HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite II

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 17, 2023 ♦ 10:00 a.m.

Welcome to St. Barnabas, we're delighted that you're here. We hope you'll participate fully in our worship through singing, praying, hearing the Good News of Jesus Christ, and receiving communion. May God richly bless you as you bless us!

PRELUDE

Creator of the Stars of Night

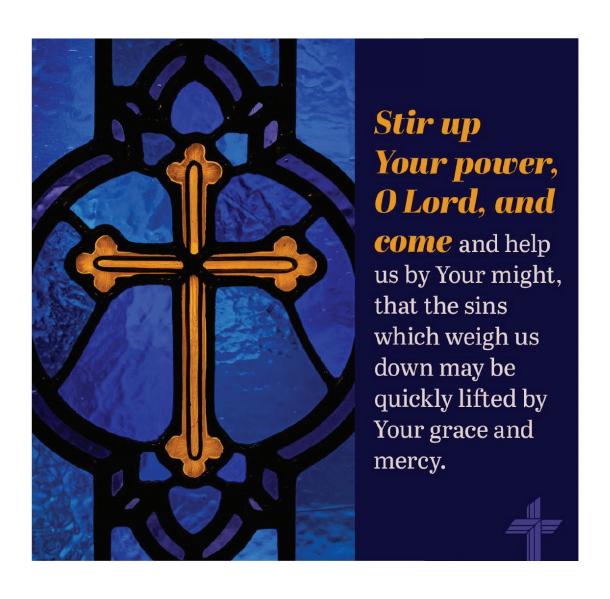
Richard Warner

 $lap{f \dot{R}}$ All stand as able at the sound of the tower bell.

HYMN (sung by all, next page)

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

(HYMNAL 616)





Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 72. Music: Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein, German folk song; adapt. and harm. A Student's Hymnal, 1923, after Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941).

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

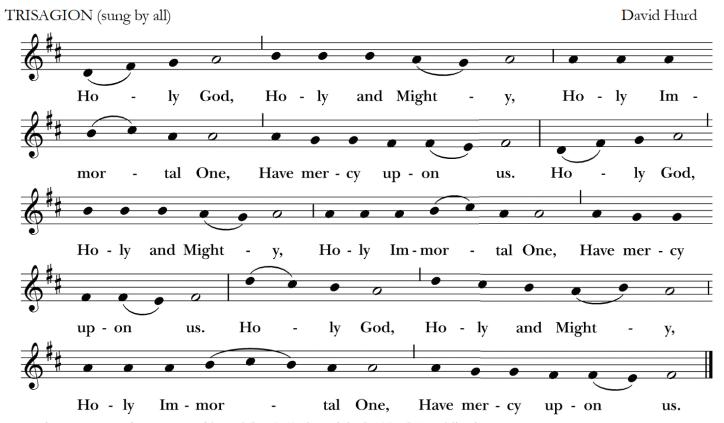
Presiding Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presiding Priest and People

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.



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Presiding Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presiding Priest Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, 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**.



Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

READER: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion— to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of

gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. For I the Lord love justice, I hate robbery and wrongdoing; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. Their descendants shall be known among the nations, and their offspring among the peoples; all who see them shall acknowledge that they are a people whom the Lord has blessed. I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Silence is marked by the ringing of a bell.

THE RESPONSE (remain seated) Cantor, then all

Psalm 126



Choir 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.

All: Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations,
"The Lord has done great things for them."

4 The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.

All: Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy

Choir: 5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

All: Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy

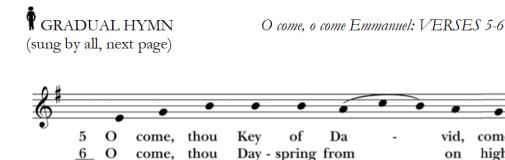
READER: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil. May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

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

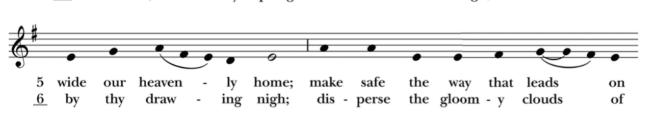
People Thanks be to God.

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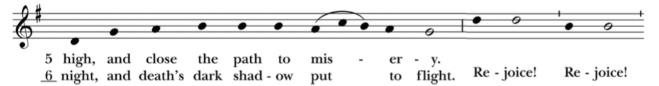
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John 1:6-8,19-28

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, "I am not the Messiah." And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" He answered, "No." Then they said to him,

"Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord," as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, "Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?" John answered them, "I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal." This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.



