



# PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

221 Union Street • Cary, North Carolina 27511

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*The Rev. Dr. Cathy Deats*  
*Celebrant and Homilist*

HOLY EUCHARIST  
9:00 A.M. SERVICE  
NOVEMBER 28, 2021

Processional

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Hymn 56

1. O come, O come, Em-man - u - el, and ran-som cap-tive Is - ra-el that  
mourns in lone-ly ex - ile here un-til the Son of God ap-pear. Re-joyce! Re-  
joyce! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra-el!

5. O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o-pen wide our heaven - ly home. Make  
safe the way that leads on high, and close the path to mis - er-y. Re-joyce! Re-  
joyce! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra-el!

7. O come, De-sire of na - tions, bind in one the hearts of all man-kind; bid  
thou our sad di-vi - sions cease, and be thy-self our King of Peace. Re-joyce! Re-  
joyce! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra-el!

## Liturgy of the Word

### Opening Acclamation

*The Celebrant says*

Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People

*You come to your people and set them free.*

*The Celebrant says*

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.*

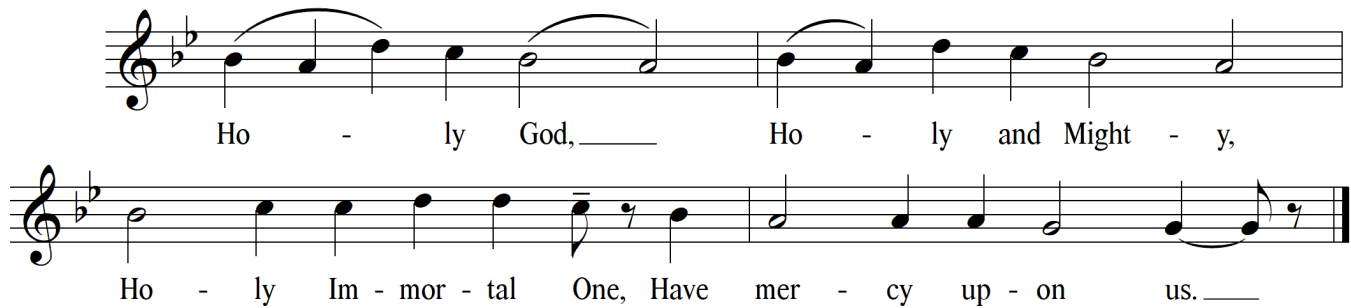
*The following is sung.*

### Trisagion

Holy God

Hymnal S 102

(Sung Three Times)



### Collect of the Day

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

*And also with you.*

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### Children's Processional

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Hymn 405

Verse 3

*Children's Chapel is for children ages 3 to 5<sup>th</sup> grade.*

### First Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

A Reading from Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

*Thanks be to God.*

### Psalm of the Day

Psalm 25:1-9

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;  
my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, \*  
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*

remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

## Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

A Reading from First Thessalonians.

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

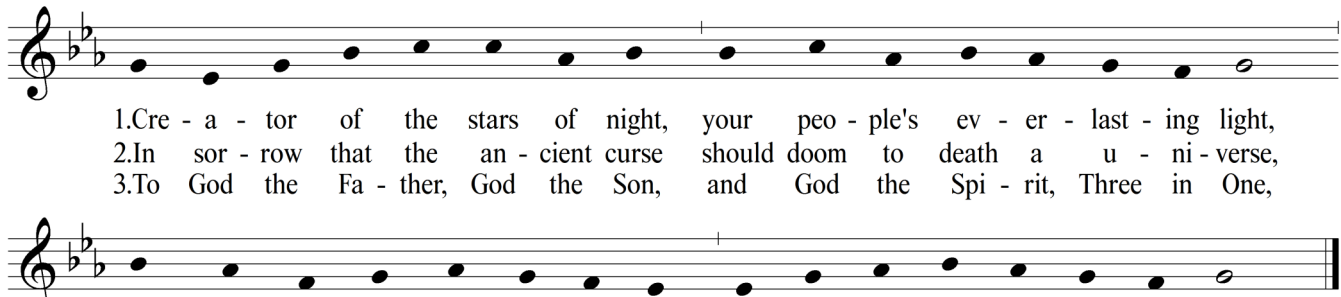
Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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

## Gradual

Creator of the Stars of Night

*Conditor alme siderum*



1. Cre - a - tor of the stars of night, your peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light,  
2. In sor - row that the an - cient curse should doom to death a u - ni - verse,  
3. To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in One,

O Christ, Re - deem - er of us all, we pray you hear us when we call.  
you came; O Sa - vior, to set free your own in glo - rious li - ber - ty  
praise, hon - or, might and glo - ry be from age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

## Gospel

Luke 21:25-36

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Homily

The Rev. Dr. Cathy Deats

## Nicene Creed

*All who are able, stand.*

*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.

### Prayers of the People

People's Response: *Come Lord Jesus, Come.*

### Confession of Sin

BCP 360

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All who are able, kneel. Minister and People*

*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.*

*The Priest stands and says*

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.*

### Peace

BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

### Announcements

## Liturgy of the Eucharist

### Offertory

A Tender Shoot  
*Voices of St. Paul's*

Otto Goldschmidt

### Eucharistic Prayer 2

Enriching Our Worship 1

*The people remain standing.*

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 God thanks and praise.*

*The Celebrant proceeds.*

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

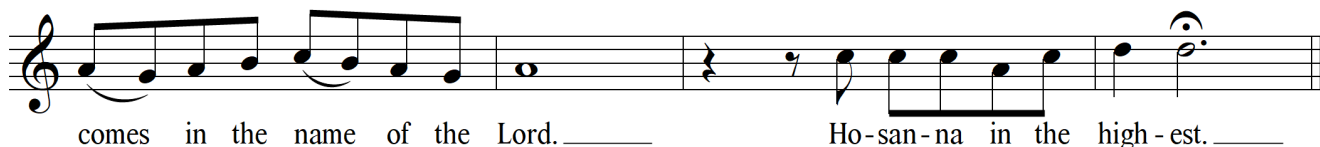
*Celebrant and People*

### Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Hymnal S 128

The musical score is written for organ and voices. It begins with an organ introduction in 4/4 time, marked '(organ)'. The first staff shows the organ playing chords and a melodic line. The lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,' are sung under the organ. The second staff continues the organ accompaniment, with the lyrics 'God of power and might, \_\_\_\_\_ heaven and earth are full \_\_\_\_\_ of your glo - ry.' The third staff shows the organ playing chords and a melodic line, with the lyrics 'Ho-san-na in the high - est. \_\_\_\_\_ Bless - ed is he who'.



*The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

*The Celebrant then continues*

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

### Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

*People and Celebrant*

*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.*

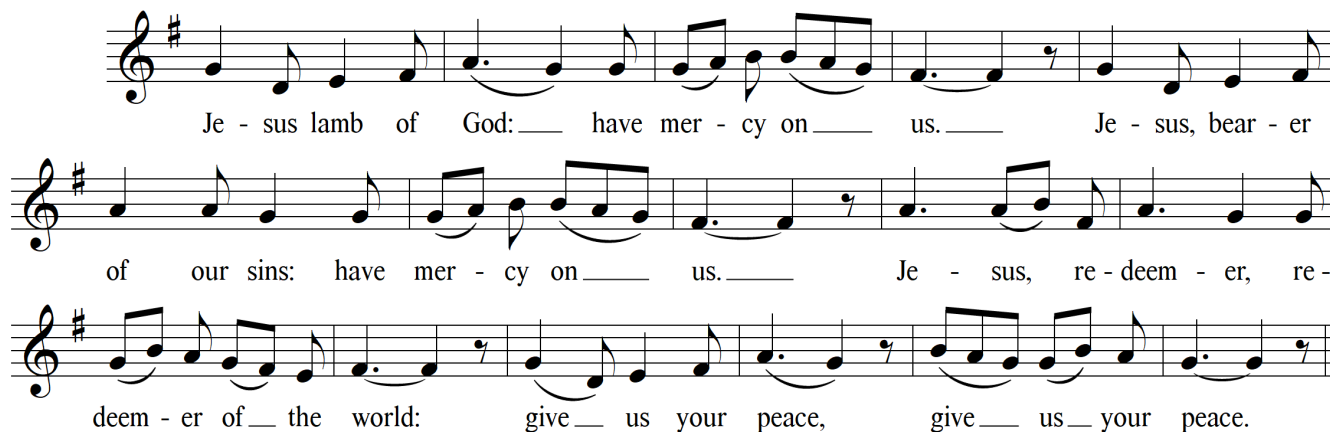
### Breaking of the Bread

*A period of silence is kept.*

### Fraction Anthem

Jesus, Lamb of God

Hymnal S 164



### Holy Communion

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*If you are at home or otherwise unable to take communion, you may say the following prayer.*

### Spiritual Communion Prayer

*In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and*

strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

### Final Prayer

*Celebrant and People*

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food as we hear your Word proclaimed and gather at your holy Table. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

### Blessing

#### Recessional

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

Hymn 57

1. Lo! he comes, with clouds descending, once for our sal -  
va - tion slain; thou - sand, thou - sand saints at - tend - ing  
swell the tri - umph of his train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
4. Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on thine e -  
ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the power and glo - ry;  
claim the king - dom for thine own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

#### Dismissal

Deacon

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

#### Postlude

*The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of  
Lois V. Hanning, mother of Carol Lewis.*

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