



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

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**First Sunday of Advent**  
**Commitment Sunday**  
**December 2, 2018**

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**Holy Eucharist at 8:30 am**

Celebrant: The Reverend Geoffrey Sangwine  
The service begins on page 67 of the Book of Common Prayer.  
Psalm 25.1-9 For the readings see 10:30 am

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**Choral Eucharist at 10:30 am**

Celebrant: The Reverend Jennifer Matthews  
Latinist & Homilist: The Reverend Geoffrey Sangwine  
Mass Setting: Communion Service in C - John Ireland

*Welcome to the Church of St. Peter and St. Simon-the-Apostle.*  
*Children going to church school are invited to gather by the font*  
*after the lighting of the wreath.*  
*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 by May Lewis.*

*We acknowledge that we are in the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the New Credit, the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunees, and the Huron-Wendat, on whose land, and by whose water we gather to talk, listen, learn, worship, share and heal together in the name of our Creator, the Holy One of Blessing.*

*"The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it,  
the world and all who dwell therein."  
Psalm 24.1 (BAS p.732)*

**Prelude** *Wachet Auf (Sleepers Awake - Cantata 140)*  
Flute - Nancy Nourse      Trombone - Ian Corlett

J.S. BACH

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

MAURICE WHITE

*Choir*      *Thou cam'st, the Bridegroom of the bride,  
As drew the world to evening-tide;  
Proceeding from a virgin shrine,  
The spotless victim all divine*

**Gathering of the Community**

*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*      Today is the first Sunday of Advent,  
the season of waiting and preparation  
for the coming of Jesus, the Messiah.  
We remember the holy men and women of old who lived by the light of faith.  
Like them, may we walk by faith, waiting  
and watching for Jesus, the light of the world.

*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 Great Litany – found in the insert or purple Book of Common Prayer pp. 30-34**

*Please kneel or be seated during the litany.*

**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.**

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 Zion, 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.

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

## **Proclamation of the Word**

**Old Testament Lesson** *Jeremiah 33.14–16*

*Read by Colin Bird*

*Reader* The Old Testament Lesson is written in the 33<sup>rd</sup> chapter of the book of Jeremiah, beginning at the 14<sup>th</sup> verse.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil 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.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 25.1-9** *Sung by all. You are invited to remain seated.*

Tone I.4



*Cantor* <sup>1</sup> UN-TO thee, O Lord, do I lift up **my** soul; /  
my God, I have **put** my trust in thee.

*All* <sup>2</sup> O let me not be con-**found**-ed, /  
neither let mine enemies **tri**-umph o'er me.

*Cantor* <sup>3</sup> For all they that hope in thee shall not be a-**sham**-ed; /  
but such as transgress without a cause shall be put **to** con-fu-sion.

*All* <sup>4</sup> Show me thy ways, **O** Lord, /  
and **teach** me thy paths.

*Cantor* <sup>5</sup> Lead me forth in thy truth and **teach** me: /  
for thou art the God of my salvariôn; in thee is my hope **all** the day long.

*All* <sup>6</sup> Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender **mer**-cies, /  
and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been **ev**-er of old.

*Cantor* <sup>7</sup> O remember not the sins and offences of **my** youth; /  
but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, **for** thy good-ness.

*All* <sup>8</sup> Gracious and righteous is **the** Lord; /  
therefore will he teach **sin**-ners in the way.

*Cantor* <sup>9</sup> Them that are meek shall he guide in **judge**-ment; /  
and such as are gentle, them **shall** he teach his way.

*All* <sup>10</sup> All the paths of the LORD are mercy **and** truth, /  
unto such as keep his covenant and his **tes**-ti-mo-nies.

**Epistle** *1 Thessalonians 3.9–13*

*Read by Vanessa Scott*

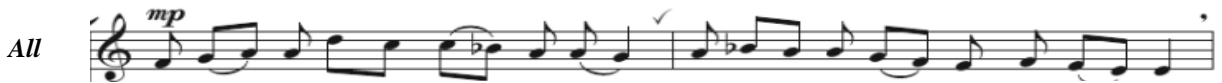
*Reader* The Epistle is written in the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter of the 1st letter of Paul to the Thessalonians, beginning at the 9<sup>th</sup> verse.

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.

*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.....**

**Gospel** *Luke 21.25–36*

*Gospeller* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And with thy spirit.**

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel is written in the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter of the Gospel according to Luke, beginning at the 25<sup>th</sup> verse.

