

The First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2022

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The First Sunday of Advent Holy Eucharist Rite I November 27, 2022 Christ Church (Episcopal), Adrian 720 Riverside Ave

The Entrance Rite Processional Hymn Hymnal 53

The Word of God

Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins *His mercy endureth forever. AMEN.*

Celebrant:

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.*

Kyrie Eleison		
ord, have mercy upon us.		
Christ, have mercy upon us.		
ord, have mercy upon us.		

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.CelebrantLet us pray

Collect of the Day

BCP 324

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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.*

A reading from the Prophet 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!

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

- Psalm 122 Laetatus sum BCP 779
 - 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."

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.

A reading from Paul's letter to the 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.

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

Gradual Hymn	Hymnal 58
The Gospel	Matthew 24:36-44

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. People: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

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."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord People: *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

Words of Faith The Rev Mother Kathryn Twining

The Nicene Creed BCP 326 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

God of wonder and awe, as we watch for your signs in sun, moon and stars, we pray to you saying, "Stay with us while we wait."

For the church that watches and waits for you; for those who seek, or lead or follow, that the path be made straight for your coming.

(The people add their prayers for the church, silently or aloud.)

God who has come and is coming again, *Stay with us while we wait.*

For our nation as it seeks its own mind, that a spirit of mutual respect may inform and instruct those who share power with those they pledge to serve. *(The people add their prayers for the country and those in authority, silently or aloud.)*

God who has come and is coming again, *Stay with us while we wait.*

For the welfare of the whole world, that we might hold whatever is true and honorable, just or pure or pleasing in our hearts, joyfully living your vision for all of creation.

(The people add their prayers of intercession and thanksgiving for the whole world, silently or aloud.)

God who has come and is coming again,

Stay with us while we wait.

For this community, that our love may grow with knowledge and insight as we discern the gifts and the challenges of the community around us. *(The people add their prayers for the concerns and gifts of the local community, silently or aloud.)*

God who has come and is coming again, *Stay with us while we wait.*

For all who suffer, that we may share in their suffering, bless them as gifts, and honor their presence with us as we ask for your healing touch. (*The people add their prayers for those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, silently or aloud.*)

God who has come and is coming again, *Stay with us while we wait.*

For the special needs and concerns, hopes and thanksgivings of the community gathered here. *(The people add their prayers silently or aloud.)* Blessed are all who believe.

God who has come and is coming again, *Stay with us while we wait.*

For those who have died. For the fullness of their joy in you, and their place in the company of heaven, that they too, may be present while we wait. (The people add their prayers for those who have died, silently or aloud.)

God who has come and is coming again, *Light our way to you.*

Concluding Collect: *(Celebrant)* We praise and thank you, Creator God, for you have not left us alone. Each year you come to us, Emmanuel. God with us in a manger. Each time you come to us in the broken bread and the cup we share. In time or out of time you will be revealed and we shall see you face to face. *Amen.*

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Confession of SinBCP 330The Celebrant saysLet us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed,

by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,

provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

BCP 332 The Passing of the Peace All stand.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with thy Spirit. People:

Offertory Hymn

LEVAS 11

The Bread and the Wine

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer BCP 333 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.

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

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

Because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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.

Please stand or kneel or sit, as you most comfortable.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of 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, he brake 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 ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, 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, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, 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; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with 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 PrayerBCP 336Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,BCP 336

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

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

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.

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.

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" Taize

Post-Communion PrayerBCP 339After 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 486

BCP 339

Announcements

Dismissal

TODAY'S LECTOR: Sam Abraham

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

UPCOMING SERVICES:

- 12/4 Morning Prayer Rite 1
- 12/11 Holy Eucharist Rite 1, Pastor Richard Rentner
- 12/18 Morning Prayer
- 12/24 Christmas Eve Service, Hymn Sing @ 7 PM, Eucharist to follow, Pastor Richard Rentner

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 12/6 Mary Abraham's birthday
- 12/19 Ted Wilkins' birthday

12/26 Sam & Mary Abraham's anniversary 12/27 Sarah Abraham's birthday

SAINTS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

11/30 St Andrew the Apostle 12/1 Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon, 1637

12/2 Channing Moore Williams, Missionary Bishop in China and Japan, 1910

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Bob; Bobbie; Sue; Ed & Audrey; Joyce; Bob & Donna; Jamie & Marvin; Jill; Julie; John; Harriet; John; Arnold; Paul Barth; Linda; Carrie; Lily & Violet; Al; Vickie; Lonnie; Corky; Sarah; Todd; Lonnie; JoAnn; Ted & Julie; Sherri; Helen; Eleanor; Sam's sister & family; Eric; Mary's family

PRAY FOR those who are suffering the effects of the pandemic & the 1.07+M Americans who've lost their lives.

PRAY FOR those who have suffered loss due to gun violence, & those who live these threats every day.

PRAY FOR the underemployed, the unemployed & the homeless

PRAY FOR THOSE IN HARM'S WAY especially our service men & women

PRAY FOR the people of Ukraine

PRAY FOR refugees worldwide.

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; Christ Church, Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills; St Andrew's, Ann Arbor; St Paul & St Luke, San Isidro, DR

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