

O Sapientia

The Third Sunday of Advent

The Holy Eucharist at 10:15AM - December 15, 2024



Welcome to All Saints! We are an inclusive, open-minded, open-hearted community, following Jesus in the Way of Love.

We are so glad you are here.

We are committed to love in action through the Woodstock Pantry, Hot Meals, Hygiene, Clothing Closet, Mustard Seed Thrift Store and Social Justice & Advocacy.

Please worship as you feel comfortable. The cross sign (†) indicates customary times to cross oneself, a gesture of receiving God's blessing, if you wish to do so.

Children are welcome in worship — wiggles, giggles and all! We have activity clipboards in the Narthex/Entryway. They are also welcome in the Nursey and/or Godly Play.

Join us after in the Parish Hall for Portland Coffee Roasters coffee, treats and conversation. Or spend some time puzzling or doodling in the Creative Corner.

Today we are in the season of Advent, which marks the beginning of the church year. Advent is a time of preparation, expectation and prayerful yearning for the birth of Jesus and his second coming. Advent comes from a Latin word that means "coming." We wear blue vestments at All Saints during Advent, following the Anglican Sarum Rite. Blue symbolize royalty, the coming of the King, hope, the color of the night sky before the dawn, the sea before creation, and Mary.

Prelude

Fantasy on "Veni Emmanuel"

Alec Rowley

The Word of God

We begin with a moment for centering and calling to mind the prayers we bring with us today.

At the sound of the bell, all stand as the Bishop greets the people from the entrance.

Opening Acclamation

Bishop Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

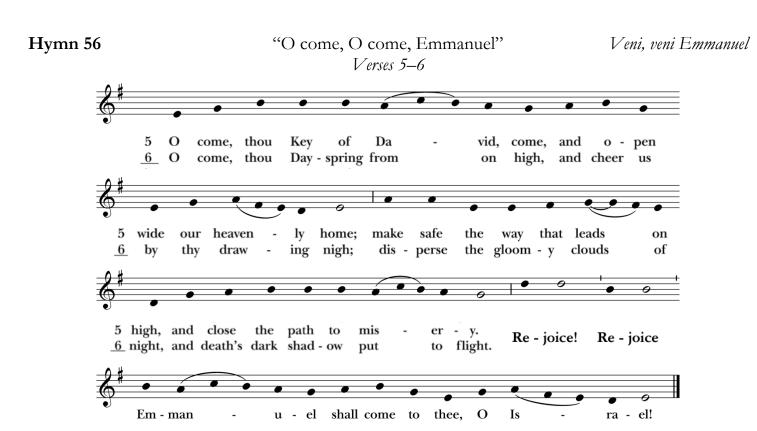
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.



O come, O come, Emmanuel, #56 from The Hymnal 1982 — Text: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. Hymnal 1940, alt.

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Lighting of the Advent Candle

Joy

Leader 1 Spirit Friend, teach us to dance with your Joy, which conquers fear.

Leader 2 We light the candle of Joy

All With gratitude, we receive God's Joy.

The Advent Candle is lit.

The Collect for Confirmations

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, Almighty God, that we, who have been redeemed from the old life of sin by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, may be renewed in your Holy Spirit, and live in righteousness and true holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The readings are from the Revised Common Lectionary, a three-year cycle of Bible readings used by congregations across the globe, following the church calendar. We look to them for inspiration in conversation with our tradition, community and our own reason and experiences.

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson Zephaniah 3:14-20

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem!

The LORD has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies.

The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more.

On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak.

The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory;

he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love;

he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival.

I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it.

I will deal with all your oppressors at that time.

And I will save the lame and gather the outcast,

and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you;

for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth,

when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the LORD.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People Thanks be to God.



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The Second Lesson

Philippians 4:4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People Thanks be to God.

Standing as able.

Gospel Acclamation

Advent Alleluias

Luke Mayernik

Sung by the choir and repeated.



The cantor (and choir) chants a verse appropriate to the day. All repeat the refrain.

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The Holy Gospel Luke 3:7-18

As the Gospel is presented, you may trace a small cross (†) over your forehead, lips, and heart to signify God in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire."

And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages."

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Seated.

The Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Diana Akiyama

Standing as able

The Bishop says:

Bishop The Candidate(s) will now be presented. Presenters I present *these persons* for Confirmation.

I present *these persons* to be received into this Communion.

I present these persons who desire to reaffirm their baptismal vows.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidate I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidate I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

The Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Bishop Will you who witness these vows do all in your power

to support *these persons* in their life in Christ?

