



“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....”
(Quote from the Nicene Creed; Picture of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church Advent Wreath.)

**First Sunday of Advent:
Holy Eucharist Rite II - 10:00 A.M
November 27, 2022**



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

NOTE: If you are vaccinated and fully boosted for Covid, a mask covering the nose and mouth is optional. If you are not vaccinated and fully boosted for Covid, we request that you wear a mask for your safety as well as the safety of others. Masks are available at both entrances.

Prelude

Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring

Bach

Gathering Hymn

Sleepers, Awake

Hymnal #161



1 The flam - ing ban - ners of our King
2 A Ro - man sol - dier drew a spear
3 The crowd would have been sat - is - fied
4 With what strange light the rough trunk shone,
5 The best are shamed be - fore that wood;



1 ad - vance through his self - of - fer - ing.
2 to mix his blood with wa - ter clear.
3 to see a pro - phet cru - ci - fied.
4 its pur - ple limbs a roy - al throne,
5 the worst gain pow - er to be good.



1 He lived to rob death of its sting;
2 That blood re - tains its liv - ing power;
3 They stum - bled on a mys - ter - y:
4 its load a roy - al trea - sur - y:
5 O grant, most bless - ed Trin - i - ty,



1 he died e - ter - nal life to bring.
2 the wa - ter cleans - es to this hour.
3 Mes - si - ah reign - ing from a tree.
4 the ran - som of a world set free.
5 that all may share the vic - to - ry.

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A welcome to those joining the service through Facebook Live.

Lighting the First Advent Candle: The Candle of Hope

Reader One: When I look around, I see shadows of hunger. So many neighbors, nearby and around the world, will go to bed hungry tonight...

Reader Two: When I look around, I see shadows of injustice, the rich getting richer and the poor getting poorer – and someone somewhere will fall asleep under a bridge tonight...

Reader One: In the face of hunger, we light a candle of hope...

Reader Two: In the face of injustice, in the face of despair, we light a candle of hope...(light the first candle.)

Reader One: May the light from this candle overwhelm the world.

Reader Two: May the light from this candle say to all that God's hope is coming, on earth as it is already in heaven.

Reader One: Friends, do not be afraid, God's hope is at hand!

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

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

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria

Hymnal S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Title: Canticle 20, Glory to God: *Gloria in excelsis* Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev. Used by permission: The Hymnal 1982; Copyright 1985 by The Church Pension Fund.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Collect Of The Day

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 First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

Reader A reading from the book of the Isaiah.

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 122

- ¹ I was glad when they said to me, *
 "Let us go to the house of the Lord."
- ² Now our feet are standing *
 within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- ³ Jerusalem is built as a city *
 that is at unity with itself;
- ⁴ To which the tribes go up,
 the tribes of the Lord, *
 the assembly of Israel,
 to praise the Name of the Lord.
- ⁵ For there are the thrones of judgment, *
 the thrones of the house of David.

⁶ Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *

“May they prosper who love you.

⁷ Peace be within your walls *

and quietness within your towers.

⁸ For my brethren and companions’ sake, *

I pray for your prosperity.

⁹ Because of the house of the Lord our God, *

I will seek to do you good.”

The Second Reading Romans 13:11-14

Reader A reading from The Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Matthew 24:36-44

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

“But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house

be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

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

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Barbara Anne Fisher

The Nicene Creed

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.

Prayers of the People Form III

We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Jennifer, our Bishop; Barbara Anne+, our priest; and all the clergy in the Diocese of Indianapolis.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Wall around Bethlehem and all other barriers to come down. We also pray for St. Timothy's, Indianapolis and The Rev. Rebecca Nickel.

We pray for our companion diocese of Brasilia (Brazil) and their Bishop, Mauricio.

We pray for the Diocese of Haiti and their Bishop, Jean, and for St. Andre's Parish and School in Mithon.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
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 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.

We thank you for all who are celebrating a birthday or anniversary this week, especially Suzi Redman, Gordon Parks, and Jane Moss. We invite Suzi, Gordon, Jane and anyone with a birthday or anniversary to come forward to receive a blessing.

Creator God, we lift to you Whitney Mays and the Hope House ministry to which St. Paul's has committed in a shared missional ministry. Give to Whitney the wisdom and perseverance to meet the challenges of the move and the new ministry opportunities. Give St. Paul's the vision of how to walk alongside Hope House during this time of transition, supporting Whitney and the Hope House ministry.
O God, hear our prayer.

We lift before you, O God, those lost and injured by the gun violence that is tearing at the heart of our nation. May all who have been touched by the loss of these precious lives feel your Presence surrounding them. Hold them gently in the palm of your hand. Creator God may your love be made known to those in such pain to have done such things, and may your love reach through the darkness of anyone contemplating any act of violence against another of your Creation.
O God, hear our prayer.

Let us also continue to offer prayers for the people of Ukraine, and the women in Iran. Give us courage to stand in solidarity for those fighting for justice. Bring our prayers into unity for peace, give protection and show them your mercy, O God, move mightily to cease the violence in our world.

