



**Morning Prayer Rite II**  
**Church of the Advent**

*The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost*

*June 21, 2026, 10:30 am*

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

*Nursery is available for children up to age five in the Parish Hall across the courtyard. Children of all ages are welcome in the service. You can 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 "S" pages from the hymnal appear at the front of this book. LEVAS (Lift Every Voice and Sing) is the black and red hymnal at both the pews' ends.*

*Our services are live-streamed and available to the public via our YouTube channel. Please speak to an usher if you prefer not to be on camera.*



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

*We would love to pray for you by name this week and to get to know you.*

*Please, fill out the welcome card found in the pew or through the QR code to the left.*

Prelude:

*Prelude in C*

W. Wensell

## **Morning Prayer Rite 2**

**BCP p. 78**

## **Processional Hymn: I love Thy kingdom, Lord Hymnal #524**

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come!

*Rev. 4:8*

## **Confession**

**BCP p. 79**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence.*

*Please kneel as able.*

*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.**

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

*People:*     **Amen.**

‡ *The children are invited to follow the cross to the Children's Chapel* ‡

## **The Invitatory and Psalter**

*Please stand as able.*

*Officiant:* Lord, open our lips.

*People:*     **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*All*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

*Officiant:* Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ

*People:*     **Come let us adore him.**

### **Venite *Psalm 95:1-7***

*In Unisom*

**Come, let us sing to the Lord; \***

**let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**

**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \***

**and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God, \***

and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

## The Psalm

BCP p. 679

Psalm 69:7-18 *In unison.*

- <sup>7</sup> It is for your sake that I have borne reproach,  
that shame has covered my face.  
<sup>8</sup> I have become a stranger to my kindred,  
an alien to my mother's children.  
<sup>9</sup> It is zeal for your house that has consumed me;  
the insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.  
<sup>10</sup> When I humbled my soul with fasting,  
they insulted me for doing so.  
<sup>11</sup> When I made sackcloth my clothing,  
I became a byword to them.  
<sup>12</sup> I am the subject of gossip for those who sit in the gate,  
and the drunkards make songs about me.  
<sup>13</sup> But as for me, my prayer is to you, O LORD.  
At an acceptable time, O God,

**in the abundance of your steadfast love, answer me.  
With your faithful help <sup>14</sup> rescue me  
from sinking in the mire;  
let me be delivered from my enemies  
and from the deep waters.  
<sup>15</sup> Do not let the flood sweep over me,  
or the deep swallow me up,  
or the Pit close its mouth over me.  
<sup>16</sup> Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good;  
according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.  
<sup>17</sup> Do not hide your face from your servant,  
for I am in distress—make haste to answer me.  
<sup>18</sup> Draw near to me, redeem me,  
set me free because of my enemies.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was  
in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## **The First Lesson**

**Jeremiah 20:7-13**

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

<sup>7</sup> O LORD, you have enticed me,  
and I was enticed;  
you have overpowered me,  
and you have prevailed.  
I have become a laughing-stock all day long;  
everyone mocks me.  
<sup>8</sup> For whenever I speak, I must cry out,  
I must shout, ‘Violence and destruction!’  
For the word of the LORD has become for me

a reproach and derision all day long.

<sup>9</sup> If I say, 'I will not mention him,  
or speak any more in his name',  
then within me there is something like a burning fire  
shut up in my bones;  
I am weary with holding it in,  
and I cannot.

<sup>10</sup> For I hear many whispering:  
'Terror is all around!  
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!'  
All my close friends  
are watching for me to stumble.

'Perhaps he can be enticed,  
and we can prevail against him,  
and take our revenge on him.'

<sup>11</sup> But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior;  
therefore my persecutors will stumble,  
and they will not prevail.  
They will be greatly shamed,  
for they will not succeed.

Their eternal dishonour  
will never be forgotten.

<sup>12</sup> O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous,  
you see the heart and the mind;  
let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.

<sup>13</sup> Sing to the LORD;  
praise the LORD!  
For he has delivered the life of the needy  
from the hands of evildoers.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

## **Canticle 8**

**BCP p.85**

*In unison*

## **The Second Lesson**

**Rome 6:1b-11**

A Reading from The Letter to the church in Rome.

**6** What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup> By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? <sup>3</sup> Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup> We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup> For whoever has died is freed from sin. <sup>8</sup> But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup> The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup> So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Hymn: Day by day, dear Lord**

**Hymnal # 654**

## **The Third Lesson**

**Matthew 10:24-39**

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

<sup>24</sup>‘A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup> it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

<sup>26</sup>‘So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup> What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup> Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. <sup>30</sup> And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup> So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

<sup>32</sup>‘Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; <sup>33</sup> but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

<sup>34</sup>‘Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

<sup>35</sup> For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;  
<sup>36</sup> and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

<sup>37</sup> Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; <sup>38</sup> and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup> Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:*     **Thanks be to God.**

**Canticle 10, The Second Song of Isaiah**

**BCP p. 86**

*In unison*

**The Apostles' Creed**

**BCP p. 96**

*Please stand as able.*

*All*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**The Prayers**

**BCP p. 97**

*Please stand or kneel as able.*

*Officiant:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Officiant:* Let us pray.

*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.**

### **Suffrage B**

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

**R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

V. Day by day we bless you;

**R. We praise your Name for ever.**

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

**R. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

**R. For we put our trust in you.**

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

**R. And we shall never hope in vain.**

## **The Collect of the Day**

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for Your holy Name, for You never fail to help and govern those whom You have set upon the sure foundation of Your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People:*     **Amen.**

## **A Collect for Sundays:**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of Your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of You, that the week to come may be spent in Your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People:*     **Amen.**

## **A Collect for Guidance:**

Heavenly Father, in You we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray You so to guide and govern us by Your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget You, but may remember that we are ever walking in Your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People:*     **Amen.**

## **The Prayer for Mission:**

Lord Jesus Christ, You stretched out Your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of Your saving embrace: So clothe us in Your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know You to the knowledge and love of You; for the honor of Your Name.

*People:*     **Amen.**

*Prayers of intercession or thanksgiving may be offered silently or aloud.*

## **Announcements**

### **The General Thanksgiving**

**BCP p. 101**

*All*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

### **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom:**

Almighty God, You have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to You; and You have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in His Name You will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and

petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of Your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting.

*People:*     **Amen.**

**Recession:     Christ for the world we sing     Hymnal #537**

*Officiant:* Let us bless the Lord.

*People:*     **Thanks be to God.**

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Ephesians 3:20, 21*

*People:*     **Amen.**

**Postlude:**

W. Wensell

*Communion from the Reserved Sacrament is available at the altar rail immediately following Morning Prayer.*

**Flowers are given today by Flora Ukoli.**



*The ministry of Advent is funded through the generous contributions of the congregation. The offering plates are on either side of the center aisle by the front pew. You may also give online through the QR code above.*

**Thank you to those who served this morning.**

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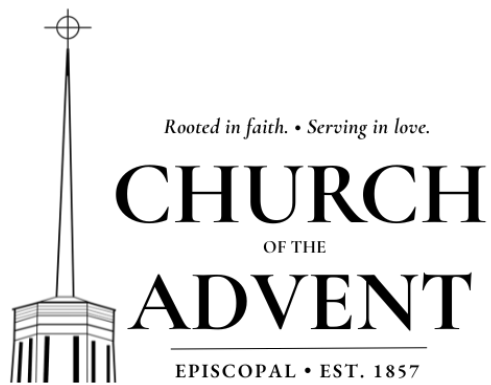
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