FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 28, 2021 10:00 AM Service Holy Communion





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Sunday Services at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 10 AM • Sat. Service at 5 PM

Our Sunday services are livestreamed

WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

CDC Guidelines: In accordance with new CDC guidelines, masks are again required on the church campus, including in-person attendance for church services, regardless of vaccination status.

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

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A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave Quietly and reverently and silence your phones.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

Karl Osterland

- 1. Fanfare (with clouds descending)
- 2. Trio (Alleluia)

[During the Voluntary, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

[Please stand when the chimes sound and face the Baptistry in the rear of the sanctuary.]

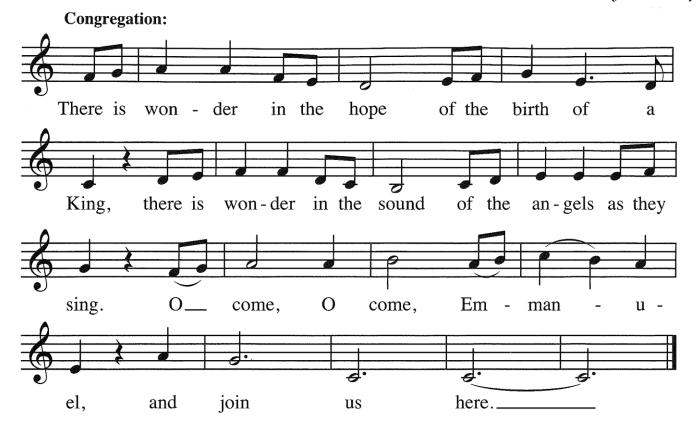
Lector Today we light the first candle. The first candle reminds us that the season of Advent is a time of unspeakable wonder. As we begin our Advent journey, let us stand amazed at the promise God has fulfilled, the love God has shown, and the joy God has given through the birth of Christ.

[One blue candle is lit.]

ADVENT HYMN

The Wonder of Christmas

Joel Raney



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Lo! he comes with clouds descending, once for our salvation slain; thousand, thousand saints attending swell the triumph of his train: Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ the Lord returns to reign.

Every eye shall now behold him, robed in dreadful majesty; those who set at nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the tree, deeply wailing, deeply wailing, shall the true Messiah see.

Those dear tokens of his passion still his dazzling body bears, cause of endless exultation to his ransomed worshipers; with what rapture, with what rapture, gaze we on those glorious scars!

Yea, amen! let all adore thee, high on thine eternal throne; Savior, take the power and glory; claim the kingdom for thine own: Alleluia! Alleluia! Thou shalt reign, and thou alone.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. AMEN.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

All Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.

Celebrant 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.

All AMEN.

THE WORD OF GOD

The people sit.

THE FIRST READING:

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Lector The First Reading is taken from Jeremiah chapter 33...

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

METRICAL PSALM 25

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul, Let not my foes have victory; Let not your servant be ashamed; Confound those set on treachery.

Tune: SONG 34

Show me your ways, O Lord, my God, And teach my feet your path, I pray; For my salvation comes from you, I trust in you throughout the day.

Remember your compassion, Lord, Your steadfast love of ancient days, And in that love remember me, Remember not my youthful ways.

Gracious and upright is the Lord Who teaches sinners in the way And guides the humble toward the right And to the lowly shows the way.

THE SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Lector The Second Reading is taken from 1 Thessalonians chapter 3...

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand as able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Creator of the Stars of Night CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

Creator of the stars of night, your people's everlasting light, O Christ, Redeemer of us all, We pray you hear us when we call.

To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, Praise, honor, might, and glory be from age to age eternally.

THE GOSPEL Luke 21:25-36

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

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

The people sit.

SERMON

The Rev. Whitney Burton

All stand as able.

THE NICENE CREED

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Lector 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.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector 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

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector 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

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector 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. We give you thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially the flowers given today to the Glory of God, and

for the birthdays this week for Troy Abell and Patrick Brinsko.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially . . .

[add names from notebook] and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [leave time], give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of

your salvation.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Lector We commend to your mercy all who have died, (especially . . . [add names from

notebook]) 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

People Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION:

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (Silence is kept.)

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 leved 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.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our

Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the

Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All AMEN.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY An Advent Prayer Allen Pote
Choir

All stand as able.

THE PRESENTATION

Deacon We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and

sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God's world.

PRESENTATION HYMN Tune: HYFRYDOL

Praise we bring to God the Father,
Praise we bring to God the Son,
Praise to God the Holy Spirit, praise to you, the Three in One.
Trinity of love inspire us, may we always strive to be
One in Love and one in worship--children of eternity

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

Celebrant (Proper Preface)

Celebrant 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:



The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

All Richard Proulx



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to receive the Sacrament in one kind. If you desire a blessing instead, cross your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION SOLO

Advent Blessing

Kris Crunk Julian Guini, soloist

Please remain seated.

Come, thou long expected Jesus born to set Thy people free; from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in Thee.

Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a King, born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.

By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by Ttne all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant

Let us pray...

All

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE SENDING HYMN 56

O Come, O Come Emmanuel Stanzas 1,2,3 VENI EMMANUEL

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

O come, thou Wisdom from on high, who orderest all things mightily; to us the path of knowledge show, and teach us in her ways to go.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes on Sinai's height in ancient times didst give the law, in cloud, and majesty, and awe.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People Thanks be to God!

VOLUNTARY

Improvisation on VENI EMMANUEL

Aaron David Miller

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant The Rev. Whitney Burton Deacon The Rev. Cindy Roehl

Organist/Choirmaster Tom Huffman Crucifer/Server Laurie Toohey

Lectors Sally Miller & Nancy Fisher

Prayers of the People Carolyn Hughes

Ushers Bob Roehl & Nancy Fisher

Building & Grounds Cheryl Sharp

Welcome Table Robyn Harker & Judy Ratliff



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