



Welcome to St. Peter's by the Sea Episcopal Church

We extend a warm welcome to everyone, and especially any visitors who may be worshiping with us today. If you do not already have a church home, please feel welcome to join this Parish family.

In the Episcopal Church, all baptized persons are welcomed to the table to receive Holy Communion.

Our Services begin with the Opening Voluntary. You are invited to enter quietly into the spirit of worship as the music is played.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES.



THE ST. PETER'S ECW WISHES TO THANK ALL WHO PARTICIPATED, BAKED, ATTENDED OR HELPED IN ANY WAY TO MAKE THE 2018 CHRISTMAS FAIR A SUCCESS! Special thanks to Bishop Itty, Sal Basile, Mark Engelhardt, and especially "St. Nicholas" for his timely visit.

THE DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS FOR THE ECW'S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON THIS THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13 IS TODAY, DECEMBER 9. The cost for ECW members is \$15, and guests \$18. Please call Joan Derle (631-499-8234) for further information.

NEXT SUNDAY, December 16th, we will begin the 10am Eucharist with Choral Matins (Morning Prayer), and on December 23rd, we will begin with the Sunday School Christmas Pageant. Please note that we will NOT have a Family Service at 4pm on Christmas Eve, and the Festival Christmas Eve Eucharist will begin at 9pm. The full schedule of special services and concerts of the season is listed on pages 4 & 27.

THE PARISH CHOIR AND SOLOISTS WITH ORCHESTRA WILL PRESENT G. F. HANDEL'S "MESSIAH" NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16 AT 4PM. Suggested donation is \$20/\$15 students and seniors. All are invited to join us for this revered Christmas musical tradition.

THE ONGOING FOOD PANTRY WISH LIST FOR THIS WEEK INCLUDES THESE ITEMS: Non-perishable foods that can be opened and eaten, especially cereal, tuna fish, soup beans, mac&cheese, corned beef hash, canned chicken, canned ravioli, spaghetti O's, etc.

THE ANGEL TREE: Please consider adopting someone in need of a "Santa Clause" this Christmas. Wrapped gifts may be returned to the church by Sunday morning, December 16th for delivery in time for Christmas. As always, thanks for your generosity!

BIBLE STUDY continues on Sundays between services and on Tuesdays at 10:30am. All are invited!

ADVANCE NOTICES: On Sunday, January 6, The Feast of the Epiphany, the 10am service will begin with Lessons and Carols for Epiphany, identical in form to the service last week. This service will provide a "bookend" to the seasons of Advent and Christmas. The ANNUAL PARISH MEETING will be on Sunday, January 20. There will be only one service that day, beginning at 9am in the Church and concluding the meeting in the Parish Hall.

Financial Snapshot for the Week of 12/2/18	
Total Parish Expenses Per Week	\$5,546.00
Donations weekend of 12/2/18	\$7,072.00
Amount Over for the Week	\$1,526.00
Year to Date Deficit	\$92,416.00



An Advent Greeting from Bishop Itty

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This season of Advent and Christmas is a reminder of God's love for each and every one of us. Advent is a time of spiritual preparation for the renewal and transformation that is to come through the birth of Jesus Christ. The mystery of the Incarnation is a reminder that God continues to

work in mystery and wonder throughout human history to bring order out of chaos, hope out of despair, and abiding love, which overcomes all the forces of evil in our world.

Advent is a penitential season of personal commitment to repent and renew and transform our lives in a manner that is wholesome and pleasing to the Lord. Christmas is a tangible reminder of God's great mystery and love which can transform all that may not be well in life, both within and around us. Indeed, the birth of Jesus, represents God reaching out to our world, and to each one of us, to enter the fullness of His redemptive grace.

As we enter the darkest time of the year, we adorn our homes, churches, and public places with light, candles, and a multitude of visible reminders of the joy that this season offers. The light of Christ, dispels all darkness around us. In the midst of joy, Christ comes. In the midst of sadness and disappointment, Christ comes. In all manner and circumstances of human life, Christ comes. Indeed, the message of this holy season is a call for each one of us to prepare our hearts and minds for the majesty and mystery of Christ's birth. It is a clarion call that reminds us that there is hope, forgiveness, reconciliation, and a new beginning through the mystery of the Incarnation of Jesus Christ.

