



Christ Church Charlotte

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Third Sunday of Advent
December 17, 2017 · 7:30 AM
Holy Eucharist, Rite I

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THE WORD OF GOD

A Penitential Order BCP 319

The Confession of Sin and Absolution BCP 330

Trisagion (*said three times*) BCP 324

Celebrant: Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,

People: ***Have mercy upon us.***

The Collect of the Day BCP 160

Stir up thy power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let thy bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end. ***Amen.***

The First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-4,8-11 Bible, pg. 681

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

The Gospel: John 1:6-8,19-28 Bible, pg. 1236

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: ***Glory be to thee, O Lord.***

After the Gospel is read,

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: ***Praise be to thee, O Christ.***

The Sermon

The Reverend Joshua Case

The Nicene Creed

BCP 326

The Advent Prayers of the People

Each petition concludes:

Reader: We pray,

People: Come, Lord Jesus.

The Peace *(standing)*

BCP 332

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

BCP 333

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 336

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 337

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Communion

All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available.

Please let the Celebrant know if you require such as you approach to receive Holy Communion.

The Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 339

The Blessing

The Dismissal

BCP 339

The priest says a dismissal.

People: Thanks be to God.



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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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Prelude, Voluntary for Cornet and Echo John Blow

Hymn 76, On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry *Winchester New*

THE WORD OF GOD

A Penitential Order BCP 351

The Confession of Sin and Absolution BCP 352

Trisagion, S-100 (*The S-numbers are found in the front of the Hymnal.*) David Hurd

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

There are many symbols of faith in the Advent Wreath: the circle is a sign of God who has no beginning and no end; the evergreens are a sign of God's love which is steadfast and unchanging; and the candles are a reminder to watch and wait for the coming of Christ in the fullness of time.

The Collect of the Day BCP 212

The First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-4,8-11 Bible, pg. 681

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 126 *Tone I.1*

The congregation is invited to sing the antiphon below as indicated. At the beginning, a cantor will sing it first, then the choir and congregation will repeat it. At the end, all will sing together.



Those who ___ sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

Silence

Hymn 75, There's a voice in the wilderness crying *Ascension*

The Gospel: John 1:6-8,19-28 Bible, pg. 1236

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People: ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

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The Sermon The Reverend Patty Rhyne

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

The Advent Prayers of the People

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People: ***Come, Lord Jesus.***

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem, This is the record of John

Orlando Gibbons

Kelsey Harrison, soloist

Presentation Hymn 74 (v.3), Blest be the King

Valet will ich dir geben

Blest be the King whose coming is in the name of God! He only to the humble reveals the face of God. All power is his, all glory! All things are in his hand, all ages and all peoples, till the time itself shall end!

The Great Thanksgiving

BCP 361

Sanctus, S-124

David Hurd

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

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People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Communion

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Communion Motet, E'en so, Lord Jesus

Paul Manz

The Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 365

The Blessing

Hymn, Gracious Spirit, give your servants

Abbott's Leigh

1. Gra - cious Spir - it, give ___ your ser - vants joy to set ___ sin's cap - tives free,
 2. Word made flesh, who gave ___ up glo - ry to be - come our great high priest,
 3. Lov - ing God, who birthed cre - a - tion from the noth - ing - ness of space,
 4. Tri - une God, e - ter - nal Be - ing, nev - er end - ing, un - be - gun,

hope to heal the bro - ken - heart - ed, peace to share love's li - ber - ty.
 tak - ing on our hu - man na - ture to re - deem the last ___ and least:
 kin - dling life where all ___ was emp - ty, turn - ing cha - os in - to grace:
 bound - less grace and per - fect jus - tice, right - eous and ___ for - giv - ing One:

Through us bring your balm of glad - ness to the wound - ed and op - pressed;
 let your cour - age and ___ com - pas - sion shape and guide our min - is - tries;
 when we feel con - fused and fruit - less, dawn up - on ___ our rest - less night;
 so en - fold us in ___ your mer - cy that our wills ___ and yours u - nite;

help ___ us claim and show God's fa - vor as ___ a peo - ple called and blessed.
 as ___ our Sav - ior and ___ our Shep - herd, lead ___ us to ___ the truth that frees.
 give ___ us faith's im - ag - i - na - tion, hope's re - new - ing, love's de - light.
 through us may the world be - hold you, find ___ your love, your truth, your light.

The Dismissal

BCP 366

The priest says a dismissal

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude, Paean

Philip Moore



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Congregational hymnals used: *The Hymnal 1982* and *The Faith We Sing (TFWS)*

Music for Meditation *(seated)*

TFWS 2091, The King of Glory Comes

Traditional Israeli Song

TFWS 2118, Veni Sancte Spiritus

Taize

THE WORD OF GOD

A Penitential Order

BCP 351

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

BCP 352

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.

Hymn **76**, On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Winchester New

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Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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The Peace

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn, TFWS 2008, Let all things now living

The Ash Grove

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The Great Thanksgiving

BCP 361

Sanctus, S-130 (The S-numbers are found in the front of the Hymnal.)

Franz Schubert

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

Tom Belt

As our Savior has taught us, we now pray:

Our Father in heaven, holy is your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

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Hymn 505, O Spirit of Life

O heiliger Geist

Hymn 63, O heavenly Word, eternal Light

Verbum supernum

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BCP 365

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let your cour - age and — com - pas - sion shape and guide our min - is - tries;
when we feel con - fused and fruit - less, dawn up - on — our rest - less night;
so en - fold us in — your mer - cy, that our wills — and yours u - nite;
help — us claim and show God's fa - vor, as — a peo - ple called and blessed.
as — our Sav - ior and — our Shep - herd, lead — us to — the truth that frees.
give — us faith's im - ag - i - na - tion, hope's re - new - ing, love's de - light.
through us may the world be - hold you, find — your love, your truth, your light.

Dismissal

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