



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
THE GREAT LITANY
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Year A
November 27, 2022, 10AM

Welcome!

We are happy to worship with you, and honored to have you with us!
Our liturgy comes from the Book of Common Prayer.
Everything you will need for this service can be found in this bulletin
and also the blue *Hymnal* in the pew rack.

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God.

ENTRANCE RITE

PRELUDE

“Wachet Auf”

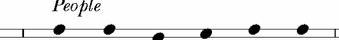
J. S. Bach

The people stand.

THE GREAT LITANY

BCP, p. 148

Officiant  *People* 
O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant  *People* 
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant  *People* 
O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faith - ful, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant  *People* 
O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant 
Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy

Officiant  *People* 
preserve us for ev - er. Spare us, good Lord.

Officiant 
From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; and from everlast - ing dam - na - tion,

People 
Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all / want of charity,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world,
the flesh, / and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and
contempt of thy Word / and commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague,
pestilence, and famine,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and
murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and submission to
the Law; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

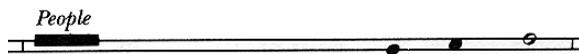
Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious
Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the
Coming of the / Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death,
and in the / day of judgment,

Good Lord, deliver us.



We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee
to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in / the right way,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illumine all bishops, priests, and deacons, with true
knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching
and living, they may set it forth, and show / it accordingly,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep / all thy people,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thy harvest,
and to draw all mankind in/to thy kingdom,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all people increase of grace to hear
and receive thy Word, and to bring forth the fruits / of the Spirit,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred,
and / are deceived,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us a heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to
live after / thy commandments,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee so to rule the hearts of thy servants, the President of the
United States, and all others in authority, that they may do justice, and love
mercy, and walk in the / ways of truth,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to make wars to cease in all the world; to give to all
nations unity, peace, and concord; and to bestow freedom up/on all peoples,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives, the
homeless and the hungry, and all who are desolate / and oppressed,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the bountiful fruits of the
earth, so that in due time all / may enjoy them,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to inspire us, in our several callings, to do the work
which thou givest us to do with singleness of heart as thy servants, and for the /
common good,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all who are in danger by reason of their
labor / or their travel,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve, and provide for, all women in childbirth, young children and orphans, the widowed, and all whose homes are broken or / torn by strife,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to visit the lonely; to strengthen all who suffer in mind, body, and spirit; and to comfort with thy presence those who are failing / and infirm,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to support, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and / tribulation,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy up/on all mankind,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy / holy Word,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to / turn their hearts,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; to comfort and help the weak-hearted; to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan un/der our feet,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to grant to all the faithful departed eternal / life and peace,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to grant that, in the fellowship of all the saints, we may attain to thy heav/enly kingdom,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.



Officiant Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

People Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.



O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.



O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.



O Christ, hear us. O Christ, hear us.

KYRIE

(Merbecke)

Hymnal S-90



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer -



cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Children, age 4 through grade 5, are invited to join Miss Kathryn for Sunday School in Nieman Hall. They will return to the sanctuary at Communion.

Nursery care is available for children through age 4.

The people remain standing.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, p. 211

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Celebrant prays the Collect, after which all respond Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people are seated for the readings.

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 2:1-5

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 122, vs. 6-9

Combined Choirs

John Goss

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 13:11-14

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

SEQUENCE ALLELUIA

“Wake Awake”
(*Wachet auf*)

Hymnal 61

Verse 1

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 24:36-44

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

People



Glo - ry to you Lord Christ

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People



Praise to you Lord Christ

The people sit.

SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing.

BCP, p. 358

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.

Celebrant It is right and a good and joyful thing...
... who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

St. James Advent Series

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r, of
pow'r_ and might. Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in_ the high - est. Blessed is he, is he who comes
in the name_ of_ the Lord. Ho - san - na
in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est.

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God...
Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant

And we offer our sacrifice of praise...
... all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

A men A men A men

Celebrant

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

All 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

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant
 Christ our Passover
 Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

2 People
 There fore let us keep the feast. **All** Al - le - lu - ia

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

FRACTION ANTHEM

“Prepare”
 School Choirs

Vernon Williams

All baptized persons are invited to receive Communion. Our custom is to receive the bread on extended hands and to help guide the chalice to the mouth by touching its base. Intinction—dipping the wafer in the wine—is not permitted at this time. To receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, cross your arms over your chest. If you need to have Communion brought to you at your seat, please inform an usher. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.



Offerings of Grace from our Stewardship Season from this week

You can pledge online at gracemadison.org/giving

God has filled my life with Grace:

- God has blessed our lives in many ways. Perhaps best: Michael and I met at Grace!
- God has blessed me with a wonderful, loving family. I have 6 great-granddaughters and a 7th on the way in February. While I am 93 and cannot get around anymore, I am blessed to be able to follow church services on Zoom and Facebook with the help of family.
- God has graced my life with a wonderful, loving family. We are blessed with five granddaughters. Mom (Jeanne) is 93, and while struggling, is a constant blessing.
- All of us attending church together. Thank you for welcoming us!
- By providing a caring community for my family.
- God has blessed me with Grace by guiding me to this church and filling my life with a community I would not have known otherwise. A community which is loving and supportive to me and my family.
- I am still able to live in my home and take care of myself. My children have and are a blessing which enables me to do this.
- By my still being able to play tennis and teach tennis to children. My best relationship is with God who loves me unconditionally.

My friends at Grace can pray for:

- Please pray with us for all our Grace friends. So many among us are dealing with hard things.
- Jeanne.
- My sister who has MSA (Multiple Systems Atrophy)
- Teaching our children about integrity, values, empathy, kindness, living as Christ taught us to do.

Grace Calendar Highlights

www.gracemadison.org for more details.

Today, November 27, 11:15AM, **Advent Wreath Making**

Tuesday, November 29, 7PM, **Circle of Women**

Wednesday, November 30, 10:30AM & 7:30PM, weekly **Advent Bible Study**

Wednesday, December 30, 6:30PM, **Compline**, Sanctuary

Sunday, December 4, 4PM, **Family Mass with St Nicholas & Reception**

Monday, December 5, 1-7PM, **Blood Drive**, Grace Hall

OUTREACH



Stop by the **The Angel Trees** in Grace Lobby and select a tag to provide a gift for someone served by Homeless Solutions or Jersey Battered Women's Service. Tags will be available for selection this week and next. Please deliver unwrapped gifts to the office by December 11. Thank you for your generous support!



Undies for Advent— we are collecting white underwear/tee shirts and sports bras size L-2XL for both men and women at the Morris County Correctional Facility. Collection bins are in Nieman Annex.

*Read about the music in our service today on Dr. Anne's blog
www.annematlack.wordpress.com*

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Clergy

The Rev. Susan R. Ironside, *Rector*

The Rev. Asa David Coulson, *Associate*

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday

Holy Eucharist Services

8AM - 10AM - 4PM

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday

8:30AM Morning Prayer, Zoom

Staff

Kathryn McManus, *Children's Ministries*

Dr. Anne Matlack, *Organist & Director of Choirs*

Camille Bourland, *Children's Choirs*

Linda Bowden, *Chapel Choir*

Paul Salierno, *The Gargoyles Director*

Luke Deane, Charlie Love, Elisabeth Wielandy

Henri Wielandy, *Head Choristers*

Geoff Brooks, *Senior Verger*

Kit Cone, *Senior Verger Emeritus*

Peter Munter & Lucy Waterstredt, *Head Acolytes*

Michael Kostial, *Parish Administrator*

Susie Harris, *Communications*

Osh Khublall, *Bookkeeper*

Sam Dixon, *Sexton*