



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 1, 2019

10:00am



Here you will find food for your soul. Here you will receive the cup of new life. Everyone is welcome to join the singing, prayer and celebration of the holy meal. If you are unfamiliar with the Episcopal Church, please allow the prayers, music and ritual to support you in worship and join in as you feel ready.

THE GATHERING RITE

HYMN *standing*

Awake, awake

ELW #242



1 A - wake! A - wake, and greet the new morn, for
2 To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -
3 In dark - est night his com - ing shall be, when
4 Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, though



an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing. Sing out your joy, for
man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, his hum - ble song is
all the world is de - spair - ing, as morn - ing light so
dark the win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall



soon he is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
qui - et and near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing;
qui - et and free, so warm and gen - tle and car - ing.
crown you with light, be strong and lov - ing and fear - less.



Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -
mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul and hymns of lov - ing -
Then shall the mute break forth in song, the lame shall leap in
Love be our song and love our prayer and love our end - less



geth - er, he o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door and
kind - ness, the thun - der of his an - thems roll to
won - der, the weak be raised a - bove the strong, and
sto - ry; may God fill ev - 'ry day we share and



lives now in - side us for - ev - er.
shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.
weap - ons be bro - ken a - sun - der.
bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

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!

Following the reading

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

PSALM 122

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

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

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

**To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Holy One, *
the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of God.**

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

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

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

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

Because of the house of the Holy One our God, *
I will seek to do you good."

THE EPISTLE *seated*

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.

Following the reading

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

SEQUENCE HYMN *standing*

1 Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one bod - y.
2 Come now, O God of love, make us one bod - y.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *standing*

Matthew 24:36-44

Presider 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."

Following the reading

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

SEQUENCE HYMN *standing*

3 Come now and set us free, O God, our Sav - ior.
4 Come, Hope of u - ni - ty, make us one bod - y.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.

SERMON

The Rev. Patricia Eustis

THE NICENE CREED *said by all, standing*

**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 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.
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

The Intercessor offers the petitions, and the People respond

Hear our prayer

THE CONFESSION

The Presider says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Presider and 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.**

ABSOLUTION

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Sing two times



1 Light one can-dle to watch for Mes-si - ah: let the light ban-ish dark - ness.



He shall bring sal - va - tion to Is - ra-el, God ful - fills the prom - ise.

THE PEACE *standing*

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People offer a greeting of peace to one another.

KIDS' WORD

Mike Bigelow

All children and those with a childlike heart are invited to come to the front of the altar to participate in a message for children.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND SPECIAL PRAYERS

OFFERTORY HYMN

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Hymnal #66

DOXOLOGY HYMN #380 V. 3

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The prayer continues until

Presider Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

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

The prayer continues until

Presider 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 **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As Christ teaches us we pray,

People and Presider

**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 Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence may be observed.

Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People **We who are many, are one body for we all share the
one bread.**

THE INVITATION AND COMMUNION

The Presider says

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Holy things for holy people.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Hold your hands out in front of you to receive the bread and help guide the cup to your lips, or you may dip the bread in the wine. Gluten-free wafers are also available by request.

THE CONCLUDING RITE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *standing*

Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

**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 BLESSING

The Presider blesses the People.



1 Soon and ver - y soon
 2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
 3 No more dy - in' there,
 4 Soon and ver - y soon



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 no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
 no more dy - in' there,
 soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon
 no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.
 no more dy - in' there,
 soon and ver - y soon



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

DISMISSAL

The Presider dismisses the People, who respond

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Advent Wreath Making, Craft Activities and Honey - Today!

Advent traditions can be beautiful, holy and meaningful. We will be making fresh wreaths with the four advent candles along with crafts for both kids and adults. There will be Advent calendars, devotional guides and information on the season. We're inviting our friends from Pangea Church and the SLUG garden. Of course there will be refreshments! And...the honey from our bees will be available for Christmas gifting. Bring the family, invite friends and join in the festivities.

Monthly Bible Study, December 8 at 11:30 am

Due to the Advent activities on December 1, the first-Sunday Bible study is being rescheduled for December 8 following worship. All are welcome to join the Rev. Pat Eustis for this short, discussion-oriented Bible Study This is a great opportunity to get better acquainted with the Bible, fellow parishioners and the Episcopal approach to understanding Scripture. No preparation required!

Wedding Reception Celebration for Nancy Rogers and Mac Vujovich

Nancy and Mac will be married in a small family wedding on November 30 and they want to celebrate with their St. Luke's community at a festive coffee hour on December 15 following worship. Everyone is invited to share in this feast of love between our most recent, 87 years young, bride and groom!

60 Minutes Feature on Homelessness

Journalist Anderson Cooper recently visited St. Luke's and other Seattle locations in preparation for a 60 Minutes feature on homelessness in our city and across the country. We've just learned that the story will air on CBS tonight at 7pm. Visit www.60minutes.com for a preview, and tune in tonight!



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