

**Christmas Day 2020**  
**Highland Prairie/Elstad Lutheran Parish**

Prelude "Of the Father's Love Begotten" Paul Manz  
Opening Hymn "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Hark! The herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn king;  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled."  
Joyful, all you nations rise;  
Join the triumph of the skies;  
With angelic host proclaim,  
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

(Refrain) Hark! The herald angels sing,  
"Glory to the newborn king!"

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,  
Christ, the everlasting Lord,  
Late in time behold him come,  
Offspring of a virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!  
Hail, incarnate deity!  
Pleased as man with us to dwell,  
Jesus, our Emmanuel! (Refrain)

Hail the hea'vn-born Prince of Peace!  
Hail the sun of righteousness!  
Light and life to all he brings,  
Ris'n with healing in his wings.  
Mild he lays his glory by,  
Born that we no more may die,  
Born to raise each child of earth,  
Born to give us second birth. (Refrain)

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**



Oh, that birth, forever blessed,  
When the virgin full of grace,  
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,  
Bore the Savior of our race.  
And the babe, the world's redeemer,  
First revealed his sacred face,  
Evermore and evermore.

O ye heights of heav'n adore him,  
Angel hosts his praises sing,  
Pow'rs, dominions, bow before him  
And extol our God and King.  
Let no tongue on earth be silent,  
Ev'ry voice in concert ring  
Evermore and evermore.

Nicene Creed

**C: We believe in one God,  
the Father, the almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the Church

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should....

Sanctus

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven  
and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the  
highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy....

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

(Communion will be in one kind (bread). Please remain in your seat.

Pr. Luther will come to you with the host.)

Post-Communion Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

Closing Anthem

"Hallelujah Chorus"

G. F. Handel

Dismissal

P: Go in the joy and peace of God in flesh made manifest in  
the Christ-child.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

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