HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite II

and coming to communion. May God richly bless you as you bless us!

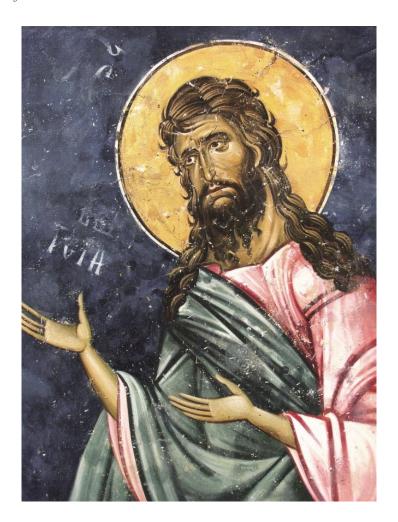
THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 8, 2024 ♦ 10 a.m.

Welcome to St. Barnabas, we are delighted that you're here. We hope you'll participate fully in our worship through singing, praying, hearing the Good News of Jesus Christ,

PRELUDE

ightharpoons All stand as able at the sound of the tower bell.



Icon, St. John the Baptist Origin Unknown



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OPENING ACCLAMATION

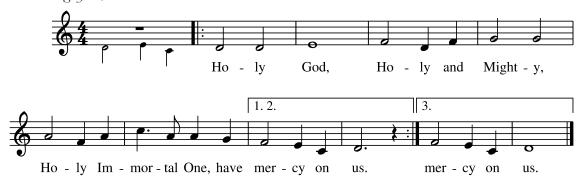
Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Presider 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.

TRISAGION Sung by all, three times.



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider May God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

🛔 THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST READING

Malachi 3:1–4

READER: A reading from the prophet Malachi.

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

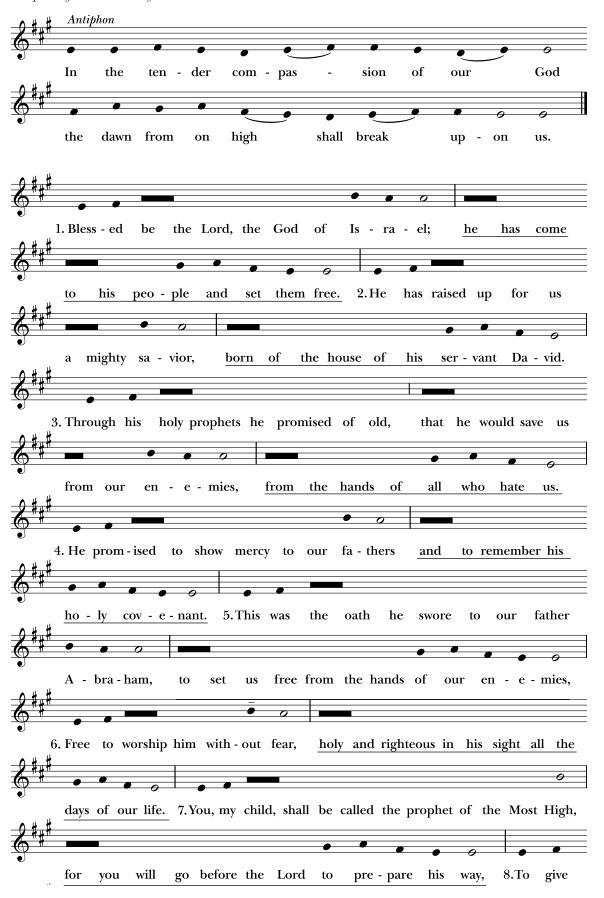
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

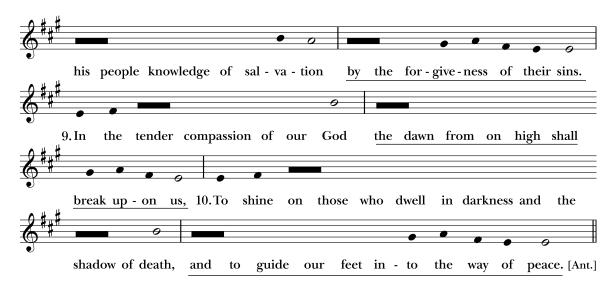
People Thanks be to God.

Silence is marked by the ringing of a bell.

THE PSALM

Antiphon: sung by the choir Verses: please join at each half verse.





