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THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite Two

November 29, 2026 | 10:00 AM



THE WORD OF GOD

At 9:55, the gathering Tower Bell rings.

Welcome

Prelude

Roger Greene, *Guest organist*

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Celebrant Today we light the first candle of the Advent wreath. Each candle has a meaning. This first candle is HOPE.

The candle is lit.

Leader We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

Celebrant Eternal God, as we await the coming of our savior, give us the courage to hope. Give us grace to see your plans of redemption for our lives, for this community, and for the world. Through Jesus Christ, the source of our redemption and hope. **Amen.**

The final Tower Bell rings. All stand, as they are able, to sing the following hymn:

Hymn in Procession

Hymn 57 – Lo! He comes, with clouds descending *Helmsley*

Opening Acclamation

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

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

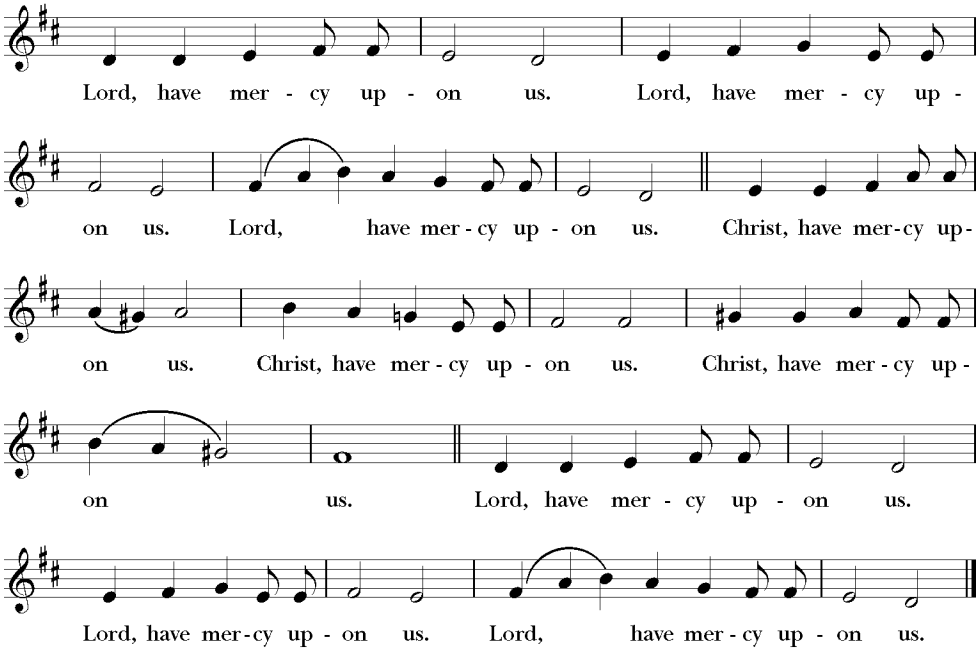
The Collect for Purity

Celebrant 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.**

During the Kyrie we invite all children ages 4 years through 5th grade to follow the cross and process out of the historic sanctuary and into Grace Chapel to have their own worship experience. While everyone ages 4 years through 5th grade is invited, they certainly are not expected or required to go to Children's Church. We hope to give you a variety of ways to worship and encourage you to engage in a way that feels life giving for you and your family.

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison Healey Willan (1880-1968)



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 LESSONS

The Reading

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

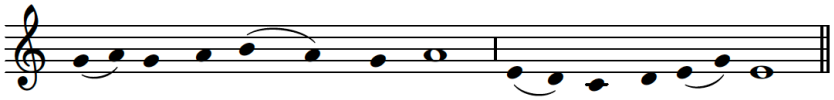
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Silence is kept.

The Psalm *Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18* *Qui regis Israel* *sung by the choir with congregational antiphon*



1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. ***Antiphon***
4 O LORD God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?
5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn. ***Antiphon***
7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. ***Antiphon***

Sequence Hymn

Hymn 60 (vv. 1-3) – Creator of the stars of night *Conditor alme siderum*

The Holy Gospel Mark 13:24-37

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

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

Sequence Hymn

Hymn 60 (vv. 4-6) – Creator of the stars of night *Conditor alme siderum*

The people are seated for the sermon.

The Sermon

The Rev. Brian O'Rourke

After a brief silence for reflection, the people stand, as they are able.

