



Holy Eucharist Rite II

The Second Sunday of Advent
November 14, 2021
10 a.m.

Welcome to Christ Church

Welcome to worship this morning! Whether present in our brick-and-mortar worship space, or through the miracles of [FaceBook](#), [Zoom](#) or our [website](#), we are gathered as the one Body of Christ, seeking solace and strength, pardon and renewal.

As the days grow shorter, the Church enters Advent, a season of heightened expectancy. Our traditions remind us afresh of God's providential power and care in a time of uncertainty. We prepare to perceive anew God's compassion, truth and blessing in Jesus.

This worship bulletin and the hymnals guide our participation in the service this morning. Let us sing and pray out loud with gusto wherever we are!



Loving God and neighbor, in joy and hope, as Jesus teaches

Organ Prelude

Concerto in D minor, BWV 596: IV. *Largo e spiccato*

Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)
arr. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Please stand as able.

Introit

O Antiphon: O Adonai

All O come, O come, thou LORD of might, who to thy tribes on Sinai's height in ancient times didst give the law, in cloud, and majesty, and awe. *Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!*

Hymn 607

God of every nation

Tune: *Llangloffan*

Words: William Watkins Reid, Jr. (b. 1923), alt.

THE WORD OF GOD

Please remain standing as able.

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be the One, Holy, and Living God.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant 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 inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Kyrie S-91

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

All

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All O Lord our God, you gave your law that righteousness might abound: Put it into our hearts to love justice for others as much as we desire it for ourselves, that, as we know you to be our judge, so we may welcome your reign as it is manifested through Jesus Christ our savior; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

Welcome

First Lesson

1 Samuel 1:4-20

Lector On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"

After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."

As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer.

They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

At the conclusion of the reading:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

1 Samuel 2:1-10

The canticle is read responsively, breaking at the asterisk ().*

Hannah prayed and said,

“My heart exults in the LORD; *

my strength is exalted in my God.

My mouth derides my enemies, *

because I rejoice in my victory.

“There is no Holy One like the LORD,

no one besides you; *

there is no Rock like our God.

Talk no more so very proudly, *

let not arrogance come from your mouth;

for the LORD is a God of knowledge, *

and by him actions are weighed.

The bows of the mighty are broken, *

but the feeble gird on strength.

Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, *

but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.

The barren has borne seven, *

but she who has many children is forlorn.

The LORD kills and brings to life; *

he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

The LORD makes poor and makes rich; *

he brings low, he also exalts.

He raises up the poor from the dust; *

he lifts the needy from the ash heap,

to make them sit with princes *

and inherit a seat of honor.

For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, *

and on them he has set the world.

“He will guard the feet of his faithful ones,

but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; *

for not by might does one prevail.

The LORD! His adversaries shall be shattered; *

the Most High will thunder in heaven.

The LORD will judge the ends of the earth;

he will give strength to his king, *

and exalt the power of his anointed.”

Second Lesson

Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

Lector Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and

living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

At the conclusion of the reading:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

Hymn 615

“Thy kingdom come!” on bended knee

Tune: *St. Flavian*

Words: Frederick Lucian Hosmer (1840-1929)

Melody: Day's Psalter, 1562; adapt. And harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

The Gospel

Mark 13:1-8

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Celebrant As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.”

At the conclusion of The Gospel:

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Nick Morris-Kliment

The sermon is followed by a brief silence.

Please stand as able.

The Nicene Creed

Book of Common Prayer, 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.

Please stand or kneel as able.

Prayers of the People

adapted from the Church of England

Intercessor As we prepare to meet the Lord Jesus, let us offer prayers to God who comes as the rising sun into the despair of our lives.

Intercessor In joyful expectation of his coming to our aid we pray to Jesus. Come to your Church as Lord and judge. Help us to live in the light of your coming and give us a longing for your kingdom. Maranatha:

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Intercessor Come to your world as King of the nations. Before you rulers will stand in silence. Maranatha:

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Intercessor Come to the suffering as Savior and comforter. Break into our lives, where we struggle with sickness and distress, and set us free to serve you for ever. Maranatha:

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Intercessor Come to us as shepherd and guardian of our souls. Give us with all the faithful departed a share in your victory over evil and death. Maranatha:

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Intercessor Come from heaven, Lord Jesus, with power and great glory. Lift us up to meet you, that with all your saints and angels we may live and reign with you in your new creation. Maranatha:

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Celebrant Come, Lord Jesus, do not delay; give new courage to your people, who trust in your love. By your coming, raise us to share in the joy of your kingdom on earth as in heaven, where you live and reign with the Father and the Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin adapted from *Enriching Our Worship*, p. 56; *Book of Common Worship*, p. 171

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

A moment of silence is kept.

All God of all mercy, who is coming in power and compassion to bring all nations under your rule,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution

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

Please stand as able.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people exchange a brief sign of Christ's peace.

Please be seated.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offering of the Gifts of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem

○ Heavenly Word

Richard Shephard (1947-2021)

○ heavenly Word, eternal Light, Begotten of the Father's might; Who, in these latter days, was born, For blessing to a world forlorn. Our hearts enlighten from above, And kindle with thine own true love; That we, who hear thy truth today, All wrong desires may cast away. ○ let us not, for evil past Be driven from thy face at last; But with the saints for evermore, Behold Thee, love Thee, and adore. To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, ever One; Praise, honor, might and glory be, From age to age eternally. Amen.

