

Legit in hb' Exodi. in ca' q'  
 moyses vidit rubi asiderem  
 & non asdebat et dnm an-  
 dant de rubo s' loquit: In  
 b' asidens om' uo' o' luitur  
 legit b' h'm virgucm ma-  
 riam pariete lu' corrupu-  
 de integritatis corporis a vir-  
 go p'perit et iocunda p'p-  
 manit



Legit in hb' Am' & b' ca'  
 q' virga aaron vna uoc'  
 te fronduit et floruit: q'  
 virga figurabat virg'  
 ne mariam dicitur sine  
 dicitur con'e p'p'ur' n' h' h'  
 u' .c. i. h' h' h' h' h' h' h' h'  
 dan

lapis agular' h'maib' ablat' e' a morte b' p'las' .i. f. v' m' uat' e' nob' h' d'at' est' nob'



v' luct' et ignescit: sed uo'  
 rubus igne calefit



v' hic cōtra morte: p'di-  
 cat virgula florem

Abat' d'nc' m'dm' audi-  
 tu' tunc' tunc' v' ablat' dolore p'ns virgo maris maris

**Christ Episcopal Church**  
**Holy Eucharist**  
**The Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
**December 18, 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.*

Cover art: Unknown Dutch artist, "The burning bush, the Virgin Mary, and the Incensation of the altar," in the *Biblia Pauperum* ("The Bible of the Illiterate"), 1465

The organ music today consists of four settings of the hymn tune "Gottes Sohn ist kommen," which we sing as the processional hymn. All four settings were written by Johann Gottfried Walther, a German music theorist, composer, and organist, and cousin of Johann Sebastian Bach.

*Tolling bells invite us to silence and stillness.*

**Prelude**

"Gottes Sohn  
is kommen"

Johann Gottfried Walther

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

**Processional Hymn**

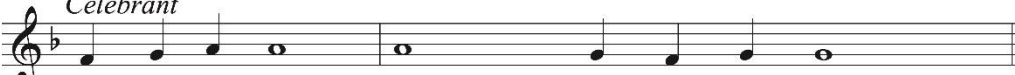
"Once He Came in Blessing"

*Hymnal 1982 53*

GOTTES SOHN IST KOMMEN

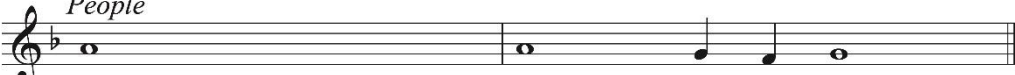
## The Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant*



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

*People*

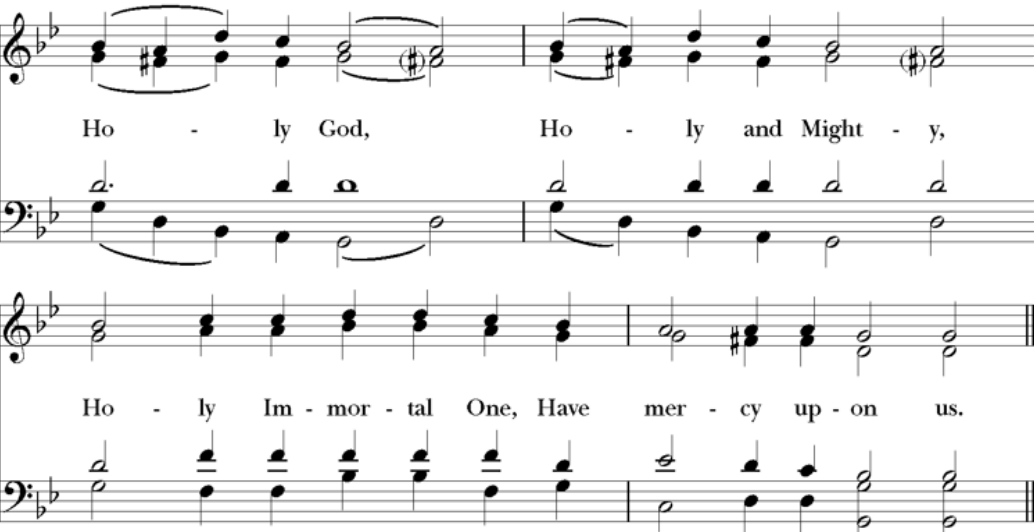


And blessed be God's kingdom,      now and for ev - er.      A - men.

