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## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT AN ORDER FOR CELEBRATING THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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## AN ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

PRELUDE

Lee Armstrong Wineland

WELCOME

The Reverend Richard K. Wineland, *Associate Rector for Evangelism*

SONG

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

*Cyfaill y Cantorion*

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

## People, look East

1 Peo - ple, look east. The time is near of the crown-ing of the  
 2 Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is plant-ed  
 3 Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, one more light the bowl shall  
 4 An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth him who brings new life to

year. Make your house fair as you are a - ble, trim the  
 there. Give up your strength the seed to nour - ish, that in  
 brim, shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er, bright as the  
 earth. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley hum - ming with the

hearth and set the ta - ble.  
 course the flower may flour - ish. Peo - ple, look east, and sing to -  
 sun and moon to - geth - er.  
 word, the Lord is com - ing.

day— Love, the Guest, is on the way.  
 Love, the Rose, is on the way.  
 Love, the Star, is on the way.  
 Love, the Lord, is on the way.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*The first portion of worship is called The Liturgy of the Word, which consists of Scripture readings, the sermon, the creed, and the Prayers of the People. The Bible is the foundation of Anglican worship; passages are read from the Old and New Testaments, and from the Psalms. Hymns, chants and songs are sung that reflect biblical themes.*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Leader* † Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### SONG OF PRAISE

*Laudate Dominum*

*Taize community*

Lau - da - te Do - mi - num, lau - da - te Do - mi - num om - nes  
Sing, praise and bless the Lord. Sing, praise and bless the Lord, peo - ples!

gen - tcs, al - le - lu - ia! al - le - lu - ia!  
na - tions! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*The word “Collect” comes from the Latin con lectione, or “with the readings.” The Collect reflects the liturgical season and summarizes the message of the Bible readings in tonight’s worship.*

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Leader* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Leader* Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON – Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,  
because the LORD has anointed me;  
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and release to the prisoners;  
to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor,  
and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn;  
to provide for those who mourn in Zion—  
to give them a garland instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.  
They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.  
They shall build up the ancient ruins,  
they shall raise up the former devastations;  
they shall repair the ruined cities,  
the devastations of many generations.  
For I the LORD love justice,  
I hate robbery and wrongdoing;  
I will faithfully give them their recompense,  
and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.  
Their descendants shall be known among the nations,  
and their offspring among the peoples;  
all who see them shall acknowledge  
that they are a people whom the LORD has blessed.  
I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;  
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.  
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,  
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.

*Leader*        The Word of the Lord.  
*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## CANTICLE 3

*The Song of Mary    Magnificat*  
*Luke 1:46-55*

My soul doth magnify the Lord, \*  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.  
For he hath regarded \*  
the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth \*  
all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, \*  
and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him \*  
throughout all generations.  
He hath showed strength with his arm; \*  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, \*  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.  
He hath filled the hungry with good things, \*  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.  
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, \*  
as he promised to our forefathers,  
Abraham and his seed for ever.

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.

#### GOSPEL HYMN

*Taizé community*

#### Wait for the Lord

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord: be strong, — take heart!

*It is the Church's custom to stand while the gospel is read, as we honor the words and deeds of Jesus.*

#### THE GOSPEL LESSON – John 1:6-8,19-28

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. †††

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

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light.

This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, "I am not the Messiah." And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" He answered, "No." Then they said to him, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,'" as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, "Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?" John answered them, "I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal." This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON – The Reverend Vicki Tucker Burgess

*A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.*

*The Nicene Creed is a statement of what the Church believes about God. It was born out of the councils of Nicaea and Constantinople in the 4th century.*

#### THE NICENE CREED

**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  
*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

Hold us close in this season of Advent to watch and wait with patient and expectant hearts.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Give us dreams of new life and stars to carry us through our darkest nights.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit and provide for those who are homeless, hungry or destitute.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

Hear us as we remember those who have died and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.  
**Hear us, O Christ.**

*Silence*

*The Leader says*  
We pray for all of those in our community, especially...

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*Leader*

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy.  
**Amen.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

*Leader* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of all that enslaves us, for what we have done, and all that we have left undone. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

*The Priest concludes with an absolution*

*As beloved and forgiven people, we can truly live in Peace, and in God's Shalom. Let us greet one another with a sign of peace.*

## THE PEACE

*Shalom. Salam. La paz del Senor.*

*Leader* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us here at Christ Church Cathedral for **BreakingBread@6** every Sunday evening. You are also invited to join our private Facebook group. If you are new to the BreakingBread@6 community and would like to be on our weekly email update, sign up by texting your email address to **Father Richard Wineland** at **615.491.5204**.

**NEXT BreakingBread@6 JAZZ MASS** Sunday evening, **January 7** with the Ted Wilson Quintet. Join us and invite a friend!

