



EMMANUEL CHURCH

NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

We share our home, building a vibrant, loving community.

December 18, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Adoration* Florence Price

HYMN 136 *O wondrous type! O vision fair*

ADVENT WREATH

Prayer (said by all): Prayer: Loving God, your mercy and compassion endure forever. Open our hearts, that we may receive your love; and following the example of your Son, spread that love to a love-starved world. Through Jesus Christ, who loved us to the end. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING SENTENCES, Book of Common Prayer (BCP) page 355

COLLECT FOR PURITY

GLORIA: Hymn S278 William Mathias

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant : Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE FIRST READING

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: “Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted.”

-Isaiah 7:10-16

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

PSALM 80:1-6, 16-18



Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a **flock**; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the **cherubim**.

In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and **Manasseh**, *
stir up your strength and come to **help us**.

Restore us, O God of **hosts**; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be **saved**.

O Lord God of **hosts**, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your **people**?

You have fed them with the bread of **tears**; *
you have given them bowls of tears to **drink**.

You have made us the derision of our **neighbors**, *
and our enemies laugh us to **scorn**.

Let your hand be upon the man of your right **hand**, *
the son of man you have made so strong for your**self**.
And so will we never turn away from **you**; *
give us life, that we may call upon your **Name**.
☩ Restore us, O Lord God of **hosts**; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be **saved**.

THE SECOND READING

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, to all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. *-Romans 1:1-7*

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SEQUENCE: Hymn 81 *Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: "Look, the virgin shall conceive

and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus. *-Matthew 1:18-25*

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE RESPONSE

Halleluyan

Muscogee (Creek) Tribe

THE SERMON

The Rev. Canon Meaghan Brower

THE NICENE CREED, BCP, page 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form VI, BCP, page 392

CONFESSION

THE PEACE

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Anthem

Breath of Heaven

Amy Grant

Presentation of Gifts: Hymn 209, Stanzas 1 and 3

We walk by faith, and not by sight, no gracious words we hear
from him who spoke as none e'er spoke, but we believe him near.

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound
to call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP page 367

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS: Hymn S128

William Mathias

THE LORD'S PRAYER: BCP, page 364

FRACTION ANTHEM: S158

O Lamb of God

Healey Willan

COMMUNION HYMN: 516 *Come down, O Love divine*

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER, BCP, page 365

HYMN 82

Of the Father's love begotten

POSTLUDE

Pièce Héroïque

Cesar Franck