

Holy Eucharist

November 27, 2022

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The First Sunday of Advent Year A

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Prelude

Entrance Hymn

Hymnal 73

The King shall come when morning dawns

1 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and
2 Not, as of old, a lit - tle child, to
3 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and
4 and let the end - less bliss be - gin, by
5 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and

1 light tri - um - phant breaks; when beau - ty gilds the
2 bear, and fight, and die, but crowned with glo - ry
3 earth's dark night is past; O haste the ris - ing
4 wear - y saints fore - told, when right shall tri - umph
5 light and beau - ty brings: Hail, Christ the Lord! Thy

1 east - ern hills and life to joy a - wakes.
 2 like the sun that lights the morn - ing sky.
 3 of that morn, the day that e'er shall last;
 4 o - ver wrong, and truth shall be ex - tolled.
 5 peo - ple pray, come quick - ly, King of kings.

Presider Blessed are you, holy and living One;
People **You come to your people and set them free.**

The Presider begins the Collect for Purity

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.

Kyrie: *Lord, have mercy upon us* **Hymnal S-91**

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
 on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
 Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All sit.

First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

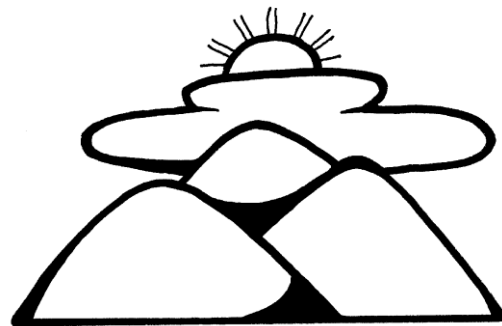
²In days to come
the mountain of the LORD's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

³Many peoples shall come and say,
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

⁵O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD!



Reader The word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Remain seated.

Psalm 122

To be prayed in unison

- ¹I was glad when they said to me, *
“Let us go to the house of the LORD.”
- ²Now our feet are standing *
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- ³Jerusalem is built as a city *
that is at unity with itself;
- ⁴To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, *
the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the LORD.
- ⁵For there are the thrones of judgment, *
the thrones of the house of David.
- ⁶Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
“May they prosper who love you.
- ⁷Peace be within your walls *
and quietness within your towers.
- ⁸For my brethren and companions’ sake, *
I pray for your prosperity.
- ⁹Because of the house of the LORD our God, *
I will seek to do you good.”

Second Reading

Romans 13:11-14

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

⁷Be patient, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. ⁸You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. ⁹Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! ¹⁰As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as they are able.

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 56

O come, o come Emmanuel



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest

1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
 2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge

1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.

Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

All remain standing as they are able.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 24:36-44

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

Jesus said to the disciples, “But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”



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

Sermon

All stand as they are able.

Nicene Creed

Presider Let us affirm the faith of the Church using the words of the Nicene Creed.

**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.**

All remain standing as they are able.

Prayers of the People

Presider Brothers and sisters, let us offer our prayers to God, who clothes us in the armor of light and offers us the gift of immortal life, responding, “O come, O come, Emmanuel.”

Intercessor For your holy church, that we may faithfully follow in the way of Jesus. We pray for our Bishops Bonnie, Michael, Justin, Elizabeth, Donald and Craig. Bless all ministers, priests, deacons, ministry teams, those in formation; and our brothers and sisters worshipping

at St Andrew's, Ann Arbor, Christ Church Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills; and St Paul & St Luke, San Isidro, in the Dominican Republic; those in The Nippon Sei Ko Kai; and for all the members of Christ's body. For all of these, let us pray; **O come, O come, Emmanuel.**

Silence is kept.

For peace throughout the world, that swords of destruction may become tools for industry, and spears of war the word that pierces every heart with the light of hope. For the leaders of the nations of the world, that power be tempered by wisdom, and the quest for money be seen as a false strength; let us pray; **O come, O come, Emmanuel.**

Silence is kept.

For Christians throughout the world, especially those who endure religious persecution and the prejudice of unfriendly governments, that our prayers may empower them in their time of need; let us pray; **O come, O come, Emmanuel.**

Silence is kept.

That we may hunger for the teachings of the Lord, seeking opportunities for education, bible study, and fellowship with those who follow the way of Jesus; let us pray; **O come, O come, Emmanuel.**

Silence is kept.

