



SAINT PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma

December 9, 2018
Second Sunday of Advent
Holy Eucharist Rite I
11:00 AM

Before the Service

Please keep a moment of silence to prepare your hearts and minds for worship and if you so desire you may use the following prayer:

Gracious Father, we pray for thy holy catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in any thing it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ thy Son our Savior. Amen.

Prelude

*Nun komm der Heiden Heiland
(Savior of the Nations, Come)
J.S. Bach*



Processional Hymn

Hymnal 68

[Please stand as you are able]

**1. Rejoice! rejoice, believers,
and let your lights appear!
The evening is advancing,
and darker night is near.
The Bridegroom is arising,
and soon he will draw nigh;
up, watch in expectation!
at midnight comes the cry.**

**2. See that your lamps are burning,
replenish them with oil;
look now for your salvation,
the end of sin and toil.**

**The marriage feast is waiting,
the gates wide open stand;
rise up, ye heirs of glory,
the Bridegroom is at hand!**

**3. Our hope and expectation,
O Jesus, now appear;
arise, thou Sun so longed for,
above this darkened sphere!**

**With hearts and hands uplifted,
we plead, O Lord, to see
the day of earth's redemption,
and ever be with thee!**

Opening Acclamation

Hymnal S77

✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
**And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.
Amen.**

Collect for Purity

BCP 323

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

Summary of the Law

BCP 324

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie

Hymnal S91

Lord, have mercy upon us. (x3)
Christ, have mercy upon us. (x3)
Lord, have mercy upon us. (x3)

Collect of the Day

BCP 159

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

[Please kneel as you are able]

Merciful God, who sent thy 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 liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Lesson

Baruch 5:1-9

[You may be seated]

A Reading from the Book of Baruch.

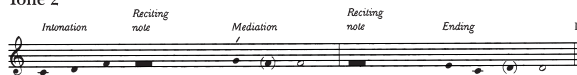
Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven. For God will give you evermore the name, "Righteous Peace, Godly Glory." Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height; look toward the east, and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that God has remembered them. For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies; but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God. The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Canticle 16 - The Song of Zechariah

Tone 2



Blessed be the Lord, the God of / Israel; *
he has come to his people and / set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty / savior, *
born of the house of his / servant David.
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our / enemies, *
from the hands of / all who hate us.
He promised to show mercy to our / fathers *
and to remember his holy / covenant.
This was the oath he swore to our father / Abraham,*
to set us free from the hands / of our enemies,
Free to worship him without / fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days / of our life.
You, my child, shall be called
the prophet of the / Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to pre/pare his way,
To give people knowledge of sal/vation *
by the forgiveness / of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our / God *
the dawn from on high shall / break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness
and the shadow of / death, *
and to guide our feet into the / way of peace.

Lesson

Phillipians 1:3-11

A Reading from the Letter to the Phillipians.

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn

Hymnal 56

[Please stand as you are able]

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!*

3. 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.

Gospel

Luke 3:1-6

✠ ✠ ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Gospel Hymn

Hymnal 56

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!*

4. O come, thou Branch of Jesse's tree,
free them from Satan's tyranny
that trust thy mighty power to save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.

Sermon

[You may be seated after the opening prayer]

The Rev. Canon Dr. Bill Carroll

[After the sermon there will be a moment of
silence for private meditation]

Creed

BCP 326

[Please stand as you are able]

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

Form 1, BCP 383

With all our heart and with all our mind, *let us pray to the Lord*, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

[Please kneel as you are able]

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, *let us pray to the Lord*.

Lord, have mercy.

For Justin of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Edward, our Bishop; David, Vicar General of Uruguay; and the clergy and people of the diocese of Oklahoma and our companion diocese of Uruguay, *let us pray to the Lord*.

Lord, have mercy.

For Donald, our President; Mary, our Governor; Kevin, our Governor-elect; and David, our Mayor; for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, *let us pray to the Lord*.

Lord, have mercy.

For Oklahoma City, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, *let us pray to the Lord*.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, *let us pray to the Lord*.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace and wellbeing of all who defend our country at home and abroad, especially those in dangerous circumstances, *let us pray to the Lord*.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially: [special intentions], and for all in need of healing, *let us pray to the Lord*.

