

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church

The Holy Eucharist - Rite Two

Sunday, December 22, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.

The Fourth Sunday of Advent



“To be a community that shares the joy of God’s love”

Prelude *What Sweeter Music-* by John Rutter

Doug Richardson, piano

Hymn 265 *The angel Gabriel from heaven came*

Congregation/Choir

The Word of God

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People You come to your people and set them free.

Collect for Purity

Prayed by all

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 56 vv.7,8 *O come, O come, Emmanuel*

Congregation/Choir

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

Micah 5:2-5a

Lector A Reading from Prophet Micah

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
 who are one of the little clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
 one who is to rule in Israel,
whose origin is from of old,
 from ancient days.

Therefore he shall give them up until the time
 when she who is in labor has brought forth;
then the rest of his kindred shall return
 to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD,
 in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.

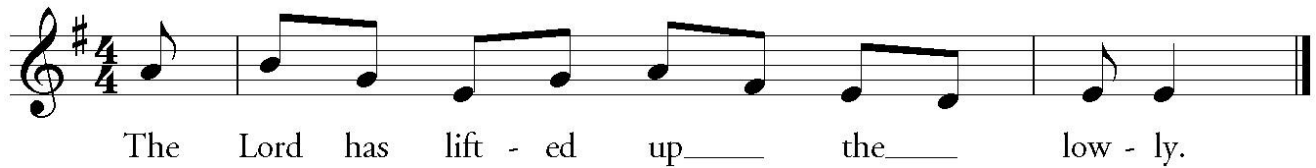
And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great
 to the ends of the earth;
and he shall be the one of peace.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle 15

Congregation/Choir



The Song of Mary *Magnificat*

Luke 1:46-55

My soul proclaims the greatness [of] the Lord;*
my spirit rejoices in [God] my Savior,
for he has looked with favor on his [low]-ly servant.*
From this day all generations will [call] me blest;
The Almighty has [done] great things for me,*
and holy [is] his name.
He has mercy on those who fear him in every [gen]-eration.*
He has shown the strength of his arm; ...
he has scattered the proud in [their] conceit.

Antiphon

He has cast down the mighty [from] their thrones,*
and has [lifted up] the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with [good] things,*
and the rich he has [sent a]-way empty.
He has come to the help of his [ser]-vant Israel,*
for he has remembered his [promise] of mercy,
the promise he [made to] our fathers,*
to Abraham and his [children] forever.

Antiphon

The Epistle

Hebrews 10:5-10

Lector A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

When Christ came into the world, he said,

"Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body you have prepared for me;
in burnt offerings and sin offerings
you have taken no pleasure.

Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God'
(in the scroll of the book it is written of me)."

When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 59 *Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding*

Congregation/Choir

The Gospel *All Standing as Able*

Luke 1:39-55

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

And Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;
he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.
He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Mack Olson

I believe in God Almighty (WLP 768)

The musical score is written for a three-part setting (Soprano, Alto, and Bass) in 3/4 time, with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is primarily in the soprano part, with the alto and bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are as follows:

1. I be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all things that
2. I be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci -
3. I be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the saints with-

be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and
 fied; tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied— True Life there had tru - ly
 in One church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from

sea. I be - lieve in God's Son, Je - sus, now for
 died. I be - lieve that on the third day Christ was
 sin; in the bod - y's res - ur - rec - tion, for the

us both Lord and Christ, of the Spir - it and of
 raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed to God
 break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's ev - er -

Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.
 right hand. He will come to judge and save.
 last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

The Prayers of the People

The Mighty One has done great things for us. And so we appeal to God once again, praying, “Stir up your strength, O Lord; and come to help us.”

Prepare in us a mansion for yourself, O Christ.

Silence

Stir up your strength, O Lord;

And come to help us.

Restore us, O God of hosts. May we know security. May we know peace. May we know the benefits of the reign of your Christ.

Silence

Stir up your strength, O Lord;

And come to help us.

Show the strength of your arm, O God: lift up the lowly. Fill the hungry with good things. Look on your children with favor.

Silence

Stir up your strength, O Lord;

And come to help us.

Have mercy on all captives and prisoners, O God. Remember them and come to their aid. Fill our hearts with mercy. May we learn to forgive even as you forgive us.

Invite the congregation to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence

Stir up your strength, O Lord;

And come to help us.