For [_____ and for] all the abundant blessings you give us, we thank you. In gratitude, let us pray; **O come, O come, Emmanuel.**

Let us pray for those who are sick or suffering [especially_____]. Let us pray for those who stay awake in the dark corners of human experience, abiding faithfully with those whose faith is shallow and whose fears are great. For all of these, let us pray; **O come, O come, Emmanuel.**

In thanksgiving for the life-giving gifts of [_____, and all] those who have died, leaving us a harvest of love from which to be nourished for years to come; let us pray; **O come, O come, Emmanuel.**

Silence is kept.

Presider O Wisdom of our God Most High, guiding creation with power and love: come to teach us the path of knowledge! Make us watchful and keep us faithful, O Lord our God, as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

All then kneel as they are able

Confession of Sin

The Presider says

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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 our Savior 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.**

A Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, + forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

All stand as they are able

Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The People then are seated.

Announcements

Holy Communion

Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the Presider.

The people stand as they are able when the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

Offertory Hymn

Doxology

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

The people remain standing as they are able

Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Presider proceeds

Covenant God, in the beginning you called your creation good
and flooded it with beauty and bounty, with goodness and grace.

In the days of Noah you drowned your creation to wash away sin
and draw your own daughters and sons to yourself.

Through your covenant with Israel your promises flowed to all nations,
and in Jesus Christ you drew us out of our waywardness
into the relentless flood of your mercy.

His death was the drowning of our sin;
his resurrection and ascension bless all nations to stream toward you in glory.

And so we praise you with angels and archangels
and all the company of heaven as we join their unending praise, saying,

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Presider continues

Peacemaking God, in Christ you made an ending of the life of spears and swords,
and came to us with plowshares and pruning hooks, the tools of planting and cultivating,
that we might be fed.

In him you showed us how to study war no more,
how to lay down our swords and shields,
and how to feast with the prince of peace.

As you came to us to be our very food and drink,
send your Holy Spirit upon this bread and cup
and make them to be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ;

who, at supper with his disciples, took bread,
gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying,
"Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup.

Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
"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.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Presider and People

Great is the mystery of faith.
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

*The Presider continues; the People pray the text in **Bold Font**.*

God of prophets and promises, as you turn swords into plowshares,
take our sin and reshape us for salvation.

Take our foolishness and bend us toward faith.

**Take our hostility and refashion us for heaven
in the crucible of your love.**

Stir your church with wakening hope, that soon and very soon
we are going to see our king.

Quicken our spirits with trust in that day

**when we who have been blessed with such hope will gather
around your throne with saints of every age,
in praise and thanksgiving to you, one God.**

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. AMEN.

The Presider then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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.
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.**

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

The Presider says

Community of saints, beloved of God,
we are invited to come and gather at the table of love and liberation,
to feast on the dreams of God,
to be nourished by a taste of what God desires to do among us.

Come, and love relentlessly; following Christ on paths of uncertainty,
taking risks for one another,
calling down unjust power from its throne
and lifting up the lowly, the impoverished, the burdened.

**Blessed are those, Jesus said, who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.**

The Presider then says

And so let us come to the table, expectant, eager, open.
**May we taste the rich blessings of heaven
born from unexpected places, and people, and experiences.**

God's holy gifts, for God's holy people.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Remaining seated, the following is sung after all have received, and the table is being cleared.

Post-Communion Hymn

LEVAS 93

Give thanks to the Lord

The musical score is written for voice and piano in 3/2 time, with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). It consists of four systems of music. The first system begins with the lyrics "Give thanks to the Lord for He is so good, His mer-cy en-". The second system includes first and second endings, with lyrics "dures for - ev - er. (for - ev - er.) Give dures for - ev - er. (for -". The third system is marked "Fine" and contains the lyrics "ev - er.) 1. To Him a - lone who does might - y won - ders,". The fourth system is marked "D.C." and contains the lyrics "1. Who by His un - der - stand - ing made the hea - vens." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

The Presider then says

Let us pray.