People We will.

The Bishop then says these words

Bishop Let us join with those who is committing themselves to Christ

and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,

in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will with God's help.

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,

repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will with God's help.

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,

and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

The Bishop then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

The Intercessor leads the people

Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open their heart to your grace and truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Send them into the world in witness to your love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Bishop says

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service.

Renew in *these* your *servants* the covenant you made with *them* at *their* Baptism. Send *them* forth in the power of the Spirit to perform the service you set before *them*; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says

For Confirmation

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant N. with your Holy Spirit; empower *them* for your service; and sustain *them* all the days of his life. **Amen**.

Or this

Defend, O Lord, your servant N. with your heavenly grace, that *they* may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in the Holy Spirit more and more, until *they* come to your everlasting kingdom. **Amen**.

For Reception

N., we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve and keep you. **Amen**.

For Reaffirmation

N., may the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you, direct and uphold you in service of Christ and his kingdom. **Amen**.

The Bishop concludes with this prayer:

Almighty and everlasting God, let your fatherly hand ever be over *these* your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with *them*; and so lead *them* in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that *they* may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you

The Holy Communion

Today's offering goes to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. Gifts may be placed in the Offering Plate or made by using the QR code or at allsaintspdx.org/give.



Bishop Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Hymn and Presentation of the Offering

Hymn 76 "On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry" Winchester New



— Following verse 4, all stand for the Presentation of the Offering and the singing of the Doxology (overleaf) —

Standing as able.

The Presentation of the Offering Doxology

Winchester New

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; In heav'n above and earth below, Give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word, and Spirit, one. Amen.

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry, #76 from The Hymnal 1982 — Text: Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944), after John Chandler (1806-1876); alt. Music: Winchester New, melody from Musicalishes Hand-Buch, 1690; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt. Public domain.

Standing as able.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

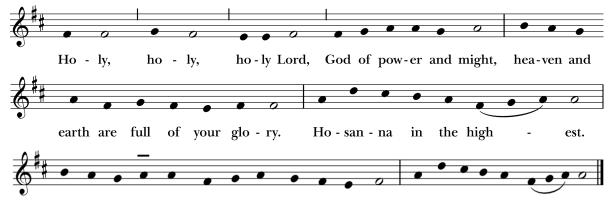
People It is right to God him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant continues with the Preface.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus David Hurd



Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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Kneeling or standing.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

Following the Words of Institution, the Celebrant says:

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, concluding with the following:

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

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,

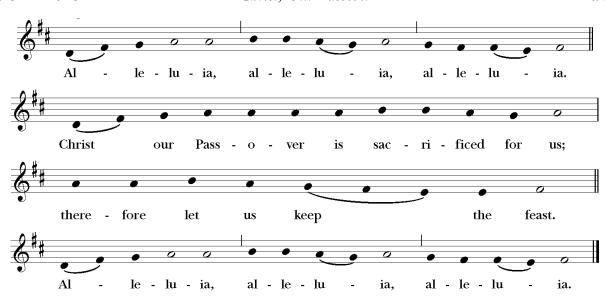
and the power, and the glory,

for ever an ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread Fraction Anthem

Christ, Our Passover

David Hurd



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Communion of the People

The Eucharist is the sacred meal through which Christians embody who we are called to become as creatures made in God's image. After receiving the bread, you may drink directly from the chalice or give the bread to the server to dip for you. Gluten free bread is available upon request. To receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest to indicate that preference.

Music at the Communion

Anthem

This Is the Record of John Noah Kilian, Countertenor

Orlando Gibbons

This is the record of John:

When the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who art thou?" And he confessed and denied not, and said plainly, "I am not the Christ."

And they asked him:

"What art thou then? Art thou Elias?" And he said, "I am not."

"Art thou the prophet?" And he answered, "No."

Then said they unto him:

"What art thou, that we may give an answer unto them that sent us.

"What sayest thou of thyself?"

And he said, "I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord."

— John 1:19

Post-communion Prayer

Standing or kneeling.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 (†)

Bishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People The maker of heaven and earth.

Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord **People** From this time forth for evermore.

Bishop The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you,

and remain with you for ever. Amen.

Standing, as able

Hymn 59

"Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding"

Merton



Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding, #59 from The Hymnal 1982 — Text: Latin, ca. 6th cent.; tr. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1861, alt. Music: Merton, William Henry Monk (1823-1889); desc. Alan Gray (1855-1935). One License.net A-706704.

