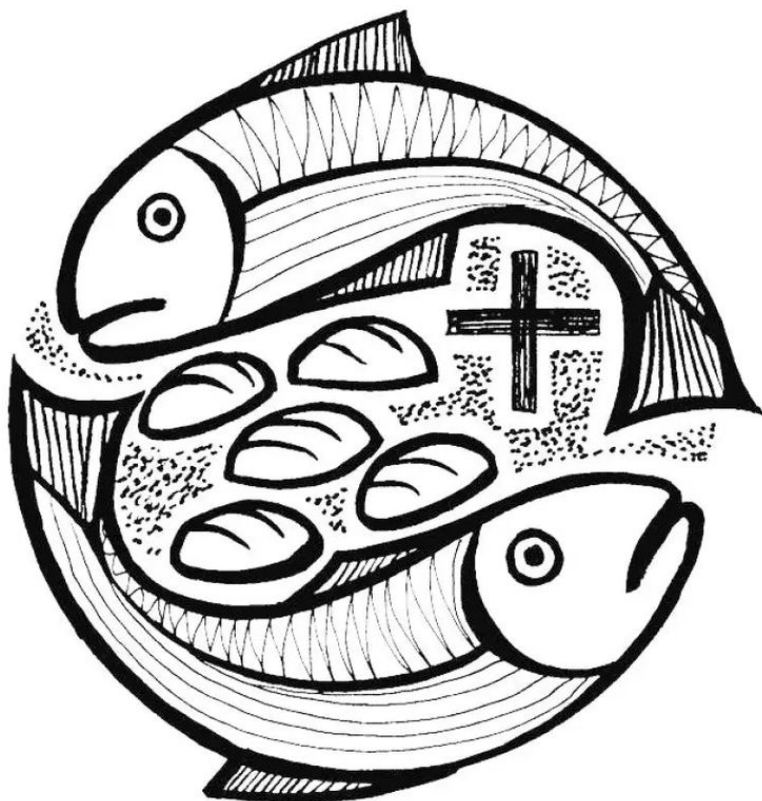




Holy Eucharist Rite I
Church of the Advent

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 4, 2026, 8 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.

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 ends of the pews.

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.

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The Word of God

Please stand as able.

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

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

Collect for Purity

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The Gloria

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The Collect of the Day

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Please kneel or stand as able.

Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of Thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

Please sit.

First Lesson

Isaiah 5:1-7

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

¹ Let me sing for my beloved

my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.

² He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watch-tower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

³ And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,
judge between me
and my vineyard.

⁴ What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

⁵ And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;

I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.

⁶I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 80:7-15 *Please read responsively by whole verse, beginning with the Lector.*

⁷Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.

⁸**You brought a vine out of Egypt;
you drove out the nations and planted it.**

⁹ You cleared the ground for it;
it took deep root and filled the land.

¹⁰ **The mountains were covered with its shade,
the mighty cedars with its branches;**

¹¹ it sent out its branches to the sea,
and its shoots to the River.

¹² **Why then have you broken down its walls,
so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?**

¹³ The boar from the forest ravages it,
and all that move in the field feed on it.

¹⁴ **Turn again, O God of hosts;
look down from heaven, and see;
have regard for this vine,**

¹⁵ the stock that your right hand planted.

Second Lesson

Philippians 3:4b-14

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

⁴ even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵
circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe
of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal,
a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of

Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³ Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able.

The Gospel

Matthew 21:33-46

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

³³ ‘Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. ³⁴ When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵ But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶

Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷ Finally he sent his son to them, saying, “They will respect my son.” ³⁸ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, “This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.” ³⁹ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰ Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’ ⁴¹ They said to him, ‘He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.’

⁴² Jesus said to them, ‘Have you never read in the scriptures:

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes”?

⁴³ Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. ⁴⁴ The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.’

⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶ They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Please sit.

Sermon

Please stand as able.

The Rev. Brian McVey

The Nicene Creed

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Please kneel or stand as able.

The Prayers of the People

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The Confession and Absolution

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The Comfortable Words

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Please stand as able.

The Peace

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Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with Thy spirit.**

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 on the right.



The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

People: **All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given
 Thee. Amen.**

Please kneel or stand as able.

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The Prayer of Humble Access	BCP p. 337

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 you who have little, have been here often and have not been for a long time, have tried to follow, and 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 of any tradition are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

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Please kneel as able.

The Blessing

Please stand as able.

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The altar flowers are given today in thanksgiving for the Resurrection.

Thank you to our servers today.

Celebrant & Preacher: *The Rev. Brian McVey*

Lector: *Janet Brown*

Chalice: *Betty Douglass*

Acolyte & Psalmist: *Joshua McVey*

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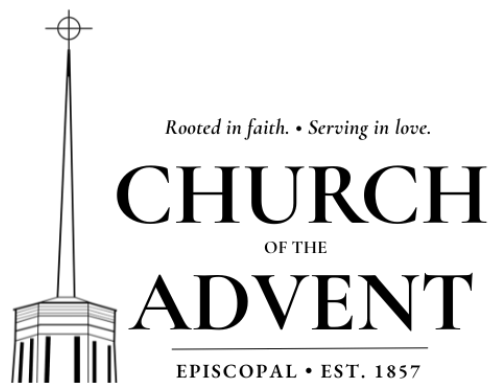
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