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant and 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.

Prayers of the People

*When the Intercessor invites us by saying "Lord in your mercy," please join in saying **"Hear our prayer."***

During the silence, the people add their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

The Celebrant concludes with a Collect.

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says the following,

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 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.

Absolution

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. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant says the offertory sentence.

Offertory Music

Thou shalt know him when he comes — Austin C. Lovelace (1919-2010)

Thou shalt know him when he comes, not by any beat of drums,
Nor the vantage of his airs, nor by anything he wears,
Neither by his crown nor his gown.

For his presence known shall be
By the holy harmony
Which his coming makes in thee.

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer B*

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.**

The people remain standing, as they are able, and the Celebrant begins,

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

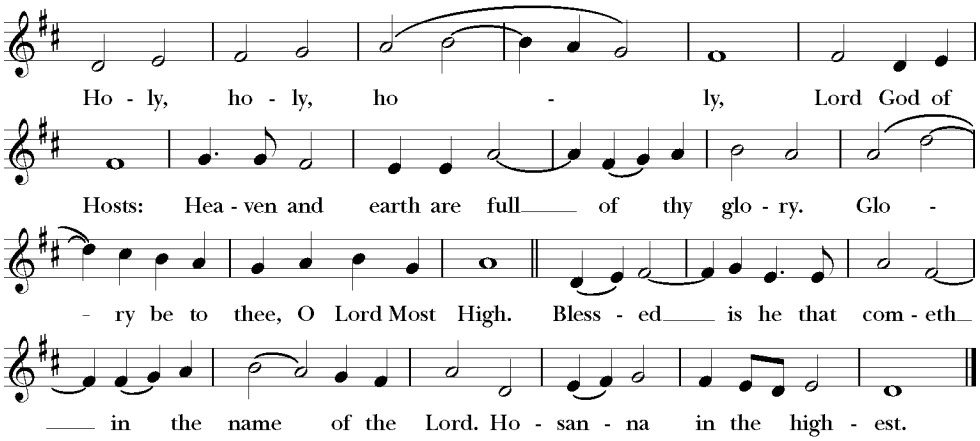
Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.

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 and people sing together,

Holy, holy, holy

Sanctus — Healey Willan



The people remain standing, or kneel, as they are able. The Celebrant continues.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

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

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. **AMEN.**

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

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!
People **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

The Celebrant says the Invitation to Communion.

Communion Anthem

Patiently have I waited for the Lord from *Christmas Oratorio* Camille Saint-Saens (1835-1921)

Patiently have I waited for the Lord,
And Lo! He heard my cry.

The Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitor

Celebrant 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 and one cup.**

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest blesses the People.

Dismissal

After the Dismissal, you are welcome to leave quietly.

Please join Coffee Hour in Telleen Courtyard (exit through the nave to the patio in front of Cleaver Hall).

If you would like to remain in your seat to listen to the Postlude, please do.

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn in Recession

Hymn 56 – O come, O come Emmanuel *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*

Postlude

Roger Greene, *Guest organist*

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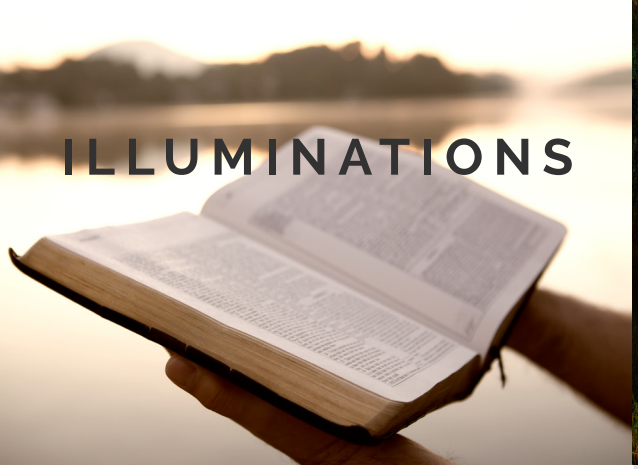
Please join us on the patio for coffee and fellowship!

Today's Old Testament Lectionary Reading *Isaiah 64:1-9*

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence--
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil--
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.
We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on your name,
or attempts to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.
Yet, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD,
and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.