Lord, have mercy.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for..., *let us pray to the Lord*.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who are celebrating special occasions: [Special Intentions] For all who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and for all who are traveling, *let us pray to the Lord.*

Lord, have mercy.

✠ We bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, for those we hold in memory this day and for the recently departed..., *let us pray to the Lord.*

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, *let us pray to the Lord.*

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Paul and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, *to Christ our God.*

To thee, O Lord our God.

[The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect]

Confession

BCP 331

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

[Silence is kept]

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings: the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

BCP 332

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, ✠ have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

BCP 332

[Please stand as you are able]

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And with thy spirit.

[You may share a greeting of peace
with those near you]

Children's Message & Lighting of the Advent Wreath

[You may be seated]

[Children are invited to come forward]

Welcome

Offertory Sentence *BCP 376, Ephesians 5:2*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory

Text: Joel 2:1

Music: Martin Peerson

Blow out the trumpet, blow in Sion,
and sound an alarum in my holy mountaine.
Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble,
for the day of the Lord cometh,
for it is nigh at hand.

Doxology

Hymnal 76, verse 5

[Please stand as you are able]

All praise, eternal Son, to thee,
whose advent doth thy people free;
whom with the Father we adore
and Holy Spirit evermore.

Great Thanksgiving

BCP 334

The Lord be with you.

And with thy Spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty,
that we should at all times, and in all places,
give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father,
almighty, everlasting God.

Proper Preface for Advent BCP 345

Because thou didst send thy 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 with Angels and Archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we laud and magnify thy glorious Name;
evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus

Hymnal S114

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer II

BCP 334

[Please kneel as you are able]

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-loved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be Φ filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom,
in the unity of the Holy Ghost
all honor and glory be unto thee,
O Father Almighty, world without end.
AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal S119

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.**

Agnus Dei

Hymnal S158

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins
of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins
of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins
of the world, grant us thy peace.**

Prayer of Humble Access

BCP 337

We do not presume to come to this thy Table,
O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in thy manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much
as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.
But thou art the same Lord
whose property is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him,
and he in us. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion of the People

[You may be seated]

Communion Music

Hymnal 68

*Oh, blest is Christ that came
in God's most holy name.*

1. Prepare the way, O Zion,
your Christ is drawing near!
Let every hill and valley
a level way appear.
Greet One who comes in glory,
foretold in sacred story.
2. He brings God's rule, O Zion;
he comes from heaven above.
His rule is peace and freedom,
and justice, truth, and love.
Lift high your praise resounding,
for grace and joy abounding.
3. Fling wide your gates, O Zion;
your Savior's rule embrace.
His tidings of salvation
proclaim in every place.
All lands will bow before him,
their voices will adore him.

Post-communion Prayer

BCP 339

Let us pray.

[Please stand or kneel as you are able]

Almighty and everliving God,
we most heartily thank thee
for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries,
with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and dost assure us thereby of thy favor
and goodness towards us;
and that we are very members incorporate
in the mystical body of thy Son,
the blessed company of all faithful people;
and are also heirs, through hope,
of thy everlasting kingdom.
And we humbly beseech thee,
O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace,
that we may continue in that holy fellowship,
and do all such good works
as thou hast prepared for us to walk in;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Advent Blessing

Book of Occasional Services

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. **Amen.**

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. **Amen.**

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, ☩ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Hymnal 67

[Please stand as you are able]

1. Comfort, comfort ye my people,
speak ye peace, thus saith our God;
comfort those who sit in darkness
mourning 'neath their sorrows' load.

Speak ye to Jerusalem
of the peace that waits for them;
tell her that her sins I cover,
and her warfare now is over.

2. Hark, the voice of one that crieth
in the desert far and near,
calling us to new repentance
since the kingdom now is here.
Oh, that warning cry obey!
Now prepare for God a way;
let the valleys rise to meet him
and the hills bow down to greet him.

3. Make ye straight what long was crooked,
make the rougher places plain;
let your hearts be true and humble,
as befits his holy reign.
For the glory of the Lord
now o'er earth is shed abroad;
and all flesh shall see the token
that the word is never broken.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People
Alfred Fedak



Pastoral Prayers

If you desire pastoral prayers, please make that request of one of our clergy after the conclusion of the worship service in Oakerhater Chapel.

To the Glory of God

The Bread and Wine, Sanctuary Light and Wednesday Mobile Meals are given to the Glory of God in memory of Anne Dennis and in thanksgiving for the birthday of Caroline Dennis.

