



Christ Episcopal Church
Holy Eucharist
The First Sunday of Advent
November 27, 2022 10:30 am

*If you are a visitor, we are grateful that you have joined us this morning. Should this form of worship be unfamiliar, relax and let the assembly carry you. We follow the worship pattern of the Book of Common Prayer (red book) beginning on page 355. Hymns and songs are found in Hymnal 1982 (blue book) or printed in this program.
Kindly turn off cellphones for the duration of the liturgy.*

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Tolling bells invite us to silence and stillness.

Prelude

"Wachet auf"
BWV 645

J. S. Bach
WEISSE PFLAGEN

At the ringing of the bell, all rise as able and turn to face the baptismal font.

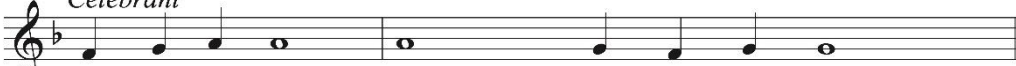
Processional Hymn

"The King Shall Come"

Hymnal 1982 73
ST. STEPHEN

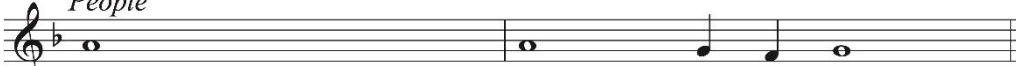
The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant



Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

People



And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

Hymn of Praise

Hymnal 1982 S102

The Trisagion is sung three times.

The musical score is written for two staves, treble and bass clef, in a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily homophonic, consisting of chords. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us." The score consists of two systems of music. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the last two lines. The music concludes with a double bar line.

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The Collect

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Concluding: "...for ever and ever." **Amen.**

The Word of God

All are seated.

The First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 122

Congregation chants bold verses.



I was glad when they said to me, *
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."
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 Lord, *
the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord.**

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 brethren and companions' sake, *
I pray for your prosperity.**

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

The Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

Silence and stillness

All rise as able.

Gospel Acclamation

Congregation sings refrain, and repeats refrain after the verse.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. al -
le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Show us, Lord, your love;
And grant us your salvation, Alleluia.

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The Holy Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the conclusion of the reading:

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All are seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Samuel Torvend

Silence and stillness

All rise as able.

The Nicene Creed

The Book of Common Prayer,
page 358

The Prayers

Deacon: Let us pray for the church, the world, and all those who cry out for mercy.

After each petition:

Deacon or Cantor *People (unison or harmony)*

Lord, in your mer - cy Hear our prayer.

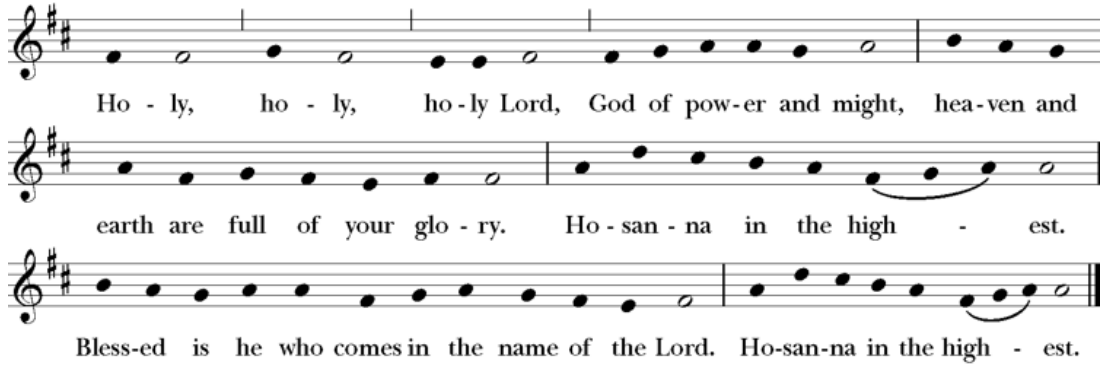
The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Please remain in place to share the peace by offering the ancient Christian gesture of a bow to your neighbors.

Sanctus



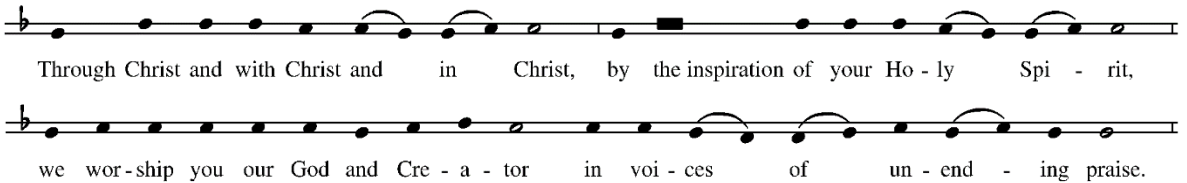
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Memorial Acclamation

Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory.

