



**Holy Eucharist Rite I  
Church of the Advent**

***The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost***

August 24, 2025, 8 AM

*Welcome to Advent. Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope you meet God here today. All baptized Christians in any tradition are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We invite you to join us for coffee and conversation in the Parish Hall following the service.*

*Children of all ages are welcome in the service. Find coloring sheets and children's bulletins in the narthex.*

*The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) is the red book in the racks. The 1982 Hymnal is the blue book; the hymnal "S" pages appear in the front of this book. LEVAS (Lift Every Voice and Sing) is the black and red hymnal at both the pews' ends.*

*Most of our services are live-streamed on YouTube. Please see an usher to avoid being visible in the recording.*



### **New or Visiting This Morning?**

Thank you for gathering with us today for worship. We would love to pray for you by name this week and have the opportunity to get to know you. Please fill out the welcome card found in the pew or through the QR code to the left.

## The Word of God

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

*People:* **And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

## The Collect for Purity

BCP p. 323

## The Gloria

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## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And with Thy spirit.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*The people kneel or stand for the Collect of the Day:*

Grant, we beseech Thee, merciful God, that Thy Church, being gathered together in unity by Thy Holy Spirit, may manifest Thy power among all peoples, to the glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Spirit, one God, world without end.

*People:* **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## First Lesson

**The Book of Jeremiah 1:4-10**

A Reading from the Book of the prophet Jeremiah

<sup>4</sup>Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,

<sup>5</sup>‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.’

<sup>6</sup>Then I said, ‘Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.’<sup>7</sup>

But the Lord said to me,

‘Do not say, “I am only a boy”;  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you.

<sup>8</sup> Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,  
says the Lord.’

<sup>9</sup> Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me,  
‘Now I have put my words in your mouth.

<sup>10</sup> See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant.’

The Word of the Lord.

*People:*     **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Psalm**

**Psalm 71:1-6** *please read responsively by half verse beginning with the Lector.*

<sup>1</sup> In you, O Lord, I take refuge;

**let me never be put to shame.**

<sup>2</sup> In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;

**incline your ear to me and save me.**

<sup>3</sup> Be to me a rock of refuge,

a strong fortress, to save me,

**for you are my rock and my fortress.**

<sup>4</sup> Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,

**from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.**

<sup>5</sup> For you, O Lord, are my hope,

**my trust, O Lord, from my youth.**

<sup>6</sup> Upon you I have leaned from my birth;

it was you who took me from my mother’s womb.

**My praise is continually of you.**

## Second Lesson

## Hebrews 12:18-29

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

<sup>18</sup> You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup> and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup> (For they could not endure the order that was given, ‘If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.’ <sup>21</sup> Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, ‘I tremble with fear.’) <sup>22</sup> But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup> and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup> and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

<sup>25</sup> See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! <sup>26</sup> At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, ‘Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.’ <sup>27</sup> This phrase ‘Yet once more’ indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup> Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; <sup>29</sup> for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The Word of the Lord.

*People:*     **Thanks be to God.**

## The Gospel

## Luke 13:10-17

<sup>10</sup> Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup> And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup> When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, ‘Woman, you are set free from your ailment.’ <sup>13</sup> When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup> But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, ‘There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured,

and not on the sabbath day.’<sup>15</sup> But the Lord answered him and said, ‘You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water?’<sup>16</sup> And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?’<sup>17</sup> When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

*People:*      **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

## **The Sermon**

**The Rev. Brian McVey**

*The people stand.*

## **The Nicene Creed**

**BCP p. 326**

*The people kneel or stand.*

## **The Prayers of the People**

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## **The Confession and Absolution**

**BCP p. 330**

## **The Comfortable Words**

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*The people stand.*

## **The Peace**

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*The people sit.*

## **The Welcome and Announcements**

*The offering plates are on either side of the center aisle by the front pew.*

*You may also give online through the QR code to the right.*



## **The Offertory Sentence**

*People:*      **All Things come of thee, O Lord. And of thine own, have we given  
Thee.**

# **The Holy Communion**

## **Eucharistic Prayer I**

**BCP p. 333**

*The people kneel or stand*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP p. 336**

## **The Prayer of Humble Access**

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*This is the table, not of the Church, but of God. It is to be made ready for those who love God and who want to love God more. So, come, you who have much faith and have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been for a long time, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because I invite you: it is God, and it is God's will that you who want God should meet God here.*

## **The Post-Communion Prayer**

**BCP p. 339**

## **The Blessing**

## **Dismissal**

**BCP p. 340**

The Flowers on the Altar are given by Anoosh Howser in Thanksgiving to God and in celebration of the anniversary of Meredith & Collin Howser!

## **Thank you to our servers today.**

Celebrant: *The Rev. Brian McVey*

Deacon: *The Rev. Suzie Johnston*

Acolyte and Psalmist: *Joshua McVey*

Lector: *Nancy Allen*

Chalice: *Betty Douglass*

Flowers: *Janice Rice*

Vestry: *Jeri Platt*

Live Stream: *Nancy Allen, Hunter McCarty, Joshua McVey*



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