I pray that in the weeks to come, this holy Advent and Christmas season will bring to you and your loved ones, Christ's peace and abiding joy. May the mystery and miracle of Christ's birth encourage each one of us to more fully experience the many wonderful miracles of God's love made manifest in our own lives. As we celebrate Christ's birth, may we also give thanks for our loved ones, for one another, for our church family, community, and our nation, and for those unacknowledged blessings which we enjoy from the hands of Almighty God. And, whenever, we feel discouraged, lonely, or afraid, may we mindful if these words of scripture that remind us that with God, all things are possible:

"...Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end." "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?"

The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be barren is in her sixth month. For nothing is impossible with God." (Luke 1:30-37)

May the blessings of this holy Advent and Christmastide bring to you and your family, joy, good health, happiness, and Christ's abiding peace.

Faithfully Yours, Bishop Johncy Itty



We pray for those seeking healing: Andrea, Anthony, Austin, Autumn, Betty, Bryce, Carolyn, Chris, Curt, David, Diane, Elinor, Ellen, Emily, George, Greg, Hannah, James, Joel, John, John H., Joy, Kim, Manuel, Margaret, Mark, Mary, Michelle, Nancy, Robert, Roger, Rose, Sarah Grace, Shanti, Theresa, Tria, William;

We pray for those who have died; and all those grieving the death of a loved one, that they may they find comfort and peace;

We pray for those in military service, and especially for Christian, Eileen, John, Kyle, Robert, and Stephen;

We pray for the unemployed and underemployed; for all who suffer from addictions; for all who suffer chronic illness, and for all caregivers;

We pray for our companion dioceses of Torit & Ecuador-Central; and for mercy, peace, and justice among all peoples, especially those whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters, terrorism, war, famine, tyranny, or injustice;

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Mary's, Amityville; Christ Church, Babylon; St. Peter's, Bay Shore; Christ Church, Bellport; Christ Church, Brentwood; St. Ann's, Bridgehampton;

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Falkland Islands; and the Dioceses of Kirinyaga (Kenya); Kisangani, Nord Kivu (Congo); Kita Kanto (Japan); Kitale (Kenya); Kitgum (Uganda); Kitui (Kenya).

December and January at St. Peter's SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9- SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT THE CHORAL HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I - 10AM TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11- VESTRY MEETING - 7:30PM (VESTRY ROOM) THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13 - ECW LUNCHEON/MEETING - 11:30AM (LOUNGE) SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16 - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT **CHORAL MATINS FOR ADVENT WITH THE EUCHARIST - 10AM** MUSIC AT ST. PETER'S: "MESSIAH" CONCERT - 4PM SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT WITH THE EUCHARIST - 10AM MONDAY, DECEMBER 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE** FESTIVAL CHORAL EUCHARIST FOR CHRISTMAS EVE - 9PM **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY CHRISTMAS DAY EUCHARIST - 10AM** SUNDAY, JANUARY 6 - THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY **EPIPHANY LESSONS AND CAROLS WITH THE EUCHARIST - 10AM** SUNDAY, JANUARY 20 - CONFESSION OF ST. PETER (PATRONAL FESTIVAL OF THE PARISH) CHORAL EUCHARIST AND 130TH ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AT 9AM (ONE SERVICE ONLY!) ISLAND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CONCERT (ENSEMBLE-IN-RESIDENCE) - 2PM



The Holy Eucharist: Rite I

The Book of Common Prayer, page 323

8 o'clock in the morning

The Word of God

Opening Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on "Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland"

J. S. Bach

The Opening Acclamation

CelebrantBless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.PeopleHis mercy endureth for ever.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Song of Praise

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

The Collect of the Day

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent thy 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 liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The First Lesson: Baruch 5:1-9

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven. For God will give you evermore the name, "Righteous Peace, Godly Glory." Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height; look toward the east, and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that God has remembered them. For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies; but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God. The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

Lector The Word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

Canticle 16: The Song of Zechariah (Said by all)

- Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;*
 he has come to his people and set them free.
- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty savior,* born of the house of his servant David.
- 3 Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies,* from the hands of all who hate us.
- 4 He promised to show mercy to our fathers* and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5 This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham,* to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- 6 Free to worship him without fear,* holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
- 7 You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,* for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation* by the forgiveness of their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God* the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,* and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
- Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,* and to the Holy Ghost:
- As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,* world without end. Amen.

The Second Lesson: 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord. *People* Thanks be to God.

The congregation stands for the reading of the Gospel.

The Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In 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.""

CelebrantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

The Right Reverend Johncy Itty

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 Intercessor says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and ever living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Lord, hear our prayer

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; Lawrence, Geralyn and Daniel, Bishops of the Diocese of Long Island; and Johncy, our Bishop-in-Residence, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. *Lord, hear our prayer*

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Lord, hear our prayer

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially the President of the United States, the members of Congress, and all regional and local authorities, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Lord, hear our prayer

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

Lord, hear our prayer

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor Andrea, Anthony, Austin, Autumn, Betty, Bryce, Carolyn, Chris, Curt, David, Diane, Elinor, Ellen, Emily, George, Greg, Hannah, James, Joel, John, John H., Joy, Kim, Manuel, Margaret, Mark, Mary, Michelle, Nancy, Robert, Roger, Rose, Sarah Grace, Shanti, Theresa, Tria, William; and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. *Lord, hear our prayer*

We pray for those in military service, and especially for Christian, Eileen, John, Kyle, Robert, and Stephen;

Lord, hear our prayer

For the unemployed and underemployed; for all who suffer from addictions; for all who suffer chronic illness, and for all caregivers; . . . For our companion dioceses of Torit and Ecuador-Central, and for mercy, peace, and justice among all peoples, especially those whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters, terrorism, war, famine, tyranny, or injustice; For the petitions in the

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and the Anglican Cycle of Prayer this week; ... And for any other special needs of this congregation, I invite your intercessions now, silently or aloud. *[silence] Lord, hear our prayer*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Peter, St. Edmund, and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Lord, hear our prayer

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

Celebrant

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God,

All

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, 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 honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Presider may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

The Peace



The Hymn at the Offering

On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry

The Hymnal 1982, #76 Winchester New



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The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And with thy spirit.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People	It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues

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. Because thou didst send thy 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 with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

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.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, 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. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke 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 this, all of you; 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 Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

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

People and Celebrant 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him,

and he in us. Amen.

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Prayer of St. Richard

Lord Jesus Christ, Most Merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother, help us this day and everyday to see Thee more clearly, to follow Thee more nearly, to love Thee more dearly, for Thy Name's sake. Amen.

The Advent Blessing & Dismissal

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on "Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland"

Johann Pachelbel

The Choral Holy Eucharist: Rite I The Book of Common Prayer, page 323 10 o'clock in the morning

The Word of God

Opening Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on "Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland"

Hymn at the Procession

J. S. Bach

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The Opening Acclamation

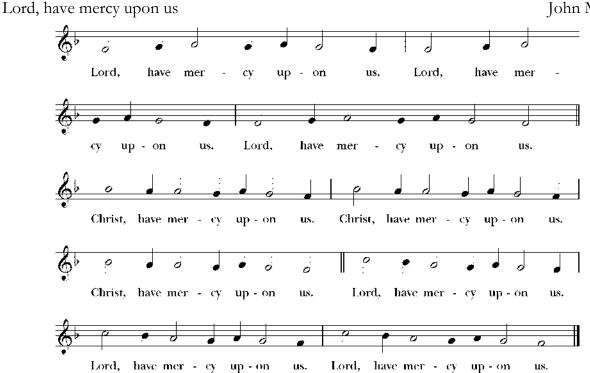
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The Song of Praise

The Hymnal 1982, S90 John Merbecke



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The Lessons

The First Lesson: Baruch 5:1-9

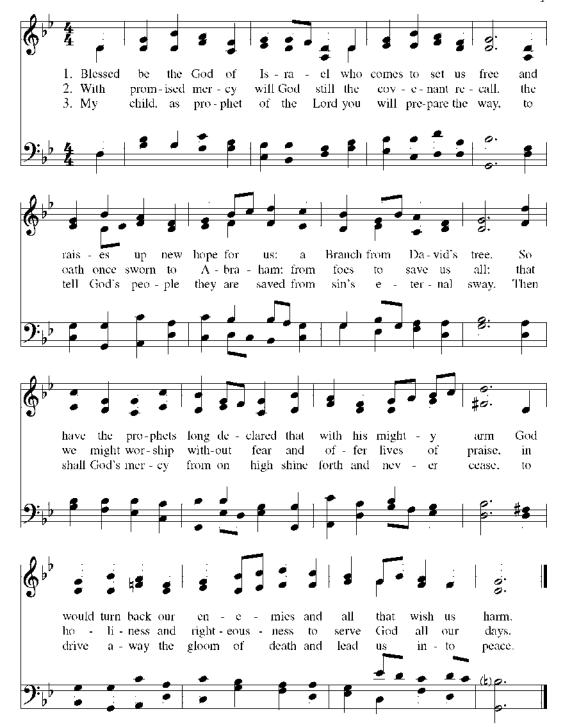
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Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Song of Zechariah (Choir & Congregation, Seated) Blessed be the God of Israel Wonder, Love, and Praise, #889 Shepherd's Pipes



The Second Lesson: Philippians 1:3-11

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The Anthem

Besançon Carol, arr. John Hooker

People, look East. The time is near of the crowning of the year. Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table. People, look East and sing today: Love the guest is on the way.

