned, guided,  
nothing can our peace destroy.

## Hymn 507

1. Thou didst leave thy throne and thy kingly crown  
When thou camest to earth for me;  
But in Bethlehem's home was there found no room  
For thy holy Nativity:

### *Refrain:*

*O come to my heart, Lord Jesus;  
There is room in my heart for thee.*

2. Heaven's arches rang when the angels sang,  
Proclaiming thy royal degree;  
But in lowly birth didst thou come to earth,  
And in great humility: **R**

3. The foxes found rest, and the bird had its nest  
In the shade of the cedar tree;  
But thy couch was the sod, O thou Son of God,  
In the desert of Galilee: **R**

The Minister says:

Lord, we pray to you for the forgiveness of our sins:

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and people, kneeling, together say:*

**Have mercy upon us,  
most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honour and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Absolution: Almighty God have mercy upon ...  
**Amen.**

Psalm 8 BCP page 477

**Refrain:** *O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world.*

**The First Lesson:** Numbers 6: 22 - 27 Dwayne McKenzie

### **Hymn: What Child is this**

1. 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?

2. Why lies He in such mean  
estate,  
where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christians, fear; for sinners  
here, the silent Word is pleading. **R**

**Refrain:**  
*This, this is Christ the King,  
whom shepherds seek and angels sing:  
haste, haste to bring Him praise,  
the Babe, the Son of Mary.*

3. So bring Him incense, gold, and  
myrrh, Come, peasant, king, to own  
Him: The King of Kings salvation  
brings;  
Let loving hearts enthrone Him. **R**

## Magnificat

(Tune: Amazing Grace) *All stand*

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| <p>1. My soul proclaims the Lord my God,<br/>My spirit sings His praise.<br/>He looks on me; He lifts me up<br/>And gladness fills my days</p> <p>2. All nations now will share my joy,<br/>His gifts he has outpoured.<br/>His little one He has made great<br/>I magnify the Lord.</p> | <p>3. His mercy is forever more,<br/>His name I praise again,<br/>His strong right arm puts down the proud:<br/>And raises lowly men.</p> <p>4. He fills the hungry with good things<br/>The rich He sends away,<br/>The promise made to Abraham<br/>Is filled to endless days.</p> |
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5. Magnificat - Magnificat  
Magnificat - Praise God,  
Praise God - Praise God,  
Praise God, Praise God  
Magnificat, Praise God

## The Second Lesson

Galatians 4:4 - 7 Winnifred Johnson

## Nunc Dimittis (Tune: Higher Ground, L.M. ) *All Stand*

<p>Lord, you have set your servant free To go in peace as you declared; These eyes of mine at last have seen The Saviour whom you have prepared;</p>	<p>A light which will enlighten all, And Israel's glory equally; All glory to the Father, Son, And Spirit evermore shall be.</p>
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**Gospel:**            **Luke 2:15 - 21**            *(All Remain standing)*

## The Apostles' Creed

*(All Stand)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ,  
His only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day He rose again.  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated  
at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

## HYMN 95

1. The year is gone, beyond recall,  
with all its hopes and fears,  
with all its bright and gladdening smiles,  
with all its mourners' tears;
2. Thy thankful people praise thee, Lord,  
for countless gifts received;  
and pray for grace to keep the faith  
which Saints of old believed.
3. To thee we come, O gracious Lord,  
the new born year to bless;  
defend our land from pestilence;  
give peace and plenteousness;
4. Forgive this nation's many sins;  
the growth of vice restrain;  
and help us all with sin to strive,  
and crowns of life to gain.
5. From evil deeds that stain the past  
we now desire to flee;  
and pray that future years may all  
be spent, good Lord, for thee.
6. O Father, let thy watchful eye  
still look on us in love,  
that we may praise thee, year by year,  
with angel hosts above.
7. All glory to the Father be,  
all glory to the Son,  
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,  
while endless ages run.

## New Year's Day

January 1, 2022

Year C

8:00 a.m.

### HOLY EUCHARIST AND SERMON

Processional 95 The year is gone, beyond recall.

Old Testament: Numbers 6: 22 - 27 John Soas

Psalm 8 BCP, page 477 (All sit)

**Refrain:** *O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world.*

Epistle Philippians 2:5-11 Valrie Nam

Gradual What child is this? **See pg. 3**

Gospel Luke 2: 15 - 21

Sermon Sister Andrea Taylor-Smith

Prayer of Intercession Form C

Offertory Hymn 424 Lead us, heavenly Father

During Communion Jesus name above all names,  
507 Thou didst leave thy throne...