Presider and People

**God of abundance,
 you have fed us
 with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
 you have united us
 with Christ and one another;
 and you have made us one
 with all your people in heaven and on earth.
 Now send us forth
 in the power of your Spirit,
 that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
 and continue for ever
 in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Dismissal and Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

May our hearts be filled by our long-awaited Savior. May our community be graced with patient expectation. May Christ be with us in all the chaos. **Amen.**

May we learn to live in the Way of Emmanuel. May we have listening hearts, open minds, and generous spirits. **Amen.**

And may the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Hymnal 596

Judge eternal, throned in splendor

1 Judge e - ter - nal, throned in splen - dor, Lord of lords and
 2 Still the wea - ry folk are pin - ing for the hour that
 3 Crown, O God, thine own en - deav - or; cleave our dark - ness

King of kings, with thy liv - ing fire of judg - ment
brings re - lease, and the ci - ty's crowd - ed clang - or
with thy sword; feed all those who do not know thee

purge this land of bit - ter things; sol - ace all its
cries a - loud for sin to cease; and the home - steads
with the rich - ness of thy word; cleanse the bo - dy

wide do - min - ion with the heal - ing of thy wings.
and the wood - lands plead in si - lence for their peace.
of this na - tion through the glo - ry of the Lord.

Dismissal

Minister Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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Faith in Action provides leadership in collecting donations of food to support households in need in the Chelsea and Dexter areas. **If you bring food directly to FIA**, please let [Nancy](#) know, so she can continue to keep our records of donation. If you write a check, please make it to *Faith In Action*, with “St Barnabas” on the memo line. The **next Food In-Gathering is December 18**. Please contribute as generously as you can.

Our FIA Christmas Family project is underway. Please contact [Jan S](#) or [Sarah S](#) for more details. Needs/wish lists for our family’s five members are available in the church hall.

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Upcoming Commemorations

- Nov. 28 Kamehameha and Emma of Hawaii, King and Queen, 1864 and 1885
- 30 Andrew the Apostle
- Dec. 1 Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon, 1637; Charles de Foucauld, Monastic & Martyr, 1916;
and, John of Damascus, Priest & Theologian, c.760
- 2 Channing Moore Williams, Bishop, 1910
- 3 Francis Xavier, Priest and Missionary, 1552

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November 27, 2022 – Advent 1A 1st Week of Advent: Saying “Yes” to the Journey

As Advent begins this week, we invite you to orient yourself to the coming of Jesus at Christmas through the practices of *Journeying the Way of Love*. This journey begins by saying “yes” to God’s call to birth new life into the world—a call that is both powerful and gentle, a call that will, if fully embraced, grow beyond our imaginations, spilling out of ourselves and into our family, friends, community, and the whole world. Over the course of this holy season, we invite you to respond to that call using these daily practices, and encourage you to offer them to your friends, family, and neighbors.



For more Advent resources related to the Way of Love, visit episcopalchurch.org/wayoflove. There, you’ll find links to the full Advent curriculum *Journeying the Way of Love*, as well as *Living the Way of Love in Community*, a nine-session curriculum for use anytime.

Sunday, November 27: WORSHIP
Read Luke 21:25-36. How do the symbols of the Advent season help you understand the story of Jesus? Where do you see them in your worship today?

Monday, November 28: GO
Go out of your way to have a conversation with someone you might not normally visit with today. Ask God to open your heart to hear this person as God does.

Tuesday, November 29: LEARN
Read Matthew 4:18-22. How do these verses from Matthew inspire you to read Scripture with new eyes? Try reading several different translations of this passage. See how the language might change your reading of it.

Wednesday, November 30: PRAY
Pray along with the Collect for Advent 1, found on page 211 of The Book of Common Prayer. Set a timer for three minutes to sit in silence and hear what God might be saying back to you.

Thursday, December 1: BLESS

We know that angels are God’s special messengers to us, and that Gabriel spent intentional time with Mary, helping her to understand her part in God’s story. Who has shared an important lesson or their presence with you this week? Thank them today with a call or note.

Friday, December 2: TURN

Read Isaiah 58. How does this reading challenge you to think about feasts and festivals differently? How might this lesson change the way you celebrate or recognize this holy season?

Saturday, December 3: REST

Put your phone on airplane mode and leave it in a dresser drawer for an hour or two. Whatever happens in that time, you can handle later. Give this time to yourself and Jesus, to rest and recharge for the week ahead.

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Invitation to the Table from <https://enfleshed.com/pages/communion-liturgies> Accessed 14 November 2019
Dismissal prayer adapted from “Our Advent Prayer,” The Academy for Vocational Leadership, 2018.

Our Mission:

We seek to grow as diverse disciples of Jesus Christ, and to serve Jesus by serving others in the world, guided by the values of Ancient Rites, Open Minds, and Affirming Hearts.



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