
The Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2019

10:00 AM



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant & 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 Deans Parlor for breakfast and 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 ~ "...and call her blessed..." *from Windows of Comfort* Dan Locklair

When the bell sounds, please stand and sing the

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #74 - Blest be the King whose coming is in the name of God!..... *Valet will ich dir geben*

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.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

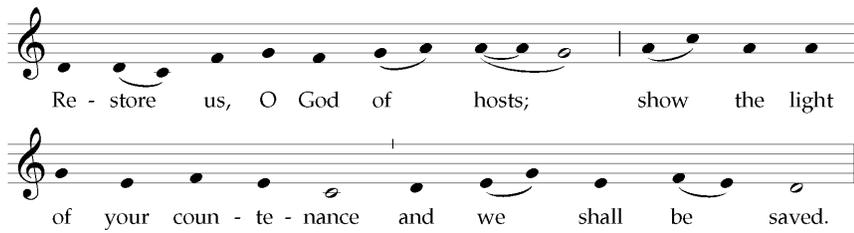
THE FIRST LESSON ~ Isaiah 7:10-16

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 80:1-7, 16-18 *Qui regis Israel*



- 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. [*Refrain*]
- 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. [*Refrain*]
- 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. [*Refrain*]

THE SECOND LESSON ~ Romans 1:1-7

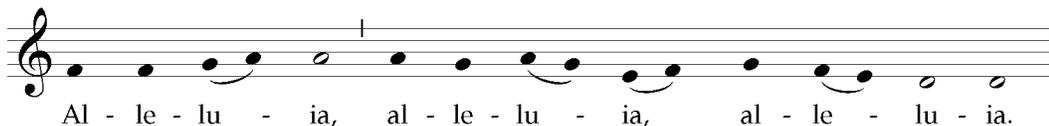
Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ. To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand and sing

ALLELUIA & VERSE



- V. A virgin shall conceive and bear a Son:
and his Name shall be called Emmanuel. [*Alleluia*]

THE HOLY GOSPEL ~ Matthew 1:18-25

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations

with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

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

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| <p>1 In heaven stood a linden tree
With pure white flowers laden;
Yet not a bloom was fair as she,
Sweet Mary, chosen maiden.</p> <p>3 "Hail Mary, blessed virgin mild,
With God you have found favor;
You shall conceive and bear a child,
To all the world a Savior."</p> | <p>2 Great Gabriel, God's angel bright,
From high above came winging
To one, the purest in God's sight,
A joyful message bringing.</p> <p>4 "My soul doth magnify the Lord!
I am His hand-maid lowly;
Be all according to Thy word,"
said Mary, meek and holy.</p> |
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5 Away the angel flew, to share
The news of Mary's duty;
And heaven rejoiced that she would bear
The Blossom of all Beauty.

Words: Traditional German; translated and adapted by Karen A. Hindenlang

Music: 14th century German melody; arranged by Crawford R. Thoburn

Please stand and sing

OFFERTORY HYMN #278 - Sing we of the blessed Mother *Rustington*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ Eucharistic Prayer B

Prayer Book, Page 367

SURSUM CORDA

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are as follows:

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.

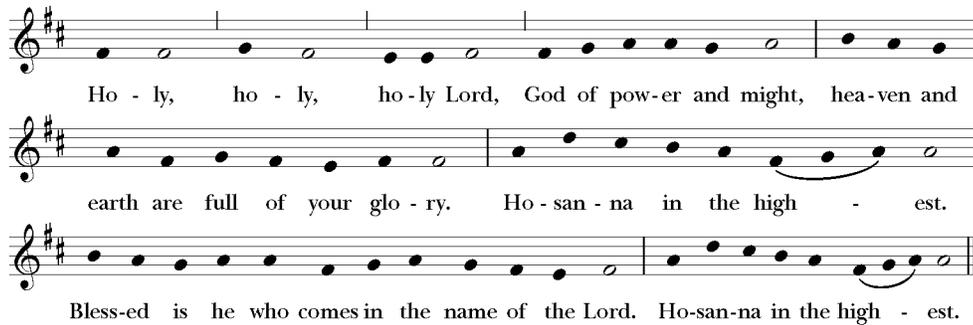
Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

THE PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



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.

