SAINT PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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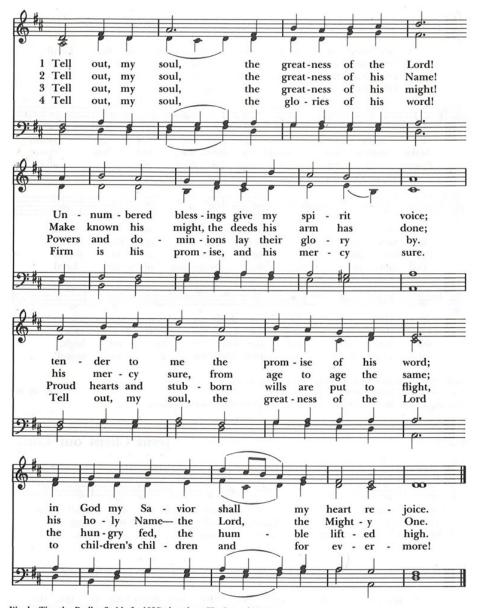


THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING HYMN: "Tell Out, My Soul" (Hymn 437)



Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); based on The Song of Mary

Music: Birmingham, from Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813; harm. Songs of Praise, 1925

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THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Priest 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.

THE TRISAGION (S-102)

Repeated 3 times.



Setting: Ver. Hymnal 1982, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 357

The Lord be with you. Priest

People And also with you.

Let us pray. Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, Priest because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON (Isaiah 35:1-10)

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God.

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please join the choir in chanting the canticle.

CANTICLE 15: The Song of Mary (Magnificat, Luke 1:46-55)

BCP 91

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.

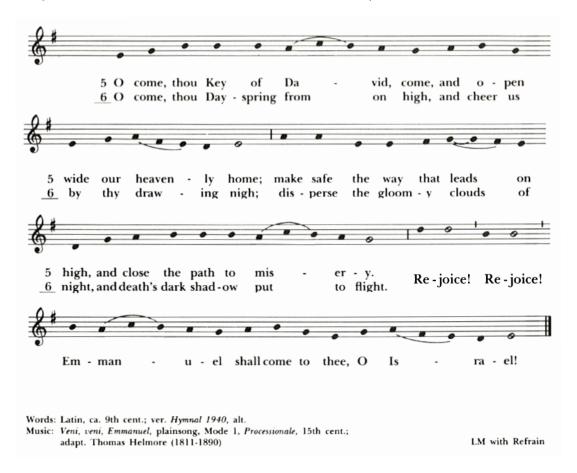
THE SECOND LESSON (James 5:7-10)

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (Hymn 56, v 56)



THE GOSPEL (Matthew 11:2-11)

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me."

As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written,

'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.'

"Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE CHILDREN'S HOMILY

Children ages 6 and under are invited to join our Director of Children's Ministry for Children's Chapel during the sermon and prayers. They are also welcome to stay in the church. The children will return at the Peace.

THE SERMON Kelsey Aebi

THE NICENE CREED BCP 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 (The people stand or kneel.)

BCP 389

Intercessor As we wait and watch during this holy season, let us pray for strength to stand with

confidence before our Maker and Redeemer. That God's kingdom may come with

justice and mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor That God may establish righteousness among all the nations of the world, let us

pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor That we may seek Christ in the Scriptures and recognize him in the breaking of the

bread. For all those whose lives are closely linked to ours, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor That God may bind up the brokenhearted, restore the sick, and raise up all who

have fallen, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor That the light of Christ's coming may dawn on all who live in darkness and the

shadow of death, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor That, with all the saints in light, we may shine forth as lights for the world. For all

those who have died, remembering especially Edith Crews, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor We commend ourselves and all for whom we pray to the mercy and protection of

God almighty:

Silence. The Priest adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION BCP 360

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word,

and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We

are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your

ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Priest 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

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

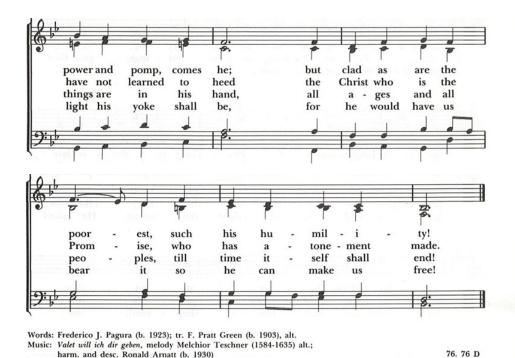
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THE OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY HYMN: "Blest Be the King" (Hymn 74)





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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP 367

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Priest God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Priest At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Priest From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

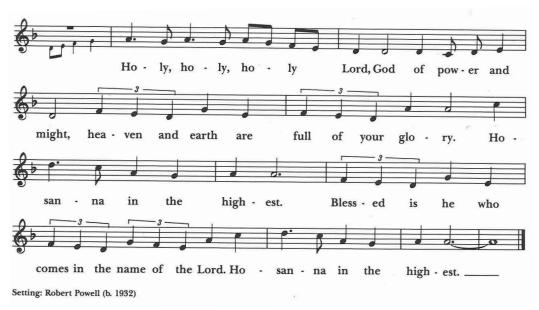
People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Priest Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Priest And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus (S-129)



The people stand or kneel.