Today's Music

Today's organ prelude is based on Hymn 54, "Savior of the nations, come". Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) has composed an introspective and hauntingly beautiful setting of this melody which seems to capture the Advent themes of longing and expectation. The postlude is based on Hymn 67, "Comfort, comfort ye my people". This setting is by 20th-21st century American organist/composer Alfred Fedak, Director of Arts at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Albany, NY.

The Cathedral Choir sings a terrific anthem, "Blow Out the Trumpet, Blow" by English composer Martin Peerson, born between 1571 and 1573; died December 1650 or January 1651 and buried 16 January 1651. Despite Roman Catholic leanings at a time when it was illegal not to subscribe to Church of England beliefs and practices, he was highly esteemed for his musical abilities and held posts at St Paul's Cathedral and, it is believed, Westminster Abbey.

Hymn Notes

Rejoice! rejoice, believers - Hymnal 68

Laurenti, considered one of the finest of pietistic hymn writers, wrote a set of texts and tunes for the entire church year. This hymn, based on Matthew 25:1-13 (the story of the wise and foolish virgins) was intended for a Sunday in Trinity season, but it usually is included in the Advent section. It is a call for us to be prepared to meet the Bridegroom (Jesus) whose coming is imminent.

Comfort, comfort ye my people - Hymnal 67

Based on Isaiah 40:1-5, the text is for Advent but written for St. John the Baptist's Day, June 24. The rhythm of the tune suggests a dance for joy at the coming of the Lord.

Those Serving Today

Canon Musician H. Scott Raab

Cathedral Choir: Katie Armistead, Matt Armistead, Sharon Ellington, Richard Jobe, Lou Kohlman, Zach Malavolti, Gail Malmstrom, Dustin Morningstar, Leah McDonald, Michael Pugh, Mary Reynolds, Aleithia Stephens, Keith Taggart, Jeanise Wynn

Altar Guild: Meredith Cook, Mary Lu Jarvis, Heather Branscum, Laurie Jones, Mary Schneeberger, Paula Stover, John Turman, Anne Kueteman

Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Susan Colley Joplin

Preacher: The Rev. Canon Dr. Bill Carroll

Assisting: The Rev. Marilyn Robertson,
The Rev. Gerald Butcher

Children's Message: The Rev. Tim Sean Youmans

Acolytes: John Koons, Noah Youmans, Max Hill, Sam Bonsteel, Lauren Paque, Will Bendure

Verger: Jeff Erwin

Lector-First Lesson: Kurt Bielstein

Lector-Second Lesson: Elizabeth King

Intercessor: Elizabeth McGuinness

Eucharistic Ministers: Elizabeth King, Elizabeth McGuinness, Jeff Erwin, John Koons

Ushers: Bill Cunningham, Bill Duckworth, Dennis Haywood, Dennis Byford

Audio: Karen Tucker

This Week @ St. Paul's

Sunday, 9

- 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (*no Music*) – Cathedral
- 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II – Cathedral
- 10:10 AM Liturgy 101 – Dean Willey Hall
- 10:10 AM Church School – Undercroft
- 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I – Cathedral
- 4:00 PM The Bible Project – Dean Willey Hall
- 5:00 PM Compline – Cathedral

Monday, 10

- 9:00 AM St. George's Guild Outreach – Back Bldg.
- 12:00 PM Lectio Divina – Parlor

Tuesday, 11

- 12:10 PM Al-Anon – Undercroft
- 6:00 PM Yoga – Dean Willey Hall
- 6:00 PM CoDA – Library
- 6:30 PM St. Nicholas Guild – 623 Culbertson
- 7:15 PM Nar-Anon – Undercroft

Wednesday, 12

- 9:00 AM Mobile Meals – Kitchen
- 9:00 AM St. George's Guild Outreach – Back Bldg.
- 6:00 PM Lectio Divina – Parlor

Thursday, 13

- 12:10 PM Holy Eucharist – Chapel (*Fr. Ostrander*)
- 1:30 PM Lectio Divina – Parlor

Friday, 14

- 9:00 AM St. George's Guild Outreach – Back Bldg.

Saturday, 15

- 10:00 AM Centering Prayer – Parlor

Sunday, 16

- 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (*no Music*) – Cathedral
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