

*Celebrant:* Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus...  
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

**PEOPLE:** Glory to you for ever and ever.

*Celebrant:* Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, ...  
... that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

**PEOPLE** Glory to you for ever and ever.

*Celebrant:* Pour out your Spirit upon the whole ...  
... all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

**PEOPLE** Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant:* Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

**ALL:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, ...

#### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD 6**

*Celebrant:* We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

**ALL:** God here among us  
light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.

#### **LAMB OF GOD**

**COMMUNION SONGS:**

*Emmanuel  
All is Well*

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION - Christmas 1**

**ALL:** Source of truth and joy,  
may we who have received the gift of divine life always follow the way of your Son. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

#### **DOXOLOGY**

Glory to God whose power, working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### **CHRISTMAS BLESSING**

*Celebrant:* May we who have knelt at the manger always have room to hold within ourselves the Christmas Child.

May we who have gazed upon the face of God learn to live fully and to share freely all that we have and are.

So may Emmanuel -- God with us and for us --- be once again incarnated in the world.

**ALL:** Amen

**CLOSING SONG:**

*Mary's Boy Child*

#### **DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant dismisses the Congregation*

**ALL:** Thanks be to God!

## **Christmas 1 - December 29 2019**

**GATHERING SONG:**

*Be Still for the Presence of the Lord*

**OPENING SONG:**

*See Amid the Winter's Snow* CP 148

#### **TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

#### **GATHERING - GRACE**

*Celebrant:* The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all

**ALL:** And also with you.

#### **GATHERING - COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God...

**ALL:** to you all hearts are open all desires known and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **COLLECT CHRISTMAS 1**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, you have shed upon us the new light of your incarnate Word. May this light, enkindled in our hearts, shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**ALL:** Amen.

**FIRST READING** *Isaiah 63: 7-9* **ALL:** ...Thanks be to God

#### **PSALM 148**

1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; \* **praise him in the heights.**

2 Praise him, all you angels of his; \* **praise him, all his host.**

3 Praise him, sun and moon; \* **praise him, all you shining stars.**

4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, \* **and you waters above the heavens.**

5 Let them praise the name of the Lord; \* **for he commanded, and they were created.**

6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; \* **he gave them a law which shall not pass away.**

7 Praise the Lord from the earth, \* **you sea-monsters and all deeps;**

8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, \* **tempestuous wind, doing his will;**

9 Mountains and all hills, \* **fruit trees and all cedars;**

10 Wild beasts and all cattle, \* **creeping things and wingèd birds;**

11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, \* **princes and all rulers of the world;**

12 Young men and maidens, \* **old and young together.**

13 Let them praise the name of the Lord, \* **for his name only is exalted, his splendour is over earth and heaven.**

14 He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, \* **the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!**

