

ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 1, 2024
8:00 AM (spoken) 10:15 AM (with music)

THE HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II



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Prelude

“Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme from the Schübler Chorales”

Joh. Seb. Bach

The ringing of the bell signals that our worship is about to begin.

Please stand as you are able.

Introit:

English Gradual

Unto thée, O Lord, I lift úp my sóul: O my Gód, in thée have I trústed,
let me nó be confóunded: néither let mine éemies triumph over me;
for áll they that lóok for thee shall nó be ashámed.

Ps. Shów me my thy ways, O Lórd: and téach my thy páths.

Glóry be... Unto thée... [Ruairi O’Neill, conductor]

Welcome

Blessing and Lighting of the Advent Wreath

FIRST SUNDAY - *Hope for God’s Presence*

Responsive Litany

In this season of Advent, we long for God’s presence.

Christ is our light and the source of our hope.

In this season of Advent, we search for God’s truth.

Christ is our light and the source of our hope.

In this season of Advent, we seek God’s guidance.

Christ is our light and the source of our hope.

In this season of Advent, we remember God’s promise.

Christ is our light and the source of our hope.

Candle Lighting

This morning we light the first candle, the candle of hope. This candle reminds us that God’s promises give us reason to be filled with hope – hope for unity in a world of division, hope for healing in a world of pain, and hope for peace in a world filled with anger and strife. We remember that Christ is our light and the source of our hope.

"Gesù Bambino"
Music: Pietro Yon

Words and Arranged by
JOEL RANEY

O come, O come, Em - man - u -
el, and end this gloom of night. Bring
hope to the world, bring peace to the
earth, and fill us with love's pure light.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Gesù Bambino". It consists of four staves of music in a 3/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with some notes beamed together and some held over from the previous measure.

Wreath Prayer

Gracious God, as we begin our Advent journey we thank you for the gift of your Son, and for sending hope into a world filled with dread. Help us remember that we are your people, and because of your promises we have every reason to be hopeful. Take away our doubt and fear, and remind us that Christ is our light and the true source of hope. Amen.

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The Collect of the Day

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

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah 33:14-16

Len Ludovico

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."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

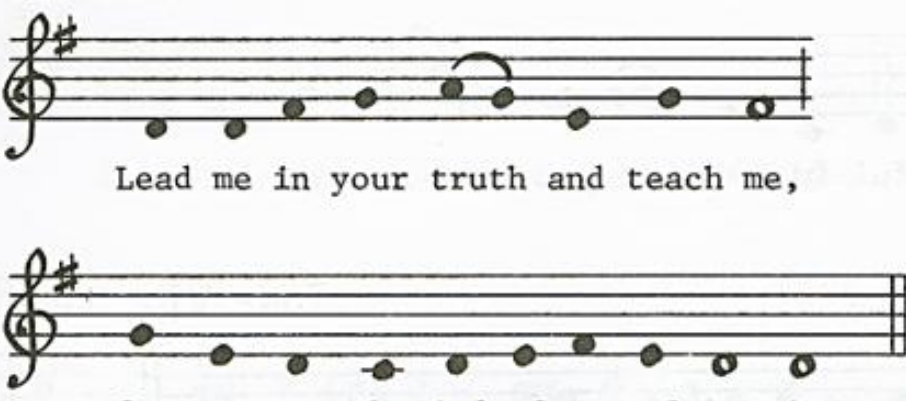
Psalm 25: 1–9

(8:00 said responsively; 10:15 congregation sings refrain)

Gradual Psalms

Ruairi O'Neill, baritone

REFRAIN



Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my sal-va-tion.

Ad te, Domine, levavi

- 1 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.**
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 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.**
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.

6 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.**

7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *

therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right *

and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *

to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A Reading from Paul's 1st letter to the Thessalonians 3:9-13

Michael Ling

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Orthodox Alleluia 5th Century, A.D.



The image shows a musical score for an Orthodox Alleluia. It consists of two staves, a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!". The first two phrases are followed by a long note for "Al", which then leads into "le - lu - ia!". There are some decorative flourishes in the melody, including a large slur over the first phrase and a similar flourish over the second phrase.

Celebrant: 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."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Kathryn L. King

Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

Kindred in Christ, may God strengthen our hearts in holiness. Trusting in God, let us pray, "O come, o come, Emmanuel; be our hope and our salvation."

God our hope, increase in us love for one another that we may abound in your love. Keep your Church on the path of love and faithfulness. O come, o come, Emmanuel: **Be our hope and our salvation.**

God our hope, usher in your reign of justice and righteousness. May all the world know your peace and safety. O come, o come, Emmanuel; **Be our hope and our salvation.**

God our hope, you place signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars. Give us the eyes to see you, the wisdom to prepare for you, and the faith to trust you. O come, o come, Emmanuel. **Be our hope and our salvation.**

God our hope, under your reign divisions are overcome, unity restored; bring the people of this town and this country together in a spirit of love and respect. O come, o come Emmanuel;

Be our hope and our salvation.

