



The Church of Saint Andrew

ALL ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR A MASK COVERING YOUR ENTIRE NOSE AND MOUTH
FOR THE DURATION OF THIS SERVICE.

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 13, 2020

9:00 AM AND 11:00 AM

THE PRELUDE

MEDITATION ON *O COME, O COME EMANUEL*
Leo Sowerby

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP, p. 355

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

***ALL:* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

BCP, p. 352

Presider: Jesus said,

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***ALL:* 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.**

Presider: 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.

***ALL:* Amen.**

THE TRISAGION

BCP, p. 356

Presider: Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,

ALL: Have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever.

ALL: Amen.

THE LESSONS

Please be seated for the readings.

THE FIRST LESSON

Nancy Vomero (9 AM)

Mario Ricca, Jr. (11 AM)

Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-11

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. For I the Lord love justice, I hate robbery and wrongdoing; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. Their descendants shall be known among the nations, and their offspring among the peoples; all who see them shall acknowledge that they are a people whom the Lord has blessed. I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Please recite the psalm, led by the Presider.

THE PSALM: CANTICLE 15

BCP p. 50

Magnificat

**My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; *
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.**

**From this day all generations will call me blessed: *
the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.**

**He has mercy on those who fear him *
in every generation.**

**He has shown the strength of his arm, *
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.**

**He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *
and has lifted up the lowly.**

**He has filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he has sent away empty.**

**He has come to the help of his servant Israel, *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,**

**The promise he made to our fathers, *
to Abraham and his children for ever.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *Amen.***

All stand

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 1: 6-8, 19-28

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

***ALL:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light.

This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, "I am not the Messiah." And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" He answered, "No." Then they said to him, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the

wilderness, ‘Make straight the way of the Lord,’” as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, “Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?” John answered them, “I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal.” This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev’d. Aaron Hudson

All stand for

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 358

ALL: 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

Alex Baltovski (9 AM)

Jillian Mullane (11 AM)

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Intercessor: I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops Andrew, Allen, and Mary; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.
Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the departed, especially Harry Walker and all those who have died from COVID-19.
Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for Denise, Ed Leshack, Ellen Stark, Giavanna Willis, Matt Petito, the Koop family, Michael DiLucia, Elizabeth Eisdorfer, Vanessa Soldano, Randy Juliano, Morgan Green, Joe Pedone, Jackie Czerwinski, Mark Balistreri, the Albert family, Terry Fiorelli, Diana and Bob Corson, Fr. Glenn Rankin, Barb Campbell, Mark Carles, Nancy Quigley, Susan, April Percia, Marian Oliveri, Dorothy Wright, Minwell Levels, Fr. Dagnall Free, Joseph Colon, Debbie Viviani, Jeremiah Jurkiewicz, and those suffering from COVID-19.

Silence

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for our sisters and brothers in faith at Christ Church, St. John's, St. Paul's, Ascension, St. Alban's, All Saints', and St. Mary's, and for their clergy.

Silence

Intercessor: Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

THE CONCLUDING COLLECT

BCP, p. 395

Presider: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

ALL: Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

HYMN TUNE AT THE OFFERING

OLD 100TH
Louis Bourgeois

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - B

BCP, p. 372

Presider: The Lord be with you.

***ALL:* And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

***ALL:* We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***ALL:* It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every- where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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

***ALL:* 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.**

Presider: 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Presider: 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 Andrew and 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 for ever.

ALL: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

ALL: **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

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The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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ALL: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE AGNUS DEI

Presider: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,

ALL: **Have mercy on us.**

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Presider: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
ALL: **Grant us peace.**

THE PEACE

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Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
ALL: **And also with you.**

THE INVITATION

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Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please come forward for communion when dismissed by the greeters. Maintain social distancing by waiting on the marked places on the floor in the aisle. Please have your mask covering your entire nose and mouth when coming forward and sanitize your hands at the station before receiving. Extend your hands and the priest will place the host in your hands. Return to your seat before bringing your mask down to consume the host.

THE COMMUNION VOLUNTARY

MEDITATION ON *ABERYSTWYTH* (AND MUSIC BY OTHER COMPOSERS)

Robert Powell

THE POST COMMUNION 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 BLESSING

Presider: May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin.

ALL: **Amen.**

Presider: May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love.

ALL: **Amen.**

Presider: May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life.

ALL: **Amen.**

Presider: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

ALL: Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE

IMPROVISATION ON *TIDINGS*

James Johnson

**AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE SERVICE, PLEASE WAIT TO BE DISMISSED BY THE
GREETERS.**

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ONCE YOU ARE DISMISSED.**

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN WITH YOU WHEN YOU LEAVE THE CHURCH.