

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 9, 2018
THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II – 10:30 A.M.

The Service begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer.

Prelude: Reprise

Paul Manz (1919–2009)

THE WORD OF GOD

The Advent wreath is lit as the Choir sings the Introit.

Introit *Populus Sion*

Plainsong

People of Zion, look up! The Lord is near at hand to redeem the nations; and in the gladness of your hearts the Lord shall cause his glorious voice to be heard.

– Isaiah 30

Hymn 76: “On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry” (*omit st. 5*)

Winchester New, *stand*

Opening Sentences

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

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

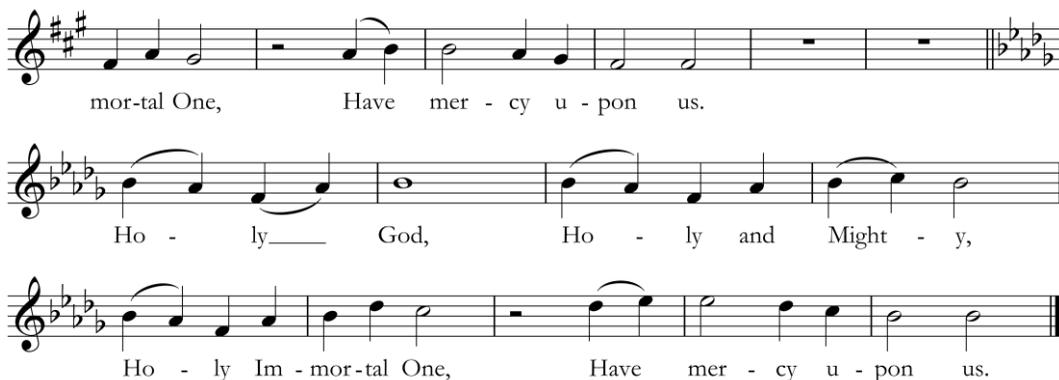
The Collect for Purity

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

Trisagion

David Sinden (b. 1982)

The musical score for the Trisagion is written in 2/2 time and consists of three staves. The first staff is labeled 'Organ:' and the second and third staves are labeled 'All:'. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy u - pon us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -'.



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Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy u - pon us.

The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: 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.

People: **Amen.**

The Lessons

Lector: A Reading from The Book of Baruch. (5: 1-9)

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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.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Song of Zechariah (Canticle 16)

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 prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation

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.

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Hymn 462: “The Lord will come and not be slow”

York, *stand*

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
(3: 1-6)

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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.' "

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon: The Reverend Joseph Wallace-Williams

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The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

Lector: In this season of Advent, let us offer our prayers to God, saying: Lord, have mercy.

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That our gracious Savior may rouse us from sleep and make us attentive to the nearness of his presence, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: That we may discover God's word in every sound of this world, God's healing in every act of forgiveness, and God's love in every gesture of self-sacrifice among us, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: That we may come to recognize in our holy assembly gathered for prayer that Jesus the Christ is with us here, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: That the leaders of the church, in both word and deed, may show forth God's love for the world, remembering especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Wayne, our Bishop, and Luke, Kelly and Joseph, our clergy, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: That all in any need, especially those served by our ministry partners Beyond Housing, Episcopal City Mission, The Haven of Grace, and Bravely, may receive God's mercy and grace, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: That all who suffer from sickness of body, mind or spirit may know the power of God's love, especially Eve Ballman, Robert Barringer, Bruce Carvell and Karmen Selby, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: That all who have died may find eternal life in God's loving presence, remembering especially Gloria Covert, Ned Klein, Erle Lionberger, and Flo and Andy Baur, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector: That God's coming into the days and years of our human history may be always new, always brimming with light to drive all darkness away, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: 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. And accept our thanks and praise for all your gifts so generously given, make ready our hearts for your coming, and receive our prayers in the name of the one who comes, your Son, our Savior, Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

Priest: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: **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.**

The Absolution

Priest: 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.

All: **Amen.**

Exchanging the Peace

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The children join the Service from their Sunday School classes.

Announcements

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized persons are invited to receive Communion.

If you would like to receive gluten-free bread, let the priest know at the altar rail.

