



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

The Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 22, 2019

Welcome to the Church of St. Peter and St. Simon-the-Apostle.

Holy Eucharist at 8:30 am

Celebrant - The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

Homilist - The Reverend Michael Perry

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

Collects p.102/95 For the readings see 10:30 am.



Choral Eucharist at 10:30 am

Mass Setting:

Mass in G - Franz Schubert (Sanctus/Benedictus)

Missa Ex Parentis - Healey Willan (Agnus Dei)

Celebrant - The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

The Reverend Jennifer Matthews

Homilist - The Reverend Michael Perry

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 honour of the clergy, wardens, choir and many volunteers of
St. Peter and St. Simon's and San Lorenzo Ruiz by Duncan and Barbara Towe.*

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude *Suite Gothique* – Prière à Notre Dame

LÉON BOËLLMANN

Introit *I sing of a maiden that is makeless*

MAURICE WHITE

*I sing of a maiden that is makeless; (matchless)
King of all Kings to her son she ches.
He came all so still where his mother was,
as dew in April that falleth on the grass.
Mother and maiden was never none but she;
Well may such a Lady God's mother be.*

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 also with you.**

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Leader On this fourth Sunday of Advent we remember Blessed Mary who
responded to God's call with faith and joy. Like her, may we give faithful
witness to her Son Jesus Christ the Light of the world.

The fourth candle is lit.

Leader We wait for your loving kindness O God,

All **In the midst of your temple.**

Leader The glory of the Lord shall be revealed.

All **And all flesh shall see it together.**

Leader Show us your mercy O Lord.

All **And grant us your salvation.**

Hymn 362 *Tell out my Soul*

WOODLANDS

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Heavenly Father, who chose the Virgin Mary, full of grace, to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour, now fill us with your grace, that we in all things may embrace your will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** *Please be seated.*

The Proclamation of the Word

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 7.10-16

Read by Vanessa Scott

Reader A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test. Then Isaiah said: ‘Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 80.1-7



Cantor Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that ledest Joseph **like** a flock; / show thyself also, thou that sittest **up-**on the cherubim

All Before Ephraim, Benjamin, **and** Manasseh, / stir up thy strength, and come **and** help us.

Cantor Turn us a-**gain**, O God; / show the light of thy countenance, **and** we shall be whole.

All O Lord **God** of hosts, / how long wilt thou be angry with thy **peo-**ple that prayeth?



Cantor Thou hast fed them with the **bread** of tears, /
and hast given them plen-**teousness** of tears to drink.

All Thou makest us a very strife un-**to** our neighbours, /
and our ene-**mies** laugh us to scorn.

Cantor Turn us again, O **God** of hosts; /

All show the light of thy countenance, **and** we shall be whole.

The Epistle Romans 1.1-7

Read by Peggy Needham

Reader A reading from Paul's Epistle to the Romans.

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ. To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Advent Prose - *Please kneel or be seated.*



All 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...***

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...***

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.

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

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...***

The Holy Gospel Matthew 1.18-25

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, ‘Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.’ All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: ‘Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel’, which means, ‘God is with us.’ When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

Nicene Creed *Please stand, as able.*

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All **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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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.**

Prayers of the People *Please kneel or stand, as able.*

Led by Ian Corlett

The intentions of the day are offered. Then the Advent litany is prayed:

Leader In joyful expectation let us pray to our Saviour and Redeemer, saying, "Lord Jesus, come soon!"

Leader O Wisdom, from the mouth of the Most High, you reign over all things to the ends of the earth: come and teach us how to live.

All **Lord Jesus, come soon!**

Leader O Lord, and head of the house of Israel, you appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush and you gave the law on Sinai: come with outstretched arm and ransom us.

All **Lord Jesus, come soon!**

Leader O Branch of Jesse, standing as a sign among the nations, all kings will keep silence before you and all peoples will summon you to their aid: come, set us free and delay no more.

All **Lord Jesus, come soon!**

Leader O Key of David and sceptre of the house of Israel, you open and none can shut; you shut and none can open: come and free the captives from prison.

All Lord Jesus, come soon!

Leader O Morning Star, splendour of the light eternal and bright Sun of righteousness: come and enlighten all who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death.

