Trinity Episcopal Cathedral

First Sunday of Advent November 29, 2025, 5 pm November 30, 2025, 11 am



Our mission is to welcome all people to know and live as Christ in the world.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Prelude

"Wachet Auf!" – J. S. Bach

The Opening Hymn

Stand as comfortable.

Sleepers, wake! A voice astounds us Hymnal 61

The Penitential Order BCP 351 Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these."

The Confession

BCP 352

Stand or kneel as desired.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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 Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

The Collect

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.**

Please be seated.

A Reading from Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains,

and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,

to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,

and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,

and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation.

neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Response

Psalm 122



1 I was glad when they | said to | me,

* "Let us | go to the | house of the |
LORD."

2 Now our | feet are | standing *
within your | gates, | O Je | rusalem.
3 Jerusalem is | built as a | city * that
is at | unity | with it | self;
4 To which the tribes go up, the |
tribes of the | LORD, * the assembly
of Israel, to | praise the | Name of
the | LORD.

5 For there are the | thrones of | judgment, * **the** | **thrones of the** | **house of** | **David.**

6 Pray for the | peace of Je|rusalem: * - | "May they | prosper who | love you.

7 Peace be with in your walls * and quietness with in your towers.
8 For my brethren and companions' sake, * I pray for your prosiperity.

† 9 Because of the house of the | Lord our | God, * *I will* | *seek to* | *do you* | *good."*

A Reading from Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn

Awake, my soul, and with the sun (v. 1-3 before, v. 4 after) Hymnal 11

The Holy Gospel Matthew 24:36-44 *Stand as comfortable.*

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but

only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have staved awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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

The Sermon

Dean Timothy Watt

BCP 358

The Nicene Creed Stand as comfortable.

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 worshipped 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

God calls us to love one another. As a sign of that love, let us lift up our prayer to God for the needs of all people throughout the world, saying: O God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the church and its leaders, especially Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury-Designate; Sean, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church;

Elizabeth, Bishop of Nevada; the staff and vestry of this parish; and all laity, bishops, priests, and deacons. May we become more and more a means of grace and peace in the world. O God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the peace of the world, that instruments of war may be transformed into instruments of peace, and that nations shall cease to learn war anymore. O God, in your mercy, **hear** our prayer.

We pray for the leaders of this and every land. May they be led to wise and just actions. O God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who are assembled here today, that we may be clothed with the Lord Jesus Christ and go forth from this place to live as Christ in the world. O God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who are in need, that we may be alert to the presence of Christ in them and ready to reach out in love. O God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who suffer in mind, body or spirit, especially Rew, Bruce, Marc, Tycho, Esmeralda, Sandra, Emily, Glen, Dicky, Jessica; and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we join our bishop today in praying for the Anglican Communion; and those we now name either silently or aloud [please add your own intentions]. May they be restored to health and wholeness. O God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for all those who have died, especially those we now name either silently or aloud [please add your own intentions]. May we keep them always in our heart, eager for the day of our

joyous reunion. O God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Presider:

We praise you, Lord our God, that you have called us to be your people and the instruments of your presence in the world. Grant us grace to discern your will and the strength to accomplish it, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

BCP 360

Stand as comfortable.

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

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

"Jesus Christ, the Apple Tree"

- Elizabeth Poston



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Eucharistic Prayer A

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give 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...

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

The Sanctus Hymnal S-129
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power
and might, heaven and earth are

and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Stand or kneel as desired.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364 Stand as comfortable.

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 BreadAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Agnus Dei Hymnal S-161 Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *have mercy on us.*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *have mercy on us.*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *grant us peace.*

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.

Please be seated.

Communion in the Episcopal Church is not limited to Episcopalians or other Anglicans. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Holy Eucharist. If you are not baptized but feel drawn to receive, our clergy would welcome the chance to have a conversation with you about baptism – life in Christ is open to all.

Even if you choose not to receive, we encourage you to come forward for a blessing during Communion. Indicate that you would prefer a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free hosts are also available if needed. Place your right hand over your heart to indicate that you need gluten-free.

The Communion Hymns

The King shall come when morning dawns Hymnal 73 Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Hymnal 66

The Post Communion Prayer BCP 366 Stand as comfortable.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

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The Closing Hymn

Lo, He comes in clouds descending

Hymnal 57

The Dismissal

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Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

The Postlude

"From Heaven Above to Earth I Come"
- Johann Pachelbel

Intercessions

Trinity Family and Friends

Rew, Bruce, Marc, Tycho, Esmeralda, Sandra, Emily, Glen, Dicky, Jessica; and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we join the bishop in praying for the Anglican Communion

Artwork

"Prophet Isaiah" 18th century Antonio Balestra (1666-1740)

Liturgical Ministers

Altar Guild: Darla Garey-Sage, Sharla Scott, Dave Bennum, Dee Ann Verdi, Ann Crase.

5 pm: Dean Timothy Watt preaching and presiding. John Seelmeyer, Kathryn Landreth, Lectors; Julie Martinson, Intercessor; Susan Lombardi, EM. **11 am:** Dean Timothy Watt preaching, Canon Diana Turner presiding. Terry Cain, Server/Crucifer; Nancy Petersen, Dave Bennum, Lectors; Cathy Brewster, Intercessor; Cathy Brewster, Lindsay Campbell, EMs; Ron Wolff, Harold Campbell, Ushers.

Vestry

Margaret Brown (Senior Warden), Bruce Bethke (Junior Warden), Ann Morgan (Clerk), Mikkel Bassett, Rebecca Dixon, Josette Dornoff, Aaron Koning, Kathryn Landreth, Katherine Mahannah, Eric Nummela, Gary Warren, Nan Marie Wollam, Josephine Flocchini (Youth Representative)

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