The Offertory Anthem

Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed and denied not, and said plainly, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What art thou then? Art thou Elias? And he said, I am not. Art thou the prophet? And he answered, No.

Then said they unto him, What art thou? that we may give an answer unto them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? And he said, I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord.

– *John 1: 19–23*

The Presentation (*Hymn 76, stanza 5*)

Winchester New, *stand*

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

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus and Benedictus (*Hymnal S 129*)

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The Lord's Prayer

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Breaking of the Bread

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Administration of the Sacrament

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Motet: E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come

Paul Manz (1919–2009)

Peace be to you and grace from him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood
That we might saved be.
Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
the Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
Sing holy, holy Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell
therein,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon,
For Christ is coming soon!
E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!

– Ruth Manz, after Revelation 22

Hymn 75: “There's a voice in the wilderness crying”

Ascension

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

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The Blessing

Hymn 65: “Prepare the way, O Zion”

Bereden väg för Herran, *stand*

The Dismissal

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary: Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661
(*Savior of the Nations, come; Hymn 54*)

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

MUSIC NOTES: The Offertory Anthem, *This is the record of John* has been called “one of the most remarkable of all Tudor verse anthems.” It is a “verse anthem” because it sets a solo voice in contrast with the full choir. *Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)* originally wrote this music to be accompanied by a consort of viols. • *E’en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come* had its origin in a hospital room. American composer *Paul Manz* and his wife *Ruth Manz* were keeping vigil over their three-year-old son who was gravely ill. Ruth gave Paul some words that she had based on Revelation 22 and Paul sketched the composition that night. The anthem is dedicated to the Manz’s son, John, who “miraculously and through prayer by a lot of people” survived. The anthem was broadcast internationally when sung live at King’s College, Cambridge on Christmas Eve, 2004.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God

In loving memory of L. Edward “Ned” Klein.

In loving memory of Flo and Andy Baur.

Lector/Eucharistic Ministers:	Bryan Miller, Wendy Olk
Ushers:	Matt Bouchard, Cindy Kohlbry, Doug Adderton, Adam Sutter
Acolytes:	Billy Bitting, Mateo Sanchez, Tommy Sheehan Will Sloane, James Walters
Acolyte Master:	Ann Randazzo
Hospitality:	Cynthia Dressel, Maureen Manget, Deidre Daniels
Altar Guild:	Connie Lohr, Frances Gay, Susan Schettler, DeWayne Trainer
Counters:	Lisa Acker, Tosca Schaberg

PRAYER LIST

For Parishioner: Eve Ballman.

For Family and Friends: Robert Barringer, Bruce Carvell and Karmen Selby.

For the Faithful Departed: Gloria Covert, Ned Klein and Erle Lionberger.

For those Committed to Our Ongoing Prayers: Patricia Beseda, Donna Brookman, Chris Canepa, Amanda Carstens, Patricia Drew, Martha Ferguson, Meg Fuller, Jimmy Grimmett, Richard Hamman, Patty Hecker, Paul Johnson, Susan Kerkering, Marcy Kovis, Rick Ledbetter, Sandy Lehrer, Sophia Mandl, Elizabeth Mendoza, Matthew Meinen, Cheryl Meyer, Bryan Miller, Michael Montgomery, Signe Myles, Jeffrey Rixleben, Sarah Roberts, Ray Sellenriek, Dan Singer, Gerald Spencer, Jane St. John, Madeline Tufts, Timothy Vowels and Dick Williams.

TODAY...

CHILDCARE is available in the Little Building from 9:00 until 11:45 a.m.

PARISH BREAKFAST – Come enjoy a hot breakfast in the Undercroft today, served from 8:45 until 10:00. The cost is \$3 per person or \$10 per family.

RECTOR'S FORUM meets each Sunday morning, 9:15-10:00 a.m. in the Undercroft. This morning's discussion will focus on the book *Advent Conspiracy: Making Christmas Meaningful (Again)*. On December 16th and 23rd David Sinden and Luke Jernagan will explore the theological meaning and power of our favorite Christmas carols!

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL – All ages, please join us in Grace Chapel, 10:15 to 10:25 a.m. each Sunday before Sunday School!

