



Holy Eucharist Rite II
Church of the Advent
The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
November 16, 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 *O God, our help in ages past* arr. by S Tucker

Advent Bells

The Word of God

Rite II BCP p. 355

Please stand as able

Processional *All my hope on God is founded*

Hymnal #665

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

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

Please sit

A Reading from the Book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹⁷ For I am about to create new heavens

and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered

or come to mind.

¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice for ever

in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy,

and its people as a delight.

¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem,

and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,

or the cry of distress.

²⁰ No more shall there be in it

an infant that lives but a few days,

or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,

and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them;

they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²² They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

²³ They shall not labor in vain,

or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—

and their descendants as well.

²⁴ Before they call I will answer,

while they are yet speaking I will hear.

²⁵ The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,

the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
but the serpent—its food shall be dust!
They shall not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain,
says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Canticle

Isaiah 12 *please read responsively by whole verse beginning with the Lector.*

12 You will say on that day:

I will give thanks to you, O Lord,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
and you comforted me.

²**Surely God is my salvation;**

**I will trust, and will not be afraid,
for the Lord God is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.**

³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴**And you will say on that day:**

**Give thanks to the Lord,
call on his name;
make known his deeds among the nations;
proclaim that his name is exalted.**

⁵Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously;
let this be known in all the earth.

⁶**Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.**

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

⁶Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹²Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able.

Hymn *Surely it is God who saves me*

Hymn #679

The Gospel

Luke 21:5-19

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

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

⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶‘As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.’ ⁷They asked him, ‘Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?’ ⁸And he said, ‘Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, “I am he!” and, “The time is near!” Do not go after them. ⁹‘When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.’ ¹⁰Then he said to them,

‘Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹² ‘But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.

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 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

Make me an instrument of Thy peace by M. McDonald 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. 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 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. All baptized Christians, regardless of tradition, are welcome to receive communion.

Communion Music

Organ Meditation

Waldemar Wensell

The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP p. 365

The Blessing

Closing Hymn *O God of Every Nation*

Hymnal #607

The Dismissal

BCP p. 366

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: Candida Bannister

Crucifer: Abby Womack

Torch Bearers: Joshua McVey & Lillian Williams

Psalmist: Joshua McVey

Lector: Flora Ukoli

Chalice Bearers: Lindy Womack and Candida Bannister

Music Director: Waldemar Wensell

Children's Chapel: Martha Bowden

Vestry: Janet Brown

Altar Guild: Edith Nau, Paula Taylor, and Carol Lynn McCarty

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