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Celebrations & Thanksgivings • November 29 - December 5

Birthdays

Mark Libera, Maurice Fliess, Skylar Angerosa, Lou Murphy, Kaila Gozdieski,
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Anniversaries

Larry & Sarah Murphy, Bill & Jennifer Richmond

Flowers are given to the glory of God.

DAILY MORNING PRAYER: RITE TWO

THE PRELUDE • Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus • *Hyfrydol*
Seth Galoci, French horn

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

Officiant We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. *Psalm 33:20*

The first candle is lit.

Let us pray.

Eternal God, as we await the coming of our savior, give us the courage to hope. Give us grace to see your plans of redemption for our lives, for this community, and for the world; through Jesus Christ, the source of our redemption and hope. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN • #57 v. 1 & 2 • Lo! He Comes, With Clouds Descending • *Helmsley*

1. Lo! He comes, with clouds descending,
once for our salvation slain;
thousand thousand saints attending
swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ the Lord returns to reign.
2. Every eye shall now behold him,
robed in dreadful majesty;
those who set at nought and sold him,
pierced, and nailed him to the tree,
deeply wailing, deeply wailing, deeply wailing,
shall the true Messiah see.

The service will be led by the Officiant and the Voices of the Congregation.

The People are encouraged to read the parts in bold with the Voices of the Congregation.

Officiant In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.
Isaiah 40:3

Officiant 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.

Officiant 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 INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

ANTIPHON

Our King and Savior now draws near: Come let us adore him.

CANTICLE • Wait For The Lord • *Taizé*

Wait for the Lord, his day is near
Wait for the Lord, be strong, take heart

Wait for the Lord, his day is near
Wait for the Lord, be strong, take heart.

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PSALM 80:1-7, 16-18

The Psalm will be read aloud by the Lay Reader and the Voices of the Congregation responsively by half verse. The People are encouraged to read the parts in bold with the Voices of the Congregation.

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 O Lord God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

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

Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

Isaiah 64:1-9

Reader A reading from Isaiah.

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him.

You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways.

But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed.

We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.

We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.

Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.

Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever.

Now consider, we are all your people.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE • Prepare Ye, The Way of the Lord • Stephen Schwartz

Prepare ye, the way of the Lord
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MARK 13:24-37

Reader A reading from the Gospel according to Mark.

Jesus said, “In those days, after that suffering,
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,

and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SERMON • The Rev. Dr. Anne Fredericks Cooper

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All together

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**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.**

Officiant Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

People **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

Day by day we bless you;

We praise your Name for ever.

Lord keep us from all sin today;

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

Lord, show us your love and mercy;

For we put our trust in you.

In you, Lord, is our hope;

And we shall never hope in vain.

Officiant 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 for ever. **Amen.**

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being. We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Adapted by the Rev. Laura Cochran from The Church of England's Common Worship intercessions for Advent.

The Officiant and People pray responsively

Officiant In joyful expectation of his coming to our aid we pray to Jesus.

Come to your Church as Lord and judge. We pray for our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, our own Bishops Susan Goff, Jennifer Brooke-Davidson, and Porter Taylor, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God. Help us to live in the light of your coming and give us a longing for your kingdom.

Come, Lord Jesus.
And hear our prayer.

Come to your world as King of the nations. We pray for our President and Vice President, President-Elect and Vice President Elect, Governors of States, Mayors, and all who govern and hold authority in the world. Before you rulers will stand in silence.

Come, Lord Jesus.
And hear our prayer.

Come to the suffering as Savior and comforter. We pray for Jamie, Bruce and Jean, Al, Gerald, Terry, Rich, Fran, Carl, Gretchen, Lauren, George, Rochelle and those we now name. . . . Break into our lives, where we struggle with sickness and distress, and set us free to serve you for ever.

Come, Lord Jesus.
And hear our prayer.

Come to us as shepherd and guardian of our souls. We remember lives lost to the coronavirus and all whom we love but see no longer, including . . . Give us with all the faithful departed a share in your victory over evil and death.

Come, Lord Jesus.
And hear our prayer.

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

Come, Lord Jesus.
And hear our prayer.

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.**

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

All together

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.**

We bless you for our creation, preservation,
 and all the blessings of this life;
 but above all for your immeasurable love
 in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
 for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
 And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
 that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
 not only with our lips, but in our lives,
 by giving up our selves to your service,
 and by walking before you
 in holiness and righteousness all our days;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
 be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN • LEVAS #14 v. 1 - 4 • Soon and Very Soon • *Andrae Crouch*

1. Soon and very soon, we are going to see the king,
 Soon and very soon, we are going to see the king,
 Soon and very soon, we are going to see the king,
 Hallelujah, hallelujah
 We are going to see the king

2. No more cryin' there, we are going to see the king,
 No more cryin' there, we are going to see the king,
 No more cryin' there, we are going to see the king,
 Hallelujah hallelujah
 We are going to see the king.

3. No more dyin' there, we are going to see the king,
 No more dyin' there, we are going to see the king,
 No more dyin' there, we are going to see the king,
 Hallelujah hallelujah
 We are going to see the king.
 Hallelujah, hallelujah.
 Hallelujah, hallelujah

4. Soon and very soon, we are going to see the king,
 Soon and very soon, we are going to see the king,
 Soon and very soon, we are going to see the king,
 Hallelujah hallelujah
 We are going to see the king.
 Hallelujah, hallelujah.
 Hallelujah, hallelujah.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Officiants • *The Rev. Dr. John D. Stonesifer, The Rev. Laura Cochran*

Sermon • *The Rev. Dr. Anne Fredericks Cooper*

Voices of the Congregation • *Jane & Paul Miller*

Lay Reader • *Tom Smith*

Organist/Choir Director • *Lisa Tyler*

French horn • *Seth Galoci*

Acolytes • *Emily Besuden, Darrell Dennis*

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