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*We are invited to complete our act of worship by the giving of offerings, gifts and tithes for the ministry of the Cathedral parish. Alms basins are located at the entrance to the worship space.*

## OFFERTORY MUSIC



Lee Armstrong Wineland

*Please scan this QR code with your phone or tablet to leave your tithe and offering this evening.*

*We have declared our praise to God in prayer and song, heard the words of God in scripture and proclamation, and now we are welcomed to the Table of the Lord. The Sursum Corda (Latin for "lift up your hearts") is one of the most ancient parts of the service, dating to the third century.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*Eucharistic Prayer B, p. 367*)

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

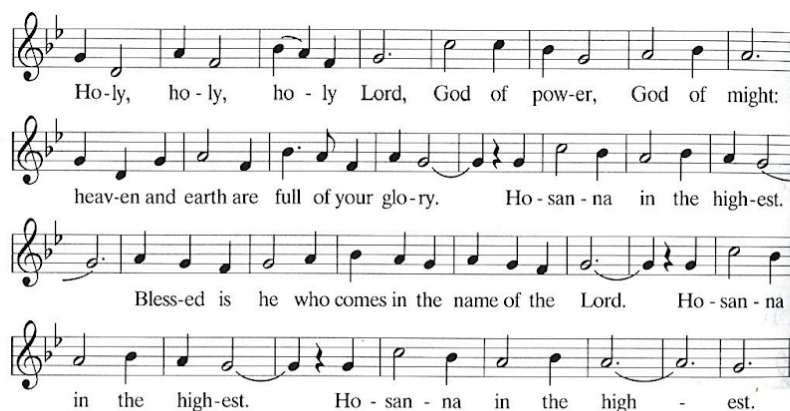
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*The Sanctus (Latin for “Holy”) is a hymn based on the poem of creation in Isaiah 6:1-5. The Benedictus (Latin for “blessed”) is based on Matthew 21:9 and Luke 13:35.*

*Celebrant and People*

M. Haugen (*from Mass of Creation*)



*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with ever-Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 for ever. **Amen.**

*The Lord's Prayer, also known as the Our Father, is the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray, and has been a part of eucharistic liturgies since the early centuries of the church's history.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, 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 reminds us of the sacrificial death of Christ on the cross. "This is my Body, which is given for you."  
(Luke 22:19-20)*

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
*People* **Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share one bread.**

Christ Our Passover S 154

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## THE INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## THE SACRAMENT IS DISTRIBUTED

*The priest will provide directions regarding receiving Communion. You may eat the Bread and drink from the Chalice if you wish. If you would like to receive the Sacrament by intinction please leave the Bread in your hand. The chalice bearer will dip the Bread in the Wine and return it to your hand.*

*The Blessed Sacrament made with low-gluten bread is also available.*

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*(attributed to Francis of Assisi)*

*Leader* Let us pray.

*People* **Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

*We joyfully end our time of worship with the priest's Blessing, and the declaration of God's never-ending love and favor toward his people. The Dismissal sends us out from this place to love and serve others in the name of Christ.*

## THE BLESSING

May you carry the light of Advent hope with you: The light of a strong and holy peace that strengthens the weak, feeds the hungry, exalts the poor, and guards the feet of the faithful. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## CLOSING SONG

*Swahili folk hymn*

*Bwana awabariki*  
(May God grant you a blessing)

May God grant you a blessing, may God grant you a blessing  
May God grant you a blessing, ever-more

*Revere the Lord; may God grant you a blessing*  
*Revere the Lord; may God grant you a blessing!*

Bwana a-wa-ba-ri-ki, bwana a-wa-ba-ri-  
Bwana a-wa-ba-ri-ki, mi-lay-lay

*U-kim-cha Bwana; Bwana a-wa-ba-ri-ki*  
*U-kim-cha Bwana; Bwana a-wa-ba-ri-ki*

## THE DISMISSAL

*Leader* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Pastoral Care Note:** Christ Church Cathedral continues the tradition of the Prayers of the People each Sunday and at morning prayer and midday Eucharist, praying for those by name who have requested our prayers. To add yourself, or someone else to the prayer list (with their permission, of course), please contact [communications@christcathedral.org](mailto:communications@christcathedral.org). Names will remain on the list for one month. As a reminder, there is a dedicated phone to reach the priest on call for urgent pastoral needs and emergencies. Please call **615.780.8836**.

#### PRAYERS

**We pray especially for** Susan, Patti, John, Bill, David, Lisa, Rosemary, Fr. Jacoba, Alex, Nancy, Tom, Amy, Barbara, Sandy, Bert, John, Tony, David, Jack, Bob, Ginny, and Stacey.

**We also give thanks for** the newly born Callan Grace Newell, daughter of Molly and John Newell, granddaughter of Cammie and John Claybrook, and great granddaughter of Pickslay Cheek; **and also** for the births of Zoraver Svea Sheesley Sandhawalia, daughter of Maddie Sheesley and Harsimrat Sandhawalia; and Ellis Elizabeth Sheesley, daughter of Anna and Buck Sheesley, granddaughters of Katy and Ken Sheesley.

#### CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL ANNUAL PLEDGE DRIVE 2024

*The gifts of your people and 'the work of our hands'*

*-BCP, p. 567*

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