



SAINT MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 8, 2019

9:00 AM





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Newcomers and visitors, the community of Saint Mark's welcomes you. We hope that you will feel at home in this place and in this liturgy. Ushers are available during the liturgy as well as greeters and clergy following, should you have any questions or concerns. Mothers are most welcome to breastfeed their infants during the service. Children of any age are always welcome at Saint Mark's liturgies. In addition, child care during services is available in the Child Care Center, located in the west end of the cathedral building. You may reach the Child Care Center through the southwest doors of the nave, or by taking the elevator to the 5th floor. Ushers will guide you.

*During the season of Advent, the 9 a.m. Sunday Eucharist will be employing liturgical texts adapted from **Prayers for an Inclusive Church**, a work published in 2008 by Dr. Steven Shakespeare, Senior Lecturer in Philosophy at Liverpool Hope University in the U.K. In this work, Dr. Shakespeare has written a complete sequence of idiosyncratic and poetic collects which respond to the appointed readings for the entire three-year lectionary cycle. The book also contains Eucharistic prayers, confessions, prayers after Communion, and other liturgical texts intended for the Anglican liturgy.*

His goal, according to the book's introduction, was to "revitalize the art of formal prayer," by "bringing the experiences of exclusion and liberation into dialogue with the [Lectionary's] scriptural texts, always ready to be surprised by the power of both to reveal new dimensions of salvation." To this end, Shakespeare frequently employs unfamiliar images and concepts, seeking to "jar us out of preconceived and limiting images" of the Divine. Some of his most unsettling images, however, are those that are drawn most directly from the Biblical texts. "Prayer should not be alienating," he says, "nor should it be too comfortable."

Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices. Please, no photography during the liturgy.

The Reverend Canon Jennifer King Daugherty, Canon for Congregational Life, *Presider*

The Reverend Canon Cristi Chapman, Canon for Spiritual Growth and Stewardship, *Preacher*

THE GATHERING

The three-fold tolling of a bell, followed by a brief organ voluntary offered a few minutes before the hour, bids all to keep silence for prayer and preparation.

PRELUDE Meditation on *Psalm 42*
[tune of Hymn #67, "Comfort, comfort ye my people"]

Guy Bovet (b. 1942)

PROCESSION *Please stand when the bells begin ringing.*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Presider The crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth;
Assembly **And all flesh shall see the Salvation of God.**

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
Assembly **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

TRISAGION *Sung by all, three times.*

Alexander Arkhangelsky (1846–1924)

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and might-y, Ho - ly Immortal One, have mer - cy up-on us.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, adapt.

Presider God be with you.
Assembly **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

INCISIVE God,
who roots out arrogant power:
you raise voices of promise in the deserts of our lives;
prepare us to receive the Spirit of love, wild and fierce and free;
through Jesus Christ, the one who is to come.

All Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING

Isaiah 11:1-10

ASHOOT shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips
he shall kill the wicked.
Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.
The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.
The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
The nursing child shall play
over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand
on the adder's den.
They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain;
for the earth will be full
of the knowledge of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.
On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a
signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire
of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious. ♦

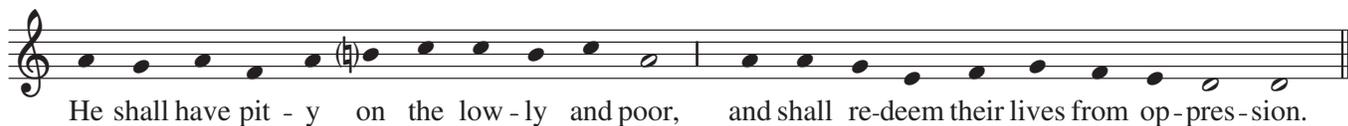
PSALM

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Plainsong, Tone I.1

The Choir introduces the antiphon, all repeat it.

The Cantor chants the psalm verses, all repeating the antiphon as indicated.



Deus, iudicium

- G**IVE the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness. **ANTIPHON**
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another. **ANTIPHON**
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more. **ANTIPHON**

- 18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, *
 who alone does wondrous deeds!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
 and may all the earth be filled with his glory.
 Amen. Amen. **ANTIPHON**

READING *Romans 15:4–13*

WHATEVER was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,
 and sing praises to your name”;

and again he says,

“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”;

and again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,
 and let all the peoples praise him”;

and again Isaiah says,

“The root of Jesse shall come,
 the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;
 in him the Gentiles shall hope.”

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

music from the Taizé community

Sung by all three times.

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near. Wait for the Lord; be strong, take heart!

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 3:1-12*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Assembly **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.’”

Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume 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.

“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.
Assembly **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

PROCESSION TO CHILDREN’S CHAPEL

On the second Sunday of each month, immediately following the Gosepl reading, children ages 3-8 are invited to gather around the baptismal font to process to Thomsen Chapel for the monthly children’s chapel program. Parents are always welcome to join their children. They will return at the Peace.

SERMON

The Reverend Canon Cristi Chapman

All rise as able.

THE NICENE CREED

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**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 ASSEMBLY

After each petition:

Intercessor We look to you in hope,
Assembly Come, Lord Jesus, come.

The Presider concludes the prayers with a collect. All respond: Amen.

CONFESSION

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, adapt.

Deacon Let us confess our brokenness to God.

You are invited to stand or kneel for the confession.