Hear the prayers of your people, O God of hosts. May those who have fed on the bread of tears, feed instead on your strength, O Lord. Show them the light of your countenance and be their salvation. For the sick and the suffering, for those we now name: Ann, Laretta, Vicki, Kate, Sandy, Mark, Cecelia, Brian, Diana, Karen, Barbara F., Barbara K., Leslie, Bob, and Marcia

Invite the congregation to add their petitions, followed by silence

Stir up your strength, O Lord;

And come to help us.

Great Shepherd, gather your flock into your eternal kingdom. Bless the dying, embrace the dead, and comfort those who mourn.

Silence

Stir up your strength, O Lord;

And come to help us.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

The Presider says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

The Priest stands and says

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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming- written by Michael Praetorius arranged by T. Baker

Emily Lewis, mezzo soprano/Choir

Doxology

Congregation/Choir

O God Beyond All Praising

Words by Michael Perry

Tune *THAXT* by Gustav Holst

Arranged by Rodney Abriol

O - God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to - day and - sing the love a - maz-ing that
songs can-not re - pay; for we can on-ly won-der at ev - ery gift you send, at bless-ings with-out num-ber and
mer-cies with-out end; we lift our hearts be-fore you and wait up-on your Word, we hon - or and a - dore you, our
great and might - y Lord.

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Full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you,
O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this
bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon
these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of
Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your
Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him,
being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time,
put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to
that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your
saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and
daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all
creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our
salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy
Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and
for ever. *AMEN.*

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

Hymn S-119 *The Lord's Prayer*

Celebrant and People

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,
 forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Hymn S-164 *Jesus, Lamb of God*

Jesus, Lamb of God:
have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins:
have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:
give us your peace,
give us your peace.

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn

Hymn 324 *Let all mortal flesh keep silence*

Congregation/Choir

After Communion, the Presider says

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.

Blessing

The Priest blesses the people, saying

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. *Amen.*

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. *Amen.*

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries

Hymn 73 *The King shall come when morning dawns*

Congregation/Choir

Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Overture to Messiah- by G.F. Händel*

Doug Richardson, piano

Christmas at St. Patrick's

Christmas Eve Service

Tuesday, December 24th 5:00PM

Christmas Day Service

Wednesday, December 25th 10:00AM

Ministers at Worship Today

Preacher & Presider: The Rev. Mack Olson

Crucifer: Charlie Buff

Eucharistic Minister: Wendy Wood

Lectors:

OT and Psalm – Beth Lewis

NT – Laurie Boon Hogen

Intercessor: Sandy Keith

Usher/Greeter: Eleanor Albon

Usher/Greeter: Judith Kesot

St Patrick's Music:

Mark Kratz, St Patrick's Music Director

Doug Richardson, St Patrick's Organist/ Pianist

St. Patrick's Choir

Zoom Service Host and Technician: Karl Mutch

Altar Flowers:

Altar Guild: Merle Holtzen
Ann Schneider
Sandy Keith

Welcome to St Patrick's

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The Rev. Carol Luther, Associate

The Rev. L.A. King, Associate

The Rev. Karen King, Associate

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Jackie Senter, Sr Warden

Minerva Haddad, Clerk

Chuck Wood

Matt Ganz

Adele Daw

Ron Keith, Jr Warden

Wendy Wood, Treasurer

Leslie Clark

Xavier Cabrales



Coffee Hour Host

Hutch & Bernadette Gibb, Charlotte Carlson

Weekly Events at St. Patrick's

Art with Kate Rogers Mondays, 11 am

Tuesday Coffee Hour via Zoom at 10 a.m.

Holy Communion with healing prayer & anointing

Every Wednesday, 10 a.m. Church

Praying the Gospel of Thomas, Every Thursday,
8-8:45 am via Zoom

Compline- 4 p.m. on Thursdays via Zoom

Wellspring Every Friday 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Facilitator – Sharron Simpson

Monthly Events at St. Patrick's

Nomadic Shelter January 4th

Ministries of the parish that we cannot directly accomplish, except by our hospitable welcome to the following groups who meet at St Patrick's:

* AA Group, weekly on Wednesdays at 7:00PM, meets in the Parish Hall.

* Al Anon Group weekly on Wednesdays at 7:30PM meets in the Common Room.

* PEO, once a month on the first Thursday at 10AM, meets in the Parish Hall

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