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THE SECOND READING

READER: A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

Philippians 1:3-11

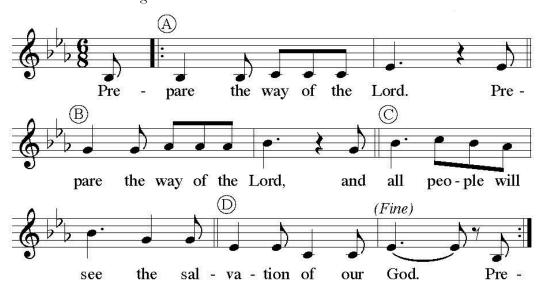
I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Sung three times.



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THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 3:1–6

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Karen Haig

Silence is marked by the ringing of a bell.



Presider 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

The Leader and People pray responsively.

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 the Lord, seeking opportunities for learning, study and communion with those who follow the way of Jesus;

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 thanksgiving for the lives of those who have died, 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.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Presider 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.

Presider

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of God be always with you.

People And also with you.

NELCOME & 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.

💃 THE HOLY COMMUNION



An offering of money is collected. You may make an offering by clicking here or by scanning the QR code.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Comfort, comfort

John Ferguson

"Comfort, comfort now my people; Tell of peace!" So says our God. Comfort those who sit in darkness Mourning under sorrow's load. To God's people now proclaim That God's pardon waits for them! Tell them that their war is over; God will reign in peace forever!

For the herald's voice is crying
In the desert far and near,
Calling us to true repentance,
Since the kingdom now is here.
Oh, that warning cry obey!
Now prepare for God away!
Let the valleys rise to meet him,
And the hills bow down to greet him!

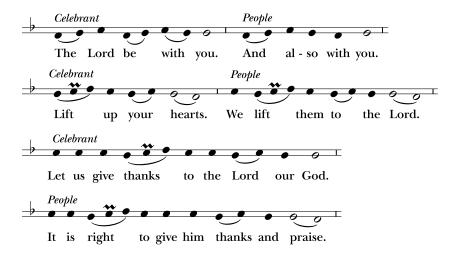
Straight shall be what long was crooked,
And the rougher places plain!
Let your hearts be true and humble,
As befits his holy reign!
For the glory of the Lord
Now on earth is shed abroad,
And all flesh shall see the token
That God's word is never broken.

• PRESENTATION ANTHEM

Presider All things come from you, O God,

People And of your own have we given you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

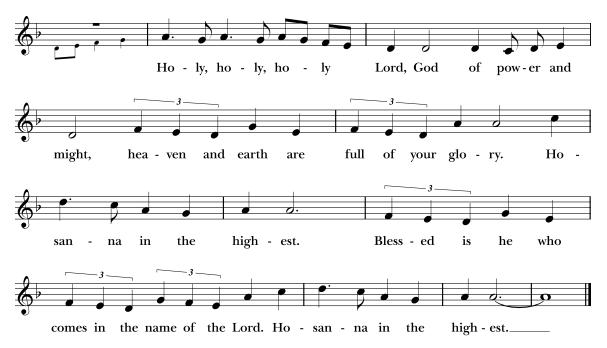


It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

SANCTUS



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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,

Presider and People

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

Presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O God 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.

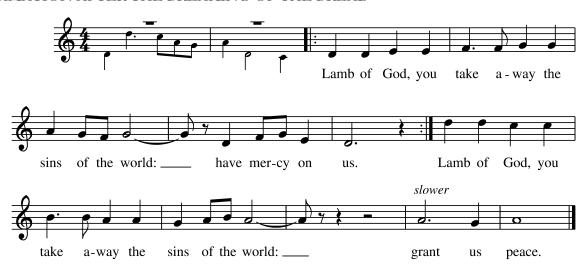
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

ACCLAMATION AFTER THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD



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THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

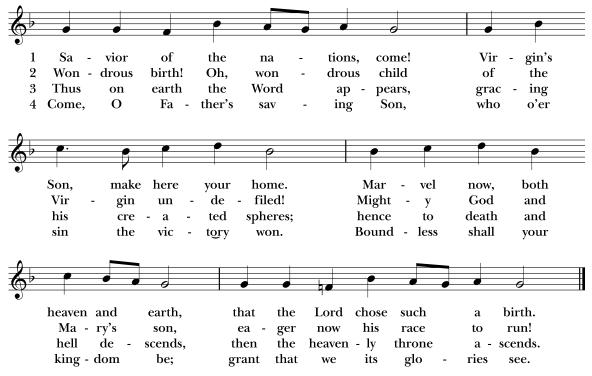
This is Jesus's table where all are welcome to share in the Bread and Wine of Holy Communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing, or not to receive Wine, fold your arms across your chest as a sign.

