# ST. BARNABAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH



# **ADVENT**

"OH COME, OH COME, EMMANUEL"

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# **Holy Eucharist Rite II**

**Prelude** 

**Advent Prayers** 

Please stand

### **Prayer of Preparation**

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, as we travel towards Bethlehem in this journey of Advent, we come together in the midst of a busy season to take a breath. To slow down as we anticipate Jesus' coming once more into the world. We are invited for a time to breathe in together the life that God gives us; to listen for the beating of God's heart and the blessings and lessons this season brings. As we gather for this time of worshipful anticipation let us, in the silence, rest in God's presence.

#### Introit

### The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Celebrant: Our King and Savior now draws near.

People: Come let us adore him.

Celebrant: Lord, grant us your light,

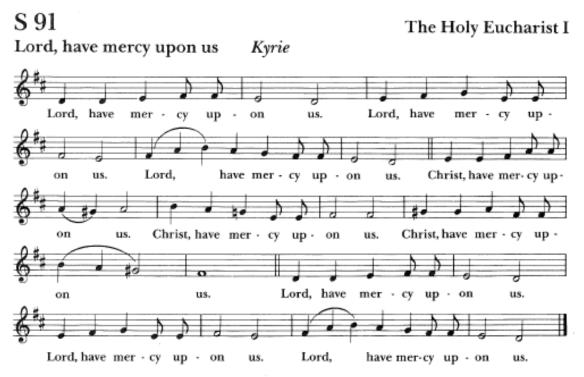
People: That being rid of the darkness of our hearts, we may come to the true light which is Christ.

#### The Word of God

### **Opening Hymn**

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.



Setting: From Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

# The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers, siblings in Christ, God is with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

#### Please be seated

The First Reading - Insert

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

Psalm - Insert

The Second Reading - Insert

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

Please stand

### Sequence Hymn

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to \_\_\_\_\_.

People: Glory to you, O Christ.

### The Holy Gospel

Deacon: The Gospel of our Savior
People: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sequence Hymn - continued

Please be seated at the invitation of the preacher

The Sermon

### The Nicene Creed - all standing

Deacon: Let us stand and profess our faith in the historic words of the Nicene Creed.

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 - see insert

Deacon: Hasten, O God, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen*.

#### The Confession

Deacon: Holy God, we have fallen short in loving you and loving our neighbors; we stand beside each other and ask for the forgiveness of our sins. (*Silence*) Most Holy God, in the midst of this season of expectation and new life, we confess:

People: We have resisted the light of your love; we have not fully shared the gifts entrusted to us; and we have not treasured the gifts of others around us. Holy Trinity, make us holy. Holy God, make us whole. Amen.

Celebrant: May the Trinity of Love bring you back to God and forgive you all your sins; be assured of God's eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

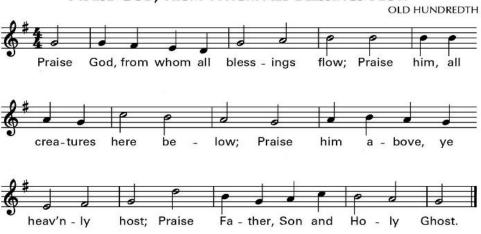
#### Announcements

#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory Anthem

Please stand as the gifts are brought forward to the altar

#### PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW



Text: LM; verses 1, 4, Thomas Ken, 1637–1711; verses 2, 3, Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt. Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551; attr. to Louis Bourgeois, ca. 1510–1561, alt.

#### The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: God be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

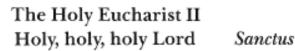
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your 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 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.







Setting: From New Plainsong; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen*.

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

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.

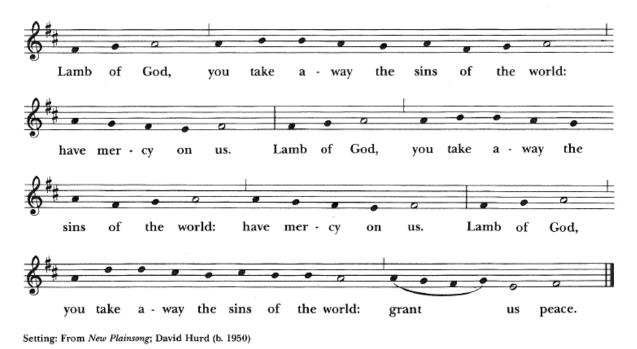
# The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God

Agnus Dei



Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

#### **Distribution of Communion**

All are welcome to receive communion. If you do not wish to receive, you are invited to come up for a blessing.

### Communion Hymn(s)

### Thanksgiving after Communion

Please stand

Celebrant: Let us Pray

### Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Prayer for What is Next:

God of Love, you are with us in every transition and change. As we enter into this new era with excitement and even some anxiety, we recall your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love. We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the experiences that have brought us to this moment. We thank you for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own work. Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another. We ask this in your Holy Name.

Amen

### The Advent Blessing

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. *Amen.* 

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. *Amen.* 

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life.

#### Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.* 

# **Closing Hymn**

# The Dismissal

Deacon: Our worship is ended, our service in the world begins. As we await our coming Savior, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

