



The Fourth Sunday of Advent  
December 19, 2021

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Holy Eucharist Rite I  
December 19, 2021  
Christ Church (Episcopal), Adrian 720 Riverside Ave

The Entrance Rite  
Processional Hymn                      Hymnal 66

The Word of God                      BCP 323  
Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.  
*People: His mercy endureth forever. AMEN.*

Officiant:  
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.*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:  
Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart,  
and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the  
first and great commandment. And the second is like  
unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On  
these two commandments hang all the Law and the  
Prophets.

Kyrie Eleison                      BCP 324  
Lord, have mercy upon us.  
*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And with thy spirit.*

Celebrant Let us pray

Collect of the Day BCP 160  
Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A reading from Micah 5:2-5a

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,  
    who are one of the little clans of Judah,  
from you shall come forth for me  
    one who is to rule in Israel,  
whose origin is from of old,  
    from ancient days.  
Therefore he shall give them up until the time  
    when she who is in labor has brought forth;  
then the rest of his kindred shall return  
    to the people of Israel.  
And he shall stand and feed his flock in the  
    strength of the LORD,  
    in the majesty of the name of the LORD his  
    God.  
And they shall live secure, for now he shall be  
    great to the ends of the earth;  
and he shall be the one of peace.

Officiant: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God*

Canticle 15    The Song of Mary                    BCP 91  
*Magnificat*                                    *Luke 1:46-55*

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; \*  
    for he has looked with favor on his lowly  
    servant.  
From this day all generations will call me blessed:  
    \*  
    the Almighty has done great things for me,  
    and holy is his Name.  
He has mercy on those who fear him \*  
    in every generation.  
He has shown the strength of his arm, \*  
    he has scattered the proud in their conceit.  
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,\*  
    and has lifted up the lowly.  
He has filled the hungry with good things, \*  
    and the rich he has sent away empty.  
He has come to the help of his servant Israel, \*  
    for he has remembered his promise of mercy,  
The promise he made to our fathers, \*  
    to Abraham and his children for ever.  
  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the  
Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be  
for ever. Amen.



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

BCP 328

*Deacon or other leader*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and  
the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word  
hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications,  
and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our  
prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty,  
beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal  
Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord;  
and grant that all those who do confess thy holy  
Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and  
live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and  
other ministers, especially Michael, our Presiding  
Bishop, Bonnie, our Bishop, that they may, both by  
their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively  
Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy  
Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and  
especially to this congregation here present; that, with  
mEEK heart and due reverence, they may hear and  
receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness  
and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all who on our prayer list, and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

*Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be offered here.*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

*Silence*

*The Priest offers a concluding collect*

Confession of Sin

BCP 330

*The Celebrant says*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against thee  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in thy will,  
and walk in thy ways,  
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through

Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The Priest stands and says*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

*1 Timothy 1:15*

The Passing of the Peace BCP 332

*All stand.*

*The Celebrant says to the People:*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy Spirit.

Offertory Hymn LEVAS 20

The Bread and the Wine

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer BCP 340

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says*

The Lord be with you.

People: *And with thy Spirit.*

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: *It is meet and right so to do.*

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

*Preface*

*The Celebrant continues:*

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus BCP 334

*Celebrant and People*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his

coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to

accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 336

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

BCP 337

Officiant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

*The following anthem is said:*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the  
world,

*have mercy upon us.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the  
world,

*have mercy upon us.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the  
world,

*grant us thy peace.*

*The following prayer may be said. The People may  
join in saying this prayer*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O  
merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but  
in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy  
so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.  
But thou art the same Lord whose property is always  
to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so  
to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to  
drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him,  
and he in us. *Amen.*

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following  
Invitation:*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with  
thanksgiving.

*(All baptized persons are welcome at the altar. If  
you'd rather receive a blessing, come to the altar and  
cross your arms.)*

Communion Hymn "Jesus, remember me" Taizeen

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 339

*After Communion, the Celebrant says* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank  
thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy  
mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious  
Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness  
towards us; and that we are very members  
incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the  
blessed company of all faithful people; and are also  
heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And  
we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to  
assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that  
holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou



hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end.

*Amen.*

Blessing

Recessional Hymn

Hymnal 437

Announcements

Dismissal

UPCOMING SERVICES:

12/20 Blue Christmas, 6 PM

12/24 Christmas Eve, 7 PM

12/26 Morning Prayer

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Today, Vestry meeting following the Liturgy & fellowship

12/19 Ted Wilkins' birthday

12/26 Sam & Mary Abraham's anniversary

12/27 Sarah Abraham's birthday

SAINTS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

12/21 St Thomas the Apostle

12/25 The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ

COMMON PRAYERS WITH UNCOMMON RESULTS:

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Bob; Bobbie; Sue; Ed &

Audrey; Joyce; Bob & Donna; Jamie & Marvin; Jill; Julie; John; Nancy; Harriet; John; Margaret; Arnold; Paul Barth; Linda; Carrie; Lily & Violet; Al; Vickie; Lonnie; Corky; Sarah; Todd; Lonnie; JoAnn; Ted; Sherri; Helen; Dan's sisters & brother-in-law

PRAYERS OF BEREAVEMENT FOR the family of Jerry Bakewell, who passed away this week,

PRAYERS FOR those who are suffering the effects of the pandemic & the 800,000+ who've lost their lives.

PRAYERS FOR those who have suffered loss due to shootings, & those who live these threats every day.

PRAYERS for all those who have lost so much to recent tornadoes

PRAYERS FOR the unemployed, homeless & disenfranchised

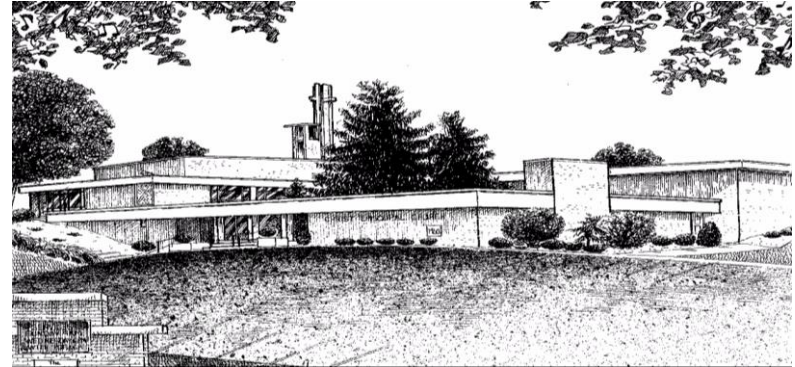
IN HARM'S WAY our service men & women suffering from PTSD

CYCLE OF PRAYER: Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop; Bonnie Perry, our Bishop; Moises Quezada Mota, Bishop of the Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA Presiding Bishop; Donald P Kreiss, ELCA Bishop, SE Michigan Synod; Craig A Satterlee, ELCA Bishop, NW Lower Michigan Synod; our Diocesan

retired community household; Our Diocesan household; St Mark's, Haina, DR; St Matthew's, Nizao, DR

**DONATIONS TO THE FOOD PANTRY ARE HAPPENING!**  
This 4<sup>th</sup> week we ask that you donate pantry staples (flour, sugar, etc.) and baby diapers (any size)

We welcome you to Christ Church, and look forward to meeting together in person for fellowship after the Liturgy!



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