



The Second Sunday of Advent  
Holy Eucharist Rite II  
December 7, 2025  
10:00 am

Welcome! At St. Andrew's, we believe that God's love is always expanding and calling us to love one another in new and deeper ways. The love of Christ welcomes us all to fully participate in the life and leadership of the Church, regardless of gender, identity, race, age, culture, ethnic background, sexual orientation, economic circumstances, family configuration, or difference of ability. All are truly welcome to participate in worship and we believe our community is made stronger by your unique presence as we join in prayer and communion.

*Be still, and know that I am God ~ Psalm 46:10  
Please enter in silence and prepare your heart for worship*





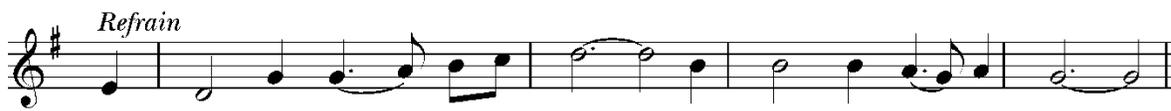
1 Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!  
 2 He brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heaven a - bove.  
 3 Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sa - vior's rule em - brace.



Lct ev - cry hill and val - ley a lev - el way ap - pear.  
 His rule is peace and free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love.  
 His tid - ings of sal - va - tion pro - claim in ev - ery place.



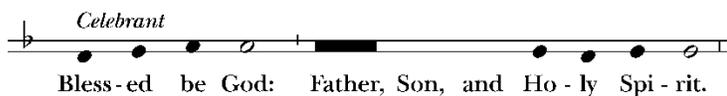
Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry.  
 Lift high your praise re - sound - ing, for grace and joy a - bound - ing.  
 All lands will bow be - fore him, their voic - es will a - dore him.



Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

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## OPENING ACCLAMATION



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



And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

Music: Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991). Copyright © 1971 Mason Martens.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant and People*

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 our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## TRISAGION

### Holy God

The Hymnal 1982 #S=102

*sung three times*

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

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

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 11:1=10

*Reader* A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 72:1-7, 18-19

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, \*  
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously \*  
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \*  
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; \*  
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \*  
from one generation to another.

6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \*  
 like showers that water the earth.

7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*  
 there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, \*  
 who alone does wondrous deeds!

19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! \*  
 and may all the earth be filled with his glory.  
 Amen. Amen.

**THE SECOND READING**

Romans 15:4=13

*Reader* A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL HYMN**

O Come, O Emmanuel  
*vs.3 &4*

The Hymnal 1982 #56

*O come, O come thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes on Sinai's height  
 in ancient times didst give the law, in cloud, and majesty and awe.  
 Rejoice, Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!*

*O Come, thou Branch of Jesse's tree, free them from Satan's tyranny:  
 That trust thy mighty power to save, and give them victory o'er the grave.  
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*

## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 3:1=12

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.' Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. "I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## THE SERMON

The Reverend Bridget E. Coffey

## THE NICENE CREED

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

Leader Friends, may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing. Let us come before the Lord praying

Leader Blessed are you, Lord God,  
People **May the earth be filled with your glory.**

Leader In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Church of Bangladesh. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for clergy in non-Parochial positions. Grant your Church, O God of encouragement, to live in harmony with one another in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that we may glorify you with one voice. Make us a people of repentance and bless us with your Holy Spirit and fire.

Leader Blessed are you, Lord God,  
People **May the earth be filled with your glory.**

Leader Grant this nation, O God of justice, the will to defend the needy and the poor. May we sincerely hope for that day when hurt and destruction are no more.

Leader Blessed are you, Lord God,  
People **May the earth be filled with your glory.**

Leader Grant your creation, O God of faithfulness, the hope of renewal. May we who are stewards of this earth, also live at peace with all you have created.

Leader Blessed are you, Lord God,  
People **May the earth be filled with your glory.**

Leader Grant this city, O God of understanding, prosperity. May all the people know and do justice. We ask that you teach us and our leaders the best ways to meet the needs of all our neighbors.

Leader Blessed are you, Lord God,  
People **May the earth be filled with your glory.**

Leader We pray for those celebrating birthdays Macy Crowell, Tori Crowell, Rich Preston and Jennifer Roach and anniversaries this week.

Leader Blessed are you, Lord God,  
People **May the earth be filled with your glory.**

Leader Grant all the needy, O God of steadfast love, your mercy. Prove yourself to be a God of righteousness and faithfulness. We pray for those on our prayer list; Judy, The Greene Family, Lois Nelson, Lurlene Quan, Ruth, Al S, and those we now name silently or aloud,

*Silence*

To all their pain and suffering bring your healing and peace. And with your winnowing fork clear from their lives all the forces of oppression.

Leader Blessed are you, Lord God,  
People **May the earth be filled with your glory.**

Leader Grant to those who have died eternal life in you, especially those we now name silently or aloud,

*Silence*

Bring the departed into your glorious dwelling where all their hopes will be fulfilled in your Christ.

Leader Blessed are you, Lord God,  
People **May the earth be filled with your glory.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## THE PEACE

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

*People* **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Hark! a Thrilling Voice is Sounding

The Hymnal 1982 #59

*Descant*

2 Wak - ened by the sol - emn warn - ing, from earth's bond - age let us rise;  
5 Hon - or, glo - ry, might, and bless - ing to the Fa - ther and the Son,

1 Hark! a thrill - ing voice is sound - ing: "Christ is nigh," it seems to say;  
2 Wak - ened by the sol - emn warn - ing, from earth's bond - age let us rise;  
3 Lo! the Lamb, so long ex - pect - ed, comes with par - don down from heaven;  
4 so when next he comes with glo - ry, and the world is wrapped in fear,  
5 Hon - or, glo - ry, might, and bless - ing to the Fa - ther and the Son,

2 Christ, our sun, all sloth dis - pel - ling, shines up - on the morn - ing skies.  
5 with the ev - er - last - ing Spi - rit while un - end - ing a - ges run.