Advent 1, Year B

First reading: Isaiah 64:1-9

"Third Isaiah" (Isaiah 56-66) was written some time after the return from the Babylonian exile, after the initial excitement of homecoming had been tempered by disappointing realities. The people expected that the return would immediately result in restored national prestige—which didn't happen. In Isaiah 63-64, God reports that, although he has vanquished nations, unaided, his people did not stand by or with him, and the people wonder where the God of the Exodus has gone. The writer now admits that the nation is both blind and recalcitrant, and asks that the LORD be merciful and not stand aloof.

Second reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Today, we hear the opening thanksgiving in Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. Paul rejoices that the Corinthians have been given all necessary spiritual gifts ("charisms"), and speaks of them waiting expectantly for Jesus' return. It sounds as if the Corinthians have it all "right," unlike the people in Isaiah 64—but in later chapters Paul has to tell the Corinthians to be "grown-up" about these gifts, for each to use the gifts provided and not long for other, "showier" gifts. Waiting is surprisingly hard work, and we need to be intentional about it.

-JAB

SHORT TERM

Bill
Christopher
Tom Cotrel
Russ Giambelluca
Margie Gomez
Mark
Katherin
Barbara Bailey Mastrorocco
Nick
Robin
EB Stapp
Cheryl Townsend
Anthony Virdone
Suzie Y.

Departed

We pray for the dying and the dead, especially Kathy Hardoy.

Memorials & Thanksgivings

The flowers on the altar today are given in loving memory of Billie Youngblood.

LONG TERM

Maria Lucero Aguilar
Robert Aguilar
Wilma & Alistair Anderson
Anne & family
Annamarie Arnold
Bettina Ayers
Finn B.
Freya Baldwin
Barb
Virginia Barger
Bill & Dina
Gary & Peg Bradley
Shirley Brown
Travis Burgdorf
Jim C.
Andrew Cairns-Berteau
Maria Clement
Margaret Coombe
Melody Cotrel
Karen Cranston
Lenny Dalrymple
Saraswathi Dasu
John De Modena
Patrick DiSimone
Sara Dooley
Gail Downs
Will Dumain
Eliza and family
Sherri Enz
Thomas Ewig
Brennan Feidler
Sheri Ferguson
Trevor Fox
Alaine Gill
Fabian Gonzalez
Mike Goodrich
Michael & Stephen Gutierrez
Renee Guy
Wyatt Hammond
Ursula Hawkins
Heidi
Blanca Hidalgo
Jerry Hoff
Terri Hoff
Ian and David Jackson
Jessica
John
Maria Juarez
Kathleen
Jaimi Keller
Tom Kibler
Joanna Kinsley
Michael Lawler
the Lee family
Tracey Lemon
Charlene Liebau
Linda & Sarah
Greg M.
the MacDonald family
Angel Manuelos, Jr.
Dewey Martin
Mary McConnell-Garside
Elizabeth Meek
Meredith
Jerry Messing
the Moss family
Charles N.
Marion N.
Laurie Norman
Octavia
Trevor Orme
Richard P.
Sally Padilla
Susan R.
Erin and Josh Rehard
Lorraine Richter
Diana Davis Rieger
Jeanne Roberts
Nicholas Ruggiero
Bo S.
the Schlicter family
Sheryl Schreiner
Gigi Sherman
Nicholas Pinkerton Smith
Lynn Snowden
Paul Stapp
Beth Stevens
Sterling
Vicki Thompson
Rebecca Trouber
Lillian Turner
Jason Vine
Cathy Wetzell
Ashley Whitehead
Claire Hornsby Windham
Marnee Woodruff
Jacob Wright
Liliana Eileen Wysocki
Sherry Xiao
Milana Zotovich

If you would like to add a name to the Short Term or Long Term Prayer List, please email Hannah Riley at hannahr@cosepiscopal.org. Names placed on the Short Term Prayer List will remain there for three weeks before being cycled off. If continued prayers are needed, please email Hannah.

Law Enforcement & Military
We pray for all those serving in our law enforcement and military, especially:

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Captain Thomas Matthews
Lieutenant Commander Ross Cooper
1st Class Petty Officer Kevin Rossini
Air Force Captain Daniel McAllister
Lieutenant Jonathan Moss
Staff Sergeant Adam Briceno
Captain K. C. Chase
Major J. W. Hammond
USMC First Class Michael Yeast
Captain William Cooper
Private First Class Vito He
Private First Class James Zhang
Recruit Benjamin Cy Nelson



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