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**Christmas Day
Feast of the Nativity**

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Welcome to The Church of the Resurrection and our Parish of Swanbourne-Mt. Claremont. We extend a warm welcome to those visiting or worshipping with us for the first time today.

O come, all ye faithful	62 CP
Angels from the realms of glory	44 CP
Hark! The herald angels sing	53 CP
Setting	
Motet.....	Shepherd's Cradle Song (Leuner arr. Macpherson)

Readings...

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem,
I have posted sentinels;
all day and all night
they shall never be silent.
You who remind the Lord,
take no rest,
and give him no rest
until he establishes Jerusalem
and makes it renowned throughout the earth.

The Lord has sworn by his right hand
and by his mighty arm:
I will not again give your grain
to be food for your enemies,
and foreigners shall not drink the wine
for which you have laboured;

but those who garner it shall eat it
and praise the Lord,
and those who gather it shall drink it
in my holy courts.

Go through, go through the gates,
prepare the way for the people;
build up, build up the highway,
clear it of stones,
lift up an ensign over the peoples.

The Lord has proclaimed
to the end of the earth:
Say to daughter Zion,
'See, your salvation comes;
his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.'

They shall be called, 'The Holy People,
The Redeemed of the Lord';
and you shall be called, 'Sought Out,
A City Not Forsaken.'

Isaiah 62:6-12

Hear the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 97

The Lord is king: let the earth rejoice;
let the multitude of the isles be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about him;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

Fire goes before him
and burns up his enemies on every side.

His lightnings lit up the world;
the earth saw it and trembled.

The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord,
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens declared his righteousness,
and all the peoples have seen his glory.

Confounded be all who worship carved images
and delight in mere idols.

Bow down before him, all you gods.

Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced,
because of your judgements, O Lord.

For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.

The Lord loves those who hate evil;
he preserves the lives of his faithful
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

Light has sprung up for the righteous
and joy for the true of heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy name.

Psalm 97

A Reading from the Letter to Titus

But when the goodness and loving-kindness of God our Saviour appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Saviour, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. The saying is sure.

I desire that you insist on these things, so that those who have come to believe in God may be careful to devote themselves to good works; these things are excellent and profitable to everyone.

Titus 3:4-8a

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The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.’ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

‘Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favours!’

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.

Luke 2:8-20

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