Priest And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Priest Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Tamar, Rahab, and Ruth; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Priest Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, 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

BCP 364

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

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Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized Christians, regardless of age or denomination, are invited to receive the bread and wine.

Come up the center aisle to receive the Eucharist at the altar rail. Return to your pew using the side aisle.

If you prefer to receive a blessing, please let the clergy know by crossing your arms in front of you at the altar. The chalice will be offered to all. If you prefer not to receive, you may choose to reverently acknowledge the presence of Christ in the wine, while the minister says,

"The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation."

COMMUNION HYMN: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" (Hymn 686)



SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Deacon We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body,

People Because we all share one bread and one cup.

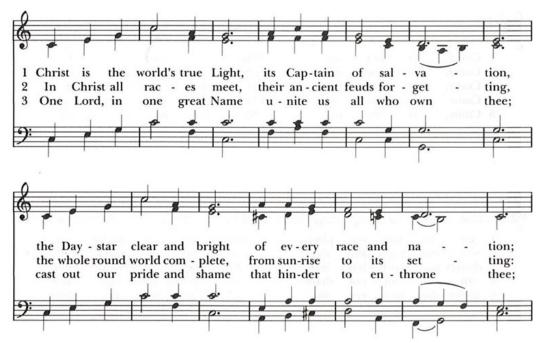
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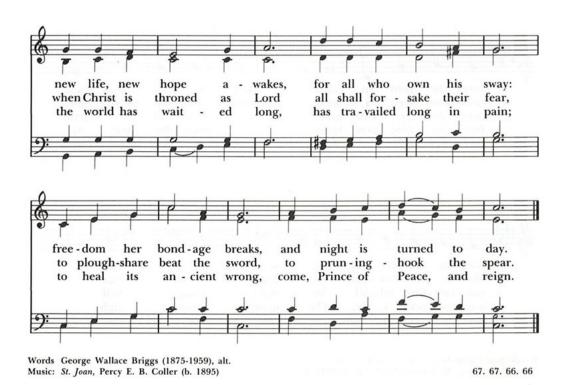
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All Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant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

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: "Christ Is the World's True Light" (Hymn 542)





THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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It is a joy to celebrate with you today. If this is your first time here, please introduce yourself to a clergy member after the service. And consider following us on social media to keep up with the exciting things going on at St. Peter's. We are glad that you are here.

God bless,

Fr. Quinn Parman+

Lectors: Tim Albright (OT), Shanda Schmitt (NT)
Intercessor: Patti Amorello; Livestream / Audio: Rachelle Parman
Eucharistic Ministers: Joani Koch, Susan Self
Acolytes: Jessie Long, Fritz Parman, Mary Karis Parman
Ushers: Tim Albright, Bill Spurlock
Healing Altar: Joani Koch
Organist & Choirmaster: Tim Hinck
Seminarian: Elliot Conrad

We pray for the healing and comfort of:

Alan Bullard, Amber Maniscalco, Betty Lamance, Betty Thompson, Bill Kazmier, Bob Hoover,
Clay Watson family, Dianne Stone, Dixie Warren, Dorothy Morris, Emmalea Rogers,
Ernestine Rogers, Evelyn Jonakin, Garnet Johnston, Gene Vredeveld, Jaye Harris, Jenni Norred,
Jeremy Hill, Jimmy Brennan, John Hickman, Josiah, Kay, Kelly Snyder, Kennedy Parman, Kevin,
Lacy, Leo, Lisa Gee, Margaret Murray, Mark Northern, Mary Cook, Matt Klinger,
Melanie Johnson, Nancy Beckham, Parman family, Fr. Reynolds Garland, Shannon Waller,
Shelia Burgess, Steve Murray, Steve Witt, Susan Lawrence, Suzy Marland,
Takela Jackson McGraw family, Terry Arnold, Vicki Neff, Wynn Eady

We pray for the departed: Edith Crews

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Christmas Eve E Christmas Day

CHRISTMAS EVE

4PM: HOLY EUCHARIST W/ PAGEANT

7PM: HOLY EUCHARIST W/CHOIR

10PM: HOLY EUCHARIST W/CHOIR & INCENSE

CHRISTMAS DAY

10:30AM* HOLY CHRISTMAS
DAY EUCHARIST W/ FESTIVE
CHRISTMAS MUSIC

NEW YEAR'S DAY

10:30AM* FIRST EUCHARIST OF THE NEW YEAR