Jim Friedrich

The homily concludes with Bob Franke's Advent song, "Stir Up Your Power." All join in the chorus:

Stir up your power, O Lord,

Here in this hour, O Lord,

Stir up your power, O Lord,

Let your living waters roll.

Lord, may your will be done,

Lord, may your kingdom come,

Stir up your power, O Lord,

And restore our weary souls.

Silence is marked by the ringing of a bell.

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Presiding Priest and People

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

Let us offer our prayers to God, who clothes us in the armor of light and offers us the gift of immortal life, responding, "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

For peace throughout the world, that swords of destruction may become tools for good and every heart be filled with the light of hope;

let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

For the Church, that she would grow in the love of God and be a sheltering haven for all who turn to her;

let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

For the grace to choose the path that leads to eternal life, giving generously toward the relief of poverty and despair, homelessness and fear, so that through our actions, the saving love of Christ would be revealed;

let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

For the leaders of the nations of the world, that power would give way to servanthood, that triumph would give way to right actions, that greed would give way to justice and dignity for all people; let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

For ourselves, that we would hunger for the teachings of Jesus, seeking opportunities for learning, study and communion with those who follow Him;

let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

In thanksgiving for those who stay awake in the dark corners of human experience, abiding faithfully with those who are in any need of healing, peace and comfort, especially _____; let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

In anticipation of Jesus dwelling amongst us, let us offer our own prayers either spoken or unspoken; let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.



God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Presiding Priest 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.

THE PEACE

Presiding Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.



🗼 WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Prayer for a Birthday:

Watch over your child, O Lord, as *her* days increase; bless and guide *her* wherever *she* may be. Strengthen her when she stands; comfort her when discouraged or sorrowful; raise her up if she fall; and in her heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for a Wedding Anniversary:

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

<u>THE HOLY COMMUNION</u>

An offering of money is collected.

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OFFERTORY (choir)

Magnifiat

David McK. Williams

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior;

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations

He hath showed strength with his arm;

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,

as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed 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 forever. Amen



Presiding Priest All things come from you, O Lord,
People and of your own have we given you.

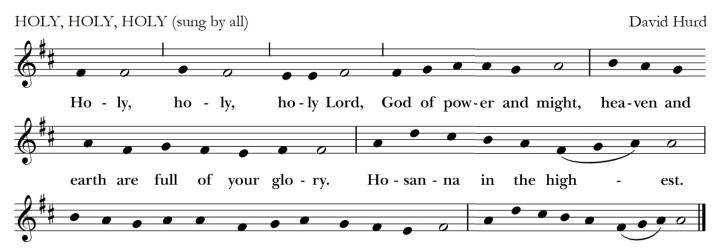
(The people remain standing as able.)



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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:



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Music: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950). Copyright © 1981 GIA Publications, Inc.

The Presiding Priest continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presiding Priest and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Presiding Priest continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed Barnabas and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.



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.

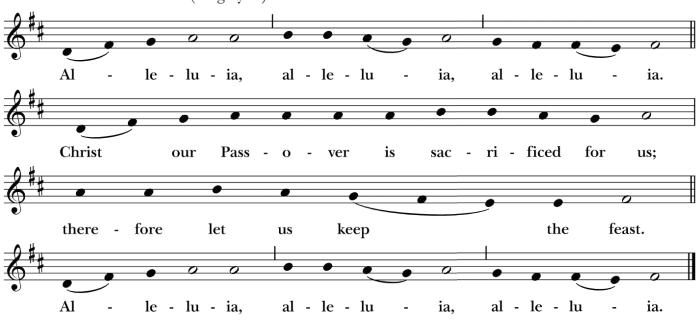
Give us this day our daily bread,

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.

David Hurd



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THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the People of God, holy things for holy people.

A COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

This is Jesus' table around which we gather, and all are welcome to receive communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing, or not to receive wine, fold your arms across your chest as a sign. Gluten-free wafers are available, please ask the priest.