Deacon Gracious God,
All We prefer to hide in the shadows of fear;
You beckon us into the light of your love.

Silence

Deacon Lord, have mercy.
Assembly Lord, have mercy.

Deacon Patient God,
All We turn our backs on the needs of our common world;
You promise mercy and healing for the whole earth.

Silence

Deacon Christ, have mercy.
Assembly Christ, have mercy.

Deacon Loving God,
All We worship elusive idols of prestige and power;
You come near in the vulnerable Word made flesh.

Silence

Deacon Lord, have mercy.
Assembly Lord, have mercy.

The Presider pronounces God's forgiveness of our sins. All respond: Amen.

THE PEACE

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, adapt.

Presider Christ's judgment is not vengeance: an eye for an eye;
his peace is not a veil for injustice: instead he holds the suffering with us;
he comes to break the spear, to silence the guns and still our warring souls.
May the peace of Christ rule our world and heal our hearts.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

Assembly **And also with you.**

All greet one another in the name of Christ.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY

An offering of money is received. Everyone worshipping this morning is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Many support Saint Mark's through pledged offerings and other gifts made by credit card, via mail, or using the Venmo mobile app (@SaintMarksCathedralSeattle, or scan the code at right). Together our gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service.



ANTHEM

A shoot shall come forth

WORDS: based on Isaiah 11 and 32:18

MUSIC: Richard Horn (1938–2004)

A shoot shall come forth out of Jesse,
and a bud shall grow out of his roots.
The spirit of life shall be with him,
the spirit of wisdom and truth.

*Then the lamb shall lie down with the leopard,
and the lion eat straw with the ox,
for the hand of a Child shall lead them
to the peaceable kingdom of God.*

From out of the wells of salvation
will he draw us the water of life;
his waist shall be girdled with justice,
the heart of his heart shall be Love.

Refrain

He'll come from the end of his heaven,
and the earth shall be torn from its place;
our lives shall be filled with his radiance
as floodwaters cover the sea.

Refrain

*The bread, wine and money we offer to God are brought forward and presented at the altar table.
When the Presider stands, all rise as able.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, adapt.

Presider The Lord be with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

Assembly **We lift them to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider Eternal God, Mystery of winter skies, we thank you in the darkening hour for opening our eyes to your starlit beauty; for parting the wide heavens with your persistent light; for offering your Word to take our mortal flesh.

In the fullness of time, a child was promised by those who shared your dream of peace; John the Baptist cleared his way with words of desert fire; Mary and Joseph welcomed his coming with tenderness and faith; we trust that he draws near again to show us our true selves.

Now we take up the song of hope, with angels and saints and all the company of heaven, that the world might awaken to his coming and be touched by his glory:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *New Plainsong*

David Hurd (b. 1950)

Holy, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna
in the high - est. Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the high - est.

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Presider We ask that your Holy Spirit fall upon us and upon these gifts, that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our Lord and brother, Jesus Christ.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus gathered with his faltering friends. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: ‘This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.’

In the same way after supper, he took the cup of wine, saying, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.’

As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all that words can hold. And so we proclaim the great mystery of faith, saying:

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

Presider With these gifts we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ; we proclaim him as creation’s host, transforming poverty into plenty with his generous love.

Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more, and people will come from east and west, north and south to share a feast of abundance.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Savior, by whom and with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, for ever and ever.

All AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

McNeil Robinson II (b. 1943)

Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done,
 on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give
 those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil.
 For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

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In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

FRACTION ANTHEM *New Plainsong*

Hurd

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.

Communion is distributed at standing stations at the head of each aisle. If you need communion brought to your seat, please let an usher know. Rice wafers for those who do not eat wheat are available at the Presider's communion station at the center aisle.

- ◆ *You are welcome to stand or kneel to receive communion.*
- ◆ *Hold out your hand to receive the bread and then eat. Guide the chalice of wine to your mouth and then drink.*
- ◆ *Or you may leave the bread in your hand for the chalice bearer to dip in the wine and feed you.*
- ◆ *To receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest.*

COMMUNION VOLUNTARY *Organ Improvisation*

HYMN 67 *Comfort, comfort ye my people* ◆ *The Hymnal 1982 #67*

TUNE: *Genevan 42*



All rise as able.

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider One body are we.

Assembly **For, though many, we share one bread and one cup.**

Deacon Go in peace, bearing holy gifts for holy people.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, adapt.

Presider Eternal God,

All we thank you that in Christ

**you have fed us with the bread of life:
may we who have tasted your bounteous gifts
proclaim this good news to the ends of the earth,
that all people might come to know
that you dwell in our midst,
eager to greet your creation
with abounding love and mercy;
we ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.**

BLESSING

Presider May the God who brings heaven close to earth give you true wisdom, a fierce longing, and a pregnant hope, that your hearts may be prepared to be born again in love, and the blessing, mercy, and grace of God be upon you this day and for evermore.

Assembly **Amen.**

HYMN 65 *Prepare the way, O Zion* ♦ *The Hymnal 1982 #65*

TUNE: *Bereden väg för Herran*

DISMISSAL *The Deacon dismisses the Assembly. The Assembly responds: Thanks be to God.*

VOLUNTARY *Besançon (Carol of the Advent)*
[tune of WLP #724: "People, look East!"]

Rebecca Groom te Velde (b. 1956)

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