Recessional 94 Father, let me dedicate **See pg 6**

### Jesus Name Above All Names

1. Jesus name above all names  
Beautiful Savior glorious Lord  
Emmanuel God is with us  
Blessed Redeemer living Word

2. Jesus loving Shepherd  
Vine of the branches Son of God  
Prince of Peace Wonderful Counselor  
Lord of the universe Light of the world

3. Jesus, Way of salvation,  
King of kings, Lord of lords,  
the way the truth, and the Life  
Mighty creator my saviour and friend

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

### The Prayers (Kneel)

V.The Lord be with you.

**R.And also with you.**

### The Suffrages

V.Lord, reveal your love among us;

**R.That we may know the joy of your salvation.**

V.Grant peace within and among all nations;

**R. And teach our leaders wisdom.**

V.Endow your Church with faithfulness;

**R And her servants with knowledge and true godliness.**

V.Defend, O Lord, the rights of the poor and the oppressed;

**R.That your justice may be known among all people.**

V.Lord, renew your spirit within us;

**R. That in us and through us your will may be done.**

**The Collect and Prayers** BCP page 45

### Hymn before Sermon: 246

1. All hail the power of Jesus' name!  
Let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem  
and crown him Lord of all.

2. Crown him, ye morning stars of light,  
who fixed this floating ball;  
now hail the strength of Israel's might,  
and crown him Lord of all.

3. Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,  
who from his altar call;  
extol the Stem of Jesse's Rod,  
and crown him Lord of all.

4. Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,  
ye ransomed of the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace,  
and crown him Lord of all.

5. Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
the wormwood and the gall,  
go spread your trophies at his feet,  
and crown him Lord of all.

6. Let every tribe and every tongue  
before him prostrate fall,  
and shout in universal song  
the crowned Lord of all.

**Sermon:** Sister Andrea Taylor-Smith

## Prayers for Renewal

### Offertory Hymn 311 God is working his purpose out

1. God is working his purpose out  
as year succeeds to year:  
God is working his purpose out,  
and the time is drawing near;  
nearer and nearer draws the time,  
the time that shall surely be,  
when the earth shall be filled with the  
glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

2. From utmost east to utmost west,  
wherever man's foot hath trod,  
by the mouth of many messengers  
goes forth the voice of God;  
give ear to me, ye continents,  
ye isles, give ear to me,  
that earth may be filled with the  
glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

5. All we can do is nothing worth  
unless God blesses the deed;  
vainly we hope for the harvest-tide  
till God gives life to the seed;  
yet nearer and nearer draws the time,  
the time that shall surely be,  
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God  
as the waters cover the sea.

3. What can we do to work God's  
work, to prosper and increase  
the brotherhood of all mankind  
the reign of the Prince of Peace?  
What can we do to hasten the time,  
the time that shall surely be,  
when the earth shall be filled with  
the glory of God  
as the waters cover the sea.

4. March we forth in the strength of God,  
with the banner of Christ unfurled,  
that the light of the glorious gospel of  
truth may shine throughout the world:  
fight we the fight with sorrow and sin to  
set their captives free,  
that earth may be filled with the glory of  
God as the waters cover the sea.

## Welcome & Notices

### Recessional Hymn: 94 Father, let me dedicate

1. Father, let me dedicate,  
all this year to Thee,  
In whatever worldly state  
Thou wilt have me be:  
Not from sorrow, pain or care,  
freedom dare I claim;  
This alone shall be my prayer,  
“Glorify Thy Name”

2. Can a child presume to choose  
where or how to live?  
Can a Father's love refuse  
all the best to give?  
More Thou givest every day  
than the best can claim  
Nor withholdest aught that may  
“Glorify Thy Name”

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3. If in mercy thou wilt spare,  
Joys that yet are mine;  
If on life, serene and fair,  
Brighter rays may shine;  
Let my glad heart, while it sings,  
Thee in all proclaim,  
And, whate'er the future brings,  
Glorify thy name.

4. If Thou callest to the cross,  
and its shadow come,  
Turning all my gain to loss,  
shrouding heart and home;  
Let me think how Thy dear Son  
to His glory came,  
And in deepest woe pray on,  
“Glorify Thy Name.”

### SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY SERVICES: JANUARY 2022

January 1	8:00 a.m.	Sung Eucharist & Sermon ( <b>Holy Name</b> )
January 2	6:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Solemn Eucharist and Sermon
January 6	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist - <b>The Epiphany</b>
January 9	6:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist - <b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany</b> Solemn Eucharist (The Baptism of Our Lord)
January 16	6:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Sung Eucharist & Sermon
January 23	6:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Sung Eucharist & Sermon Congregational Meeting after service
January 30	6:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Morning Prayer, Sung Eucharist & Sermon