(Standing or Kneeling)

THE EUCHARISTIC CANON

Prayer Book, Page 368

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION *(said by all)*

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory

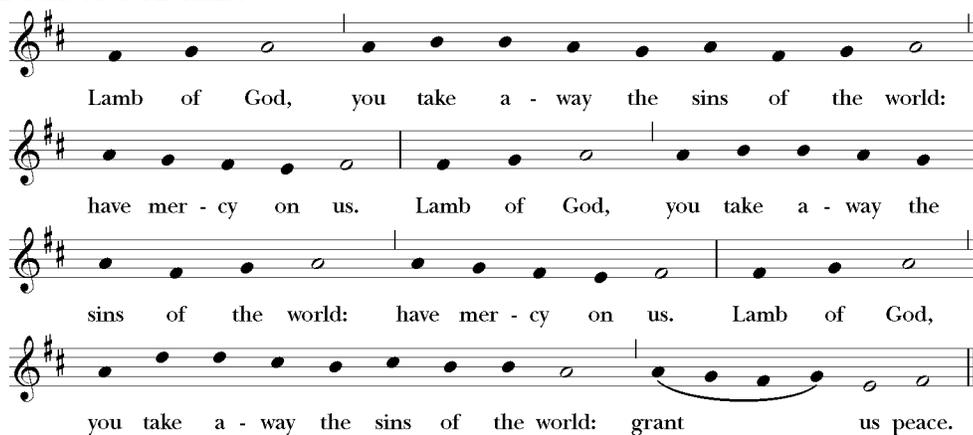
THE GREAT AMEN

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Book, Page 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE 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.

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

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| 1 I sing of a maiden
That is makeless;
King of all kings
To her son she ches. | 3 He came all so still
To his mother's bower,
As dew in April
That falleth on the flower. | 5 Mother and maiden
Was never none but she:
Well may such a lady
God's mother be. |
| 2 He came all so still
Where his mother was,
As dew in April
That falleth on the grass. | 4 He came all so still
Where his mother lay,
As dew in April
That falleth on the spray. | |

Words: 15th-century English
Music: Patrick Hadley (1899-1973)

Please join in singing

HYMN #60 - Creator of the stars of night..... *Conditor alme siderum*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Prayer Book, Page 365/366

THE SEASONAL BLESSING

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; 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 #66 - Come, thou long-expected Jesus..... *Stuttgart*

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY ~ Ave Maris Stella. IV Amen Marcel Dupré

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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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Dates

- Friday, January 3, 2020 - Holiday party at the home of Barbara Mangum
- Tuesday, January 14, 2020 - Organ Recital by Adam Cobb - The complete Nativity Suite by Olivier Messiaen

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.

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.

Christmas at the Cathedral

Tuesday, December 24 ~ Christmas Eve

5:00 PM ~ The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Bishop Thompson, Celebrant and Preacher

9:00 PM ~ The Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Bishop Thompson preaches; The Dean celebrates.

Wednesday, December 25 ~ Christmas Day

10:00 AM ~ The Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Carols

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THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 22, 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)
- 6:00 PM Real Presence

MONDAY

- 12:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting (Dean's Parlor)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 1:00 PM Advent House Book Club
- 5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp (Stuart Hall)

TUESDAY

Christmas Eve

- 5:00 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II
- 9:00 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite I

WEDNESDAY

Christmas Day

- 10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

THURSDAY

Office Closed

- 12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (*Women Only*)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

FRIDAY

Office Closed

- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

SATURDAY

Office Closed

- 9:30 AM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 9:30 AM Centering Prayer (AH)

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