



# EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

November 27, 2022  
10:00 A.M.

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## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

PRELUDE

OPENING RITE

*Please Stand*

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, holy and living One.  
*People* **You come to your people and set them free.**

**Hymn** Savior of the nations, come! H82 #54

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

*Celebrant* Our King and Savior now draws near  
*People* **O come, let us adore Him**

**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* May God be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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.**

### **The First Reading**

**Isaiah 2:1-5**

*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 any more.

O house of Jacob,  
come, let us walk  
in the light of the LORD!

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 122**

*Laetatus sum*

1 I was glad when they said to me, \*  
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."  
2 Now our feet are standing \*  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.  
3 Jerusalem is built as a city \*  
that is at unity with itself;  
4 To which the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the LORD, \*  
the assembly of Israel,  
to praise the Name of the LORD.  
5 For there are the thrones of judgment, \*

the thrones of the house of David.  
6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: \*  
"May they prosper who love you.  
7 Peace be within your walls \*  
and quietness within your towers.  
8 For my brethren and companions' sake, \*  
I pray for your prosperity.  
9 Because of the house of the LORD our  
God, \*  
I will seek to do you good."

### **The Second Reading**

**Romans 13:11-14**

*A Reading from Paul's 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.

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

**Sequence Hymn**

“Sleepers, wake!” A voice astounds us

**H82 #61**

**The Gospel**

**Matthew 24:36-44**

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew:*  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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.”

*The Gospel of the Lord.*  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon**

The Rev. Jonathan T. Eden

**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.**

**Prayers of the People in the Season of Advent**

*Standing or kneeling. The Leader and People pray responsively*

*Intercessor* Stir up your whole church, O Lord, and with great might prepare our hearts to receive your Word,

*People* **That all your people may hear your truth. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, today we remember Church of Our Saviour, Arlington, St. John's Church, Arlington, The Order of St. Anne & Bethany House of Prayer, Arlington, The Standing Committee, and The Brotherhood of St. Gregory. Give grace to all Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Lay Ministers,

**That their lives and teaching may glorify your name through all the world. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Bring wisdom and patience to all in positions of authority, here and around the world,

**That a sense of community and harmony may be found in all their decisions and that all their actions may serve the common good. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Cast away the darkness of war in all the world, and teach us to put on the armor of Christ's peace,

**That, living in unity with one another, all people of the earth may dwell in safety and look with confidence to the coming of your kingdom. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Swell our hearts, Lord Christ, with the love you make known to us in this season,

**That we may take to heart the care of the poor, the outcast, and all who suffer from any grief or trouble. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send again the message of repentance, preached once by your prophets,

**And give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins of prejudice, injustice, and greed. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Have mercy, O Lord, on all the sick, especially Paul, Mary, Catherine, Michael, Parker, Sergio, Martha, Gail, Anne H, Patricia, Anne J, Marion, Barbara., Maureen, Edmond, Lucy, Rachael, Louise, Scott, Kathleen, and those we now name silently or aloud (*pause*), and with healing hands enfold them,

**That they may feel your presence and be made whole. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Remember, O God, all those we love but see no longer, especially, those we now name silently or aloud (*pause*), and all who find their delight in your kingdom,

**That they may feast forever at a table we hope, one day, to share. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

In this season of waiting, your grace surrounds us and we thank you for all the gifts manifest in our lives and communities, especially those we now name, silently or aloud (*pause*).

**Give us grateful hearts and abundant hope, that we may recognize your hands at work in us and in the world around us. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Prepare us. Purify us. Stir cold hearts and open blinded eyes,

**That, watching, we may be ready to receive the gift that even now you prepare for Bethlehem's manger. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant* And, as we know that without you we cannot please you, hear our prayer of confession that we make before you:

*People* **Have mercy upon us, most merciful God. In your compassion, forgive us our sins, things known and unknown, deeds done and left undone; and lift us by your spirit's presence that we may live to serve you and one another in new life, to the honor and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Celebrant* May the power of God, who comes to dwell among us, forgive you all your sins and offenses, prepare your hearts for joy, and embrace you in an eternal kingdom.

*People* **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

## The Peace

*Priest* The peace of Christ be always with you  
*People* **And also with you.**

## Announcements

**Offertory Hymn** Jesus came, adored by angels H82 #454

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer 1, Enriching Our Worship, alt.

*Celebrant* May God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up to God.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to our eternal God.