All Lord Jesus, come soon!

Leader O King of the nations, you alone can fulfil their desires: Cornerstone, you make opposing nations one: come and save the creature you fashioned from clay.

All Lord Jesus, come soon!

Leader O Emmanuel, hope of the nations and their Saviour: come and save us, Lord our God.

All Lord Jesus, come soon!

Anointing and Laying on of Hands for Healing

Those who would like to be anointed are invited to the St. Peter's Altar at the south side of the church.

Hymn 92 *O Day of God Draw Nigh*

BELLWOODS

Confession of Absolution – BAS p. 191

Silence is kept. You are invited to kneel. The celebrant invites to confession of sin. Then is said,

Celebrant Most merciful God,

All 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 neighbours 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.

The Absolution is pronounced.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

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.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Hymn *Sing of Mary*

HERMON

Sing of Mary, pure and lowly, virgin-mother undefiled.
Sing of God's own Son most holy, who became her little child.
Fairest child of fairest mother, God the Lord who came to earth,
Word made flesh, our very brother, takes our nature by his birth.

Sing of Jesus, son of Mary, in the home at Nazareth.
Toil and labour cannot weary love enduring unto death.
Constant was the love he gave her, though he went forth from her side,
forth to preach, and heal, and suffer, till on Calvary he died.

Sing of Mary, sing of Jesus, holy mother's holier son.
From his throne in heav'n he sees us, thither calls us ev'ry one,
where he welcomes home his mother to a place at his right hand,
there his faithful servants gather, there the crowned victors stand.

Joyful Mother, full of gladness, in thine arms thy Lord was borne.
Mournful Mother, full of sadness, all thy heart with pain was torn.
Glorious Mother, now rewarded with a crown at Jesus' hand,
age to age thy name recorded shall be blest in every land.

Glory be to God the Father; glory be to God the Son;
Glory be to God the Spirit; glory to the Three in One.
From the heart of blessed Mary, from all saints the song ascends,
and the church the strain re-echoes unto earth's remotest ends.

Tune: Bishop C. Venn Pilcher 1935 (from the *Book of Common Praise 1938*)

Text: Anon 1914.

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Gracious God, by the power of the Spirit who sanctified the mother of your Son, make holy all we offer you this day. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 3 - BAS pp. 198-200

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise 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 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.

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, CP#735
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All **we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer



Celebrant As our Sav-iour taught us, let us pray,

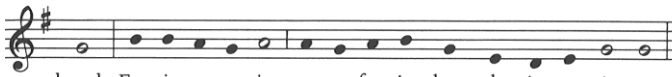
Music by McNeil Robinson



All Our Fa-ther in heav- en, hal- lowed be your name, your king- dom come,



your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly



bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a- gainst us.



Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king- dom,



the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev- er. A - men.

Celebrant

God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

All

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

Agnus Dei

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 those baptized in the name of the Holy Trinity 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 96 *Creator of the Stars of Night*

CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

Motet *There is no Rose*

GERALD NEAR

There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu: Alleluia.
For in this rose contained was heaven and earth in little space:
Res miranda. [A miraculous thing]
By that rose we may well see there be one God in persons three:
Pares forma. [All of the same form]
The angels sungen the shepherds to: Gloria in excelsis Deo: Gaudeamus. [Let us rejoice]
Then leave we all this worldly mirth and follow we this joyous birth: Transeamus. [Let us go]

Prayer after Communion *Please stand, as able.*

Celebrant Faithful God, in this sacrament we receive the promise of salvation.
May we, like the Virgin Mary, be obedient to your will.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing & Announcements *Please be seated.*

Hymn 97 *Jesus Came the Heavens Adoring*

TANTUM ERGO

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Suite Gothique – Toccata*

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Services

Sunday 8:30 am	Holy Eucharist – <i>Book of Common Prayer</i> (BCP)
10:30 am 1st Sunday	Choral Eucharist - Traditional
2nd Sunday	Choral Matins - BCP
3rd Sunday	Choral Eucharist - Traditional
4th Sunday	Choral Eucharist - Contemporary
Sunday Evensong	As Announced
4 th Tuesday of the Month	Candlelight Evening Prayer

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