



ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL
E P I S C O P A L

**The Holy Eucharist:
Rite Two
The First Sunday of Advent**

**November 28, 2021
8:00 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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§ Please stand as you are able at the tolling of the bell.

The Word of God

Advent Prose

Antiphon: (Presider, then All)

Presider Drop down ye heavens from above,
and let the skies pour down righteousness.

All **Drop down ye heavens from above,
and let the skies pour down righteousness.**

Presider 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

Presider 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

Presider 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

Presider 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

Presider Lord, have mercy upon us.
People **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Lord, have mercy upon us.

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 (said by all)

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

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- 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.**

§ *Please stand as able.*

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.**

§ *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.**

Confession of Sin

The Deacon says to the People

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. Deacon

and People together

**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.**

The Presider says

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

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.*

Welcome and announcements

The Holy Communion

§ Please be seated after the Presider says the Offertory Sentence then stand as able for the offering to be brought forward and remain standing for the Great Thanksgiving.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

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The people stand as they are able. The Presider faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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*)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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. **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer (*Presider 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 Fraction: The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence follows as the Bread is broken.

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

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 until you are ushered to the communion stations at the Crossing. Please take your purse or valuables with you.

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.

§ *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.**

The Deacon dismisses them with these words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

§ *The clergy, altar party, and people depart.*

Ministers of the Liturgy

Presider & Dean: The Very Reverend Penny Bridges

Preacher: The Reverend Richard Hogue, Jr.

Deacon: The Reverend Canon Brooks Mason

Reader: Dan Love

Head Verger & Altar Server: Canon Lisa Churchill

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

Usber-in-charge: Rich Davis

Ushers: Norm Friesen, Carl Mattina, Mary Rathbun

Audio Engineer: James 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. Please locate an exit nearest you.

The exit doors are:

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

**REUNITED
RENEWED
READY!**

