



*Christ in Majesty, Zachary Roesemann, 2008*

# St. Paul's Cathedral Burlington, Vermont

The First Sunday of Advent ✠ November 28, 2021  
The Holy Eucharist ✠ 11:00 a.m.

## Welcome to St. Paul's.

**Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St. Paul!** We are glad you are worshiping alongside us today. You are welcome here. All of who you are is welcome here.

If you are new to the Episcopal Church, you may wish to note a few things about our worship style. In general, we stand to sing and pray, and to hear the Gospel (the Good News) of Jesus Christ. We sit to hear other scripture and to listen to the preacher. You may notice that some people choose, at certain times, to kneel, or to make the sign of the cross on their body, or to bow. You may do any, all, or none of those things. Kneelers are located under the table in the back of the church, should you wish to use one.

**CHILDREN** are always welcome in the service, as is their wiggling and whispering, and their need to move and explore. There is a children's activity area in the back of the church for use as needed. Sunday School for children age four through grade five is available between services, beginning around 10:10. There is no formal nursery, but please feel free to explore the space and how it might meet your needs.

You can find most everything you need in this bulletin. The **MUSIC** we sing is found within this bulletin or in the blue *Hymnal 1982* found either on your seat or in the rack under the seat in front of you. Hymn numbers that begin with the letter S are in the front section of the hymnal.

**IF YOU ARE NEW** to this community and wish to know more about it or to receive our weekly e-mail newsletters, please fill out a green card located on the table in the back of the church and either leave it on the table or hand it to the clergy or an usher. We would love to know you more fully!

Finally, a word about **COMMUNION** (Lord's Supper, Eucharist) – the bread and wine. The table fellowship we experience together is for everyone. Everyone. It is a grace freely given by the one who loves us so very much. And it's for you.

**The First Sunday of Advent**  
**November 28, 2021**  
**11:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist**  
*This service is streamed live on YouTube.*

**Opening voluntary:** *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme* BWV 645

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

## The Word of God

*As the choir and leaders enter, all stand and join in*  
**An Advent Litany** *See separate card*

Peter R. Hallock (1924-2014)

*The Litany ends with the Collect of the Day:*

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.

*People*

**Amen.**

*We sit to hear a reading from the Hebrew Bible:*

A reading from Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."  
*Jeremiah 33:14-16*

*People*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.** *Stillness follows.*

*As a meditation on the reading, we sing Psalm 25:1-9. A cantor sings the refrain, and all repeat it. The choir or a cantor then sings the verses of the Psalm, all joining in singing the refrain as indicated.*

Refrain



Lead me in your truth, O Lord, and teach me.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you;  
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.  
Let none who look to you be put to shame;  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes. **Refrain**

Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long. **Refrain**

Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.  
Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;  
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord. **Refrain**

Gracious and upright is the Lord; therefore he teaches sinners in his way.  
He guides the humble in doing right and teaches his way to the lowly.  
All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. **Refrain**

*Setting* Plainsong tone 1

*We hear a reading from early Christian scripture:*

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

*1 Thessalonians 3:9-13*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.** *Stillness follows.*

*All stand and sing*

**Sequence hymn 64 O heavenly Word, eternal Light**

*We remain standing for a reading from the life of Jesus:*

*Gospeller*

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People*

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

*Luke 21:25-36*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon** *The Preacher breaks open the scripture.*

The Very Revd Greta Getlein

*A short period of stillness follows the Sermon. Then we stand and say together the Nicene Creed, a statement of Christian faith dating from the fourth century:*

**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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.**

**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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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  
People*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.** *We greet one another in the Name of Jesus Christ.*

## The Holy Communion

*Ushers pass a plate to collect an offering for the work of the Church. The choir sings an anthem:*

*People, look east. The time is near  
of the crowning of the year.*

*Make your house fair as you are able,  
trim the hearth and set the table.*

*People, look east and sing today:  
Love the Guest is on the way.*

*Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,  
one more seed is planted there.*

*Give up your strength the seed to nourish,  
that in course the flower may flourish.*

*People, look east and sing today:  
Love the Rose is on the way.*

*Birds, though ye long have ceased to build,  
guard the nest that must be filled.*

*Even the hour when wings are frozen  
he for fledging-time has chosen.*

*People, look east and sing today:  
Love the Bird is on the way.*

*Stars, keep the watch: when night is dim,  
one more light the bowl shall brim,*

*shining beyond the frosty weather,  
bright as sun and moon together.*

*People, look east and sing today:  
Love the Star is on the way.*

*Angels, announce with shouts of mirth  
him who brings new life to earth.*

*Set every peak and valley humming  
with the word, the Lord is coming.*

*People, look east, and sing today:  
Love the Lord is on the way.*

*Words Carol of the Advent, Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965) • Music Besançon Noël, arr. Martin Shaw (1875-1958)*

*Gifts of bread and wine are brought forward. The Holy Table is prepared, and we sing  
Hymn 59 Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding*

### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

*The following is said, or sung to the chant at S 120 in The Hymnal 1982*

*Celebrant  
People*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Celebrant  
People*

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant  
People*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*The Celebrant continues with the Preface, which leads into the singing of Sanctus:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, —  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho-san - na in the high - est, ho-san-na in the high - est.

Setting from *Missa Oecumenica*, arr. Richard Proulx, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

*The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic prayer. After the words spoken over the bread and wine, we join in the Memorial Acclamation:*

*Celebrant*  
*People*  
Therefore, according to his command, O Father,  
**We remember Christ's death,**  
**We proclaim Christ's resurrection,**  
**We await Christ's coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues the prayer, which ends*

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

*People*  
**AMEN.**

*Celebrant*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

*All*

Our Father in hea-ven, hallow'd 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 pow'r, and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

Setting Nikolai Kedrov (1871-1954), arr. Mark Howe

*The Celebrant breaks the bread. After a period of stillness, we sing a Fraction anthem:*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the

Setting from *Missa Oecumenica*, arr. Richard Proulx, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

*The Celebrant invites us to share in the Eucharistic feast.*

*The sacrament is administered today in bread only. Gluten-free wafers are available; please indicate your need at the time you receive Communion. Those who prefer not to receive the sacrament may come forward for a blessing.*

*During the Eucharistic meal we sing*

**Hymn 53 Once he came in blessing**

*After a period of stillness, we stand and sing*

**Hymn 58 Lo! he comes with clouds descending**

*Bread and wine may be given to a representative of the congregation, to take to those who are ill or shut in.*

*Celebrant*

N., in the name of this congregation I send you forth, bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go [especially N....] may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

*People*

**We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

*We remain standing and say this prayer together:*

**God of abundance,**

**you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation;**

**you have united us with Christ and one another;**

**and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.**

**Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,**

**that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world**

**and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*The Celebrant pronounces a blessing:*

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin; and the blessing of God

Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

**Amen.**

*The Deacon dismisses us, all responding,*

**Thanks be to God.**

Closing voluntary: *O Heiland reiß die Himmel auf*

Ernst Pepping (1901-1981)

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### SERVING IN THE LITURGY TODAY

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*We are on land which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange among indigenous peoples for thousands of years and is the home of the Western Abenaki People. Our Cathedral community honors, recognizes, and respects these peoples as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we gather. Once taken from the Abenaki people by the people of the United States, this land was taken again, during the period of Urban Renewal in the 1970s, from the Italian immigrants who had found a welcome on these shores. We acknowledge that we are guests in this land, and pledge to respect and protect the land and waters within our use.*

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