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First Sunday of Advent • Holy Eucharist Rite II

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Opening Welcome

Organ Prelude *Wachet Auf*

J.S. Bach

The Word of God

Processional Hymn #57 *Lo! He comes with clouds descending*



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on

our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the

saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine

train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Helmstedt*, melody Augustine Arne (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen*

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Trisagion

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(sung in unison)

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

Reader A Reading from Jeremiah (33:14-16)

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 25:(1-9)

Ad te, Domine, levavi

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Reader A Reading from 1 Thessalonians (3:9-13)

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Sequence *Hymn #640 Watchman, tell us of the night (vv. 1-2 only)*

1 Watch-man, tell us of the night, what its signs of prom - ise
 2 Watch-man, tell us of the night; high - er yet that star a -
 are. Trav - eler, o'er yon moun-tain's height, see that glo - ry -
 scends. Trav - eler, bless - ed - ness and light, peace and truth its
 beam - ing star. Watch-man, does its beau - teous ray
 course por - tends. Watch-man, will its beams a - lone
 aught of joy or hope fore - tell? Trav-eler, yes; it
 gild the spot that gave them birth? Trav-eler, a - ges
 brings the day, prom - ised day of Is - ra - el.
 are its own; see, it bursts o'er all the earth.

Two groups may sing antiphonally, alternating by sentences.

Words: John Bowring (1792-1872) Music: *Aberystwyth*, Joseph Parry (1841-1903)

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (21:25-36)
 People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a

cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

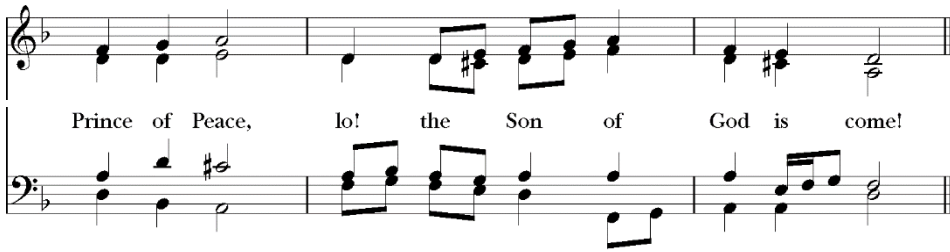
"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence *Hymn #640 Watchman, tell us of the night (v. 3 only)*

3 Watch-man, tell us of the night, for the morn-ing seems to
dawn. Trav-eler, dark-ness takes its flight, doubt and ter-ror
are with-drawn. Watch-man, let thy wan-derings cease;
hie thee to thy qui-et home. Trav-eler, lo! the

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system begins with a '3' indicating a triplet. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with clear harmonic support from the piano.



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Sermon The Reverend Celal Kamran, *Assistant to the Rector*

The Nicene Creed

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Celebrant and People

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

The Prayers of the People Form VI

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Reader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Reader For all people in their daily life and work;
People *For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

Reader For this community, the nation, and the world;
People *For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

Reader For the just and proper use of your creation;
People *For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

Reader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble. We pray for an end to the pandemic and for all who are able, to seek vaccinations.
People *For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

Reader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People *For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

Reader For Michael our Presiding Bishop; Susan, Jennifer, and Porter our Bishops; Lynn and Celal our priests, Michele our seminarian and for all bishops and other ministers;
People *For all who serve God in his Church.*

Reader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially for those we mention by name on our prayer list on page 12. We pray for the soul of Tom Ronaldi, Jr., father of Tom and father-in-law of Rev. Lynn, who died November 18.

The people may add their own petitions.

Reader Hear us, Lord;
People *For your mercy is great.*

Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially those celebrating birthdays this week: Judy Baroody, Donald Brownlee, Anne Sayer, Asher Blankenship, Jace Harrill, Maria Holmes, Tanya Reams, Elizabeth Agar, Jan Buckius, Charles Choi, Andrew Eitler, Austin Gastrell, Renee Vaughn, Steve Vopelak, Adrian McCabe, Christopher Moon, and Diana Bland.

The people may add their own thanksgivings.

Reader We will exalt you, O God our King;
People *And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

Reader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People *Who put their trust in you.*

Reader We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

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*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.*

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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2

The Holy Communion

Offertory *Lo, how a rose e-er blooming*

M. Praetorius (Pohick Choir)

The Doxology *Hymn #56 (v. 7 only)*

Old One Hundredth

O come, Desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of all mankind;
bid thou our sad divisions cease, and be thyself our King of Peace.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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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.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus & Benedictus qui venit *(sung in unison)*

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The people stand or kneel.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

*We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;*

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant and People

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Invitation

Celebrant The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. *Amen.*

In the Episcopal tradition all are welcomed to the Table. All baptized Christians may receive Communion, or you may cross your arms over your chest and simply receive a blessing.

For now, we continue to partake in Communion in One Kind (bread only). You may come to the rail and kneel to receive if you are able. If not, please stand at the rail, or indicate to an usher that you would like communion brought to you.

Communion *Hymn #321 My God, thy table now is spread*

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished
3 Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O Lord, in coun - tless
4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the

love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -
num - bers let them come and gath - er from their
world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall

thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.
va - tion see, that here its sa - cred pledg - es tastes.
Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb.
all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Words: Sts. 1-3, Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt.; st. 4, Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Rockingham*, melody from *Second Supplement to Psalmsody in Miniature*, ca. 1780; adapt. Edward Miller (1731-1807); harm. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816)

Celebrant Let us pray.
(*in unison*)

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional *Hymn #72 Hark! The glad sound!*

1 Hark, the glad sound! the Savior comes,
the Savior promised long;
let every heart prepare a throne,
and every voice a song.

