



# The Holy Eucharist

## The Second Sunday of Advent

### December 4, 2022

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We hope this service of worship will be a source of strength and inspiration for your spiritual journey.

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#### CHORAL PRELUDE

*John the Baptist*

Bach

#### HYMN 67

*Comfort, comfort ye my people*

Psalm 42

#### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

The Lincoln Family

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Page 355, Book of Common Prayer

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

#### COLLECT FOR PURITY

Page 355, Book of Common Prayer

*Celebrant*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**

**SONG OF PRAISE HYMN 56** *O Come, O Come Emmanuel (verses 3-4)* Veni, Veni, Emmanuel

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Page 211, Book of Common Prayer

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH

Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.  
The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.  
His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide by what his ears hear;  
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;  
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.  
Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.  
They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord  
as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him,  
and his dwelling shall be glorious.

*Lector*        The Word of the Lord.  
*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

**THE PSALM**

*Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19*  
*Deus, iudicium*

BCP page 685  
Service Music #415



1 Give the King your justice, O / God, \*  
and your righteousness to the King's / Son;  
2 That he may rule your people / righteously \*  
and the poor with / justice;  
3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the / people, \*  
and the little hills bring / righteousness.  
4 He shall defend the needy among the / people; \*  
he shall rescue the poor and crush the op/ pressor.  
5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon en/ dure, \*  
from one generation to a/ nother.  
6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown / field, \*  
like showers that water the / earth.  
7 In his time shall the righteous / flourish; \*  
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no / more.  
18 Blessed be the Lord God, the God of / Israel, \*  
who alone does wondrous / deeds!  
19 And blessed be his glorious Name for/ ever! \*  
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.  
Amen. A/ men.

**A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS**

Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,  
and sing praises to your name";  
and again he says,  
"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people";

and again,  
"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples praise him";  
and again Isaiah says,  
"The root of Jesse shall come,  
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;  
in him the Gentiles shall hope."

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN 542**

*Christ is the world's true Light*

St. Joan

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Matthew 3:1-12

*Before the Gospel*

*Deacon*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
'Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

*After the Gospel*

*Deacon*            The Gospel of the Lord  
*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

**SERMON**

The Rev. Ayo Omoniyi

*A period of silent reflection follows the Sermon*

**THE NICENE CREED**

Page 358, Book of Common Prayer

*Celebrant and People*

**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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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 PEOPLE FORM IV**

Book of Common Prayer p. 388

*Deacon or other leader*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Holy Apostles, in Katy, Holy Spirit and Hope, in Houston, and San Mateo, in Bellaire.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

In our school cycle of prayer, we pray for the students, teachers and staff of Walnut Grove Elementary, Wellborn Middle, and Whitley Road Elementary.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially John, Rick, Mary Jane, Kathy, Suzette, Richard, Judy, Terry, Patty, Wayne, Ken, Richard, Doug, Ramona, Nancy, Barbara, Sylvia, Brooke, Treva, Deb, Chrissy, Bob, Frank, Rhonda, Kristy, Teagyn, Phyllis, Shirley, Nora, Pepe, Janet, Mark, Jim, Jane, Jody, Anne.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, [especially N.] that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

*Silence. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect. The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

*Minister and People*

Most merciful God,  
We confess that we have sinned against you  
In thought, word, and deed,  
By what we have done,  
And by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
Have mercy on us and forgive us;  
That we may delight in your will,  
And walk in your ways,  
To the glory of your Name. Amen.

**THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

**OFFERTORY**

*As we pass the offering plates to one another, please take a few moments, say a brief prayer, and ask God how you might offer your life this week. To give online text 817-270-6880 with an amount + GENERAL or PLEDGE to give or you may scan this QR code to give online, or [click HERE](#).*



**OFFERTORY HYMN 75** *There's a Voice in the Wilderness Crying*

Ascension

**HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 380 ST. 3**

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B**

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*    Lift up your hearts.  
*People*        **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant*    Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*        **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**SANCTUS HYMN S130**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Schubert

*The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [        and ] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be**

done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**FRACTION ANTHEM S 153**  
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*Christ our Passover*

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**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION HYMN 616**

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

**CHOIR ANTHEM HYMN 723**

*Isaiah the Prophet has Written*

**SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS**

*This week's visitor is Evie Larimore.*

*Eucharistic Visitors present themselves at the Altar to receive the Sacrament to take to those who are prevented from attending in person. The Celebrant then says,*

In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

*The People respond,*

**We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

*Eucharistic Visitors remain until the Altar Party retires, then leave for their visits.*

**THE PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

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*Celebrant and People*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

**HYMN 65**

*Prepare the Way, O Zion*

Brenden vag for Herran

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**THE POSTLUDE**

*Overture*

Lully

***Altar Flower Dedications***

The flowers on the altar have been dedicated this week by the Angle and Jordan families in loving memory of Charlotte Michelle Rose Jordan.



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