



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
THE GREAT LITANY
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Year C
December 1, 2024, 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 is contained in this bulletin.

Children begin in service with their families, and will be invited to Sunday School in Nieman Hall by Miss Kathryn.

The children will rejoin the service at the Peace.

ENTRANCE RITE

PRELUDE



“Rorate coeli”


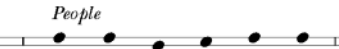
Melissa Dunphy



The people stand.



THE GREAT LITANY

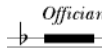
BCP, p. 148


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

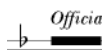
Officiant  *People* 
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mer - cy up - on us.


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

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,

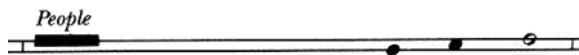
Good Lord, deliver us.

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.



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

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



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

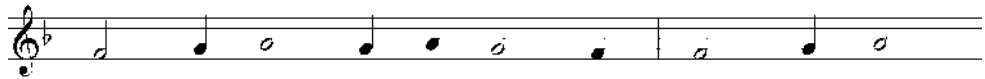


Officiant O Christ, hear us. *People* O Christ, hear us.

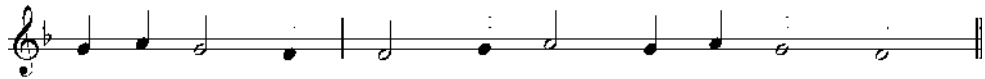
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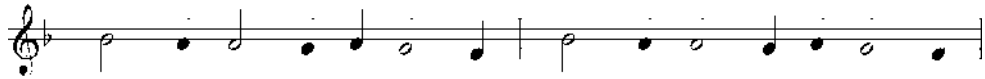
Hymnal S-90



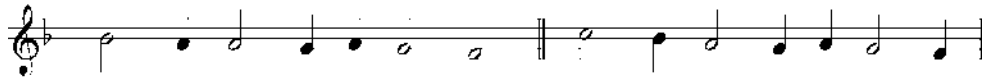
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer -



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

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people are seated for the readings.

THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 25:1-9

Sung by the choir.

Plainsong

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN

“O Heavenly Word”
(O Heiland, reiss)

Hymnal 64

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 21:25-36

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

People



Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People



The people sit.

ORGAN RESPONSE

“O Heiland, reiss”

Helmut Walcha

SERMON

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 PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Sunday School Children join their families in church at this time.

WORDS OF WELCOME

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

Presider

We pray together for those celebrating a birthday or an anniversary.

All O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor,
we pray, on your servants as they begin another year.
Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace,
and strengthen their trust in your goodness
all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Rejoice O Jerusalem” Healey Willan
Choir



*Please feel free to make your offering in thanksgiving to God using the
electronic giving options at www.gracemadison.org/giving.*

A collection is taken and carried in procession to the Lord's Table.

The people stand.

PRESENTATION HYMN “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Hymnal 56
(*Veni, veni, Emmanuel*) Verses 1 & 2

- 1 O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.
**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!**

- 2 O come, thou Wisdom from on high,
who orderest all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show,
and teach us in her ways to go.
**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!**

Presider
The Lord be with you.

People
And al - so with you.

Presider
Lift up your hearts.

People
We lift them to the Lord.

Presider
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in a G major key signature (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first two staves are for a call and response between the Presider and the People. The third and fourth staves are for a unison response by the Presider and People respectively. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Presider 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.

The image shows five staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Presider

We give thanks to you, O God...

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

Presider and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

Presider

And we offer our sacrifice of praise...

... all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Presider

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.

Presider
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

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

FRACTION ANTHEM “Neath Vine and Fig Tree” Hal Hopson
School Choir

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 practiced.

*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.*

COMMUNION MUSIC “Lo, He Comes” Charles Callahan
organ

COMMUNION HYMN “Once He Came in Blessing” Hymnal 53
(Gottes Sohn ist kommen)

The people stand

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER BCP, p. 365

Presider Let us pray.

Presider 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.

THE BLESSING

*The Presider invokes God's blessing upon all, to which the people respond **Amen.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN

**“Lo! He Comes, with Clouds”
(Helmsley)**

Hymnal 57

DISMISSAL

The people are dismissed in the name of Christ.

Response **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

“Gottes Sohn ist kommen”

J. S. Bach

*Children (and others) are always welcome to watch at
the organ console during the Postlude.*

Today's Prayers of The People were authored by Chris Wilde.

