

St. Peter's Church

Lindell Boulevard and Spring Avenue

St. Louis, Mo.

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Services

December 24-25 1926

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Christmas Eve Service of the Holy Communion

Processional Hymns:

49 *Reading*

51 *Mendelssohn*

Holy Communion (Page 221 of the Prayer Book)

Kyrie *Parker*

Gloria Tibi *Parker*

Gratia Tibi *Parker*

The Collect, Epistle and Gospel for the Nativity of Our Lord,
is found on Page 60 of the Prayer Book.

Hymn 59 *Willis*

Sermon *The Rector*

Offertory Anthem: "THE BIRTH OF CHRIST IN SONG"
(Anthems, Solos, and Traditional Art Carols)

"A CHILD IS BORN IN BETHLEHEM" *Chadwick*

A child is born in Bethlehem,
Rejoice and sing, Jerusalem.
Within a manger he doth lie,
Whose throne is set above the sky.
Hallelujah!

His mother is the Virgin mild,
And he, the Father's only child,
The serpent's wound he beareth not,
Yet takes our blood, and shares our lot.
Hallelujah!

On this most blessed Jubilee,
All glory be, O God! to Thee,
O holy Three, we Thee adore,
This day henceforth for evermore.
Hallelujah!

"IN THE SILENCE OF THE NIGHT"*Dickinson*

Shepherds in the fields abiding,
In the silence of the night,
Saw the gates of heaven opened,
Earth and sky all filled with light,
Heard the angels sweetly singing
"Glory be to God on high!"
Strange and wondrous tidings bringing
"Christ the Lord is born tonight!"

Magi, far in Orient kingdoms,
In the silence of the night,
Saw a Star of radiant beauty
Pierce the darkness with its light:
Took rich gifts to lay before Him,
Spices rare and gold so bright,
Followed, eager to adore Him;
Christ the Lord is born tonight.

O'er a crib the Mother bending,
In the silence of the night,
While the angels glad were singing,
And the Star shed wondrous light,
Sang a lullaby so tender,
Hushed to sleep a little Child.
Lullaby; Lullaby;
Christ the Lord is born tonight!

O my heart, thy Saviour cometh
In the silence of the night,
Hasten gladly to receive Him,
Lo! the Star is shining bright;
Through the dark world's sin and sorrow,
Rings the angels' song again,
"Peace on earth, good-will to all men!"
Christ the Lord is born tonight!

"CHRISTMAS BELLS"

Forsyth

Clash and clang, ye iron bells! Unfold to the sun your glorious tidings; Ring and roar, Pealing evermore. Eastward carry the story, Westward herald the glory, Southward fly, Northward cry That Christ is born this day to save us all! Clap and clash, ye brazen bells! Salute with a song The glittering sunrise, Sing and soar Skyward, as you pour, Eastward carry the story, Westward herald the glory, Southward fly, Northward cry That Christ is born this day to save us all. Clash and clang, ye Christmas bells! Impart to the air your myriad rapture; Spread it far, Wake the morning star, Eastward carry the story, Westward herald the glory, Southward fly, Northward cry That Christ is born this day to save us all!

"THE SHEPHERDS' STORY"

Dickinson

Nowell! Sing we clear! Holpen are all folks on earth, Born is God's Son so dear. To Bethlem did they go, The Shepherds three: To see whe'r it were so or no, Whether Christ were born or no to set men free. Masters, in this hall, Hear ye news today Brought over sea, And ever you I pray. Then to Bethlem town, did the Shepherds go, and in a sorry place Herd the oxen low. Therein did they see a sweet and goodly May, Upon the straw she lay. And a little child On her arm had she. "Wot ye who this is?" Said the hinds to me. Ox and ass him know kneeling on their knee: Wondrous joy had I This little Babe to see. Nowell! This is Christ the Lord, Masters, be ye glad! Christmas is come in, And no folk should be sad.

- Doxology *Old Hundred*
- Sanctus *Gower*
- Gloria in Excelsis *Old Chant*
- Recessional: Hymn 65 *Kocher*

Christmas Day

Service of Morning Prayer and the Holy Communion

- Processional: Hymn 49..... *Reading*
- Venite *Crotch*

The Psalms selected for this Morning's Service are the 19th and 45th Psalms, found on Pages 348 and 381 of the Prayer Book.

The Collect, Epistle and Gospel for the Nativity of Our Lord, is found on Page 58 of the Prayer Book.

- Benedictus es Domine *Matthews*

Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers, praised and exalted above all forever. Blessed art Thou for the name of Thy Majesty. Blessed are Thou in the temple of Thy Holiness. Blessed art Thou that beholdest the depths, and dwellest between the Cherubim. Blessed art Thou on the glorious throne of Thy kingdom. Blessed art Thou in the firmanent of heaven.

Benedictus	<i>Mont</i>
Kyrie	<i>Parker</i>
Gloria Tibi	<i>Parker</i>
Gratia Tibi.....	<i>Parker</i>
Hymn 58	<i>Redner</i>
Sermon	<i>The Rector</i>
Offertory Anthem: "THE BIRTHDAY OF A KING".....	<i>Neidlinger</i>

In the little village of Bethlehem there lay a child one day, and the sky was bright with a holy light o'er the place where Jesus lay: Alleluia! O how the angels sang. Alleluia! how it rang. And the sky was bright with a holy light, 'twas the birthday of the King. 'Twas a humble birthplace, but oh! how much God gave to us that day. From the manger-bed what a path has led, what a perfect holy way: Alleluia!

Doxology	<i>Old Hundred</i>
Sanctus	<i>DeRille</i>
Gloria in Excelsis	<i>Old Chant</i>
Recessional: Hymn 65	<i>Kocher</i>

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