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

‘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 does not 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.’

*Gospeller* The Gospel of Christ.

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

*Choir* You are my witnesses, says the Lord;  
and my servant whom I have chosen;  
that you may know me and believe me.  
I myself am the Lord, and none but I can deliver;  
what my hand holds, none can snatch away.



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

*Choir* Comfort my people, comfort them;  
my salvation shall not be delayed.  
I have swept your offences away like a cloud;  
fear not, for I will save you.  
I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Redeemer.

*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

Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God.

*Silence is kept. 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 – a handshake, slight bow or other form of greeting. Please respect the wishes of those who prefer not to shake hands.*

## Celebration of the Eucharist

**Offertory Hymn 95 O Come, Divine Messiah**

VENEZ, DIVIN MESSIE

*During the hymn collection will be taken. Parishioners are invited to place their Intention Form on the plate as well.*

*All Sing* **Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise him all creatures here below.  
Praise God above the heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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## Prayer over the Gifts

*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

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*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.**

*Celebrant* It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world; that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

**Sanctus & Benedictus** Communion Service in C -

JOHN IRELAND

*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

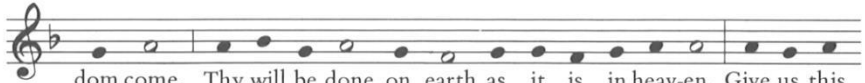


*Celebrant* And now, as our Sav-iour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

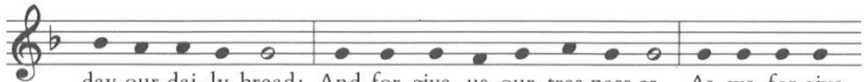


*Music by John Merbecke*

All Our Fa-ther, who art in heav-en. Hal-low-ed be thy Name, Thy king-



dom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heav-en. Give us this



day our dai-ly bread; And for-give us our tres-pass-es, As we for-give



those who tres-pass a-gainst us; And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion,



But de-liv-er us from e-vil. For thine is the king-dom,



the pow-er, and the glo-ry, For ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**All** **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

**Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.**

**Agnus Dei** *Communion Service in C -*

JOHN IRELAND

*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, 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 – please let the administering priest know.*

**Hymn 66** *And Now, O Father, Mindful Of The Love*

UNDE ET MEMORES

**Motet** *Call to Remembrance O Lord*

RICHARD FARRANT

*Call to remembrance, O Lord,*

*Thy tender mercies*

*and Thy loving kindness,*

*which hath been ever of old,*

*O remember not the sins and offences of my youth:*

*but according to Thy mercy*

*think Thou on me, O Lord,*

*for Thy goodness.*

**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 97** *Jesus Came, The Heaven's Adoring*

TANTUM ERGO

## **Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All** **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** *Toccata in e minor*

JOHANN PACHEBEL

*Tidings of Comfort and Joy*

## **ADVENT & CHRISTMAS**

at The Church of St. Peter and St. Simon-the-Apostle

**Advent Lessons and Carols – Sunday December 2, 4 pm**

Begin the Season of Advent with a service of readings and carols. Choral music of Holman, Palestrina, Cashmore & Manz. A gathering with fruit cake and sherry will follow

**Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol – Sunday December 9, 4 pm**

A dramatic reading with audience carols led by the SPSS choir. Tickets \$15/10 SS available at the door

**Children's Musical: The Not-So-Silent Night – Sunday December 16, 3 pm**

A humorous and touching play presented by the children of the parish and community.

**Nine Lessons and Carols – Sunday December 23, 4 pm**

A beloved traditional selection of carols and readings by candlelight. Choral music of Willan, Holman, Praetorius and Rutter. A social gathering featuring mince tarts and mulled wine will follow.

**Christmas Eve – Monday December 24, 10 pm**

A candlelit traditional Eucharist service featuring Christmas carols & choral music.

**Christmas Day – Tuesday December 25, 10:30 am**

A joyful and reverent celebration of the Nativity.

**Every Sunday**

8:30 Quiet Communion Service - 10:30 Choral Communion or Matins Service

*All are welcome!*

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Services 8:30 am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

10:30 am 1st Sunday – Choral Eucharist (Traditional)

2nd Sunday – Choral Matins

3rd Sunday – Choral Eucharist (Traditional)

4th Sunday – Choral Eucharist (Contemporary)

Sunday Evensong – As Announced

Last Tuesday of the Month – Candlelight Evening Prayer

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