



Holy Cross EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Second Sunday of Advent
December 5, 2021

The Service of the Word

Prelude: *Noah Klauss (cello)*

Opening Voluntary: *Holy Cross Academy of
Music Students*

Opening Hymn: "Here I Am to Worship"

*Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Open my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You*

*Refrain:
So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me*

*King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor (Refrain)*

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People ***His mercy endures forever.***

The Collect for Purity

*Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires
known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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*

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL *** (Ages 4 – 10 years)

During the following hymn, children process with the leader to
the Chapel for a lesson and singing; they return at The Peace.

Song of Praise 410: "Praise My Soul the King of Heaven"

*Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore his praises sing.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King!*

The Collect of the Day - *prayed by the Celebrant*

The First Reading: *Malachi 3:1-4*

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way
before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly
come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in
whom you delight-- indeed, he is coming, says
the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his
coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will
sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the
descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver,
until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness.
Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing
to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

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

Canticle 16 (read responsively by whole verse)

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty savior,
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers
and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham,
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear,
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most
High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare
his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

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.

Wait for the Lord; keep watch, take heart!

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 Holy Communion

This portion of the service begins on p. 361 in the BCP however, you are encouraged to give your attention to the altar.

The Communion. *All baptized Christians are invited and welcome to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive communion is invited to kneel at the rail, cross their arms over their chest, and receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to someone in the pews, please notify the ushers at the door of the church.*

Offertory: “Lo! How a Rose E’er Blooming”
Holy Cross Chancel Choir

The Doxology 380: (v. 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving (p. 361 BCP)

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.

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

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.

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again..

Communion Hymn: “You Are My Hiding Place”

You are my hiding place

You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance

Whenever I am afraid I will trust in You

I will trust in You

Let the weak say,

“I am strong in the strength of the Lord”

Communion Hymn: “What A Beautiful Name”

You were the Word at the beginning

One with God the Lord Most High

Your hidden glory in creation

Now revealed in You our Christ

Refrain:

What a beautiful Name it is

What a beautiful Name it is

The Name of Jesus Christ my King

What a beautiful Name it is

Nothing compares to this

What a beautiful Name it is, The Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us

So Jesus, You brought heaven down

My sin was great, Your love was greater

What could separate us now (Refrain)

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You

You silenced the boast of sin and grave

The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory

For You are raised to life again

You have no rival, You have no equal

Now and forever, God, You reign

Yours is the Kingdom, Yours is the glory

Yours is the Name above all names (Refrain)

Communion Hymn 76: “On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”

Post Communion Prayer (p. 365 BCP)

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 Hymn 65: “Prepare the Way, O Zion”

Prepare the way, O Zion,

Your Christ is drawing near!

Let every hill and valley a level way appear.

Greet One who comes in glory,

Foretold in sacred story.

Refrain:

Oh, blest is Christ that came

In God’s most holy name.

He brings God’s rule, O Zion;

He comes from heaven above.

His rule is peace and freedom,

And justice, truth, and love.

Lift high your praise resounding

Fir grace and joy abounding. (Refrain)

Fling wide your gates, O Zion;

Your Savior’s rule embrace.

His tidings of salvation proclaim in every place.

All lands will bow before him,

Their voices will adore him. (Refrain)

Flower Dedications

Your Sermon Notes

Prayer List

Requested Prayers will remain on the list for 4 weeks. Please let us know if you need to be on longer.

Requested Prayer

Ashley, Axel, Barbara, C., Barbara N., Bet, Betty, Bob, Bobby, Brenda B., Brenna, Curtis, Dale, David I., Debra, Deonne, Don D., Don I., Ede, Fr. Chris, Garrick, Gordon, Heather, Ina, Jackie, Jane, Jean, John, Joseph, Joy, Kathy, LaKeisha, Laura, Lorraine, Mabel, Marayah Lee, Mrs. Ratliff, Pamela, Paula H., Ralph, Regina, Ron, Shane, Sherry Jo, Susan B., Susan K., Theresa, Tom, Tony, Trinity, Trish, Tyler, Vickie, Wade, William B.

Military

Adam Paris, Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Alexander Logan, Asa Ramsey, Ben Boyer, Capt. Bruce Gough, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan Hoewt, Edie Ruiz, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey,

Jackie Neville, Jeremy Rice, Jessica Parker, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Sean Haight, Shaun Southall, Stephen del Risco, Terry W. Triplett, Jr., T. J. Bossa, Tyler Post, William Verwoerd

Prayers for Discernment

Leanne Whalen
Ted Kirchharr

Repose of the Soul

William Peter Anna III
Jerome Brault, Jr.
All Who Have Died from Covid-19

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Craig Iversen (Assistant Jr. Warden), Donovan Chau; Howard Johnson, Laurie White; Mike Bollette, Susan Karl (Vestry Member, Clerk), Nancy Gibbons, Marline Austin, Chris Dake, Sylvia Clark
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