



St. Columba's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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The Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022

Holy Eucharist at 9:30 AM
with the welcoming of new members

Aloha! Welcome. We invite you to join as an active participant in the worship of God. This service is based on the Order for the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two in the Book of Common Prayer and Enriching our Worship. For ease of use, this leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and much of the service music. Hymn numbers refer to the Hymnal 1982. Lessons and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, following the Revised Common Lectionary.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (*Bell is rung*)

Hymn "Here I Am to Worship" pg. 60

Opening Acclamation

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

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Please remain standing

During the lighting of the wreath we sing Hymn 56 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

Verse 3

O come, O come, thou Lord of might,
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times didst give the law,
in cloud, and majesty, and awe.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!

Verse 4

O come, thou Branch of Jesse's tree,
free them from Satan's tyranny
that trust thy mighty power to save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider E pule kakou: Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

A Reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah (11:1-10)

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;

but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,

the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the
ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain;
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

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

Psalm 72:1-7;18-19

**1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;**

**2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;**

**3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.**

**4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.**

**5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.**

**6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.**

**7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.**

**18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!**

**19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.
Amen. Amen.**

All who are able, please stand

Hymn "Here I Am Lord" pg. 59

Please remain standing. It is our custom to face the reader

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew (3:1-12)

At the Announcement, all say: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

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

Please be seated

Sermon

The Reverend Linda Lundgren

All who are able, please stand

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 `Ohana for Advent

*(After each prayer petition, the leader will say "Lord, in your mercy" and the people respond, "**Hear our prayer.**" Our patron, Saint Columba, was known for his healing prayers and powers of precognition. In that same spirit our congregation prays with those who make specific requests for healing prayers and prayers of thanksgiving.*

Because we believe that God will come to our help, we present our prayers:

For believers everywhere who wait for the Lord's coming, that this Advent may help them prepare. *(Pause for silent prayer)*

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all the people who look forward to the celebration of Christmas, that Christ's words and values may find a place in their hearts.

(Pause for silent prayer)

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations where there is war, poverty and human suffering, that their troubles may soon be a distant memory. *(Pause for silent prayer)*

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those who suffer from anxiety, for all who are sick in mind or body, that they may know the Lord's healing power. We remember especially this day...

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer..**

For all the members of this community who have died (especially N and N), that God's light may shine on them and on all we have lost. *(Pause for silent prayer)*

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all the blessings of this life we offer our thanksgivings....

(Pause for silent prayer)

*Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Finally, we pray for ourselves:

ALL: O Lord Jesus Christ - stay beside me to defend me, within me to guide me - before me to lead me, behind me to guard me - and above me to bless me; that with you and in you, I may live and move and have my being, for ever and ever, Amen

Confession of Sin and Absolution

Officiant: A voice cries out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord.' So let us listen, and turn to the Lord in penitence and faith.

Gracious and welcoming God,

Have mercy on your people.
We confess that we do heed your word each day
in all that we say and do.
We do not see our neighbors, families, and friends
as beloved children whom you have made.
In your mercy forgive us,
for we repent of our ways
And look to your power
to heal us and raise us up,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will.
Amene.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace: Ke Aloha

Leader: 'O ke aloha o ka Haku e mau ana me'oukou.
All: **A me 'oe pu**
Leader: Ti Cappia ti Apo adda coma cadacayo
All: **Ken casta met kenca**
Presider: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
All: **And also with you.**
Please greet each other in Christ's name.

Offertory Sentence

Please remain seated during the offertory hymn

Hymn "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" pg. 73

All who are able, please stand and join in singing

The Doxology

Ho'onani i ka Makua mau, ke Keiki me ka 'Uhane no,
Ke Akua mau ho'omaika'i pu, ko keia ao, ko kela ao. (Hawaiian)
Ti Ama ken Anac coma, Ken Espiritu ti liwliwa
Dayawen nga ipangrona, Ti langit ken ditoy daga. (Ilocano)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below.

**Praise God above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. (English)**

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also 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 our thanks and praise.**

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, (sing 2x)
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest (sing 2x)
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. (sing 2x)**

The Presider continues 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.

Presider and People **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.**

Presider 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:

Presider and People

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

The Celebrant continues 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.

Presider and People **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 blessed James, Columba, our patrons King Kamehameha IV and Queen Emma, Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i, Queen Lili'uokalani, the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, Gregorio Aglipay 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.**

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, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider breaks the consecrated Bread

Reminder: The "alleluias" are omitted in the season of Advent as it is a reflective and penitential time of year. Don't worry - they will return all the more joyous at Christmas.

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

The Invitation

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The bread is received with open palm. The wine, if desired, is received by dipping the wafer in the wine. If you do not wish to receive Communion but would like a blessing, indicate so by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available, please ask a priest.

This is the table, not of the Church but of Jesus Christ.
It is made ready for those who love God
and those who want to love God more.
So come, you who have much faith and you who have little,
You who have been here often
and you who have not been for a long time or never before,
You who have tried to follow and all of us who have failed.
These are the gifts of God for the People of God.
Come, not because the Church invites you;
It is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.
Adapted from The Iona Community, Iona Abbey Worship Book,
(Glasgow, UK: Wild Goose Publications, 2001), 53.

Note: "If a person desires to receive the Sacrament, but, by reason of extreme sickness or physical disability, is unable to eat and drink the Bread and Wine, the Celebrant is to assure that person that all the benefits of Communion are received, even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth." —The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 457

At the Communion

Musical offering

Please stand or kneel as you are able

After Communion, the Presider says, E pule kakou (Let us pray):

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 in to 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

Please stand as you are able

The Officiant offers the following blessing or one of their choosing.

Go now and prepare the way for the Lord.
Share the Gospel of God's grace;
Proclaim salvation and the forgiveness of sins;
Make straight paths for justice and mercy.

And may the blessing of God almighty,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be with you now and always. **Amene.**

Hymn "How Great Thou Art" pg. 67

The Dismissal

Reminder: The "alleluias" are omitted in the season of Advent

Presider
People

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.



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A warm aloha to St. Columba's Church. We invite you to join us as we sing, pray, laugh and eat together. We are a Christian community that practices the radical inclusivity and radical love embodied in Jesus.

You are welcome at St. Columba's if you can sing like an angel or if you can't carry a note in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're just browsing, just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Episcopal than the Presiding Bishop, or think Jesus was just a cool dude.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. Those digitally connected all the time and those unconnected.

We welcome triathletes, wild boar hunters, starving artists, recyclers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, and junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're down in the dumps or if you don't like organized religion. We've been there too.

We welcome you if you work too hard or are hardly working, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church. We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer now, had the Bible used on you like a bat (ouch!) or were searching for The Answer and wound up here instead.

We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts and you!