



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"An Inclusive and Progressive Community of Faith"

The Holy Eucharist

28 November 2021

First Sunday of Advent

Announcements & Welcome

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We begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is within the aboriginal territory of the Suquamish - People of the Clear Salt Water. The Suquamish live in harmony with the lands and waterways along Washing-ton's Central Salish Sea as they have for thousands of years. They live and protect the land and water of their ancestors for future generations as promised by the Point Elliot Treaty of 1855.

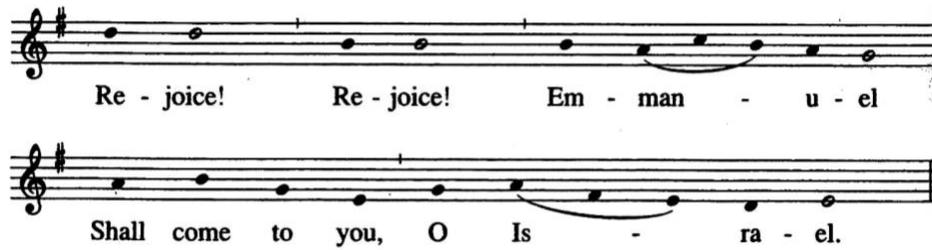
Opening Hymn: Gather Hymnal #395: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (Verses 1-4)

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,
2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high,
3. O come, O come, great Lord of might,
4. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's stem,

And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,
Who or - der all things might - i - ly;
Who to your tribes on Si - nai's height
From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them

That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here show,
To us the path of knowl - edge the Law,
That trust your might - y power to save,

Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
And teach us in her ways to go.
In cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.



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

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

Gloria (from "Mass of Creation" by Marty Haugen)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God, the Father. Amen! Amen!

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray together:

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 forever. Amen.

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

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

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 25:1-9

1 To you, Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in you; *
let me not be disappointed, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 For all those who hope in you shall not be ashamed; *
but only those who wantonly break faith.

- 3 Make known to me your ways, O Lord, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in the way of your truth and teach me, *
you are God my savior; for you have I waited all the day long.
- 5 Call to remembrance, O Lord, your tender care, *
and the unfailing love which you have shown from of old.
- 6 Do not remember the sins and offenses of my youth; *
but according to your mercy, remember me, Lord, in your goodness.
- 7 You, O Lord, are upright and good; *
therefore you show the path to those who go astray.
- 8 You guide the humble to do what is right *
and those who are gentle you teach your way.
- 9 All your ways are loving and sure *
to those who keep your covenant and your commandments.

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and re-store whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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Gospel Acclamation: Gather Hymnal #411: "Advent Alleluia"

Hal - le - lu - ia, hal - le - lu - ia,
hal - le - lu - ia, hal - le - lu - ia!

Verse 1:

Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Luke 21:25-36** ❖ ❖ ❖

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with

power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon: The Rev. Kathleen Kingslight

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant Let us affirm our faith together.

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 (from *Intercessions for the Christian People*)

Celebrant Let us pray our Vision Statement together:

O God, help us to be progressive Christians in an open, inclusive, and affirming community of faith. O Jesus, guide us in providing a safe harbor for everyone on their spiritual journey. O Holy Spirit, be with us in our endeavors to bring God's peace and loving justice into our world in need.

For all peoples of every race, nation and disposition: May your love so embrace us all, that its power overcomes our conflicts, our defenses, and our fears. Quicken us to our true nature as your children that we may love one another. Hear our prayer, O Lord, **and grant us mercy.**

We pray for all those in positions of power, especially Joe our president, Kamala our vice-president, and all members of congress. Hear our prayer, O Lord, **and grant us mercy.**

For all the faiths of the world: May we grow together in our understanding of mission, that we may be strengthened in unity and united in acts of service. Call us to faith and trust in God with our many gifts. Hear our prayer, O Lord, **and grant us mercy.**

For all Christian communities: Renew our vision and experience of Christian community as ever birthing, ever transforming, ever young and open to risk, ever old and full of wisdom. We pray for all ministers, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop, Greg our Bishop, Kathleen our Rector, Navy Chaplain David, and Verger Declan. Hear our prayer, O Lord, **and grant us mercy.**

For those who live in fear and confusion: Whether they be stateless people in refugee camps, or settled people hidden behind high fences, give to the vulnerable strength, and to the secure vulnerability, that our human compassion for one another may end injustice and give our societies a human face. Hear our prayer, O Lord, **and grant us mercy.**

For this community, especially for those who suffer most, for the emotionally and physically ill, for the dying, for those who grieve: May we all, out of our own suffering, give comfort and support. Hear our prayer, O Lord, **and grant us mercy.**