Dismissal

The Deacon says the dismissal. The People respond, "Thanks be to God! Alleluia!"

Postlude

Toccata on "Veni Emmanuel"

Adolphus Hailstork



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What's Happening at All Saints

Today - Bishop Akiyama's Visit / Rose Sunday: Join us after the service for a cake reception in the Parish Hall. All are welcome!

Wednesday Noon Eucharist During Advent: Advent book selection is: The Living Nativity-Preparing for Christmas with St Francis, A Daybook of Saints, Sages, Psalms and Prayer Practices. Those who
wish to come to the Wednesday noon eucharist services, with brown bag discussions to follow, are
invited to read the book, written by Larry Peacock, former Director of the Franciscan Spiritual
Center, and retired Methodist minister. The discussion will be open to all, whether or not you have
read the book.

Sunday, December 22 - Advent/Christmas Pop-up Pageant at 10:15am Service:

A highlight of Advent when the children of All Saints bring the Christmas story to life! If your child has a preference on which character they want to play, email your 1st and 2nd choices to janetpcotton@gmail.com, or text 503-913-8178. No Godly Play this Sunday. Come at 9:50 to get your costume. Adults can participate, too!

Tuesday, December 24 at 4:00pm - Family Friendly Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with a Live Animal Pageant: All children and youth are invited to participate in the pageant and creche building -- costumes are provided, no rehearsal required. The service includes traditional Christmas readings, carols, our children telling the Christmas story along with a small horse and

two goats. It will conclude with Communion and candle lighting. Children will receive a small gift to take home. Family friendly but meaningful for all ages.

Tuesday, December 24 at 8:00pm - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with Choir & Brass: Traditional service at 8:00pm (Carols begin at 8:00pm; the service begins at 8:30pm). The service includes traditional Christmas readings & homily, carols, Communion and ends with the candle lighting.

Holiday Office Closure: The Office will be closed December 25 through January 1.

Sunday, January 5 – Feast of Epiphany: Magi, Crowns, King's Cake and more!

Chairs in Parish Hall-The black chairs in the Parish Hall which have ripped or torn seat covers are in the process of being recovered. There may be a slight shortage during the process, however soon we will have a fully operational inventory with beautiful coverings. Our thanks go to sisters Jean and Sherri who are devoted to the Hot Meals program. They volunteered to take on this project and pay for the material. Also, Steve D and Lana are helping with the disassembly and reassembly.

Crackin' Crab Feed-Tickets on sale, online, by phone or in person on Sunday Dec 15th. We have sold about 1/4 of the tickets, and last year we sold out by early January, so be sure to buy you tickets soon. They make great stocking stuffers for Christmas. A fun messy experience of Oregon dining on our native crab. Tickets \$60, \$50 for seniors 65 and over, plus you can buy a table and invite friends.

Mustard Seed Christmas Sale: Everything will be 50% off, including many Christmas Decor items. You may shop on the honor system any time by leaving the money in the desk drawer, cash or check or contact Sonja to do a card transaction by phone 503-358-7716. We will be open Sunday, Dec 15th after church, as well. We have books in near new condition, unique knick knacks, bits and bobs of crafts, clothing, pet supplies and more. We will be closed to shopping and donations from Dec 21st to Jan 14th for our winter break and regrouping.

Mustard Seed Cashiers Needed: We could use a couple more volunteers specifically to cashier on Fridays. Comfortable adding up numbers, making change and using a very simple card reader are required. Humor and good listening skills are helpful as some of our shoppers are coming in for social time or to share challenges. Contact Sonja at sonjadavidm@gmail.com

Outreach

Outreach December 6 & 7: Despite the cold and pouring rain, the Pantry served 162 patrons last weekend – most of those in the first hour of Friday's distribution. The 1st Saturday Hot Meals team served 85 inside meals and 65 bagged lunches.

Clothing Closet Needs: We are having a COAT DRIVE!

What we most need are clean and in good condition, coats, jackets, or sturdy hoodies, primarily for men (they need to be <u>XL or larger</u> to allow for necessary layers; one item isn't enough to keep a person warm when it freezes). Here's some ideas:

- Check your own closets; what could you spare?
- Shop thrift/lower-price stores: in addition to our beloved Mustard Seed, try Deseret Industries, Goodwill, Burlington, or Bi-Mart.
- Shop "Sale" or "Deals" sections of your favorite online stores; take advantage of coupons or rewards you might have.
- Mark all donated items "Clothing Closet" and leave in narthex; contact Deacon Linda or Deacon Kathleen if you have questions.

Thank you all for helping out!!



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