1 "Cast a - way the works of dark - ness, O ye child - ren of the day."  
2 Christ, our sun, all sloth dis - pel - ling, shines up - on the morn - ing skies.  
3 let us haste, with tears of sor - row, one and all to be for - given;  
4 may he with his mer - cy shield us, and with words of love draw near.  
5 with the ev - er - last - ing Spi - rit while un - end - ing a - ges run.

Words: Latin, ca. 6th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, alt. Music: *Merton*, William Henry Monk (1823-1889); desc. Alan Gray (1855-1935).



*The Celebrant continues*

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."

The musical notation consists of three staves. The first staff is labeled "Celebrant" and contains the melody for the words "There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,". The second and third staves are labeled "Celebrant and People" and contain the melody for the words "We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur - rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry." The music is written in a simple, rhythmic style with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat.

Music: Ambrosian anaphora chant; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991). Copyright © 1971 Mason Martens.

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 Father, now and for ever.



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*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Music: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944). Setting: Copyright © Church Publishing Inc.

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.

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*Prayer for Spiritual Communion*

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

1 Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;  
 2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:  
 3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,  
 4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.  
 dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.  
 born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.  
 by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

*The Celebrant blesses the people.*

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 for ever. **Amen.**

1 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and  
 2 Not, as of old, a lit - tle child, to  
 3 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and  
 4 and let the end - less bliss be - gin, by  
 5 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and

1 light tri - um - phant breaks; when beau - ty gilds the  
 2 bear, and fight, and die, but crowned with glo - ry  
 3 earth's dark night is past; O haste the ris - ing  
 4 wear - y saints fore - told, when right shall tri - umph  
 5 light and beau - ty brings: Hail, Christ the Lord! Thy

1 east - ern hills and life to joy a - wakes.  
 2 like the sun that lights the morn - ing sky.  
 3 of that morn, the day that e'er shall last;  
 4 o - ver wrong, and truth shall be ex - tolled.  
 5 peo - ple pray, come quick - ly, King of kings.

Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859-1925), alt. Music: *St. Stephen*, William Jones (1726-1800), alt.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Monday Bible Study in Advent, 6:30–7:30 pm | Fr. Gruetter Room**

Advent Bible Study: *“Emmanuel, Our Hope—An Introduction to the Gospel of Matthew”*

Join us this Advent for a four-week journey through the Gospel of Matthew. Together we will explore themes of longing, preparation, watchfulness, and hope as we move toward the mystery of Christmas. Each session includes Scripture, reflection, prayer, and gentle conversation suitable for all levels of biblical familiarity. Come as you are, and bring a Bible if you have one. All are welcome.

### **Wednesday Evening Prayer in Advent**

Order of Worship for the Evening with Centering Prayer at 7pm on Wednesdays in Advent in Holy Rood Chapel.

### **Reverse Advent Calendar**

This year’s Reverse Advent Calendars are in the Narthex. Each day there is an item listed to gather for the food pantries of St. Paul’s, and St. Andrew’s. Please bring your items by January 8.

### **Hanging of the Greens**

**Sunday, December 21**, stay after the 10:00 am service and help with Hanging of the Greens with a Festive Coffee Hour.

### **Christmas Poinsettias**

If you would like to gift a poinsettia in memory, thanksgiving, or in honor of someone special to adorn our worship spaces for Christmas, please sign up in the Narthex or online by December 15. The cost is \$25 each. You’ll be able to take them home following the service on January 4.

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

George Akers  
Glennnda Artinger  
Sarah Bell  
Brandon  
Carol  
Cindy  
Macy Crowell  
Doris Dvorack  
Emily  
Eve  
Evelyn  
Gail  
Suzanne G.  
Roger & Gini Gilmer  
The Greene Family  
John and Vivian Gumpf  
Barbara & Rick Hemstreet  
Keith  
Jesse  
Jordan  
Jude

Judy  
Keith & Carol J.  
Diane K.  
Mike Kaminski  
Pat King  
Lorna Keeton  
Lois Ladd  
Carol Lewis  
Karen M.  
Mary Margaret  
Paul Martell  
Maureen  
Michael  
Marsha Manon  
Edgar Miller  
Lisa Miyara  
Sallye Miyara  
Nat Myers  
Lois Nelson  
Kelly Norwood  
Ron & Ronnie Ohm

Olivia  
Eve Owen  
Erik P.  
Rose  
Ron P.  
Pat Patton  
Dale Pittman  
Eunice Probert  
Lurlene Quan  
The Rev. Phillip Rapp  
Delores Ross  
Ruth  
Al S.  
Stanley  
Sue  
Liz Stover  
Tandra

### **Serving in the Military**

Derek Allen, Rev. Joshua Janko, John Petcoff, Sam Stickels



**PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

The Reverend Bridget E. Coffey  
Celebrant & Preacher

Nick Bai  
Musician

Rich Preston & Ellen Pittman  
Eucharistic Ministers

Andy Jorgensen & Marian Walters  
Lectors

Richard and Gerry Burton  
Greeters

**Next Sunday, December 14**  
Cathy Kaminski & Gerry Burton  
Eucharistic Ministers

Mike Saccoccia & Erica Hesselbach  
Lectors

Beth & Rob Csontos  
Greeters