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. –*St. Alphonsus Liguori*

HYMNAL 54

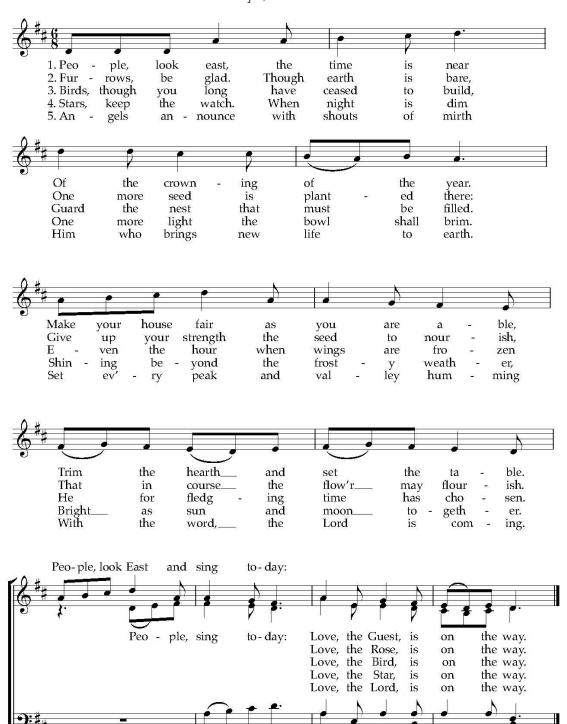


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♪ or † THE POST–COMMUNION PRAYER

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



Music, French traditional

DISMISSAL

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

Sing

to-day:

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Presider and Preacher | The Reverend Karen Haig

Deacon | The Reverend Dan Fowler

Music Director & Organist | Sheila Bristow

Musicians | Rae Hyra, Joshua Schulz, cantors

Lectors | Michael Ditmore, Sue Ellen Case

Eucharistic Ministers | Peggy Eichenberger, Rebecca Ditmore

Usher | Bill Galvani

Greeter | Pat Todd, Wenda Vielbig

Altar Guild | Steve & Helene Schmitz, Heidi O'Brien, Becky Raymond, Diane Walworth Coffee Hour Team | Heidi O'Brien, Elaine Percival, Karen Beierle, Laurie Fergusson, Jeanne and Dave Powell Welcome Table | George Robertson

Videographer | Michael Ditmore

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Delegates | Heidi O'Brien, George Robertson, Brian Andvik, Laura Carroll Alternates | Peggy & Kirk Eichenberger, Sue Ellen Case, Beth Gudmundson

Advent Festival of LESSONS

CAROLS

MUSIC | READINGS | PRAYERS

Sunday
December 8
6 p.m.

The Reverend Karen Haig | Officiant
Sheila Bristow | Music Director & Organist
The Parish Choir of St. Barnabas

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Solemn High Mass In Commemoration Of THOMAS MERTON

Sink from your shallows, soul, into eternity.

We touch the rays we cannot see.

We feel the light that seems to sing.

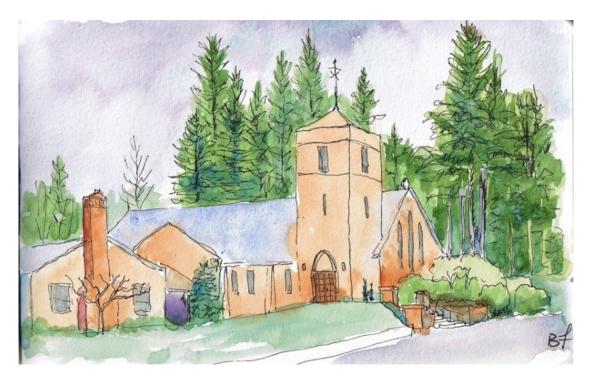
Tuesday December 10 7 p.m.

Thomas Merton (1915-1968) was one of the most inspiring and influential Christians of the 20th Century. His conversion, monastic vocation, social witness and distinctive voice left an indelible mark on the world. His writings continue to speak, nourishing successive generations of contemplatives, activists, and seekers. The 56th anniversary of Merton's death will be observed with a solemn high mass, weaving his eloquent texts into a heartfelt contemplative liturgy with chant and incense. All are welcome.



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WHO ARE WE?

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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