

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS: We are glad you are with us! If you are worshipping with us for the first time, we hope you will introduce yourself to the clergy and a greeter and sign one of the guest books at either entrance to the church. Following the service, you are invited to enjoy refreshments and fellowship in Goodwin Hall.

PLEASE LET US KNOW WHO YOU ARE: Please pick up your name tag from the trays in Goodwin hall or at the Sigourney Street entrance. If you do not have a name tag, simply fill out a blank and leave it in the basket after the service; a printed name tag will be made for you. We believe it is part of our ministry of hospitality to let people know who we are.

COMMUNION: If you prefer to receive consecrated grape juice rather than consecrated wine, after receiving the bread, proceed to the Minister holding a ceramic chalice in the side aisle. Gluten-free wafers are available on request.

NURSERY CARE: Children infant-3 years are offered care in the Nursery located in the bell tower off the Narthex at the Sigourney Street entrance during the 10:00 a.m. service. Parents are reminded that children should not be allowed to leave the worship area on their own.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS: At the 10:00 a.m. service, those wishing individual prayers are invited to pray with members of our Intercessory Prayer Team stationed in the side aisles.

HEARING ASSISTIVE DEVICES: Hearing assistive devices are available by asking an usher.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP: This service uses parts of the Order for the Holy Eucharist from The Book of Common Prayer 1979, and Enriching Our Worship I and music from The Hymnal 1982 and the Lift Every Voice and Sing hymnal. The prayer book and hymnal may be found on the shelf under the chair directly in front of your seat. We stand, if able, for the hymns, and stand or kneel, according to one's personal tradition, for prayer.

COVER ART: We are grateful to The Rev. George Chien for creating the artwork on the cover.

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"Do Not Be Afraid"

Advent invites us, first, to wait in hopeful expectation for the coming of the Promised One. But this is not idle waiting – we are also called to watch for signs of the One who is to come. It is being attentive to our surroundings, the people and the world around us, looking for signs of God's immanence – God's presence in our midst.

Waiting in expectation for things unseen, or unknown, can be difficult. This is especially true in times of conflict or turmoil, when the "unforeseen" can tug at our lesser human instincts, leading us to operate out of a mindset of scarcity and fear instead of the Christian orientation of abundance and hope. We are witnessing this phenomenon today not only in our own country but throughout the world in our communal responses to terrorist attacks, mass shootings, economic uncertainty and tensions between races and cultures. Many in our nation are reacting to these events by trying to isolate themselves from entire classes of people or asserting that American law and values do not protect all people equally. The Angel's announcement to the shepherds in the fields assures us of a better way: Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people.

Do not be afraid. As we once again prepare our hearts to welcome the birth of Jesus the Christ, that is a good message for us. Advent is the season of hopeful expectation, leading us to the glory and the joy of Jesus' birth. Advent can be a powerful time of witness for Christians to bring Christ into the predominant cultural narrative of excess, frantic activity and, especially today, fear and exclusion of the unknown. We invite you to join us in hopeful expectation as we explore another way. May your Advent be blessed.

Fr. Don+

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 9, 2018

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD 8:00 A.M. AND 10:00 A.M.

OPENING VOLUNTARY: Come now, Savior of the Gentiles, BWV 699

Johann Sebastian Bach

Please stand.

ENTRANCE HYMN: #76 On Jordan's bank the baptist's cry

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THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

A New Zealand Book of Prayer

Please stand.

Celebrant O Adonai and Leader of the house of Israel,

who appeared to Moses in the burning bush

and gave him the Law on Sinai;

People Come with an outstretched arm and redeem us.

Celebrant O Root of Jesse, standing as an ensign before the peoples,

before whom all rulers are mute,

to whom the nations will do homage;

People Come quickly to deliver us.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

All

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.

HYMN: #56, Verses 3 and 4

Veni, veni, Emmanuel

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 Advent Candles are lit.

