

# THE HOLY NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

SUNDAY 1 JANUARY 2023

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

8:00 A.M.

Welcome and Announcements

#### THE WORD OF GOD

#### **Opening Acclamation**

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 323

The Collect for Purity

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Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Kyrie eleison

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

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Eternal Father, who didst give to thine incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we beseech thee, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, even our Lord Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen**.

#### Psalm 8 Said in unison

Domine, Dominus noster

O LORD our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world! Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens. You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses, what is man that you should be mindful of him? the son of man that you should seek him out? You have made him but little lower than the angels; you adorn him with glory and honor; You give him mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under his feet: All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field, The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea. O LORD our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world!

#### The Lesson: Philippians 2:5–11

The Holy Bible; NRSV, p. 1071

Commentary: In these verses, Paul pointed to Jesus Himself as the model of humility for all Christians. Although pre-existent and equal with God, Jesus laid aside His glory and submitted to the humiliation of becoming man. Jesus was willing to alter His status and behavior for the welfare of others. Jesus further humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the Father's will to the point of laying down His life, undergoing death on a cross. The Son submitted to the depths of humiliation, then God the Father raised Him to the height of glory. Jesus Christ is the ultimate blessing for all creation. Someday, the entire universe will agree with God the Father's assessment of God the Son.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death--even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above

every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

### The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:15-21

*NRSV*, p. 935

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

#### People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ. People

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