



Holy Eucharist Rite II
Church of the Advent
The Commemoration of All Faithful Departed
All Souls Day

November 2, 2025, 10:30 AM

Welcome to 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.

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?

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 *Oh for a thousand tongues to sing* arr. by S. Tucker Advent Bells

The Word of God

Rite II BCP p. 355

Please stand as able

Processional

For All the saints

Hymn #287

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

Kyrie Eleison

Hymnal #S-91

† *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

O God, the Maker and Redeemer of all believers: Grant to the faithful departed the unsearchable benefits of the passion of Your Son; that on the day of His appearing they may be manifested as Your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

Please sit

First Lesson

Wisdom 3:1-9

A Reading from the Book of Wisdom.

3 But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and no torment will ever touch them.

² In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,

³ and their going from us to be their destruction;
but they are at peace.

⁴ For though in the sight of others they were punished,
their hope is full of immortality.

⁵ Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,
because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;

⁶ like gold in the furnace he tried them,
and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them.

⁷ In the time of their visitation they will shine forth,
and will run like sparks through the stubble.

⁸ They will govern nations and rule over peoples,
and the Lord will reign over them for ever.

⁹ Those who trust in him will understand truth,
and the faithful will abide with him in love,
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones,
and he watches over his elect.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 130 *please read responsively by whole verse beginning with the Lector.*

¹ Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

² **Lord, hear my voice!**

Let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my supplications!

³ If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?

⁴ **But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.**

⁵ I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;

⁶ **my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.**

⁷ O Israel, hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.

⁸ **It is he who will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.**

Second Lesson

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

A Reading from the first letter of Paul to the church in Thessalonica.

¹³ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴ For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. ¹⁵ For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. ¹⁶ For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. ¹⁸ Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able.

Hymn If thou but trust in God to guide thee

Hymn #635

The Gospel

John 5:24-27

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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

²⁴Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgement, but has passed from death to life.

²⁵‘Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. ²⁶For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; ²⁷and he has given him authority to execute judgement, because he is the Son of Man.

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 II

BCP p. 385

The celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Almighty and everlasting God, You have breathed into mortals souls formed in Your likeness. Now as dust returns to dust, grant that the souls of Your own making, formed in Your own image, be placed with Your saints in an everlasting home. Gently and tenderly receive them as those who return from Egypt into the land of promise.

Send Your holy angels as guides in the way of righteousness, and lead them to the open gates of Your glory. For You are our strength in life, and our hope in death.
Amen.

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 can also make a donation online using the QR code to the right.*



The Offertory

Spirit Song by J. Wimble

Advent Choir

Please stand as able

Presentation Hymn

Praise God, from whom all blessings ...

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP p. 367

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. 380

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 belongs to God, not the church. It is prepared for everyone who loves God and wants to love God more. So come, whether your faith is strong or weak. Come, whether you have been here many times or not in a long time. Come, whether you are struggling or content. God invites you to meet Him here. All baptized Christians, regardless of tradition, are welcome to receive communion.

Communion Music

Organ Meditation

Waldemar Wensell

The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP p. 365

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All

Almighty God, we thank You that in Your great love You have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of Your Son Jesus Christ, and

have given us a foretaste of Your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all Your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant: Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

***People:* And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Celebrant: May the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

***People:* Amen.**

Celebrant: May the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

***People:* Amen.**

Closing Hymn *There's a wideness in God's mercy* Hymnal #470

The Dismissal

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Postlude: Postlude on the closing hymn Waldemar Wensell

The Flowers on the Altar are given in Thanksgiving to God!

Thank You to our Servers Today:

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Brian McVey

Deacon: The Rev. Suzie Johnston

Verger and Chalice: Candida Bannister

Crucifer: Lilian Williams

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Psalmist: Joshua McVey

Lector: Candida Bannister

Chalice Bearer: Tom DiNella

Music Director: Waldemar Wensell

Godly Play: Hannah McVey

Children's Chapel: Anoosh Howser

Ushers: Anoosh Howser and Car LaNeve

Vestry:

Flower Guild:

Altar Guild: Lynn Conroy, Hannah McVey, Nancy Allen, Valerie Stogdill

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

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