O come, thou Branch of Jesse's tree, free them from Satan's tyranny that trust thy might power to save, and give them victory o'er the grave. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel

COLLECTS OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

People Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God, in your love you gave your servant Nicholas of Myra a perpetual name for deeds of kindness both on land and sea: Grant, we pray, that your Church may never cease to work for the happiness of children, the safety of sailors, the relief of the poor, and the help of those tossed by tempests of doubt or grief; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON: Baruch 5:1-9

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God.

Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God;

put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven.

For God will give you evermore the name,

"Righteous Peace, Godly Glory."

Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height;

look toward the east,

and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One,

rejoicing that God has remembered them.

For they went out from you on foot,

led away by their enemies;

but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne.

For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God.

The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command.

For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the singing of the psalm.

CANTICLE 16: The Song of Zechariah Benedictus Dominus Deus



- 1. (Blessed be) the Lord, the God of / Israel; * he has come to his people and / set them free.
- 2. He has raised up for us a mighty / savior, * born of the house of his / servant <u>David</u>.
- 3. Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our / enemies, * from the hands of / all who hate us.
- 4. He promised to show mercy to our / fathers * and to remember his / holy covenant.
- 5. This was the oath he swore to our father / Abraham, * to set us free from the / hands of our enemies,
- 6. Free to worship him without / fear, * holy and righteous in his sight all the / days of our life.
- 7. You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most / High, * for you will go before the Lord to pre/pare his way,
- 8. To give people knowledge of sal/vation * by the forgiveness / of their sins.
- 9. In the tender compassion of our / God * the dawn from on high shall / break upon us,
- 10. To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of / death, * and to guide our feet into the / way of peace.

Please be seated.

EPISTLE: Philippians 1:3-11

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Silence for reflection.

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Tone 2

ANTHEM: How beautiful upon the mountains

John Stainer

The Rt. Rev. Andrew D. Smith

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings,

that publisheth peace, that publisheth salvation; That saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

Please stand for the Gospel.

GOSPEL: Luke 3:1-6

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord,

make his paths straight.

Every valley shall be filled,

and every mountain and hill shall be made low,

and the crooked shall be made straight,

and the rough ways made smooth;

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

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

SERMON

Silence for reflection.

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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: Form II

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In the course of the pause after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Celebrant

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Ian and Laura, our Diocesan Bishops and for all bishops, priests, and deacons; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church. Pause

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace. *Pause*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, those who are listed on Trinity's prayer list and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble. Pause

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God.

Pray that they may find and be found by him. Pause

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially Paul Cooper, Grace Rajendram, and for Lillian Sandford, in whose loving memory the flowers in the church are offered.

Pray for those who have died. Pause

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present

I ask your prayers, either silently or aloud. Pause

I ask your thanksgivings, either silently or aloud. Pause

Silence

Leader Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon Let us confess our sins to God and to our neighbor:

Pause for reflection.

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.

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.

COMMISSIONING OF SOLICITORS IN THE CAMPAIGN FOR TRINITY 10:00 a.m. service

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated for announcements.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY HYMN: #54 Savior of the nations, come!

Nun komm, der HeidenHeiland

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer 2

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Please remain standing.

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give our 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,

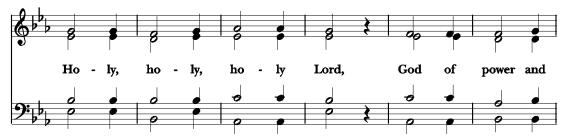
you would not forget us.
Time and again you called us