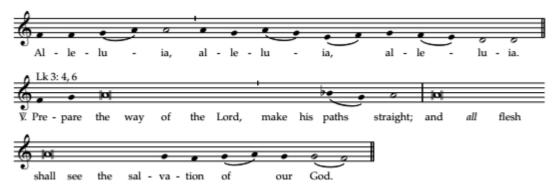
Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted there: Give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in course the flower may flourish. People, look East and sing today: Love the rose is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl shall brim, shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and moon together. People, look East and sing today: Love the star is on the way.

Angels, announce with shouts of mirth Christ who brings new life to earth. Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming. People, look East and sing today: Love the Lord is on the way.

— Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965)

The congregation stands to sing the Alleluia Verse. The Alleluia is sung first by the Cantor, then repeated by all. It is then repeated after the verse is sung by the Cantor.



The Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In 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.""

CelebrantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon The Nicene Creed

The Right Reverend Johncy Itty

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 Intercessor says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and ever living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. Lord, hear our prayer

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael, the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; Lawrence, Geralyn and Daniel, Bishops of the Diocese of Long Island; and Johncy, our Bishop-in-Residence, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Lord, hear our prayer

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Lord, hear our prayer

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially the President of the United States, the members of Congress, and all regional and local authorities, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Lord, hear our prayer

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

Lord, hear our prayer

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor Andrea, Anthony, Austin, Autumn, Betty, Bryce, Carolyn, Chris, Curt, David, Diane, Elinor, Ellen, Emily, George, Greg, Hannah, James, Joel, John, John H., Joy, Kim, Manuel, Margaret, Mark, Mary, Michelle, Nancy, Robert, Roger, Rose, Sarah Grace, Shanti, Theresa, Tria, William and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. *Lord, hear our prayer*

We pray for those in military service, and especially for Christian, Eileen, John, Kyle, Robert, and Stephen;

Lord, hear our prayer

For the unemployed and underemployed; for all who suffer from addictions; for all who suffer chronic illness, and for all caregivers; . . . For our companion dioceses of Torit and Ecuador-Central, and for mercy, peace, and justice among all peoples, especially those whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters, terrorism, war, famine, tyranny, or injustice; For the petitions in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and the Anglican Cycle of Prayer this week; . . . And for any other special needs of this congregation, I invite your intercessions now, silently or aloud. *[silence] Lord, hear our prayer*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Peter, St. Edmund, and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Lord, hear our prayer

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

Celebrant

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God,

All

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, 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 honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Presider may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

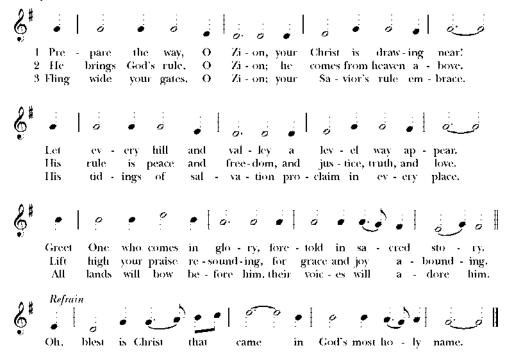
The Peace

The Holy Communion

The Hymn at the Offering

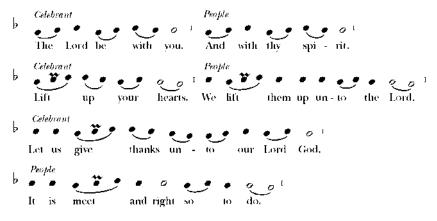
Prepare the way, O Zion

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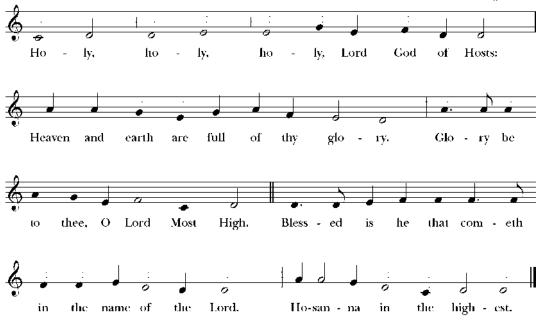
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The Great Thanksgiving



The Celebrant continues

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. Because thou didst send thy 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 with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying, Sanctus



Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, 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. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again. For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke 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 this, all of you; 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 Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

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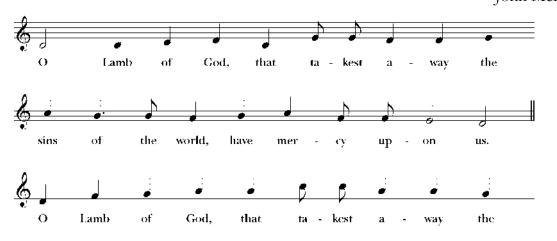
And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

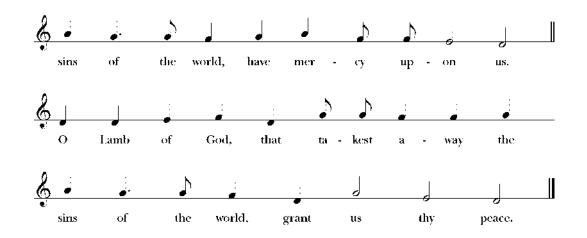
The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

Fraction Anthem - O Lamb of God

The Hymnal 1982, S 157 John Merbecke





Celebrant and People

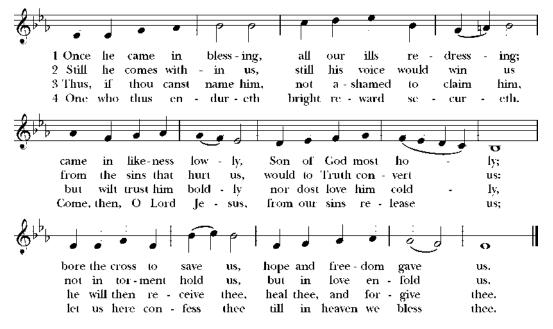
We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him,

and he in us. Amen.

Hymn at the Communion

Once he came in blessing

The Hymnal 1982, #53 Gottes Sohn ist kommen



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The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very mem-

bers incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

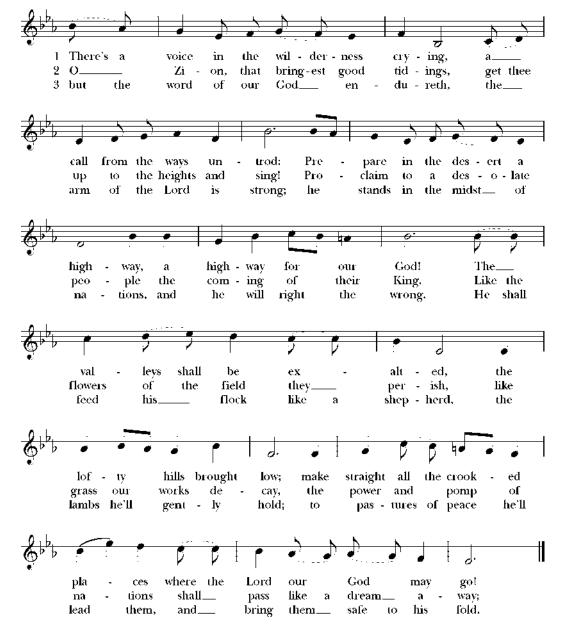
The Prayer of St. Richard

Lord Jesus Christ, Most Merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother, help us this day and everyday to see Thee more clearly, to follow Thee more nearly, to love Thee more dearly, for Thy Name's sake. Amen.

The Post Communion Hymn

The Hymnal 1982, #75 Ascension

There's a voice in the wilderness crying



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The Advent Blessing and Dismissal

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Bishop Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on "Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland"

Johann Pachelbel

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Advent and Christmastide 2018

Sunday, December 2, 2018 - 10am The First Sunday of Advent Lessons & Carols for Advent with the Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 16, 2018 - 10am The Third Sunday of Advent Choral Matins with the Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 16, 2018 - 4pm St. Peter's Parish Choir and Orchestra Handel's "Messiah", Part I with selections from Parts II and III

Sunday, December 23, 2018 - 10am The Fourth Sunday of Advent The Christmas Pageant with the Holy Eucharist

Monday, December 24, 2018 - 9pm Festival Choral Eucharist for the Eve of Christmas

Tuesday, December 25, 2018 - 10am Holy Eucharist for the Day of Christmas Organ only, no choir

Sunday, January 6, 2019 - 10am The Feast of the Epiphany Lessons & Carols for Epiphany with the Holy Eucharist

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Praising God, Serving Deighbor

We seek to worship the Lord as one loving family by serving our parish and community through prayer, music, education, and outreach