O God, hear our prayer.

Have compassion on 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.

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 People may add their own petitions.

Silence

Concluding Collect

Creator God, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray to you, O God. **Amen.**

The Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Absolution

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.

Announcements – Vestry Member, Heather Proctor

Offertory

Hosanna To The Living King

Hymnal #486

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider: 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 him thanks and praise.

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

Hymnal #S-129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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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,

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

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 St. Paul 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. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Our Father, who are in heaven, hallowed be they name, they kingdom come, they 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 evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Presider: 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.

Receiving of Communion

Communion Hymn

I Am The Bread Of Life

Hymnal #335

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Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for your presence in the homes of those joining us by Facebook Live. Those of us present here thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and we all thank you 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.

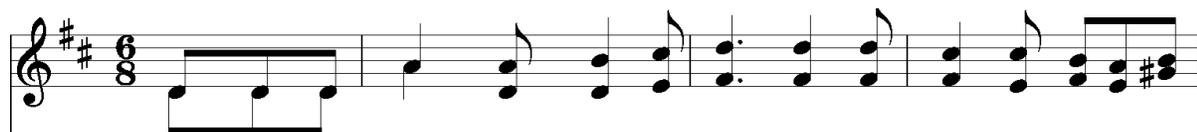
Blessing

And the blessing of God protect you, Christ's hope surround you, and the Spirit's outpouring be upon you, now and always. **Amen.**

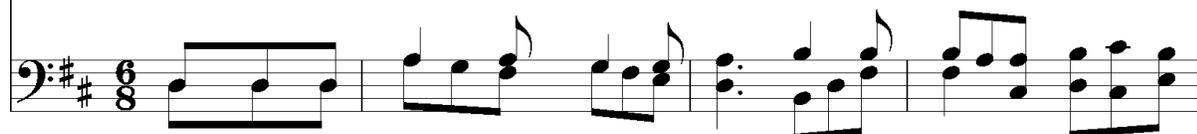
Sending Hymn

People Look East

WLP # 724



1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near of the crown-ing of the
2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is plant - ed
3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build, guard the nest that must be
4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl shall
5. An - gels, an - nounce with shouts of mirth Christ who brings new life to



1. year. Make your house fair as you are a - ble, trim the hearth and set the
2. there: give up your strength the seed to nour - ish, that in course the flow'r may
3. filled. E - ven the hour when wings are fro - zen God for fledg - ling time has
4. brim, shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er, bright as sun and moon to -
5. earth. Set ev - ery peak and val - ley hum - ming with the word, the Lord is



1. ta - ble. Peo-ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the guest is on the way.
2. flour-ish. Peo-ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the rose is on the way.
3. cho - sen. Peo-ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the bird is on the way.
4. geth - er. Peo-ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the star is on the way.
5. com - ing. Peo-ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the Lord is on the way.



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Dismissal

Presider: Let us go forth into the world, bringing the love of God and the hope of Jesus to all.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Prepare The Way Of The Lord

LEVAS #11

Service Ministers for November 27th:

Presider: The Rev. Dr. Barbara Anne Fisher
Altar Guild: Jean Weigle and Altar Guild Team
Crucifer: Dwight Cass
Acolyte: Katherine Cass
Eucharistic Minister: Dwight Cass
Lectors: Jane Parks
Jennifer Swafford
Greeters: Dana & Jean Weigle
Coffee Hour: Lisa Felsman

Service Ministers for December 4th:

Presider: The Rev. Dr. Barbara Anne Fisher
Altar Guild: Carolyn MacDowell
Crucifer: George Eastman
Acolyte: Louise Ronald
Eucharistic Minister: George Eastman
Lectors: George Eastman
Kelley McDermott
Greeters: Barry & Carolyn MacDowell
Coffee Hour: Barry & Carolyn MacDowell

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER:

November 27th – Note: No book study due to Thanksgiving weekend

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday Service @ 10:00 am - Blessing of Pledges

November 28th – Gleaners Food Giveaway

1st Christian Church – 100 S. 10th St. 9:30 – 11:00 am

December 4th – Jesus and The Disinherited Book Study

Simmons' Room @ 9:00 am

Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday Service @ 10:00 am

December 7th – RSH Choir Fund-Raiser @ Old Richmond Inn

See Jonathan for tickets

December 11th – Jesus and The Disinherited Book Study

Simmons' Room @ 9:00 am

Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday Service at 10:00 am

December 14th

Happy Birthday Barbara Anne+

December 18th – Jesus and The Disinherited Book Study

Simmons' Room @ 9:00 am

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday Service @ 10:00 am

Christmas Eve

Saturday, December 24th - 7:00 pm

Christmas Day

Sunday, December 25th - 10:00 am

!Mark your calendars for these two services!

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1st – Suzi Redman 2nd – Gordon Parks 3rd – Jane Moss
11th – Brown Mujete 14th – Barbara Anne+

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

12th – Brown & Petra Mujete 20th – Barbara & George Eastman

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See Jonathan for Tickets!!



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