An Act of Spiritual Communion for those worshipping online.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

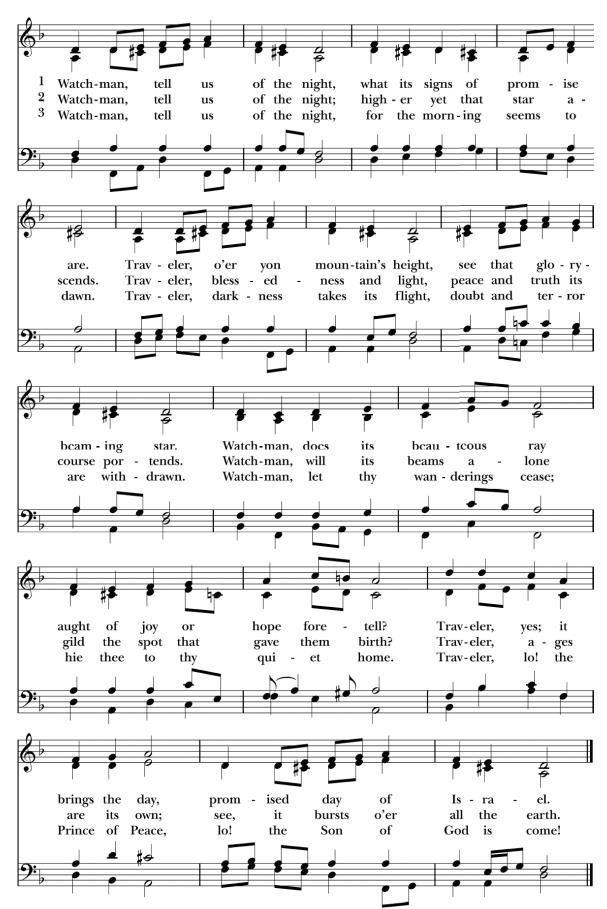




HYMN (sung by all, next page)

Watchman, tell us of the night

(HYMNAL 640)

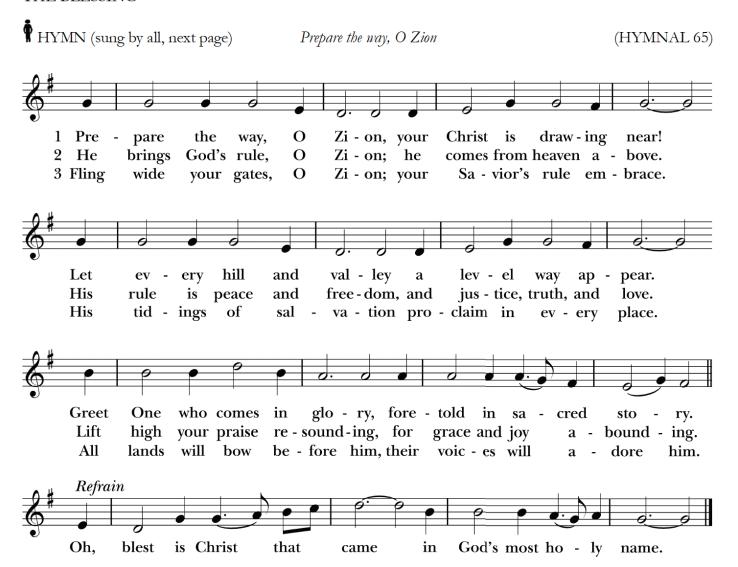


Two groups may sing antiphonally, alternating by sentences.
Words: John Bowring (1792-1872). Music: Aberystwyth, Joseph Parry (1841-1903).



Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. 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.

THE BLESSING



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DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

PROCESSION

POSTLUDE

O come, O Come Emmanuel

Daniel Pinkham

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Presider The Reverend Karen Haig Preacher The Reverend Jim Friedrich The Reverend Patricia Robertson Deacon Sheila Bristow Organist & Choir Director Song Leaders The Parish Choir Lectors Kathleen Jennings, Heidi O'Brien Eucharistic Ministers Barbara Bolles, Kathy Bolles Ushers Bill Galvani & Robin Cook Bread Bakers Cathy Davies, Peggy Eichenberger, Laurie Fergusson, Elaine Percival, Peter Schindler Videographer Michael Ditmore

Coffee Hour Mari Bickford, Sue Bunn, Dick Eversole, Judy Jackson Welcome Table Kathleen Jennings

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We are a community of faith that welcomes and values all people.

We commit to follow Christ, serve others, grow in faith,
and transform the world by sharing God's love.



St Barnabas Episcopal Church acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of this island, the Suquamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of the Suquamish Tribe.

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