



CHRIST
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH



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The First Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist Rite I and II

November 30, 2025

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Abbreviations

BCP = Book of Common Prayer (Red Book)

H = Hymnal 1982 (Blue Book)

LEVAS = Lift Every Voice and Sing (Red and Black Book)

WLP = Wonder, Love, and Praise (Green Book)

Prayer Before Worship (BCP, 833)

O Almighty God, *who pourest* out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to *thee*, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship *thee* in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

The Word of God

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

A Penitential Order..... BCP 319

The Decalogue.....BCP 317

ConfessionBCP 320

Trisagion.....BCP 324

Collect of the Day.....Insert

First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm 122Insert

Second Reading..... Romans 13:11-14

Gospel Matthew 24:36-44

Homily..... Fr. Daniel

The Nicene Creed.....BCP 326

Prayers of the PeopleBCP 328

Peace BCP 332

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Presentation of Gifts and Doxology

Great Thanksgiving: Prayer I..... BCP 333

The Lord's PrayerBCP 336

Please tell an Usher if you need Communion brought to you.

Prayer of Humble Access..... BCP 337

Post Communion PrayerBCP 339

St. Francis PrayerBCP 833

Blessing

DismissalBCP 339

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

The Word of God

Prelude

Opening HymnH 57

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

A Penitential Order.....BCP 351

The Decalogue.....BCP 350

Confession BCP 352

Trisagion.....S-102

Collect of the Day.....Insert

First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm 122Insert

Second Reading..... Romans 13:11-14

Sequence H 68

Gospel..... Matthew 24:36-44

Homily.....Fr. Daniel

The Nicene Creed.....BCP 358

Prayers of the People (Form 1)BCP 383

Peace.....BCP 360

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem*An Advent Legend*¹

Presentation of GiftsHymnal 380, v. 3

Great Thanksgiving: Prayer A.....BCP 361

Holy, Holy, Holy (*Sanctus*).....S-125

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

Breaking of Bread.....S-161

Communion HymnsH 61, H 73, H 304

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Post-Communion PrayerBCP 365

St. Francis PrayerBCP 833

Blessing

Processional into World H 486

Dismissal BCP 366

Postlude

The Collect of the Day

Rite I

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in 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 Ghost, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Rite II

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

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord! (2:1-5)

Psalm 122

Laetatus sum

*Pause at the * and silently say the name Jesus before continuing to the next line.*

I was glad when they said to me, *

"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

Now our feet are standing *

within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city *

that is at unity with itself;

To which the tribes go up,

the tribes of the LORD, *

the assembly of Israel,

to praise the Name of the LORD.

For there are the thrones of judgment, *

the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *

"May they prosper who love you.

Peace be within your walls *

and quietness within your towers.

For my brethren and companions' sake, *

I pray for your prosperity.

Because of the house of the LORD our God, *

I will seek to do you good."

A Reading from the letter to the Romans

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. (13:11-14)

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

Jesus said to the disciples, “But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.” (24:36-44)

All Baptized Christians are welcome to come to the altar rail and receive Holy Communion. All are welcome to come to the altar rail and receive a blessing.

Spiritual Communion for those Unable to Receive

For those watching the service on YouTube, the following prayer may be said during communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. *Amen.*

Prayer After Worship (BCP, 834)

Grant, we beseech *thee*, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through *thy* grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of *thy* Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Serving Today

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. Daniel Johnson, O.P.A.
<i>Organist/Pianist</i>	Hannah Massey
<i>Advent Wreath Readers</i>	Steve & Jan Smith (8:00) Cliff & Penny Knepp (10:30)
<i>Lectors</i>	Steve Smith (8:00) Kristi Gross (OT) (10:30) Geoff Pomroy (E) (10:30)
<i>Litanist</i>	Joseph L. Ilk (8:00) Beth Goshin (10:30)
<i>Crucifer/Acolyte/Chalice</i>	Joseph L. Ilk (8:00)
<i>Crucifer/Chalice</i>	Werner Wieland (10:30)
<i>Acolyte/Chalice</i>	Logan Johnson (10:30)
<i>Ushers</i>	TBD (8:00) Janet Jennings & Lewis Lopez (10:30)
<i>Streaming</i>	Susan Midland
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Wieland Team