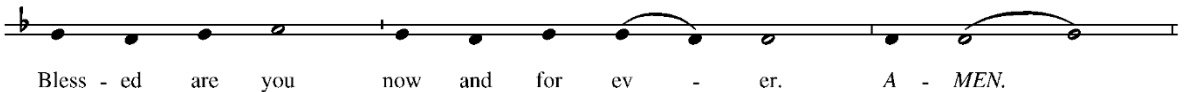
The Great Doxology

Celebrant



Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Ho - ly Spi - rit,
we wor - ship you our God and Cre - a - tor in voi - ces of un - end - ing praise.

Celebrant and People

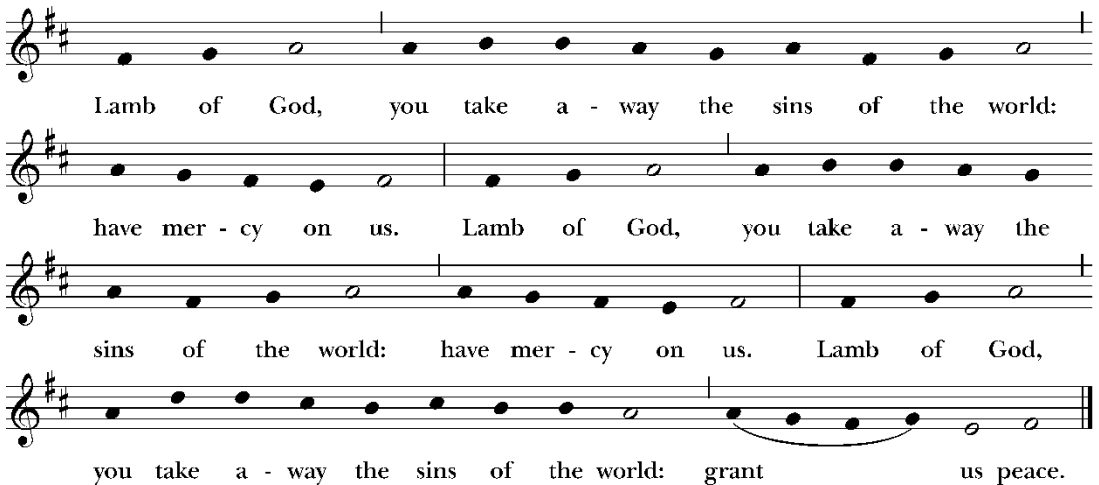


Bless - ed are you now and for ev - er. A - MEN.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
**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
forever. Amen.**

Fraction Anthem



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.

*All who desire to receive the Body and Blood Christ in the gifts of bread and wine and serve his mission in the world are welcome to communion. Follow the usher's invitation and come to the altar platform along the middle aisle of the left and right sections. When a place at the altar railing opens up, walk to that space and stand or kneel. Receive the bread in your hand and consume it; then assist the minister as they guide the cup of wine to your lips and take a sip. Please note that to protect the health of our community, **we do not practice intinction** (dipping the bread in the cup). Once you have received communion, return to your seat by the outer aisle.*

Communion Music

“Schmücke dich”
Deck Thyself, My Soul

J. S. Bach

Communion Anthem “Savior of the Nations, Come”

Georg Philipp Telemann

Savior of the nations, come; Show the glory of the Son!
Every people, stand in awe; Praise the perfect Son of God.

God the Father is his source, Back to God he runs his course;
Down to death and hell descends, God's high throne he reascends

Silence and stillness

Communion Meditation

They watch for Christ who are sensitive, eager, apprehensive of mind; who are awake, alive, quick-sighted, zealous in seeking and honoring Him; who look out for Him in all that happens, and who would not be surprised, who would not be over-agitated or overwhelmed, if they found that He was coming at once. This then is to watch for Christ: to be detached from what is present, and to live in what is unseen; to live in the thought of Christ as He came once, and as He will come again; to desire His second coming, from our affectionate and grateful remembrance of His first coming among us.

~ John Henry Newman, “Sermon 22: Watching,” 1834

All rise as able.

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
You have ...

Blessing

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. **Amen.**

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. **Amen.**

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn “Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers”

Hymnal 1982 68
LLANGLOFFAN

The Dismissal

Postlude

“Prelude and Fugue in e minor”
BWV 533

J. S. Bach

*Flowers donated by Phyllis Gill in thanksgiving for
the many blessings of her daughter Susan.*

Assisting with the liturgy: Presider and Preacher: The Rev. Samuel Torvend; Deacon: The Rev. Donna Arellano; Eucharistic Minister and Intercessor: Shelby Clayton; Acolyte: Caroline Huckaby; Lector: Carol Gregory; Interim Choir Director: Dr. Paul Tegels; The Christ Church Choir; Ushers: Ciara Aylsworth, Holly Joseph, and Len Johnson; Altar Guild: Harriett Fields, Ron Fields, Pat Chen, and Tim Chen; Coffee Hour Host: Sandy Johanson.

Welcome to Newcomers: If you would like to know more about our way of life, and subscribe to our *Weekly* E-news, fill out the Welcome Card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plates. Worry not: we won't besiege you with emails. We invite you to explore our website and participate in any activities which interest you.

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