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# The Second Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2019

10:00 AM



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant - The Reverend Bridget K. Tierney

Preacher - The Very Reverend David Allard duPlantier, *Dean*

*It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to turn pagers and cell phones off; let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship. Children, Kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to the Nursery for breakfast and the Good Shepherd Atrium for Christian Formation. They will join us in the cathedral at The Peace. An usher will be happy to assist you with directions.*

## The Word of God

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** ~ Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 659.....Johann Sebastian Bach

*When the bell sounds, please stand and sing the*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN #76** ~ On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry ..... *Winchester New*

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Prayer Book, page 355

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

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

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.*

**LORD HAVE MERCY** *Kyrie eleison*

Janet Hall

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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 LESSON** ~ Isaiah 11:1-10

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.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

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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."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**THE SERMON**

**THE NICENE CREED**

Prayer Book, Page 358

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form IV**

Prayer Book, Page 388

**THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Prayer Book, Page 360

**THE PEACE**

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

## The Liturgy of the Table

**ANTHEM**

People, look East, The time is near  
of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able,  
trim the hearth, and set the table.  
People, look East, and sing today:  
Love, the guest, is on the way.

Birds, though ye long have ceased to build,  
guard the nest that must be filled.  
Even the hour when wings are frozen,  
He for fledging time has chosen.  
People, look East, and sing today:  
Love, the bird is on the way.

Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,  
one more seed is planted there:  
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,  
that in course the flower may flourish.  
People, look East and sing today:  
Love, the rose, is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim  
one more light the bowl shall brim,  
shining beyond the frosty weather,  
bright as sun and moon together.  
People, look East, and sing today:  
Love, the star, is on the way.

Angels, announce to man and beast  
Him who commeth from the East.  
Set every peak and valley humming  
with the word, the Lord is coming.  
People, look East, and sing today:  
Love, the Lord, is on the way.

Words: Eleanor Farjeon  
Music: Besançon Carol Tune, Arranged by Philip Dietterich

*Please stand and sing*

**OFFERTORY HYMN #72** ~ Hark! the glad sound! the Savior comes.....*Richmond*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** ~ Eucharistic Prayer B

Prayer Book, Page 367



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**THE INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*All persons are welcome at the Lord's table; to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. Baptized Christians of all ages and denomination may receive the elements. To receive a blessing rather than the elements, cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the altar rail. To receive communion please hold out your crossed hands, open palms up, for the bread, and then help guide the chalice to your lips to receive the wine; cross your arms over your chest if you do not wish to receive the wine. Please blot lipstick before drinking from the chalice. You may also allow the chalice minister to dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue and it is permissible to receive only the bread if you like.*

*To receive an individual prayer of healing with anointing (Unction), go to the chapel after you receive Communion. Kneel as you are able at the altar rail in the chapel leaving some space between you and the next person for privacy. Return to the cathedral after the priest has prayed with you.*

**ANTHEM**

A tender shoot hath started up from a root of grace,  
as ancient seers imparted from Jesse's holy race.  
It blooms without a blight, It blooms without a blight,  
blooms in the cold bleak winter turning our darkness into light.

This shoot, Isaiah taught us, from Jesse's root should spring.  
The virgin Mary brought us the branch of which we sing.  
Our God of endless might, our God of endless might,  
gave her this child to save us, thus turning darkness into light.

Words: William Bartholomew (19th cent.)  
Music: Otto Goldschmidt (1829-1907)

*Please join in singing*

**HYMN #65** - Prepare the way, O Zion.....*Bereden väg för Herran*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Prayer Book, Page 365/366

**THE SEASONAL BLESSING**

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN #54** - Savior of the nations, come! ..... *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*

**THE DISMISSAL**

*People* Thanks be to God.

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** ~ Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661 ..... J.S. Bach

Please Join Us For Coffee Hour – Immediately following this service we gather in Stuart Hall for refreshments and conversation; all are invited to attend. Use the exit at the front of the cathedral next to the organ pipes, turn left to access the hallway, and then follow the long hallway to the right; Stuart Hall is on the right. Guests are especially welcome.

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# A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Today  
4:00 PM



## Christmas Flowers



*If you would like to make a contribution toward the Christmas Flower array in honor of, or in memory of a loved one, please clearly note this on a Christmas Flower envelope that will be mailed to you soon - return it to the Cathedral office by **Monday, December 16**. Names will be listed in the Christmas service leaflets. Many thanks!*

## Christmas Presence

*a concert featuring*  
**The Real Presence Trio**  
*soprano, cello, piano*

**Christ Church Cathedral**  
2919 St Charles Ave, NOLA

**Wed, Dec 11th, 2019**  
**7:00pm**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *Save the Dates*

- Sunday, December 15 - Advent House Sunday
- Thursday, December 19 - Lyrica Baroque Christmas Concert
- Friday, January 3, 2020 - Holiday party at the home of Barbara Mangum

*Success of our Little Free Library* ~ Due to the increased patronage of our original Little Free Library at St. Charles Avenue and Sixth Street, we have opened a second location in the office entryway, which is proving extremely popular. There is an urgent need for gently used hard cover and paperback books, especially those for children. Please leave your donations in the back of the cathedral or chapel for weekly pickup, or in the basket provided in the office entryway during the week.

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*Men's Bible Study* ~ The Dean has had an inquiry about starting a Men's Bible Study at the Cathedral beginning in January of 2020. The time that is being considered is Wednesday Mornings from 7:30-8:30. If you would be interested in participating in such a group, please email Lisa Sibal (lsibal@cccnola.org) and if there is sufficient interest we will follow up with the specifics.

*Donors needed for Altar Flowers in Cathedral and Chapel* - Please sign up today on the chart next to Stuart Hall, or for more information, contact Sandy Jackson - sditta@tulane.edu.

*Please consider hosting Coffee Hour* after a 10:00 AM Sunday Eucharist. This is a vital part of our ministry. The sign-up sheet is in Stuart Hall.

*If you or a family member is hospitalized or shut-in*, please contact the parish secretary during office hours or call one of us directly on our mobile phones at any time and leave a voice message if necessary. If the situation is not urgent you may also contact us via email (copying the parish secretary as well.) Please DO NOT use text messages, Facebook or any other instant message platform to communicate sensitive or urgent information, as their reliability is inconsistent.

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## THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 8, 2019

### SUNDAY

8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist (1928 Prayer Book)  
10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung)  
10:00 AM Children's Church (Dean's Parlor)  
11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)  
11:15 AM Middle/High School Class (Dean's Parlor)  
4:00 PM A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols  
6:00 PM Real Presence

### MONDAY

12:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting (Dean's Parlor)  
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp (Stuart Hall)

### TUESDAY

9:30 AM Staff Meeting (Westfeldt Room)  
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
5:30 PM Yoga in the Cathedral  
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp (Stuart Hall)  
6:45 PM Seekers Book Study (Advent House)

### WEDNESDAY

11:30 AM Contemplative Prayer (Advent House)  
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
1:00 PM Education for Ministry (Westfeldt Room)  
7:00 PM Christmas Presence Concert

### THURSDAY

10:00 AM Cathedral Tours  
12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (*Women Only*)  
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp (Stuart Hall)

### FRIDAY

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

### SATURDAY

9:30 AM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
9:30 AM Centering Prayer (AH)  
10:00 AM Erascism (Westfeldt Room)

### SUNDAY

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