



THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

First Sunday of Advent

8:30 and 10:30 am • November 30, 2025

ABBREVIATIONS: **BCP** Book of Common Prayer | **CG** A Child's Guide to the Holy Eucharist | **LEVAS II** Lift Every Voice and Sing II | **WLP** Wonder, Love and Praise

THE PRELUDE

Praeludium in G Minor

Gustav Markel

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

We light this candle to remember God's promise of hope.

Silence is kept.

Today, Isaiah gives us a vision of all nations streaming toward the mountain of the Lord, learning God's ways and walking in God's light. The psalmist invites us to pray for the peace of Jerusalem. And Jesus calls us to stay awake, living with expectant hope for his coming.

Silence is kept.

Hope can be something we wish for, like a dream or longing. But hope is also the steadfast trust that God's future is drawing near: a hope that awakens us to walk in God's light today.

Silence is kept.

What brings you hope?

Silence is kept.

QUIET MOMENT OF CONTEMPLATION

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

66. Come, thou long expected Jesus

Stuttgart

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

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.

THE SONG OF PRAISE:

8:30 | 10:30 Kyrie S85

BCP 356 | CG 5

Celebrant Kyrie eleison.

People **Christie eleison.**

Celebrant Kyrie eleison.

THE WORD OF GOD

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 **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In 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. Many 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. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 122

Laetatus sum

8:30 | 10:30 *The psalm will be read antiphonally by whole verse by side of the church, beginning with the Narthex side.*

1 I was glad when they said to me, *
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."

2 Now our feet are standing *
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem is built as a city *
that is at unity with itself;

4 To which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord, *
the assembly of Israel,
to praise the Name of the Lord.

5 For there are the thrones of judgment, *
the thrones of the house of David.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
"May they prosper who love you.

7 Peace be within your walls *
and quietness within your towers.

8 For my brethren and companions' sake, *
I pray for your prosperity.

9 Because of the house of the Lord our God, *
I will seek to do you good.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far

gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN:

324. Let all mortal flesh keep silence

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 24: 36-44

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord 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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

Kate Mohan

THE NICENE CREED

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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

Brothers and sisters, as we joyfully await the full manifestation of God's reign in Christ, let us pray for the needs of the church and the world.

O Wisdom, you come forth from the mouth of the Most High and reach from beginning to end, ordering all things. Behold and bless your church, remembering especially Sean our presiding bishop, Sam and Jennifer our Bishops, George, Grey, and Ryan our clergy, our vestry and leaders. Be present in ordering the life of this and every congregation.

Come and teach us the way of prudence.

O Adonai, God of the Covenant, ruler of the house of Israel, you appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush and on Mount Sinai gave your law. Forgive us when we stray from your guidance and will.

Come and redeem us for our life together.

O Root of Jesse, you stand as an ensign to humankind; before you rulers will shut their mouths, and nations bow in worship: We pray for your peace and justice in every nation and throughout the world; be present to all whose lives are ravaged by war and strife. Guide the leaders of this and every land into the paths of peace and goodwill.

Come save us and do not delay.

O Key of David, and scepter of the house of Israel, you open and no one can shut, you shut and no one can open: Guide us in opening the doors of opportunity for the unemployed, for the homeless, for prisoners, and for all who are oppressed; and lead us in closing the doors that lead to poverty, bigotry, and injustice.

Come and bring the captives out of the prison house.

O King of the Nations and their Desire, you are the cornerstone that makes us one: We lift up all who are suffering and in need, especially Alice, Betty, Bill, Diane, Eva, Gregory, Jan, Jane, Liz, Lorrie, Margaret, Marion, Maxine, Nancy, Nancy, Remmy, Scarlett, Bill, Bob, Caline, Charlie, Danielle, Denise, Evonne, Fitzroy, Gemma, Ginger, Allen, Caden, Crew, Hannah, Heather, James, Joe, Joelle, John, Kate, Keili, Kevin, Laura-Benton, Lois, Lori, Moira, Nadia, Rae, Renee, Rosalie, Roy, Roy, Barrett, Sam, Sandy, Sandy, Sara, Sarah, Shannon, Stephanie, Thom, Denise, and Todd & Cally. Tend the sick, give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous and help us minister to them in your love.

Come and save us whom you have fashioned out of clay.

O Dayspring, radiance of the Light Eternal and Sun of Righteousness: Shine your light on those who have died; remember especially those we now name. Alex Allen, Michael Welton, and Sam Whisenhunt; and bring comfort to all those who mourn.

Come and enlighten all who sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

O Emmanuel, God with us, Expected One and Savior, We give thanks for all the blessings of this life; for those recently born, including Grace Marie Maloney, daughter of Kristen and Bailey, and granddaughter of Lucy and Kit Maloney; and for all those who preparing for marriage including George and Lindsey and for the other blessings we now name silently or aloud. Make each of us ready to receive you into our hearts, to serve you in all whom we meet, and to greet you in the fullness of your glory in the day of your appearing.

Come and save us, O Lord our God.

THE CONFESSION

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

People **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

THE PEACE

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Setting by Raymond Haan
Megan Douglas, Cello

THE OFFERTORY HYMN:

56. O come, O come, Emmanuel - vss 1 & 2

Veni, Veni Emmanuel

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 2

EOW

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 God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

SANCTUS

8:30 **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.**

10:30 S113 (Sanctus)

John Merbecke

Celebrant Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice

of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER: TRADITIONAL VERSION

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THE FRACTION

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Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE COMMUNION HYMN:

60. Creator of the stars of night

Conditor alme siderum

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 366 | CG 27

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I 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.

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

THE BLESSING

THE FINAL HYMN:

61. "Sleepers, wake!"

Wachet auf

THE DISMISSAL

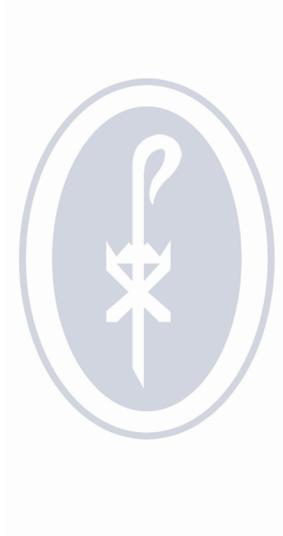
The Deacon or Celebrant dismisses the People, and the People respond:

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE POSTLUDE

Advent Postlude

Johann Kohler





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We thank the following people for their service today:

CELEBRANT	The Rev. Grey Maggiano
PREACHER	Kate Mohan
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LIGHTERS OF THE WREATH (8:30)	Chuck Till, Gail Till
(10:30)	The Flaherty Family
LECTORS (8:30)	Josh Booth, Viola Baldwin
(10:30)	Kyle West, Lloyd Childers, Duff McAdams
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (8:30)	Cindy Schreiner
(10:30)	Jeremy Clos, Kate Mohan
BANNER (10:30)	Beatrice Tarry
CRUCIFER (10:30)	Helen Armstrong
TORCHES (10:30)	Harper Belk, Arjun Pant
Fellowship (10:30)	The Booth Family
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