



EMMANUEL CHURCH

NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

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

December 4, 2022

Second Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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

PRELUDE

Suite of Dances

Petrus Phalesius

HYMN 259

Hail to the Lord who comes

ADVENT WREATH

Prayer (said by all): Almighty God, you offer rest for our hearts, and peace for our souls. Give us grace to seek peace in our lives, peace in this community, and peace in the world. Through Jesus Christ, the prince of peace. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING SENTENCES, *Book of Common Prayer (red) 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.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE FIRST READING

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the be around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie

down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious. -Isaiah 11:1-10

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

PSALM 72:1-7, 18-19, sung by all



- 1 Give the King your justice, O **God**, *
and your righteousness to the King's **Son**;
- 2 That he may rule your people **righteously** *
and the poor with **justice**;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the **people**, *
and the little hills bring **righteousness**.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the **people**; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the **oppressor**.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon **endure**, *
from one generation to **another**.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown **field**, *
like showers that water the **earth**.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous **flourish**; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no **more**.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord God, the God of **Israel**, *
who alone does wondrous **deeds**!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious Name for **ever**! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. **Amen**.

THE SECOND READING

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope."

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. -Romans 15:4-13

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SEQUENCE: Hymn 76 *On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's cry*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." -Matthew 3:1-12

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE RESPONSE: Hymn WLP 783

Halleluyan

Muscogee (Creek) Tribe



He - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan: he - le, he - le - lu - yan;
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: al - le, al - le - lu - ia;



he - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan: he - le, he - le - lu - yan.
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: al - le, al - le - lu - ia.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Susan Barnes

THE NICENE CREED, *Book of Common Prayer, page 358*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form VI, *Book of Common Prayer, page 392*

CONFESSION, *Book of Common Prayer, page 360*

THE PEACE

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Anthem

Like a Child

Daniel Charles Damon

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, *Book of Common Prayer, page 367*

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS: Hymn S128

William Mathias

THE LORD'S PRAYER: *Book of Common Prayer, page 364*

FRACTION ANTHEM: S158

O Lamb of God

Healey Willan

COMMUNION ANTHEM

What is the crying at Jordan?

Irish melody

Ali Hosford, *soprano*

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER, *Book of Common Prayer, page 365*

HYMN 544

Jesus shall reign

POSTLUDE

The Advent wreath is a treasured way in our Episcopal tradition to mark our progress during Advent as we wait for God's light to break through the darkness with Jesus' birth. While the Advent wreath is a tradition that originated in families, and is not part of our worship liturgies, it is a lovely tradition to remember at the start of worship as we light candles for hope, peace, joy, and love. The four candles do not have any specific meaning within The Episcopal Church, but the themes of hope, peace, joy, and love are perfect for Advent, with joy on the third Sunday — *Gaudete Sunday* — represented by the pink candle. For churches that observe Advent with the liturgical color purple, the pink represents a lift in the observance of Advent as a semi-penitential season, or mini-Lent. In contrast, many Episcopal churches use Sarum blue vestments and altar hangings during Advent, which distinguishes the unique features of hopeful waiting in Advent from the penitence of Lent, as we wait for God to come in human flesh. The prayers we use in our Advent wreath lighting are adapted from the text of The Rev. Matthew Kozlowski written for Virginia Theological Seminary.

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