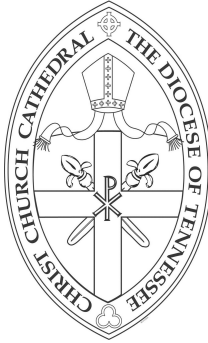


# CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

## ORDER OF WORSHIP



### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

A CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST WITH THE GREAT LITANY

DECEMBER 1, 2019  
7:00 a.m.

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## To Visitors

*Welcome! We are delighted that you have joined us for worship this morning. Page numbers in your bulletin refer to the **Book of Common Prayer**, which is the red book located on the rack in front of you; the blue book is the **Hymnal**. Anyone sitting near you will be happy to answer questions about our community here at Christ Church Cathedral. Additionally, we invite you to fill out the Newcomer's Card and drop it in the offering plate. And, even better, come meet one of the clergy after the service in front of the lectern with the angel and we'll be happy to make your acquaintance. Peace and welcome!*

## HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

### THE WORD OF GOD

THE GREAT LITANY (*BCP, p. 148*)

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy 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 quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON – Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

the mountain of the LORD's house  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be raised above the hills;  
all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,  
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob;  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,  
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations,  
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;  
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,  
and their spears into pruning-hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk  
in the light of the LORD!

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

PSALM 122

- 1 I was glad when they said to me, \*  
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”
- 2 Now our feet are standing \*  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city \*  
that is at unity with itself;
- 4 To which the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the Lord, \*  
the assembly of Israel,  
to praise the Name of the Lord.
- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, \*  
the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: \*  
“May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls \*  
and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions' sake, \*  
I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the Lord our God, \*  
I will seek to do you good.”

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON – Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

THE GOSPEL LESSON – Matthew 24:36-44

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

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the disciples, “But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON – The Reverend Matthew W. Lewis

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

THE NICENE CREED (*BCP, p. 326*)

THE PEACE

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

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*BCP, p. 333*)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord our God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

The Lord's Prayer (*BCP, p. 336*)

The Breaking of the Bread (*BCP, p. 337*)

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER (*BCP, p. 339*)

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

ALTAR GUILD – Kathy Morton, Mary Anne Nyquist, Mary Ellen Pethel, Susan Canon, Sandra Merritt

FLOWER GUILD – Melanie Leader

SACRISTAN – Rob Barrick

USHER – Picksley Cheek

### PRAYERS

**Today we pray for** Katheryn Stevens, Susan Dupont, Conway Bilbo Hubbard, George Allen, Geoffrey Fleming, Laura Temple, Jim Welch, Alex Coleman, Raleigh Sanford, Gretchen Watts, Patti West, Rachel Touchton, Valerie Nasatir, Al Finegan, Poppy Buchanan, Andy Grimes, and Joyce Wilding.

**We pray also for those who have died**, especially the Reverend Dr. Henry Stroebel, father of Ellie Fulton, grandfather of Emmet and Isaac Fulton; Elizabeth Turner McKelvey, sister of Nancy Wilson; and Lane Duncan, friend of Gail Reeve.

**This week we also pray for Preston Taylor Ministries**, which offers after-school programs for homework assistance and reading development, as well as other mentoring opportunities, to children who live in the surrounding community.

**All Christian formation classes are encouraged to attend the**

**Intergenerational Advent Gathering in Cheek Hall.**

Enjoy walking the labyrinth, making Advent wreaths, crafts, and Christ Church Chowder!

**Also, please visit the Alternative Gift Market for Christmas in the Parish Hall.**

Make a donation to a local or global charity in honor of family and friends.

Refreshments and donuts provided.

Classes will resume next week on December 8.

## SERMON NOTES:

FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2019  
7:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

CELEBRANT AND PREACHER

The Reverend Matthew W. Lewis, *Assistant to the Rector*

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