



the Church
of St Peter and
St Simon-the-Apostle

First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2019

Holy Eucharist at 8:30 am

Celebrant: The Reverend Geoffrey Sangwine

The service begins on page 67 of the *Book of Common Prayer*.

Psalm 122 For the readings see 10:30 am



Litany in Procession and Choral Eucharist at 10:30 am.

Traditional Rite

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

Assisting: The Reverend Jennifer Matthews, Deacon Michael Perry

Mass Setting: *Mass of the Quiet Hour* - George Oldroyd

*Welcome to the Church of St. Peter and St. Simon-the-Apostle.
Children going to church school are invited to gather by the font.
Hearing Assistance Units are available at the back of the church.*

*The flowers are given to the honour and glory of almighty God and in thanksgiving
for the many blessings of life by May Lewis.*

Prelude *Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen Op. 122, No.8*

JOHANNES BRAHMS

Introit *Thou Cam'st the Bridegroom of the Bride*

MAURICE WHITE

*Thou Cam'st the Bridegroom of the Bride as drew the world to eventide
proceeding from a virgin shrine the spotless Victim all divine.*

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Leader As we enter eager and expectant into this solemn season of Advent,
looking forward to the celebration of Christ's birth,
let us renew in ourselves that vision of God's perfect kingdom
which is the end of all our strivings
and the consummation of God's loving purposes for all.

The first candle is lit.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Leader Restore us, O Lord of hosts;

All Show the light of your countenance and we shall be saved.

Leader Will you not give us life again,

All That your people may rejoice in you?

Leader Show us your mercy, O Lord,

All And grant us your salvation.

Leader Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

All Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.

The Litany in Procession

Found in the insert or purple Book of Common Prayer pp. 30-34

Please kneel or be seated during the litany.

Kyrie Eleison (Choir)

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Proclamation of the Word

Old Testament Lesson *Isaiah 2:1-5*

Read by Daphne Harris

Reader The Old Testament Lesson is written in the 2nd chapter of the book of Isaiah, beginning at the 1st verse.

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!

Reader The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 122

Tone IV-6



Cantor I was glad when they said **un**-to me, / ‘We will go unto the house of the **LORD**.’

All Behold, our **feet** now stand / within thy gates, O Jerusa-**lem**.

Cantor Jerusalem is built **as** a ci-ty / that is at unity in it-**self**;

All Whither the tribes go up, even the tribes **of** the **LORD**, /
as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the **LORD**.

Cantor For there were set the **thrones** for judge-ment, /
even the thrones of the house of Da-**vid**.

All O pray for the peace **of** Je-ru-salem: / may they prosper that love **thee**.

Cantor Peace be with-**in** thy walls, / and plenteousness within thy pala-**ces**.

All For my brethren and com-**pan**-ions’ sakes, / I will wish thee prosperi-**ty**.

Cantor Yea, because of the house of the **LORD** our God, /

All I will seek to do thee **good**.

Epistle *Romans 13:11-14*

Read by Kenneth Clarke

Reader The Epistle is written in the 13th chapter of letter of Paul to the Romans,
beginning at the 11th verse.

Besides this, 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 armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Advent Prose Music: *adapted from Rorate Caeli*



Pour down, O hea-vens, from a - bove,___ and let the skies rain down right-eous-ness

Choir Turn your fierce anger from us, O Lord;
and remember not our sins for ever.
Your holy cities have become a desert,
Zion a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation;
our holy and beautiful house, where our fathers praised you.

All **Pour down, O heavens...**

The Holy Gospel *Matthew 24:36-44*

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel is written in the 24th chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew, beginning at the 36th verse.

All **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

‘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 stayed 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.

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Choir We have sinned and become like one who is unclean;
We have all withered like a leaf,
and our iniquities like the wind have swept us away.
You have hidden your face from us,
and abandoned us to our iniquities.

All **Pour down, O heavens...**

Homily

Nicene Creed

Celebrant I believe in one God,

All **the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under**

Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again, according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God. *Please kneel, as able.*

Celebrant Almighty God,

All **Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things and judge of all people: we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Absolution is pronounced.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

We invite you to share a sign of peace with those near you.

Please respect the wishes of those who prefer not to shake hands.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 89 *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

VENI EMMANUEL

During the hymn collection will be taken. Thank you for supporting our ministry.

Celebrant God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving – Hymn Book #682

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

All **It is meet and right so to do.**

The Celebrant continues with the proper preface. Then is sung:

Choir *Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.*

Celebrant Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me." Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

All **We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee,
and we pray to thee, Lord our God.**

Celebrant And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other

benefits of his passion; and we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer – Sung

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All **Happier are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.**

Agnus Dei (Choir)

Choir O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

Holy Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion.

Please do not dip the consecrated bread into the wine - Drinking from the chalice is considered safe from the point of view of public health. You are also welcome to receive only the bread, if you prefer.

Indicate this by holding your arms crossed over your chest as the chalice passes; this is also a way to receive a blessing rather than communion. Gluten-free communion wafers are available.

Hymn 95 *O Come, Divine Messiah*

VENEZ, DIVIN MESSIE

Motet *Jesus Christ the Apple Tree*

ELIZABETH POSTON

The tree of life my soul hath seen, laden with fruit, and always green:

The trees of nature fruitless be compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel: by faith I know, but ne'er can tell

The glory which I now can see in Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought, and pleasure dearly I have bought:

I missed of all; but now I see 'tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil, here I will sit and rest awhile:

Under the shadow I will be of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, it keeps my dying faith alive;

Which makes my soul in haste to be with Jesus Christ the apple tree.

Prayer after Communion *Please stand.*

Celebrant God for whom we wait, who has fed us with the bread of eternal life.

Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man.

We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing & Announcements *Please be seated.*

Hymn *The Advent of our King*

FRANCONIA

The Advent of our King our prayers must now employ,
and we must hymns of welcome sing in strains of holy joy.

The everlasting Son incarnate deigns to be;
himself a servant's form puts on, to set his servants free.

Daughter of Sion rise to meet thy lowly King;
nor let thy faithless heart despise the peace he comes to bring.

As Judge, on clouds of light, he soon will come again,
and all his scattered saints unite with him in heaven to reign.

Before the dawning day let sin's dark deeds be gone;
The old self all be put away, the new self all put on.

All glory to the Son who comes to set us free,
with Father, Spirit, ever One, through all eternity.

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Nun komm der Heiden Heiland – BWV 661 (Come now Redeemer)*

J.S. BACH