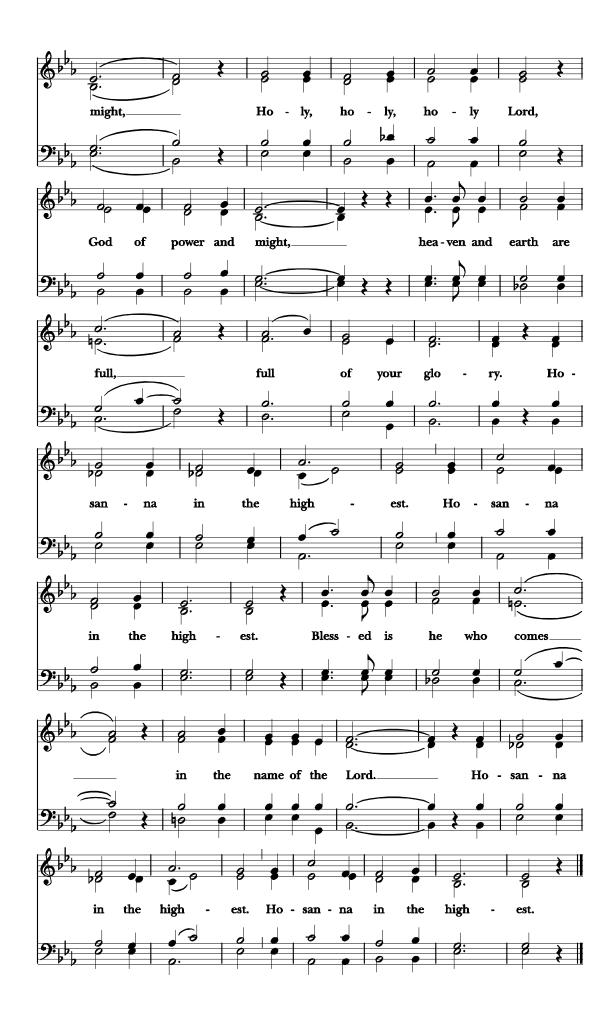
to live in the fullness of your love.

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:

SANCTUS: #S 130

Franz Peter Schubert





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,

and 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.

People

AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Celebrant

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

All

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

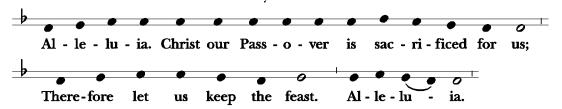
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen.



Celebrant

The gifts of God for the People of God... Behold what you are.



THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION MOTET: O Sacred Feast

O sacred feast, wherein Christ is received, the memory of his passion is renewed in us, our souls are filled Healey Willan

with grace, and the pledge of everlasting glory is given unto us. Alleluia. COMMUNION HYMN: #60 Creator of the stars of night

Conditor alme siderum

Celebrant

Let us pray.

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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.

CLOSING HYMN: #65 Prepare the way, O Zion

Bereden väg för Herran

THE BLESSING

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Celebrant

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

All Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Come now, Savior of the Gentiles, BuxWV 211

Dietrich Buxtehude

OUR WORSHIP AS A GATHERED COMMUNITY IS OVER.

OUR WORSHIP, THROUGH SERVICE TO THE WORLD AS GOD'S PEOPLE, BEGINS ANEW.

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The flowers this morning are offered in loving memory of Lillian Sandford.

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+ Assisting This Morning +

Verger:

10:00 a.m.: Roy McAlpine

Acolytes:

10:00 a.m.: Leroy Bohlen

Trocari Griffith-McCalop

Juan Matos

Altar Guild:

8:00 a.m.: Karin Peterson 10:00 a.m.: Kitty Peterson

Louisa Cummings

Readers & Intercessor:

8:00 a.m.: Kevin Rennie 10:00 a.m.: Boo Morton

Mark MacGougan

Alan Rice

Ministers of Communion:

8:00 a.m.: Jacqui Johnson 10:00 a.m.: Kate Rousseau

Jake Troiano Marcus Clark Clement Mogor

Duncaster:

Ion Widing

Eucharistic Visitor:

Althea Francis

Flowers:

Percy Williamson

Hospitality, fruit:

10:00 a.m.: Penny Pearson

Lay Leader Host:

10:00 a.m.: Richard Syracuse

Martha Freimuth

Intercessory Prayer Team:

10:00 a.m.: Dianne Bowens-Waller

Jon Reik

Ushers:

10:00 a.m.: Bill Kofalk

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