TRINITY HOT LUNCH – If you would like to help cook and serve Trinity's Hot Lunch today, 1:15-3:00 p.m., contact Bill Gilbert at turkgobble@aol.com or 314-283-5288. High school teens are welcome with their parents.

YOUTH PARTY – Come out for a gutter ice cream sundae, pizza and to meet Fr. Joseph **today at Noon** in the Undercroft. Be there or be square!!!!

ANNUAL GIVING – “WALKING IN THE WAY OF LOVE” – Thank you to all who have pledged your support to the 2019 Annual Giving campaign. To date, we have 195 pledges totaling \$768,396, or 67% of our \$1,150,000 goal. We still need everyone’s participation to reach our goal! Please return your pledge card via mail, place it in the Sunday collection, or you can pledge online at www.stpetersepiscopal.org.

THIS WEEK...

NEWS DEADLINE – Please submit news to the Church Office by noon on Tuesdays.

ST. PETER’S CARES – Need a ride, a meal or a prayer? St. Peter’s has a ministry that can help – that’s St. Peter’s Cares! Leave a voicemail or email (314-993-2306, ext. 125 or shepherd@stpetersepiscopal.org) and a Shepherd will contact you within 24 hours.

MEN’S BREAKFAST – Join us in the Undercroft at 7:15 a.m. this Tuesday.

WOMAN’S GUILD – Join us this Tuesday for our annual Christmas luncheon at Noon, and enjoy Christmas music!

GIVING TREE – Wednesday this week is the deadline to return gifts for the Giving Tree. Please bring your unwrapped gift, with your ornament attached. Thank you!

SEARCHING FOR GOD IN THE DAILY NEWS meets on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the Conference Room across from the office. Come explore the lively intersection where theology meets current events.

BIBLE STUDY – Join us at 7:00 on Thursday mornings in the Elliot Room.

PRAYER GROUP – Everyone is welcome on Friday mornings at 10:00 in the Elliot Room to pray for the needs of the parish and the world.

39 AND HOLDING – For everyone feeling somewhere between 39 and 99, join us for a night of fellowship and fun at Annie Vogt’s home this Friday, December 14th at 6:00 p.m. RSVP to Annie at 314-520-6267, annievogt@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS...

SANDWICH MAKERS – Join us next Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the Undercroft kitchen.

CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT – Every child, age 3 through Grade 8, is invited to have a part in St. Peter’s annual joyful Christmas Pageant on Christmas Eve at 4:00 p.m. Please contact Ann Babington at annbabington@gmail.com to sign up and then watch for more information!

CHRISTMAS SERVICES – Please note the service times:

Monday, Christmas Eve	4:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist/Pageant
	6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
	11:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist (Carols begin at 10:30 p.m.)
Tuesday, Christmas Day	10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 9 - 16, 2018

Sunday	12/9		The Second Sunday of Advent
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
		8:45-10:00	Parish Breakfast – Undercroft
		9:15 a.m.	Rector’s Forum – Undercroft
		10:15 a.m.	Children’s Chapel
		10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
		12:00 Noon	Youth Party
		1:15 p.m.	Trinity Hot Lunch
Tuesday	12/11	7:15 a.m.	Men’s Breakfast
		12:15 p.m.	Woman’s Guild Christmas Luncheon
		4:30 p.m.	Bell Choir
Wednesday	12/12		Giving Tree Deadline
		1:00 p.m.	Searching for God in the Daily News
		5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
			Young Adults’ Christmas Party – off-campus
Thursday	12/13	7:00 a.m.	Bible Study
		6:00 p.m.	Choristers
		7:15 p.m.	Parish Choir
Friday	12/14	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Group
		6:00 p.m.	39 and Holding Dinner – off-campus
Saturday	12/15	10:00 a.m.	Confirmation Class Project – off-campus
Sunday	12/16		The Third Sunday of Advent
		8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
		8:45-10:00	Parish Breakfast – Undercroft
		9:15 a.m.	Rector’s Forum – Undercroft
			Sandwich Makers
		10:15 a.m.	Children’s Chapel
		10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist