

### Holy Eucharist II

First Sunday of Advent (Year C)

**NOVEMBER 28, 2021** *10:00 AM RITE II SERVICE* 

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Church. We are delighted that you are gathered together with us today. Please follow along with the following order of service. All participation is optional and all are welcome at Christ's Table for Holy Communion. Please join us afterward for Coffee, Cake, and Conversation outdoors.

#### Assisting with the Service Today

Presider The Rev. John Elliott Lein

Acolyte\* Kevin Keppler
Lector Elizabeth Klisiewicz

Ushers Steve & Elizabeth Klisiewicz

Organist Liz Pekkala

Violinist Jagan Nath Singh Khalsa

Digital Minister Cindi Scrimgeour
Vestry Liaison Peach Warren
Altar Guild Sheri Keeler-Phillips

Coffee Hour Mary Johnson

\* While Lay Eucharistic Minister (LEM) distribution is on hold during the pandemic, the Acolyte assists the Presider.

"The Eucharist is the entrance of the Church into the joy of its Lord. And to enter into that joy, so as to be a witness to it in the world, is indeed the very calling of the Church, its essential *liturgy* [work of the people/for public benefit], the sacrament by which it 'becomes what it is." — *Protopresbyter Fr. Alexander Schmemann* 

### The Word of God

#### **PRELUDE**

CHANSON ARABE AIR IN D Rimsky Korsakov I.S. Bach

The Advent Candle is lit while the anthem is sung

**ADVENT ANTHEM** O COME, O COME EMMANUEL

The People may stand for praise

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

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Come, thou long expected Jesus

#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

EOW 150

Presider Blessed are you, holy and living One.

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

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

All-loving 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 all, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The People may join in reciting

#### SONG OF PRAISE

CANTICLE G (EOW I 34)

A Song of Ezekiel (36:24-28)

I will take you from among all nations;

and gather you from all lands to bring you home.

I will sprinkle clean water upon you;

and purify you from false gods and uncleanness.

A new heart I will give you

and a new spirit put within you.

I will take the stone heart from your chest

and give you a heart of flesh.

I will help you walk in my laws

and cherish my commandments and do them.

You shall be my people, and I will be your God.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY REV. SHAKESPEARE

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.

Urgent God, breaking through the static to speak to our hearts: disarm our love of control and shake the silent heavens to reveal your dawning glory, judging all in the light of love; through Jesus Christ, the one who is to come. *Amen.* 

The People may be seated for the readings.

## A READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET JEREMIAH (33:14-16)

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."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### THE SONG APPOINTED FOR TODAY IS PSALM 25:1-9

The People will recite as instructed

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.

Let none who look to you be put to shame; \* let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

Show me your ways, O Lord, \* and teach me your paths.

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.

Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, \* for they are from everlasting.

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.

Gracious and upright is the Lord; \* therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

He guides the humble in doing right \* and teaches his way to the lowly.

All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness \* to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

### A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ASSEMBLY IN THESSALONIKI

(1 Thessalonians 3:9-13)

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.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The People may stand

SEQUENCE CHANT EMMANUEL, EMMANUEL

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel— God with us, revealed in us—His name is called Emmanuel.

### THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE (21:25-36)

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. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY THE REV. JOHN ELLIOTT LEIN

BCP 358

The People may stand for recitation of this historic Pledge, continuing the journey in the tradition of our forebearers.

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,

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The People may stand or kneel for the prayers and respond to each petition as instructed

*Presider* This Advent season we pray for the homecoming of the faithful and the renewal of ministry.

Leader With all our heart, mind, body, and spirit, let us pray together saying, "Hear our prayer."

For all Holy Assemblies: for the return of the faithful, for the renewal of the community, for our mission of love. We pray especially for our covenant parish, Saint Mary of the Assumption, and our partner dioceses of Kumasi and Asante-Mampong in Ghana.

O Inviting One. Hear our prayer.

For all Peoples: for the recognition of our common humanity, for setting aside competition for cooperation, for lifting up the lowly and lowering the mighty, for your life of justice to be established.

O Convicting One. Hear our prayer.

For all the World: for the homecoming of all people to the land, for living in harmony with all life, for commitment to peace amongst humanity and all species, for the cessation of exploitive civilization and the establishment of new and renewed gentle living.

O Creating and Sustaining One. Hear our prayer.

For all life along the Kittacuck<sup>1</sup>, river and valley: for the vitality of our land, fish, and wildlife, for the support of individuals and families in all life circumstances, for the honoring of the past and consideration of the future, for the cycle of seasons and renewal of all.

O Incarnating One. Hear our prayer.

For all who suffer and who are in any trouble: for the homeless and hungry, for those cold and in pain, for those afflicted with the virus or any illness, for those suffering in mental health. We pray especially for the Conway & Hussey Families; Kristen Jennings; Ani Sharoogian; David Gillis; Anna Smith; Rita & Dick Cronan; Zak Gustavesen; Brad Gustavesen; Bryson; Emma Souder; the Garretson Family; Bitsy; Enid Barton; the McDonnell Family; Paul Langlois; Sharon Manoogian; Sal & Vas Ferreira; Laura Uretsky; Ron Taylor; Peter Lee; Gloria Falcone; Barbara; Valerie; Clinton Clark, III; Marco Weiss; Al Price; Mary Torian, Beth & Terry; Esther McKenzie; Lisa Wilson; Sandra Arbogast; Len Baird; Judy Shea; Robin Rowe; Skye Bayleigh Plaisted; Alisha Starkis Weddeke; Chrissy & Mark; Thomas Scano; the Canali Family; Sherel & Lou Frere; Craig Silverman; Justin Perkin; Tom Childs; Nancy Sharoogian; Bob Mezzadri; all those serving in the military and the Peace Corps, especially Avary DeRagon; Drew Beauchamp; Charles; Laura; Elena; Brendan Wood; Danielle & Joel Marsh; Tom Bento; Joel Joudrey; Justin Woessner and their families.

O Co-Suffering One. Hear our prayer.

For those who have departed this life: for those who have died in this and all pandemics, for victims of violence, for myriad species lost in extinction. We particularly remember today Carol E. Conway.

O Living One. Hear our prayer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Great tidal river" (Alogonquin) now called the Blackwater, original home of the Wampanoag, Nipmuck and Narragansett.

Joining our voices together, we pray:

O Comforting One, be with us in our hope and our fear. Bring us home to your eternal presence in all moments of life. Gather with us, pray with us, sing with us, mourn with us, rejoice with us. Be with us now and always. Amen.

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

BCP 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. Then All pray:

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,

The Presider gives the Absolution

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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

The People may stand. The Presider says

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. *And also with you.* 

and walk in your ways,

The Minister(s) and People exchange the Peace.

Please refrain from physical contact.



"...the purpose of Eucharist is not to change bread and wine, but to change you and me: through baptism and eucharist it is we who are to become Christ for one another, and a sign to the world that is yet to hear his name. That is what Christian liturgy is all about, because that is what Christianity is all about."

— Archmandrite Fr. Robert Taft, S.J.

### The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer 2, Enriching Our Worship vol. I p. 60

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**



People

Presider

All offerings are taken in the collection plate in the rear of the nave.

#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

THANKS BE TO THEE

G. F. HANDEL

#### THE SURSUM CORDA

The Presider invites the People to "Thanksgiving" (Eucharist)

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 say:

#### THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

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.

The People may stand or kneel

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.

#### THE INSTITUTION

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."

#### THE EPICLESIS

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...

All join strongly together in the People's "AMEN"

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

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

All say the Prayer together

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as 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 FRACTION

EOW 169

Presider We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ. People We who are many are one body, for in Christ we all share in the one bread, one cup.

#### THE INVITATION

BCP 364

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.

The People may be seated.

#### THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

BCP **45**7

All are welcome at Christ's Table. Please come forward in turn to receive. Gluten-free bread is available on request. Cross your arms over your chest if you wish a blessing instead.

The fullness of the sacrament is received in one element; at this time our bishop has directed us to administer the bread alone. Please allow ample room at the rail. If you are unable to receive the sacrament physically, you may pray the following prayer for spiritual reception of communion:

"I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. *Amen*."

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**

#635

IF THOU BUT TRUST IN GOD TO GUIDE THEE

#### THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

EOW 169

The People may stand or kneel. All pray together

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### RECOGNITION OF BIRTHDAYS

Those celebrating birthdays this week: Ariana Rivera; Jenney Gallerane; Laura Moore; Mark Sousa; Annika Hutto; Anne Adams; Bob Prevelige; Leslie LaFlamme; Lauren Lukas; Mary Torian; Emelia Matondi; Isabella Matondi; Katrina Lyon; Joseph Lutfy; Meghan Kane; Richie Gaffin; and Amanda Rudenauer.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **DEPARTING BLESSING**

EOW 170

May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.* 

Please join in the hymn with music provided

#### RECESSIONAL HYMN

Lo! HE comes, with clouds descending

#### DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into all creation, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. *Thanks be to God.* 

#### **POSTLUDE**

WACHET AUF

J.S. BACH

Please join us for **Coffee, Cake, and Conversation** upstairs in the parish hall, minding your health and that of others while this pandemic is still ongoing.



#### UPCOMING PARISH & CHURCH EVENTS

TODAY	1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:00 am Advent Wreath-making 10:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II 11:00 am Coffee Hour
Nov 30	Feast Day of Saint Andrew, Apostle
DEC 5	2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9:00 am Formation Hour 10:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II 11:00 am Coffee Hour
Dec 19	Covenant Parish Lessons & Carols 4:00 pm at St. Mary of the Assumption
Dec 21	Feast Day of Saint Thomas, Apostle
Dec 24	Christmas Eve Services 4:00 pm Holy Eucharist with Pageant 8:00 pm Holy Eucharist
Dec 25	Christmas Day Service 9:00 am Holy Eucharist

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Join us this Sunday morning for all-ages **Advent Wreath-making** at 9:00 am in the Parish Hall!
- We want to hear from you! Please fill out our survey on programs and schedule before the deadline of Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. We will gather at 9 am on Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup> to discuss. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TCMworship21
- **Stewardship** season is arriving soon. Look forward to a letter and pledge form in early December.
- The 2021 **Christmas Fair** is now live online: https://trinity-christmas-fair.myshopify.com
- Food insecurity is rising, and our volunteers are helping. **Community Dinners** last four weeks:
  - Oct 28: 208 meals cooked and served
  - o Nov 4: 130 meals distributed (100 restaurant)
  - o Nov 11: 131 meals cooked and served
  - o Nov 18: 165 meals distributed (100 restaurant)
- **Liturgical note:** For this Advent Season, our prayers are for the homecoming of the faithful. We also begin Year C of our three-year lectionary cycle, featuring *The Gospel according to Luke* and this author's emphasis on caring for the marginalized.

#### EVERY WEEK

SUNDAY 9:00 am Formation Hour (all ages) 10:00 am Holy Eucharist with music

11:00 am Coffee Hour

Tuesday 6:00 pm Tai Chi in Lane ChapelWednesday 7:00 pm Contemplative Gathering

Thursday

12:00/2:00 pm Volunteers prepare meals 4:00 pm Community Dinner served

Friday 10:00 am Painting Class (Murray Hall)

#### **EVERY MONTH**

**The Vestry** meets on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 pm via Zoom. All parishioners are welcome.

**Luncheon groups** of women (JULIETs) and men (ROMEOs) meet monthly at local restaurants.

**Youth** (8<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade) meet at 6:30 pm on one Sunday per month for fun, fellowship, and formation.

#### **COMMUNITY PROGRAMS**

Community Dinners are prepared and served weekly to all, alternating between restaurant and cooked meals.

Laundry Love provides supplies and quarters; pandemic distribution by police dispatcher Lisa Trusas.

Eyeglass and food donations collected in the side narthex and given to the Lion's Club and Daily Bread.

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

We are open 10 am - 2 pm Monday through Thursday. **Father John**, Priest rector@trinitychurchmilford.org **Magee**, Secretary office@trinitychurchmilford.org

# THE MINISTERS OF TRINITY ARE THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH

led by

The Right Rev. Doug Fisher, *Bishop*The Rev. John Elliott Lein, *Rector*Rachel Carpenter, *Sunday School Coordinator*Magee Lambert, *Secretary*, Paul Del Molino, *Sexton*Beth Moeller, *Sr. Warden*, Lisa Ruggiero, *Jr. Warden*and the Treasurer, Clerk, and Vestry.

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