

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two The First Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2021 10:30 a.m.

Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, we welcome you and invite your full participation in today's worship.

A Gentle Reminder about Mask Etiquette

The medical professionals in our congregation want to remind everyone that, while the COVID vaccine is extremely effective, it doesn't 100% prevent infection, and the Delta variant is very contagious. For everyone's sake, please observe proper mask etiquette.

In accordance with instructions from our Bishop, we wear masks for all indoor activities at St. Paul's. Masks are available at the entrances to the church, the Great Hall, and the offices. The mask must cover both your nose and your mouth. Please remain masked when you come forward for Communion and do not consume the Host until you have returned to your seat. Sliding the mask down under your chin compromises its effectiveness when you reposition it: we recommend removing it completely by the ear straps for the shortest possible time. Try to touch your mask as little as possible. Thank you for helping to keep our community safe!

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You may give online now by clicking here: https://onrealm.org/StPaulsCathedral/give/now or text stpaulcathedral to 73256 using your cell phone. Thank you!

The people enter the cathedral and are seated for the Welcome and announcements.

Welcome and announcements.

 \int Please stand at the tolling of the bell.

The Word of God

Advent Prose (Rorate Caeli)

Mode I

Antiphon: (Cantor, then All)



Drop down, ye hea-vens, from a-bove,* and let the skies pour down right-eous-ness.

Cantor Be not wroth very sore, O Lord, neither remember

iniquity for ever: thy holy cities are a wilderness, Sion is

a wilderness,

Jerusalem a desolation:

our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers

praised thee.

All Antiphon

Cantor We have sinned, and are as an unclean thing, and we all do

fade as a leaf:

and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away; thou hast hid thy

face from us:

and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities.

Antiphon

Cantor Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant

whom I have chosen; that ye may know me and

believe me:

I, even I, am the Lord, and beside me there is no Savior: and there is

none that can deliver out of my hand.

Antiphon

Cantor Comfort ye, comfort ye, my people, my salvation

shall not tarry:

I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions: Fear not, for I

will save thee:

for I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer. *Antiphon*

Cantor Lord, have mercy upon us.

People Christ, have mercy upon us.

Cantor Lord, have mercy upon us.

¶ Please remain standing as able.

The Collect of the Day

The Presider says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

The Presider says the Collect.

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.**

¶ Please be seated.

The Lessons

The First Lesson is read, the Reader first saying

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

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."

After each Lesson the Reader may say

The Word of the Lord.

Answer Thanks be to God.

The Psalm (choir)

Psalm 25:1-9 Ad te, Domine, levavi

BCP 614 chant: *John Stainer*

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.

The Second Lesson is read, the Reader first saying

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

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.

The Reader may say

The Word of the Lord.

Answer Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 21:25-36

The Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

 \int Please be seated at the introduction of the sermon.

The Sermon

The Rev. Richard Hogue, Jr.

§ After a moment of silence, please stand as able for the Nicene Creed.

The Nicene Creed

(Presider 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

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

The Deacon bids the prayers.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for the welfare of the world; for your creation, especially in this critical time of climate change, and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who sleep outside, and those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

The Leader offers prayers on behalf of the congregation and bids their prayers.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The Leader offers prayers on behalf of the congregation and bids their prayers.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The Leader offers thanksgivings on behalf of the congregation.

Silence

The Presider says the concluding Collect

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Reaffirmation and Blessing of a Marriage

Howard and Lucero present themselves before the Presider, who stands facing the people.

All remain standing as able, and the Presider addresses the congregation with these or similar words

Friends in Christ, we are gathered together with Lucero and Howard, who have come today to give thanks to God for God's blessing upon their marriage, and to reaffirm their marriage covenant.

The Presider then asks the man

Howard, do you here, in the presence of God and of this congregation, renew the promises you made when you bound yourself to Lucero in holy matrimony?

The Man answers

I do.

The Presider then asks the woman

Lucero, do you here, in the presence of God and of this congregation, renew the promises you made when you bound yourself to Howard in holy matrimony?

The Woman answers

I do.

The Husband and Wife, kneeling or standing, say together

We thank you, most gracious God, for consecrating our marriage in Christ's Name and presence. Lead us further in companionship with each other and with you. Give us grace to live together in love and fidelity, with care for one another. Strengthen us all our days, and bring us to that holy table where, with those we love, we will feast for ever in our heavenly home; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Presider then blesses them, saying

May God the Father, who at creation ordained that man and woman become one flesh, keep you one. **Amen.**

May God the Son, who adorned this manner of life by his first miracle, at the wedding in Cana of Galilee, be present with you always. **Amen.**

May God the Holy Spirit, who has given you the will to persevere in your love and in your covenant with each other, strengthen your bond. **Amen.**

And may God the Holy Trinity, the source of all unity, bless you this day and for ever.

