



Breaking Bread@6

Christ Church Cathedral † Nashville, Tennessee

Sunday, December 20, 2020
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
4 Advent, Year B

PRELUDE *Matt Endahl*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are so glad you have joined us this evening and we hope you make yourself comfortable and enjoy an ancient service of worship in a casual context.
- The offering you submit online this evening will represent the first fruits of your life and labor dedicated to God. It will be used for the work of God's kingdom at the corner of 9th and Broadway and beyond.
- We are celebrating the service of Holy Eucharist, Rite Two, which begins on (*BCP, p. 355*).

AN ORDER FOR CELEBRATING THE HOLY EUCHARIST

OPENING HYMN

The Virgin Mary had a baby boy

West Indian Carol

The Virgin Mary had a baby boy, the Virgin Mary had a baby boy
The Virgin Mary had a baby boy, and they say that his name was Jesus

Refrain

He come from the glory, he come from the glorious kingdom

He come from the glory, he come from the glorious kingdom

Oh, yes! believer! Oh, yes! believer!

He come from the glory, he come from the glorious kingdom

The angels sang when the baby born, the angels sang when the baby born
The angels sang when the baby born, and they say that his name was Jesus

Refrain

The wise men saw when the baby was born, the wise men saw when the baby was born
The wise men saw when the baby was born, and they say that his name was Jesus.

Refrain

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

**Laudate Dominum, laudate Dominum
Omnes, gentes, alleluia! (repeat)**

**Sing, praise and bless the Lord, sing, praise and bless the Lord
Peoples! Nations! Alleluia! (repeat)**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Leader Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON – Romans 16:25-27

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith-- to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen.

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

CANTICLE 15

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; *
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed: *
the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.
He has mercy on those who fear him *
in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his arm, *
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel, *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
The promise he made to our fathers, *
to Abraham and his children 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

He is Here

Jimmy and Carol Owens

He is here, he is here, he is moving among us
He is here, he is here, as we gather in his name
He is here, he is here, and he wants to work a wonder
He is here, as we gather in his name

He is Lord, he is Lord, let us worship before him
He is Lord, he is Lord, as we gather in his name
He is Lord, he is Lord, let us praise and adore him
Yesterday and today, and forever more the same

THE GOSPEL LESSON – Luke 1:26-38

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON – The Reverend Madeleine Rebouche

A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.

CONFESSION OF FAITH (*BCP, p. 358*)

**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, FORM IV

The Leader and People pray responsively

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love and reveal your glory in the world. We pray For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; and John, the Bishop of Tennessee and for all the clergy and people.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless the missions of this congregation in Bolivia, Iraq, and Haiti, especially St. George's Church, Baghdad, Iraq. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for mission agencies and their ministry throughout the Anglican Communion, including the Mother's Union around the world. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we remember St. Mark Church, Antioch.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land; and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for all those serving our country at home and abroad, and all those who suffer because of civil strife, that war may end, and peace be established.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others, and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. For all teachers, students, and administrators and all places of learning.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled, and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Worship Leader concludes with an absolution

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. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Leader The peace of the Lord be always with you. *La paz del Señor sea siempre contigo.*
People **And also with you.**

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Many thanks to our readers, musicians, and to our technical director, Roger Rhoads. And to all those behind the scenes...

Please join us here at Christ Church Cathedral for BreakingBread@6 every Sunday evening. You are also invited to join our private Facebook group here: <https://bit.ly/2LQyZ0d>

If you are new to the BreakingBread@6 community and would like to be on our weekly email update, sign up here: <https://bit.ly/36pUy12>

If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact rwineland@christcathedral.org

THE NEXT ZOOM COFFEE HOUR

The "BB@6 Zoom Coffee Hour" from 5:00 to 5:50 p.m., the link will be provided in the weekly email update prior to that first Sunday of the month. The next Coffee Hour will be Sunday, January 10, 2021.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Matt Endahl



*Touch or scan the QR code above to leave your tithe and offering.
You may also text "CCCNash" to 73256 to give using your mobile phone.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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:

Celebrant and People

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power, God of might
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest.**

(M. Haugen, from *Mass of Creation*)

Blessed is the He who comes in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!

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 blessed John the Baptizer 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

Leader As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People **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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

THE INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader Let us pray.

People **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

CLOSING SONG

Go, tell it on the mountain

Trad. African-American spiritual

Refrain

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere

Go, tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born

While shepherds kept their watching, o'er silent flocks by night
Behold throughout the heavens there shown a holy light

Refrain

The shepherds feared and trembled, when lo! above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus that hailed the Savior's birth

Refrain

Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born
And God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn

Refrain

THE DISMISSAL

Leader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

2021 ANNUAL GIVING DRIVE

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

-John 1:5

We acknowledge with gratitude those who have recorded a pledge for the
2021 Annual General Fund Pledge Drive.

Pledgers for December 9-December 17, 2020

Honey Alexander	Sarah Gardial	Frances & Tim Niarhos
Bob Allen	Jane Hardy	Mary Anne & Steven Nyquist
Verbal & Vincent Angelica	Margaret & Larry Hartge	Kate O'Day & Steven Cuneo
Diane Banks	Katherine & Anthony Haynes	Blair & KB Parkes
Lucinda Benn & Paul Gallagher	Hilary & Stephen Hill	Libby & David Patterson
Denise Bentley	Linda Holt	Paddy Peerman
Jane Boram	Christina & Matt Isbell	Scott & Elizabeth Peterson
Rebecca & Matthew Bourlakas	Susan John & John Benjamin	Dan Pomeroy
Amy & Clint Brewer	Alex Joyce	Karmine & Wes Quiggle
Anne Carlisle	Ann & Owen Kelly	Susie & Russell Ries
Amy & George Cate	Larry Lancaster	Gene Russell
Glenda Chambers	Anne Lane	Carolyn Sadler & Jamie Kyne
Jim Cheek	Devin & Jeff Lintzenich	Katie & Ken Sheesley
Cammie & John Claybrook	Martha Lowe	Carol & Andrew Strayer
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Phyllis Ellis	Roger Moore & Brian Jackson	
Kate & Steven Ezell	Kathy & David Morton	
Sumner Foster		

WORSHIP LEADER

The Reverend Lissa Smith, *Associate for Pastoral Care and Cathedral Life*

PREACHER

The Reverend Madeleine Rebousche, *Deacon Associate*

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