



Holy Eucharist Rite II
Church of the Advent
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 24, 2025, 10:30 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. Nursery is available for children four years and under across the courtyard in the Parish Hall. Older children are invited to follow the cross during the Gloria for a children's homily. Find activity bags and coloring sheets for children 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.

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?

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.

Prelude *Prelude on Toplady* by Robert Hobby

Lisa Barry

The Word of God

Rite II BCP p. 355

Please stand as able

Processional

Morning has broken

Hymnal #8

Celebrant: Blessed Be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be His kingdom, now and for ever.**

The Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

The Gloria

Gloria in excelsis Deo

Hymnal #S-280

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

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Please stand or kneel as able

Grant, O merciful God, that Your Church, being gathered together in unity by Your Holy Spirit, may show forth Your power among all peoples, to the glory of Your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

Please sit

First Lesson

The Book of Jeremiah 1:4-10

A Reading from the Book of the prophet Jeremiah

⁴Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,

⁵‘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.’

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

⁷But 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.

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

⁹Then 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.

¹⁰See, 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.*

¹In you, O Lord, I take refuge;

let me never be put to shame.

²In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;

incline your ear to me and save me.

³Be to me a rock of refuge,

a strong fortress, to save me,

for you are my rock and my fortress.

⁴ Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,

from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

⁵ For you, O Lord, are my hope,

my trust, O Lord, from my youth.

⁶ 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.

¹⁸ You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰ (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.') ²¹ Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') ²² 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, ²³ 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, ²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵ 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! ²⁶ 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.' ²⁷ This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸ 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; ²⁹ for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able.

Hymn *Rock of ages, cleft for me*

Hymnal #685

The Gospel

Luke 13:10-17

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People: **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

¹⁰ Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹ 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. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, ‘Woman, you are set free from your ailment.’ ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ 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.’ ¹⁵ 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? ¹⁶ 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?’ ¹⁷ 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 Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Brian McVey

Please stand as able.

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

Please kneel or stand as able.

The Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP p. 387

The Confession and Absolution

BCP p. 393

Please stand as able.

The Peace

BCP p. 360

Please 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

Organ Voluntary

Lisa Berry

Please stand as able

Presentation Hymn

Praise God, from whom all blessings ...

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP p. 361

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also 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.**

Proper Preface

BCP p. 377

Sanctus

Hymnal #S-129

Please stand or kneel as able.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem

Christ our Passover

Hymnal #S-155

This table is not the Church's but God's. It is prepared for those who cherish God and those whose hearts yearn to love God more deeply. Therefore, come, you of unwavering faith and whose faith flickers. Come, you who are familiar here and have been long-absent. Come, you who strive, and you who stumble. God will meet you here. All baptized Christians of any tradition are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Music

Organ Meditation

The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP p. 365

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

Jerusalem the golden

Hymnal #624

The Dismissal

BCP p. 366

Postlude:

Trumpet Tune in D by David Johnson

Lisa Barry

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

Thank You to our Servers Today:

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Brian McVey

Deacon: The Rev. Suzie Johnston

Verger: Candida Bannister

Crucifer: Lilian Williams

Torch Bearers: Katie Womack and Joshua McVey

Psalmist: Joshua McVey

Lector: Robert McMillan

Chalice Bearers: Rosemary Kelley and Candida Bannister

Music Director: Waldemar Wensell

Organist: Lisa Berry

Children's Chapel: Jane Simmons

Nursery: Leslie DiNella

Vestry: Jeri Platt

Ushers: Jerry Ricer & Carol LaNeve

Flower Guild: Janice Rice

Streamers: Joshua McVey, Hannah McVey, Katie Womack, John Womack, Lilian Williams



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