We join in thanksgiving with those celebrating birthdays especially, Anthony Domino, Susan Rogers, and Chase Wentworth. We join with Penny & Len Ludovico who have given the altar flower in celebration of their wedding anniversary. O come, O come, Emmanuel; **Be our hope and our salvation.**

God our hope, remember your compassion and love. Heal and restore the sick and the suffering, the anxious and the grieving. We remember those we hold in our hearts and those on our parish prayer list especially Edward H., Jason, Florence, Barbs, Dominic, Hannah, Jen T., Sharon, Greg, Laurie, Joyce, Leslie B., Jim W., Martha H., Sarah, Laura, Alfredo, Linda R., Ian, Megan, Paula, Katherine C., Jorgy, Les, Pete, Pat, Yolande, Jen, Jim, Priscilla, Patti, Sabina, Rich and Lindsay Coda. O come, o come, Emmanuel; **Be our hope and our salvation.**

God our hope, keep us blameless before you that we may meet the coming of our Lord Jesus with joy. May we, and all who have died, rise to life immortal with all your saints. O come, o come, Emmanuel; **Be our hope and our salvation.**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

*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 and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. **Amen.***

The Peace

Please share the peace with those in your pew and a distanced greeting with others.

Offertory Hymn Anthem: "Adoro te, O Panis"

Johann Michael Haydn

We sing your praise, O Manna from on high, O Bread of life, Redeemer of the world: Holy, holy, holy, beyond measure, holy, Love's redeeming work is done in this wondrous sacrament.

O Font of life and Spring of water clear, O Word of God, we give you thanks and praise: Holy, holy, holy, beyond measure, holy, Love's redeeming work is done in this wondrous sacrament.

Doxology

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving: During Advent we will be using Eucharistic Prayer 3 from Enriching our Worship. It can be found on the leaflet in your pew rack.

Sanctus #S130

Franz Peter Schubert

The Lord's Prayer

Fraction #S164

Franz Peter Schubert



The Communion of the People

All are welcome to receive Communion. If you are unable to go to the Altar for Communion, please notify an Usher. Communion will be brought to you. We will receive Communion standing during Advent. Please follow the direction of the ushers. You may receive the host and then choose to either dip the host into the shallow bowl or drink from the chalice.

Communion Solo "O rest in the Lord" from Elijah
Altha Morton, Contralto

Felix Mendelssohn

O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for him, and he shall give thee thy hearts desires;
Commit thy ways unto him, and trust in him; and fret not thyself because of evil doers. O
rest in the Lord...

Hymn #66 "Come, thou long expected Jesus"
Ruairi O'Neill, guest organist

Stuttgart

The Post-Communion Prayer

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The Final Blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn #57 - "Lo! He comes, with clouds"

Helmsley

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

Postlude - *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme*

Johann Gottfried Walther



The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the wedding anniversary of Penny & Len Ludovico.

Meet and greet in Bristol Hall following the service.

Service Participants

Celebrant: The Rev. Kathryn L. King
Verger: Clayton Smith
Ushers: Joe DeAmicis, Frank Mulligan
Lectors: Len Ludovico, Michael Ling
Eucharistic Minister: Dick Hewson, Rick Hager, Edwin Griffin, Clayton Smith
Organist: Stephen Pinel
Altar Guild: Janice Kiefer, Lois Eberhart
Hospitality: Ed & Phyllis Kata



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Support those impacted by Hurricane Helene through the Hurricane Relief Fund

Two ways to help:

1. Check payable to All Saints Church; in Memo write, ERD – Hurricane Helene. We will collect and send them along with all church donations.
2. Donate directly to ERD and list All Saints, Bay Head as your congregation. Copy Link for donations - <https://www.episcopalrelief.org/>

St. Gregory's Pantry

We help those in need locally through St. Gregory's Pantry. These items are especially needed in December.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS!!

Come One and All

Parish Tree Lighting and Chili Cook-Off

Wednesday, December 4th, 5:30 – 7:30 pm



We will begin outside with a few carols, the blessing of our Christmas tree, and finally, the lighting of our beautiful tree for all to see! Then join in our Chili Cook-Off in Bristol Hall! If you have a chili or cornbread recipe you would like to prepare and enter, please sign up on the bulletin board.

There is also a sign-up for all who plan to attend to assist with our preparation. Suggested donation of \$5 per person or \$20 per family. If you have any questions speak to Linda Gyurko.

You are Invited!

All Saints Open House

Bay Head Christmas Walk, 12/6/2024, 6-8 pm



**100+ Nativities from around the world
Crafts and Activities, Hot Chocolate & Cookies**



Women's Guild Christmas Party - Tuesday, December 17

The Women's Guild will hold its Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 17 at noon in Bristol Hall. Attendees are asked to bring an appetizer, entrée, or dessert to share at the luncheon and a \$10 or more donation for the Guild's Tree. There will also be a gift exchange for grab bags. All are welcome.



Christmas gift-giving through St. Gregory's Pantry and Samaritan House

We will again be supporting the gift distribution through St. Gregory's Pantry. Please select a gift tag from the tree on the way to Bristol Hall. Kathryn has also contacted Samaritan House, the men's shelter at All Saints in Lakewood started by Bert Draesel, and is awaiting information on the needs of their guests. Thank you.