For the larger community around us, especially for the newborn children, the homeless, and the imprisoned: May we create a world where shelter, food and medical care are available for all and where the law protects people for a better chance and

better choices. Hear our prayer, O Lord, **and grant us mercy.**

We pray for our parishioners Susan Calbom and Geoffrey Keeler, Richard and Beth Kelso, and Jackie King. We also pray for these communities of faith: the Episcopal Mission to Seafarers, the Episcopal Retirement Communities, the Earth Ministry, and the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil. Hear our prayer, O Lord, **and grant us mercy.**

On this first day of the year, we gather up our prayers and offer them to you, O Lord, knowing full well that there are signs in the sun and moon and stars and in the com-mon events of ordinary life that call us to attend to your coming. Prepare us for the time of trial and for your dominion, coming now and at the close of this age. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant 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 The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: Gather Hymnal #412: "God of All People"

1. God of all plac - es: pres - ent, un - seen;
 2. God of all dream - ing, near and yet far.
 3. God of all peo - ple, dust and the clay.

Voice in our si - lence, song in our midst.
 Vi - sion un - heard of, wake us to rest.
 Breath of a new wind, fire in our hearts.

We are your peo - ple, know - ing, un - sure.
 We are your pres - ence, sent forth a - fraid.
 Light born of heav - en, peace on the earth.

Come, Lord Je - sus, come!
 Come, Lord Je - sus, come!
 Come, Lord Je - sus, come!

The Great Thanksgiving: *Eucharistic Prayer A*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

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

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Al-mighty, 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

(from "Mass of Creation" by Marty Haugen)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power, God of might,
 heaven and earth are filled with your glory:**

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanks-giving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 forever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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

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 [The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.]

Cantor: Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
Assembly: world, have mer-cy on us.
To repeat
Last time
 world, grant us peace.

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Communion Hymn: Gather Hymnal #415: "My Soul in Stillness Waits"

Refrain

For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness waits;
 En el si-len-cio te a-guar-do a ti, Se-ñor.

To verses *Last time*

tru-ly my hope is in you. you.
 Túe-res mi luz y mi a-mor. mor.

Verses

- O Lord of Light, our on-ly hope of
- O Spring of Joy, rain down up-on our
- O Root of Life, im-plant your seed with-

1. Oh Sol na-cien-te, tu glo-ria es-pe-
 2. Fuen-te de go-zo, da-nos a-gua
 3. En nues-tras al-mas e-cha tus ra-
 4. Sa-bi-du-rí-a, guí-a nues-tros
 5. En su pre-sen-cia en-tre-mos y pos-
 6. Nos re-u-ni-mos con quien los cie-los

glo-ry, Your ra-diance shines in all who look to
 spir-its; Our thirst-y hearts are yearn-ing for your
 in us, And in your ad-vent, draw us all to
 ra-mos Y tu bri-llar en nues-tro co-ra-
 vi-va. Ver-bo de Dios, te-ne-mos sed de
 í-ces. Por tu lle-ga-da a-trá-e-nos a
 pa-sos. Aun-que bus-ca-mos, no hay sa-tis-fac-
 tré-mo-nos. El co-ra-zón a-bra-mos al Se-
 hi-zo, De las mon-ta-ñas y ma-res, el Crea-



you;	Come, light the hearts	of all in dark and
Word;	Come, make us whole,	be com- fort to our
you,	Our hope re - born	in dy - ing and in
<u>zón.</u>	<i>Ven, con tu luz,</i>	<i>a los que es-tán en</i>
<u>ti.</u>	<i>Ven y res - táu - ra - nos,</i>	<i>sé nues - tro con -</i>
<u>ti.</u>	<i>Y por tu pas -</i>	<i>cua da - nos la es - pe -</i>
<u>ción.</u>	<i>Dios de la paz,</i>	<i>en - sé - ña - nos tus</i>
<u>ñor.</u>	<i>So - mos el pue -</i>	<i>blo que Dios es - co -</i>
<u>dor.</u>	<i>Es - tás a - quí,</i>	<i>Se - ñor de las es -</i>

D.C.



shad - ow.
 hearts.
ris - ing.
 som - bras.
 sue - lo.
ran - za.
sen - das.
 gió.
 tre - llas.

4. O Key of Knowledge, guide us in our pilgrimage;
 we ever seek, yet unfulfilled remain;
 open to us the pathway of your peace.
5. Come, let us bow before the God who made us;
 let ev'ry heart be opened to the Lord,
 for we are all the people of his hand.
6. Here we shall meet the Maker of the heavens,
 Creator of the mountains and the seas,
 Lord of the stars, and present to us now.

The Act of Spiritual Communion by St. Alphonsus Liguori (for those livestreaming from home): **My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacra-mentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

Prayer after Communion:

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for-ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Commissioning the Eucharistic Visitors

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We, who are many, are one body because we share one bread and one cup.
Amen.

The Blessing ✠

Closing Hymn: 1982 Hymnal #66: "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

1 Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art;
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

The Great Beginning

Celebrant Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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