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

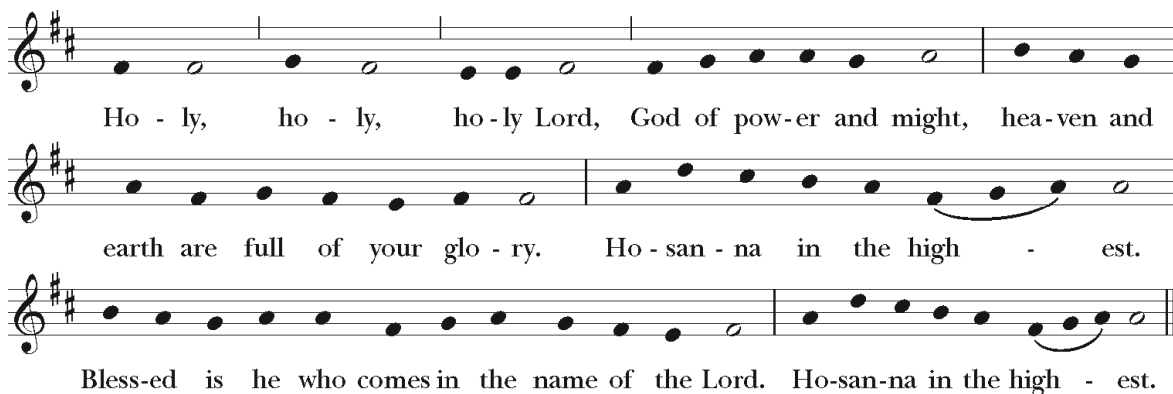
*Celebrant* It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

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, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

## Sanctus

H82 #S124



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

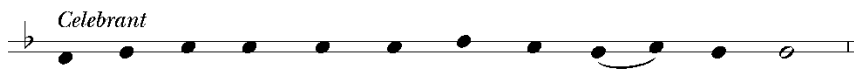
Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [ \_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

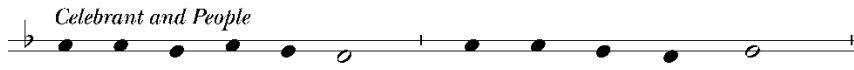
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*Celebrant*

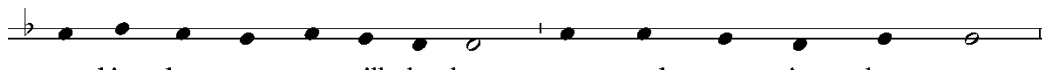


As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

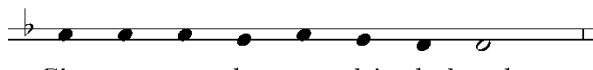
*Celebrant and People*



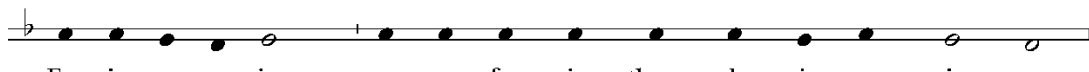
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,



your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.



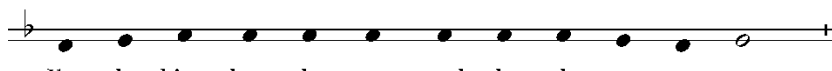
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.



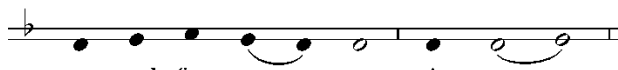
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

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## Fraction Anthem

H82 #S164

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

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

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE COMMUNION**

## Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
*People* O God,  
who bids us wait in this season of longing:  
As you have fed us with the body of Christ,  
make us hungry for your justice in the world;  
As you have given us drink from the cup of salvation,  
make us thirsty for the fullness of your kingdom;  
In these days of expectation,  
stir our hearts and awaken hope  
that we may share the gifts of your reconciling love with all creation.  
Amen.

## Blessing

May the God who stoops to become incarnate grant us  
the grace to remember that the world is  
too broken for anything but truth, and  
too small for anything but love. **Amen.**

May God take our minds and think through them,  
take our lips and speak through them, and  
take our hands and work through them. **Amen.**

May God stir our hearts with yearning for the coming kingdom  
and open our ears to the voices of the prophets. **Amen.**

And may the blessing of God,  
who Creates, Redeems, and Sustains us,  
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Hymn

Lo! he comes with clouds descending

H82 #57

## Dismissal

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Let us go forth into the world in peace. Alleluia, alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

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## Serving Today

Celebrant  
Altar Server  
Altar Guild  
Lector  
Organist

The Rev. Jonathan Eden  
Terri Halliday  
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Ed Barret  
Esther Kwok



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## Advent and Christmas at Emmanuel

ADVENT I

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 10:00 AM

CONTEMPLATIVE ADVENT PRAYERS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 7:00 PM

ADVENT II

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 10:00 AM

CONTEMPLATIVE ADVENT PRAYERS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 7:00 PM

ADVENT III

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 10:00 AM

CONTEMPLATIVE ADVENT PRAYERS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 7:00 PM

ADVENT IV

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 10:00 AM

CONTEMPLATIVE ADVENT PRAYERS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 7:00 PM

CHRISTMAS EVE HOLY EUCHARIST

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 5:00 PM

CHRISTMAS MORNING HOLY EUCHARIST

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 10:00 AM