Additional Liturgies

Weekday Eucharist – Wednesday
12:00 pm Celtic Eucharist (Church)

Online Services

Tuesday through Friday
8:30 am Morning Prayer (Zoom)
5:00 pm Evening Prayer (Zoom)

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Announcements for this Sunday

Welcome to Christ Church! If this is your first time visiting, please fill out a Welcome Card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher so we can get to know you better. There is also space for your prayer requests.



If you would like to **donate to Christ Church electronically**, please scan the QR Code above with your phone's camera to access our giving page. You can also Text CCSPOTSY to 73256 to donate or go to our website, <https://www.christchurchspotsy.com/give>.

The Altar Flowers are given by Cliff & Penny Knepp in celebration of their anniversary.

Pledge packets. Today is the day we turn in our pledge packet. If you didn't get a pledge packet, you can still pick one up in the back of the church, in the Communications Center or notify the [office](#). Thank you for your generosity and for helping Christ Church live its Gospel mission.

Santa is taking a break from his duties at the North Pole to visit the Thrift Shop on Saturday, December 13 from 10am-1pm. Stop by for a visit; have your picture taken with Santa and enjoy a sweet treat. Well behaved pets are welcome!

Christmas Baskets. We will be staging food for the Christmas baskets on Thursday, December 18th, at 2:00 p.m.. Some of the boxes require heavy lifting. We will be distributing food baskets to our clients on Saturday, December 20th, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.. Volunteers are needed beginning 9:00 a.m. that day. There are sign-up sheets in the Communications Center in ASH for those that can help.

As people of prayer, we ask your prayers for Agnes, Baby Amelia, May & Valerie, Nancy & James, Sheri, Vic, Delmy Calderas & family, Cullen Creel, Margaret Curtis, Desiree Daniels, Claudia DePollo, Liz DiRusso, Julianna Dove, Bill Duncan, Greyson Earnest, Calib Garland, Jane George, William Gibson, Nikki Green, Sherri Griffith-Frye, Margaret Hafer, Christian Hall, Susan Hall, Asher Halopex, Edd Houck, Oliver Jones, Donna Kenkel, Lois Kenkel, Marie Lamb, The Linton Family, Patty Lucado, Caroline McBride, Emily McNeill, Hank Mausolf, Alexandra Midland, Jason Miller, Monica & Jack Miller, Joy Newlin, Ed O'Conner, Judi O'Neill, Rebecca Patel, Loretta & Roy Perry, Robert Pride, Dylan Rodriguez, Bety Rojas, Charles Russell & family, Ludovic Sarraz-Bournet, Janet Shipp, Thom Smelter, Katrina Smith, Kayleigh Symonds, Ann & Ron Tebbutt, Sue Ann Thomas, Saleanma Thurman-Bey, Luis Trigo, Amy Umberger, Heather Whaley, Nancy White, Charles Wolfe, Elizabeth Womble, Gail Womble, Elaine Wyant. (New names added are bolded.)

If you would like to have your name or somebody else's name added to our published Prayer List, please contact our secretary, Denise, at secretary@christchurchspotsy.com; for our unpublished Prayer Wheel, please contact Judi O'Neill at judiandbob13@comcast.net.

Serving next Sunday, December 7

Advent Wreath Readers

Rosanne Desmone (8:00)

Christ Church Sunday School (10:30)

Lectors

Joan Goodbody (8:00)

Linda Rooney (OT) (10:30)

Werner Wieland (E) (10:30)

Litanist

Joseph L. Ilk (8:00)

Bruce Adkins (10:30)

Crucifer/Acolyte/Chalice

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Kristi Gross (10:30)

Acolyte/Chalice

Penny Knepp (10:30)

Ushers

Frank Stewart (8:00)

Janet Jennings & Lewis Lopez (10:30)

Streaming

TBD

Altar Guild

Williams Team

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