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

Thank you to those who have pledged to Grace in 2025

received as of 11/25/24

Lauren Ackland	Doug & Katie Harter	John & Dot Mitchell
Nancy Adamczyk	Christopher Hauck	Barb & Monty Montague
Scott & Randi Albiston	Steve Hauge	Marilyn Musielski
Joe & Cynthia Barilla	Melissa Honohan	Kirk & Sue Nixon
Daniel & Madeline Baulig	Tom & Judy Honohan	Joan Nolan
Curt & Mayan Beaudouin	Kathleen Hower & Peter Munter	Nancy Nubel
Michel Belt	Han Huang & Patricia Northrop	Kirk & Peggy Oakes
Ruth Bennett	Jim & Barbara Hughes	Michael & Elizabeth Petite
Diane Bensley	Susan Ironside & Andrew Moore	Don Post & Jackie Lauria
David & Wendy Berg	Ted & Karen Jamer	Peggy Potter
Andy & Leigh Bolt	Charlie & Judy Jurgensen	Eleanor & Michael Rawitz
Mariam Bora	Cheryl & Baldwin King	Franklin Ritt
Nancy Boucher	Helen King	Mary & Al Rooney
Linda Bowden	Wade & Linda Kirby	Patty Ruggles
Suzanne Bowles	Michael Kostial	Mark Sacher
Geoff & Crary Brooks	Steven Lane	Suzanne & Jonathan Shelby
Elizabeth Brown	Bob & Bonnie Layton	Julie & Rick Sheppard
Michael & Lou Ann Bugg	Robert & Mary Frances Leamer	Jeffrey & Christa Stewart
Ciolino Family	Paul & Laura Lemaire	Sarah & Christopher Sullivan
Ted & Tish Corvino	Maureen Link	Hugh Symonds & Jane Jermyn
Mike & Chris Cullen	David Lloyd & Mary Royer	Douglas & Hilary Tabish
Jennifer & Aaron Daley	Ginger Maione	Ashley & James Thomas
Philip & Ruth Deane	Donald & Alberta Marcy	Scott & Evangeline Tross
Gale Nino de Guzman	Robert & Karen Martin	John & Beverly Wand
Georgeann DiGiovanni	Jonathan & Susan Massey	Elliot J. Weidenaur
Erik & Cindy Donough	Anne Matlack & Jabez Van Cleef	Raia & Stephan Wielandy
Mary Doody	Judith McClellan	Chris & Stacy Wilde
Diane Du Brule	Beth & Tucker McKeever	Elizabeth Williams
Rob & Heather Fraser	Michael & Marthe McLinden	Miller Wood
John & Allison Garde	Mary & John McManus	Andy & Cali Yost
David & Nancy Gates		Marco & Susan Zarbin
Susan Goodman		
Patrick & Heidi Griffiee		
Scot & Nancy Guempel		



One of the ways I've experienced Grace in deed:

- Rosewood. Spotlight Kids. Dolls

My friends at Grace can pray with me for:

- My dad, Tom McCarney. He is 91, doing well but lives in Florida.
- Antonia.

Calendar Highlights

TODAY Advent Wreath Making, *Grace Hall*

Wed, Dec 4, 6PM	Pizza & Prayer , <i>Kitchen & Grace Hall</i>
Tues, Dec 10, 7PM	Men's Gathering , <i>Library</i>
Fri, Dec 13, 5:15PM	Grace Family Caroling , <i>meet in Grace Hall</i>
Mon, Dec 16	<i>Tree of Light</i> memorial names need to be to the office
Wed, Dec 18, 7PM	Blue Christmas , <i>Church</i>
Fri, Dec 20, 5:30-8PM	Youth Group Movie <i>Journey to Bethlehem</i> , <i>Nieman Hall</i>
Sat, Dec 21, ____	Interfaith Community Prayer on the Winter Solstice Join our neighbors under the Christmas tree at Madison's Waverly Place for prayer.
Sun, Dec 22, 4PM	Advent Evensong and Cantata , <i>Church</i>
Sun, Dec 22, 5PM	Tree of Light <i>front of Church</i>

Community

Thur, Dec 5, 10:30AM	Music for the Holidays with Dr. Anne, organm <i>Chatham UMC</i>
Sat, Dec 7, 7:30PM & Sun, Dec 8, 3PM	Harmonium presents Snow Angel , www.harmonium.org at the Presbyterian Church in Morristown

OUTREACH

Mon, Dec 2, 1-7PM **NJ Blood Collection**, *Grace Hall* walk-ins are welcome



Undies for Advent— we are collecting undergarments for both men and women: underwear, tee shirts and sports bras, size L-2XL for inmates at Morris County Correctional Facility and those served by nourish.NJ. Donations can be dropped of in **Nieman Annex**.

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Clergy

The Rev. Susan R. Ironside, *Rector*
The Rev. Canon Robert T. Griner, *Associate*

Worship Services

Holy Eucharist Services
Sunday 8AM & 10AM

Morning Prayer

Wednesday 8:30AM Zoom
Saturday 8:30AM Zoom

Staff

Dr. Anne Matlack, *Organist & Director of Choirs*
Camille Bourland, *Children's Choirs*
Linda Bowden, *Chapel Choir*
Matthew North, *The Gargoyles Director*
Meredith McKeever, *Head Chorister*
Kathryn McManus, *Children's Ministries*
Mary McManus, *Youth Ministries*
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*