Please stand or kneel as able.

The Great Thanksgiving - Prayer 2

Enriching Our Worship, pp. 60-62

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 God thanks and praise.

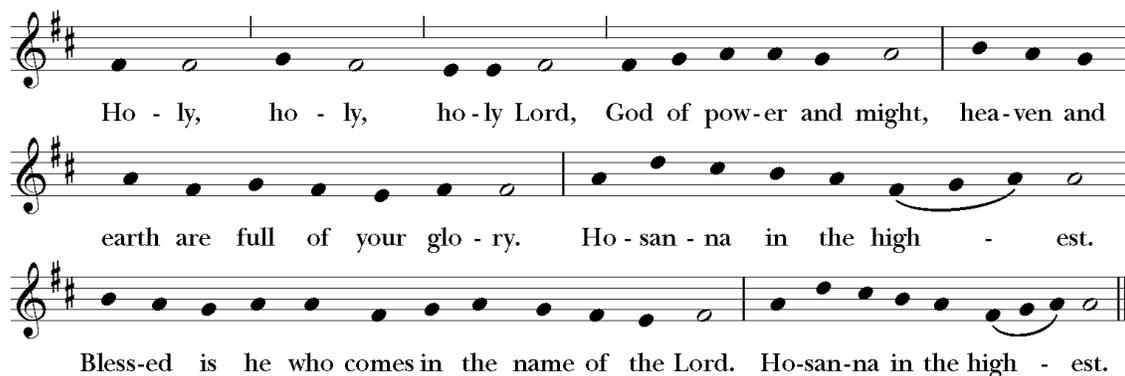
Celebrant We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing :

Sanctus S-124

David Hurd (b. 1950)

All



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.

Please stand or kneel as able.

Celebrant Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the

world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Celebrant 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

A period of silence is kept.

All

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 there - fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Invitation

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

The Communion

Music During Communion

Chorale Prelude on *Mit Freuden zart*

Gerald Near (b. 1942)

Please stand as able.

Post-Communion Prayer

Book of Common Prayer, p. 366

Celebrant Let us pray.

All 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.

Prayer for the Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Celebrant O Adonai and Israel's God, your flame brought Moses to his knees.

All Your mountain brought forth Law and Life: Come and redeem us!

Concluding Blessing

Celebrant May Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty—Christ, Creator, and Spirit—rest upon you now and always. **Amen.**

Please stand as able.

[Hymn 781](#), **Wonder Love and Praise**

Found in the green hymnal.

Signs of endings all around us

Tune: *Tony-Botel*

Words: Dean W. Nelson (b. 1944)

Music: Thomas John Williams (1869-1944)

The people are invited to sit and enjoy the postlude before the dismissal.

Organ Postlude

Concerto in G major, BWV 592: I. (*Allegro moderato*)

Prince Johann Ernst of Saxe-Weimar (1696-1715)

arr. J. S. Bach

Please stand as able.

The Dismissal

Celebrant As we await our coming Savior, go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Please join us at coffee hour in Upper Parish Hall or on [Zoom](#), where we extend the hospitality of the Eucharistic Table.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

Russell Britt and Arthur Wyer by Janet Haines

Greg Gatto by Claudia and Rich Gatto

Frank E. Lingard by Rebecca and Duff Lingard

Kenneth Morrison and Henry Lysaght by Fran Morrison

Your prayers are requested for Pam J., Julia and Family, John, James, Judi, David E., Sonia P., Janet, Billy C., Thomas, Gail, Sarah, and Lois D. And prayer for all serving our country in the Armed Services and for public safety – especially, remembering Brian, Timmy, Tom Z., Emmy, Jack, Sean, Ian, Tim, and Andrew.

This week in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of Bangladesh. Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Alan and Gayle, our Bishops; Amy, Dean of our Cathedral; Carol, our Regional Canon; and Nick, our priest. Also, our companion parish at St. Luc's, Lazil, Haiti and our siblings at the MANNA Community in Boston. This week in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the parishes of Taunton River Deanery: St. Mark's Church, Foxborough; St. John's Church, Franklin; Church of Our Saviour, Middleborough; Grace Church, North Attleborough; and Deputies to Provincial Synod. In the Needham Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Temple Aliyah.

THOSE WHO SERVE

We have opportunities for lay assistants to serve during worship throughout the year. If you haven't been involved before, now is a great time to try it out! [Sign up online here.](#)

Thank you to those serving today!

Lector/Intercessor: Abby Carr

Ushers: William Kence and Amy Sweeney

Crucifer: Katie Black

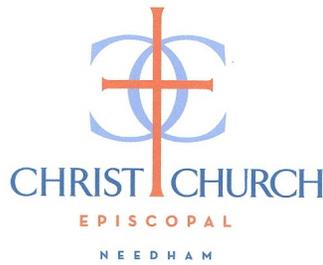
Digital Verger: Tim Lysaght

Altar Guild: Barbara Brailey, Marcia Mather, and Betsy Amsbury

Coffee Hour: The Haiti Committee

LOOSE PLATE

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