

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
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SUNDAYS OF ADVENT WORSHIP BOOKLET
8AM AND 10AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II



Several reminders about our in-person worship:

- a face covering is optional unless you plan to sing.
- wash your hands and use sanitizer frequently.
- if you feel sick, stay home.
- if you contract Covid, please alert a church leader.

Prelude

Procession

Please stand as you are able.

hymnal and hymn number will be announced or see hymn board

Lighting of the Advent Wreath *In prayerful silence.*

Opening Acclamation

(Book of Common Prayer, p.355)

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

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

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.**

Hymn of Praise *The Gloria*

Hymnal 1982, #S-280; recited (yellow insert) at 8am

Salutation

(Book of Common Prayer, p.357)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Scripture Insert

The Collect and Scripture readings for today can be found on the white insert.

The Ministry of the Word ~

Please be seated.

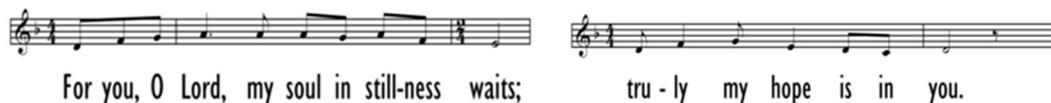
The First Lesson

Scripture Insert

Psalm

Scripture Insert

The lector will read the verses of the Psalm. Between each verse, the congregation and the cantor will sing this refrain:



The Second Lesson

Scripture Insert

Sequence Hymn "Prepare Ye the Way of The Lord" from Godspell, by Stephen Schwartz

sung by all

Please stand as you are able.

The Gospel

Scripture Insert

Sermon *A period of silence may follow the sermon.*

Nicene Creed *Please stand as you are able.*

yellow insert (or Book of Common Prayer, pp.358-9)

Prayers of the People

(Sundays and Seasons, pp.31-32)

Leader Walking in the light of the coming Savior, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who await God's justice. Like a potter working clay, shape and mold our church leaders into vessels fit to serve your people and the world according to your purpose. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

Leader Awaken us to the majesty and beauty of your creation -- sun, moon, stars, and all living things -- and teach us to be good stewards of these gifts. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

Leader Stir up your might and bring justice to all lands. Where there is war, bring peace; where there is ethnic strife, bring reconciliation; where there is hunger, provide food; and where there is oppression, bring freedom. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

Leader Give ear and hear the cries of all in need: those who mourn, those without hope, those who live in fear, those who are sick, and those who have died. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

Leader Guide us as a shepherd throughout this Advent season; turn us away from the temptation of consumerism and lead us to see and respond to the needs of those in our community. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

Leader Sustain us by your grace, just as you sustained the saints who called on your name and whose lives give witness to you. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

The congregation will be invited to offer prayers of concern and/or thanksgiving, either aloud or silently.

Celebrant Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your steadfast love and faithfulness, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

(Book of Common Prayer, p.360)

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

All **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.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements and Blessings

Please be seated.

Offertory Hymn or Anthem

hymnal and hymn number will be announced or see hymn board

The Holy Communion ~

Doxology *Please stand as you are able.*

1982 Hymnal, #380, v.3; recited at 8am

The Great Thanksgiving

(Book of Common Prayer, Eucharistic Prayer B, pp.367-9)

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.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your 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 we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing/say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,** *1982 Hymnal, #S-125; recited at 8am*
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel or remain standing, as able.

Celebrant 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 God,

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

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
All **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 *The bread is broken in silence.* (Book of Common Prayer, p.364)

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

Fraction Anthem *sung by all; recited at 8am*

All **Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us your peace.**

The Invitation

Communion Music *Please be seated.* *hymnal and hymn number will be announced or see hymn board*
At the 8am Service, a period of silence will follow the distribution of Communion.

Post Communion Prayer *Please kneel or stand as you are able.* (adapted Book of Common Prayer, p.366)

Celebrant Let us pray.
All **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, whether through the holy mysteries or in spiritual communion alone. 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.**

Blessing *Please stand as you are able.* (Enriching Our Worship 1, p.71)

Celebrant Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) be with you always. (source: from Saint Clare)
All **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn *hymnal and hymn number will be announced or see hymn board*

Dismissal (Book of Common Prayer, p.366)

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

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