2 He comes, the prisoners to release
in Satan's bondage held;
the gates of brass before him burst,
the iron fetters yield.

3 He comes, the broken heart to bind,
the bleeding soul to cure;
and with the treasures of his grace
to enrich the humble poor.

4 Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
thy welcome shall proclaim;
and heaven's eternal arches ring
with thy beloved Name.

Dismissal

Celebrant (*Sentence of dismissal*)
People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Postlude *Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen*

J. Brahms

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Those Who Serve

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Altar Guild	Marsico Team
Docent	Fred Crawford
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For your home prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings:

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially for Kristy Girten, Joan Parsons, Lynn Anderholm, Nancy Bireley, Davis Sessums, Suzanne Froman, Anne Cannon, Craig Floyd, Roy Baumann, Jack Oats, Andy, Chrissy, Judy Schmid, D’Andrea Wooten, Carney McCullough, Bill Hosp, Greg Scott, Andrea Nutter, Darryl Sebastian, Lisa Ruf, Anita Stribling, Alice Jean Scott, Nelson Whittaker, Chuck MacDonald, Janet Hinson, Joan Egan, Jehl Palvado, Carl Steuernagel, Mike Morgan, Charlotte Knipling, Sarah, Terrence Dolan, and Buck Gastrell.

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We pray for our members who serve our country, particularly those overseas, and their families: Arch Wilson, Ryan Moatta, Rick Church, Katie Weber, and Jesse Grimm.

We pray for peace in the Middle East, especially in Afghanistan, and for the Church in Syria, Iraq, Egypt, and Israel.

We pray for the Afghan refugees and for those left behind. We pray for victims of natural disasters. We pray for all suffering from COVID-19, and for the protection and strength for all health care workers.

In the Diocese of Virginia, we pray for St. Bartholomew’s, Richmond, and St. Peter’s, Richmond.



Announcements

- **Welcome newcomers!** Our services are open to an unlimited number of worshippers. Following the Diocesan guidelines, masks will be worn during church services and in the Parish House. Coffee Hour will be held in the Common Room following the 8 am service. We hope you can join us!
- **The Fall worship schedule** has begun with services at **8 am and 10:30 am, with Sunday School and fellowship at 9:15 am. Compline continues** Wednesday nights via Zoom. Link is emailed.
- **Christian Education Classes** (online at www.pohick.org).
 - **Four-Part Adult Forum “Courageous in Community: One Body, One Spirit, One Hope”** will continue December 5. Get coffee and join us in the Common Room between services, beginning at 9:15 am.
 - **Building Community.** Sunday evening Bible Study on Romans led by Amy Bontrager. Contact Amy at Amy.L.Bontrager@gmail.com.
 - **Education for Ministry (EFM)** will continue with weekly Monday classes, 7-9 pm. Students will meet in person, with virtual component as needed. Please contact Denise McHugh at 410-300-9867 or dmchugh@umd.edu, or John Egan, for information or to register.
 - **Children’s Christian Education**, in-person, and virtual components. Please contact Frances Sessums for information and registration.
- **Playdate for young ones!** Pohick Parents with babies and young children interested in forming a playdate/parent group contact Rev. Celal.
- **ATTENTION all 3rd-12th grade Sunday School students** who have speaking parts in the Live Nativity: please be at the fairground stage at 9:15 am on December 5 for our mandatory rehearsal. Bring warm coats, hats, and gloves! Parents, please pick up your student at 11:30 am. Plan on it being cold!
- **Watch for details:** We plan to adopt an **Afghan family** to help settle via NOVA Raft.
- **Wear your name tags to welcome newcomers!** If you need a name tag, contact Jane Thurston: fuzzyandjane@gmail.com or 703-339-1301.
- **Volunteers needed for hosting Fellowship Coffee Hours between services.** Please sign up on the bulletin board downstairs in the Parish House. Details online or call Connie Myers at 703-201-2204.
- Let the **Martha Guild** help you with decorations for the Christmas Holiday with our fresh Greenery: centerpieces, tabletop trees, and wreaths. Order online or the order form in the Common Room or Office entry way. Deadline is December 5 with pickup on December 11. Questions, contact Connie Myers.

- **Advent/Christmas Calendar:**
 - First Sunday in Advent is today!
 - Blue Christmas Healing Service for all parishioners Wednesday, December 8, at 7 pm.
 - Live Nativity on Fairgrounds for parish and community Saturday, December 11, at 2 pm and 3 pm.
 - Christmas Open House Come-N-Go at the Rectory Friday, December 17, 6-9 pm. Newcomers welcome!
 - Lessons and Carols Sunday, December 19, at 6 pm.
 - Christmas Eve service at 6 pm and 10:30 pm.
 - Christmas Day service at 10 am.

- **Christmas Flower** dedication forms can be found in your church box or in the office. Forms will be due December 5. Any questions, please contact Susan Pehrsson.

- **Golden Dove Gift Shop Save the Date:** Shop for your Christmas gifts at the Golden Dove on December 5, 8-12:30 pm, in the Common Room between services and forums! We are open Sundays 9-10:30 am and the first Saturday of each month from 1-3 pm.

We warmly welcome all newcomers and visitors and hope you'll introduce yourselves, receive a gift from our Invite Welcome Connect ministry and join us for Fellowship Hour between services at 9:15am in the Parish House.

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