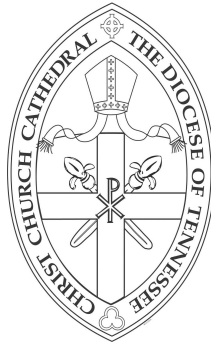


# CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

## ORDER OF WORSHIP



### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### A CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

DECEMBER 22, 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

### A Penitential Order

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

#### THE DECALOGUE (*BCP, p. 317*)

#### CONFESSION OF SIN (*BCP, p. 320*)

#### KYRIE

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And with thy spirit.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

We beseech thee, Almighty God, to purify our consciences by thy daily visitation, that when thy Son our Lord cometh he may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON – Isaiah 7:10-16

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz: "Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test." Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

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

PSALM 80:1-7, 16-18

- 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.

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON – Romans 1:1-7

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

THE GOSPEL LESSON – Matthew 1:18-25

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

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

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

“Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,  
and they shall name him Emmanuel,”

which means, “God is with us.” When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON – The Venerable Roger Saterstrom

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

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*BCP, p. 328*)

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 – Greer Broemel, Hosanna Banks, Susan Canon, Sandra Merritt

FLOWER GUILD – Elaine Smyth

SACRISTAN – Bill Koch

USHER – Picksly Cheek

## PRAYERS

**Today we pray for** Katheryn Stevens, Susan Dupont, Conway Bilbo Hubbard, Geoffrey Fleming, Laura Temple, Jim Welch, Patti West, Rachel Touchton, Al Finegan, Poppy Buchanan, Richard Buchanan, the Reverend John Kuenneth, Paul Bailey, Jean Litterer, Gretchen Watts, Willodean Hoskins, Nancy Wilson, Ted Makarewicz, Benetta Ligon, and John Coleman.

**We give thanks for the birth of** Walker Casey Mathews III, son of Walker Jr. and Rachel Mathews, grandson of Walker and Renee Mathews.

**We pray also for those who have died**, especially Mary Lou Alexandra “Alex” Coleman.

**This week we also pray for the Faith Family Clinic**, which provides health and wellness services to the working uninsured residents of our community.

## FLOWERS

The flowers in the Chapel are given to the glory of God and in memory of the children and educators of the Sandy Hook Elementary School who died on December 14, 2012, and in memory of all Americans who have fallen victim to gun violence in 2019.

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

9:45-10:45 A.M.

### ADULT CLASSES

#### **The Dean's Forum** (Parish Hall)

A visit with the "Cake Mix Doctor": Holiday Food and Customs—Part 2

Presenters: Dean Kimbrough and Anne Byrn

#### **Centering Prayer** (Cathedral Annex Building)

*The Naked Now: Learning to See as the Mystics See*, by Richard Rohr

Led by Arlene Wilson, Susan Hilderbrand, Benetta Ligon, John Wellborn, and Laura Copeland

#### **Sitting with Scripture:** (Room 4, Undercroft)

Led by Ben Curtis, Paul Elledge, and Lyonel Gilmer

#### **Advent Book Study** (Chapel)

*Light of the World: A Beginner's Guide to Advent* by Amy-Jill Levine

Led by the Reverend Matthew W. Lewis, Assistant to the Rector, and Dr. Amy-Jill Levine

### CHILDREN'S CLASSES

#### **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

3–6 year olds through 1st grade (Cheek Hall)

7–10 year olds from 2nd through 5th grade (Cathedral Annex Building)

#### **YOUTH CLASSES** (810 Broadway Building)

Sunday School Break-Out Groups

6th–12th grades

### SERMON NOTES:

FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2019  
7:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

CELEBRANT

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

PREACHER

The Venerable Roger Saterstrom, *Archdeacon*

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