

THE BLESSING

Celebrant May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you
and scatter the darkness from before your path;
and the blessing of God, Creator, Sustainer and Giver of Life
be with you always.

All **Amen.**

HYMN “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”

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Come, thou long expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver,
born a child and yet a King,
born to reign in us forever:
now thy gracious kingdom bring.

By thine own eternal Spirit,
rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit,
raise us to thy glorious throne.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

All **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

*Thank you for joining us today if you are here in person, please do stay for
refreshments afterwards.*

*If you are new and would like to meet a warden or member of the clergy please do reach out
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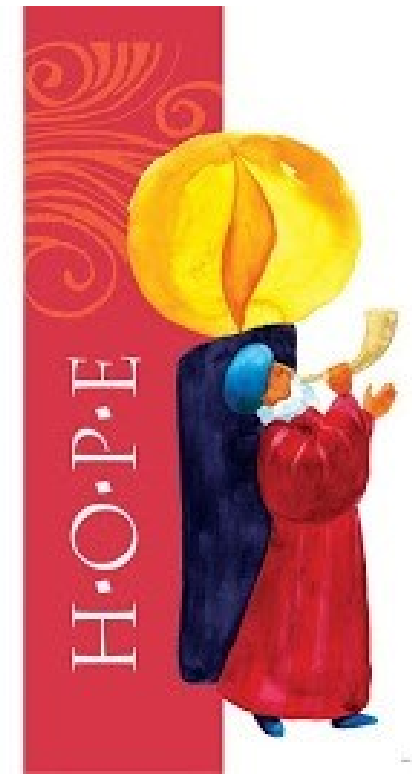


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11 AM SUNDAY SERVICE BULLETIN

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
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We acknowledge the ancestral, traditional, and unceded territory of the Coast Salish peoples,
including the X̱məθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), and Seil̓íwítl̓h
(Tsleil-Waututh) Nations where we live, work, and worship.

We welcome all and especially newcomers and visitors, whoever you are and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith. Whenever you see this sign, + before a word or text, you are invited to make the sign of the cross.

GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

The clergy will enter and kneel to pray. At this point, please move to your seats and conclude conversations quietly. The celebrant then welcomes the gathering informally.

THE GREETING

Celebrant We acknowledge with respect that we worship on the traditional and unceded territories of the Xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), and Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

A moment of silence is kept.

HYMN “Thy Kingdom Come, O Lord”



2. Where is Thy reign of peace,
And purity, and love?
When shall all hatred cease,
As in the realms above?

3. When comes the promised time
when war shall be no more —
and lust, oppression, crime,
Shall flee Thy face before?

4. We pray Thee, Lord, arise,
And come in Thy great might;
Revive our longing eyes,
Which languish for Thy sight.

5. Some scorn Thy sacred name,
And wolves devour Thy fold;
By many deeds of shame
We learn that love grows cold.

6. O’er lands both near and far
Thick darkness broodeth yet:
Arise, O Morning Star,
Arise, and never set!

The celebrant greets the community.

During the distribution, the choir sings:

I O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

6 O come, O Dayspring from on high,
and cheer us by your drawing nigh;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadow put to flight. [Refrain]

Refrain:
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel!

5 O come, O Key of David, come,
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery. [Refrain]

7 O come, Desire of nations, bind
in one the hearts of humankind;
O bid our sad divisions cease,
and be for us our Prince of Peace. [Refrain]

THE CONCLUDING RITE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.

The community prays in silence.

Celebrant God for whom we wait,
All you have fed us with the bread of eternal life.
Keep us ever watchful,
that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man.
We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Glory to God,
All whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus
for ever and ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LORD’S PRAYER *(said)*

Celebrant Now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
and each in the language in which you pray, we are bold to say,

All **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

Celebrant Be present, be present, Lord Jesus Christ, crucified and risen;

All **make yourself known in the breaking of bread.**

THE INVITATION

Celebrant This is the table, not of the righteous,
but of the poor in spirit.
It is made ready for those who love God
and who want to love God more.

So come, you who have much faith and you who have little,
You who have been here often
and you who have not been for a long time or ever before,
You who have tried to follow and all of us who have failed.
Come, not because the Church invites you;
It is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.
The gifts of God for the people of God

All **Thanks be to God.**

THE COMMUNION

*Everyone is invited to share in the communion through receiving the bread or, if preferred,
a prayer of blessing. Communion is shared according to local COVID-19 protocols.*

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

All **And also with you.**

The Celebrant introduces the Season of Advent and then continues with...

THE COLLECT OF PURITY

Deacon Almighty God,
All **to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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.**

ADVENT WREATH

The first candle is lit and the choir sings The Candle Song by Graham Kendrick.

1. Like a candle flame Flickering small in our darkness Uncreated light Shines through infant eyes	2. Stars and angels sing Yet the earth sleeps in shadows Can this tiny spark Set a world on fire?
<i>God is with us, alleluia x2 Come to save us, alleluia x2 Alleluia!</i>	3. Stars and angels sing Yet the earth sleeps in shadows Can this tiny spark Set a world on fire?

Celebrant We wait in hope for the Lord;
All **Who is our help and our shield.**

Celebrant Let us pray.
Eternal God, as we await the coming of our saviour,
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.
All **Amen**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant Let us pray.

The community prays in silence.

Celebrant God of justice and peace,
from the heavens you rain down mercy and kindness.
Raise our heads in expectation,
so that we may yearn for the coming day of the Lord
and stand without blame before your Son, Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

All Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God
as it comes to us in the reading of Holy Scriptures.

All Our hearts and minds are open.

FIRST READING

Stephen Macdonald

Reader A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH
The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil 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." JEREMIAH 33:14-16

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

All Thanks be to God.

Musical Interlude.

SECOND READING

Stephen Macdonald

Reader A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE THESSALONIANS

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 restore 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. I THESSALONIANS 3:9-13

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 many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

All

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.

All

Amen.

Therefore we praise you,
joining our voices with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven,
who for ever sing this hymn
to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of 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.**

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
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.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
All Thanks be to God.

Musical Interlude. At the conclusion, please stand as you are able for....

THE GOSPEL

Stephen Macdonald

Reader The Lord be with you.
All And also with you.

Reader +The Holy Gospel of Jesus the Christ according to Luke.
All Glory to you, Lord Jesus 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." LUKE 21:25-36

Reader The Gospel of Christ.
All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

THE SERMON

AFFIRMING OUR FAITH (*The Apostles’ Creed*)

Celebrant Let us give voice to our convictions and substance to our hopes.
**All 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 OF THE PEOPLE

Royal Garren

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon When the Lord comes, he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness,
and will disclose the purposes of the heart.
Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

Deacon Most merciful God,
All 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 neighbours 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 upon you,
+pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant May the God of peace make you completely holy,
ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The peace of Christ be always with you.
All And also with you.

The deacon will informally give directions.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The deacon prepares the table.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant Let us pray

The community prays in silence.

Celebrant God of love and power, your word stirs within us
the expectation of the coming of your Son.
Accept all we offer you this day,
and sustain us with your promise of eternal life.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
All Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh,
and opened to us the way of salvation.
Now we watch for the day when he will come again
in power and great triumph to judge this world,
that we, without shame or fear,
may rejoice to behold his appearing.