Amen

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

§ The People offer each other a socially distanced sign of the Peace. Following the Peace, please be seated.

The Holy Communion

At the Offertory, anthem O thou the central orb

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

O Thou the central orb of righteous love, Pure beam of the most High, eternal Light of this our wintry world, Thy radiance bright Awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above. Come quickly come, and let Thy glory shine, Gilding our darksome heaven with rays Divine. Thy saints with holy lustre round thee move, As stars about Thy throne, set in the height of God's ordaining counsel, as Thy sight Gives measured grace to each, Thy power to prove. Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin, Our nature all shall feel eternal day, In fellowship with Thee, transforming day to souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

Please stand as able for the Offertory Hymn.

Offertory Hymn 59 (all who wish to sing the hymn should be masked while singing)



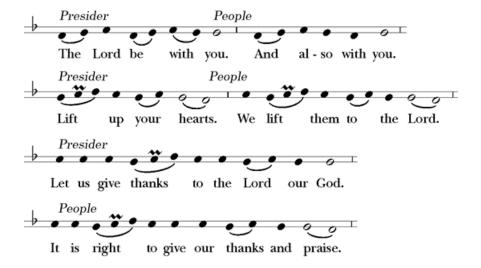
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The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

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The Presider continues

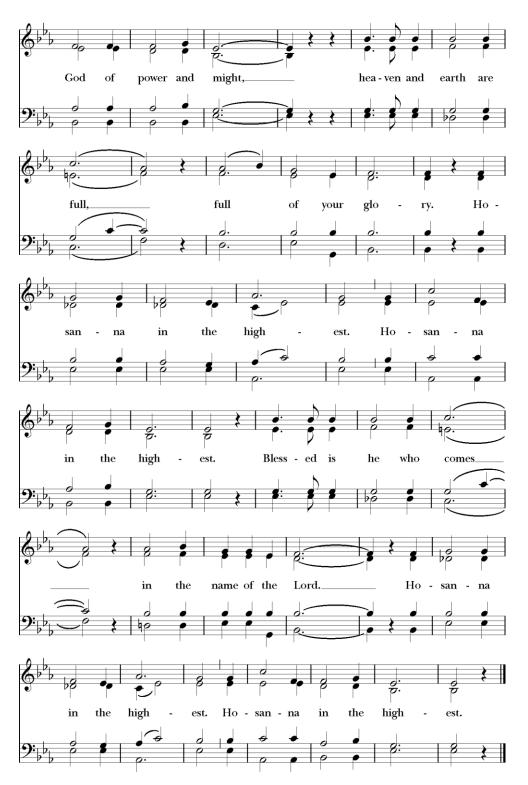
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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:

Sanctus (Presider and People; all who wish to sing should be masked while singing) S 130





From Deutsche Messe, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

The Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

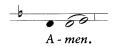
The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Paul, and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 for ever.

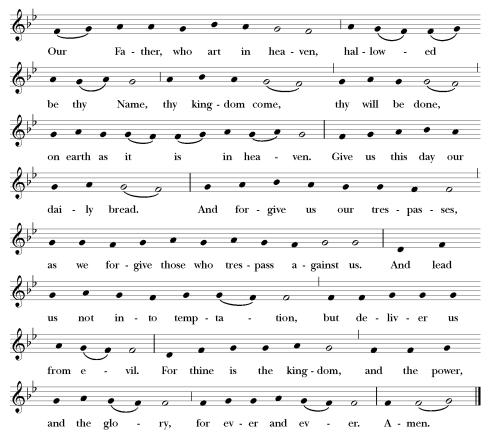
Presider and People



The Presider continues

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

The Lord's Prayer S-119 (Presider and People; all who wish to sing should be masked while singing)



Setting: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

The Fraction: The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence follows as the Bread is broken.

Jesus, Lamb of God

S 164

(Presider and People; all who wish to sing should be masked while singing)



From Deutsche Messe, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

The Invitation

This is the table, not of the church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love him and who want to love him more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed; come, not because the Church invites you; it is Christ, and he invites you to meet him here.

The Iona Community Worship Book

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

After the Invitation has been given, please be seated or kneel until you are ushered to the communion stations at the Crossing between the communion rails. Please take your purse or valuables with you to the rail.

The consecrated wafers will be distributed by the clergy at the standing stations at the Crossing. Please come forward, keeping your mask on and return to your seat before removing your mask to consume the Host.

We are not administering wine at this time but the full spiritual benefit of the sacrament is contained in the Host, and if you prefer a blessing to the Host, cross your arms at your shoulders as you approach the priest.

If you need to receive a gluten-free wafer, please go to the section at the extreme left.

At the Communion Rejoice in the Lord alway

Anon.

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say rejoice. Let your softness be known unto all men: the Lord is e'en at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in all prayer and supplication let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesu. Amen.

After a moment of silence following the distribution of communion, please stand as you are able for the following prayer

The Postcommunion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father,

you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace,

and grant us strength and courage

to love and serve you

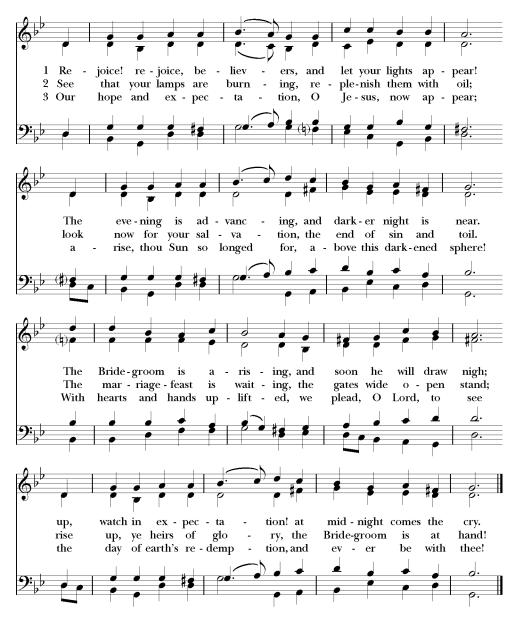
with gladness and singleness of heart;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Presider may bless the people.

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, ★ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn 68 (all who wish to sing the hymn should be masked while singing)



Words: Laurentius Laurenti (1660-1722); tr. Sarah B. Findlater (1823-1907), alt. Music: Llanglaffan, melody from Hymnau a Thonau er Gwasanaeth yr Eglwys yng Nghymru, 1865

The Deacon dismisses the people with these words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Organ Voluntary

Herr Christ, der ein'ge Gottessohn, BWV 601

Bach

 \int The clergy, altar party, and people depart as music is played.

Ministers of the Liturgy

Presider & Dean: The Very Rev. Penny Bridges

Preacher: The Rev. Richard Hogue, Jr. Deacon: The Rev. Cn. Brooks Mason Readers: John Will, Peter Bolland

Intercessor: Paul Teyssier

Head Verger: Cn. Lisa Churchill

Thurifer: Bill Eadie
Verger: Don Mitchell
Altar Server: Jim McCabe

Altar Guild: Ellen Hargus, Craig Monsell, Marty Olson, Mary Rathbun, Mary Tranbarger

Usher-in-Charge: Bob Reed

Ushers: Julia Gorman, Lucinda Parsons Director of Music: Cn. Martin Green Assistant Organist: Gabriel Arregui

Organ Scholar: Jesse Puglia

Choir: Members of the Cathedral Choir

Cathedral audio: Marshall Moore

Audio/Visual Technicians: Jim Langston, Mike Thornburgh, Jim Wright

The offices are open for normal office hours and visitors may ask at the office to be let in to the cathedral. Most of the staff will continue to work at home for much of the time. Your continued financial support as we move through this crisis helps us pay our staff and other expenses of the church which do not stop.

A few notes about giving in this time:

- 1. You may continue to mail donations. Mail them to 2728 Sixth Ave, San Diego, CA 92103. Staff will continue to process mail donations.
- 2. We encourage you to consider moving to online giving at https://stpaulcathedral.org/give/. There you may schedule automatic donations that do not require the staff to handle postal mail, allowing staff to focus on other tasks and reducing contact with paper.

Thank you!

In the unlikely event of an emergency requiring us to evacuate the cathedral please follow the directions of the ushers and vergers, and remain as quiet and calm as possible.

The exit doors are:

- o South porch doors at Nutmeg Street and Fifth Avenue
- 0 North porch doors to Fifth Avenue Courtyard
- o South transept east and west doors to Nutmeg Street
- 0 Northeast hallway door to Fifth Avenue breezeway
- West chapel (to the left of chapel altar) stairs leading down to landing.

Please locate an exit nearest you.