## Hymn of Praise

Hymnal 1982 S102

*The Trisagion is sung three times.*



Ho - ly God,      Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

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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 7:10-16

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

**Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18**

*Assembly sings **bold** verses.*



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.**

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.

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.



*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 await the light of God's love and justice.

*After each petition:*

*Deacon or Cantor*                      *People (unison or harmony)*

Lord, in your mer - cy Hear our prayer.

### **The Peace**

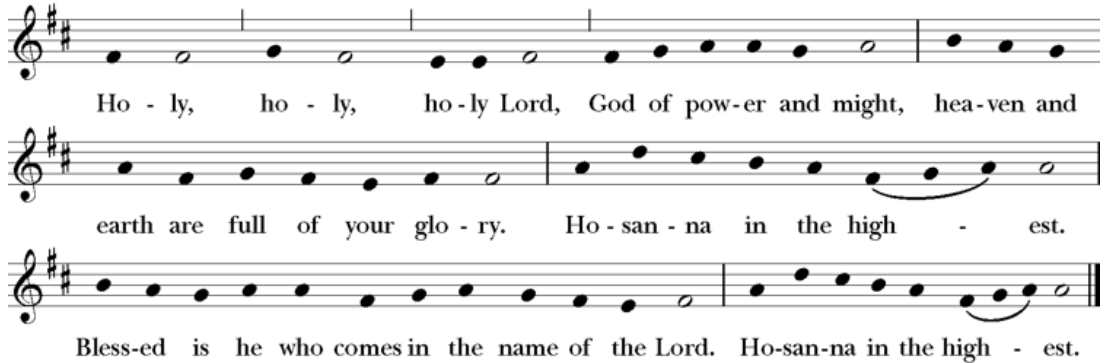
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**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

We present to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, and we acclaim you, O Christ:

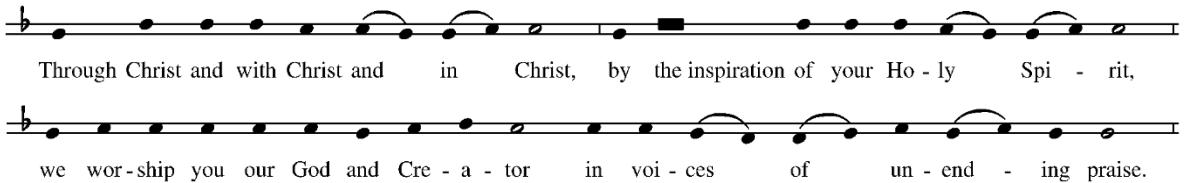
**Dying, you destroyed our death.**

**Rising, you restored our life.**

**Christ Jesus, come in glory.**

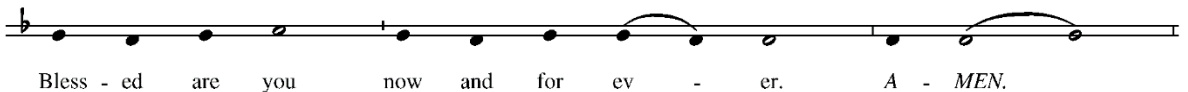
## The Great Doxology

*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**

“Gottes Sohn  
is kommen”

Johann Gottfried Walther

**Communion Anthem**

“Ave Maria”

Sergei Rachmaninov

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you,  
Holy Mary, mother of God, blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,  
now and in the hour of our death. Amen.

*Silence and stillness*

**Communion Meditation**

The Lord speaks: I show you the strength of my love: for your sake I gave up my glory, left my father in heaven, and came to you. I ran after you in order to hold on to you. I joined myself to you. I said, “Eat of me! Drink of me!” I not only let myself be embraced by you, but I allowed myself to be chewed up, broken into little pieces so that our mingling, our union might be intimate. I do not want anything to stand between you and me. I want the two of us to become one.

~ St. John Chrysostom, “Homily on First Timothy,” 403

*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** “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”

*Hymnal 1982 66*  
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**The Dismissal**

**Postlude**

“Gottes Sohn  
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**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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