



THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN ON THE MOUNTAIN

The First Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist Rite I

29 November 2020

LITURGY OF THE WORD

All stand as the Clergy and Sacred Minister enter

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Assembly: And blessed be his Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open ... through Christ, our Lord.
Assembly: Amen.

THE KYRIE

Presider: Lord, have mercy upon us.
Assembly: Christ, have mercy upon us.
Presider: Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.
Assembly: And with thy spirit.
Presider: Let us pray. Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy 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 quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever.
Assembly: Amen.

The assembly is seated for the readings

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence-
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil-
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.

We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on your name,
or attempts to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.
Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord,
and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.

The Lector concludes: The Word of the Lord.
The Assembly responds: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 80:1-7, 16-18

1 **H**ear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
 shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
 stir up your strength and come to help us.

3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

4 O Lord God of hosts, *
 how long will you be angered
 despite the prayers of your people?

5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
 you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
 and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
 the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
 give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

18 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; *
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

All stand with the Presider

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 13:24-37

The Gospeller announces: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

The Assembly responds: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering,
 the sun will be darkened,
 and the moon will not give its light,
 and the stars will be falling from heaven,
 and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.
 Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great
 power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather
 his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the
 ends of heaven.
 "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes
 tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near.
 So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that
 he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will

not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven
 and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.
 "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels
 in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert;
 for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man
 going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in
 charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to
 be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know
 when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at
 midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you
 asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to
 all: Keep awake."

After the Gospel is read, the assembly responds as follows:

The Gospeller says: The Gospel of the Lord.

The Assembly Responds: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend David L. Jones

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing

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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor: Let us pray for the Church and the world saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Said by all*

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

The Presider pronounces the absolution to which the assembly responds, "Amen."

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Assembly: And with thy Spirit.

WORDS OF WELCOME

The assembly is seated and brief announcements are made

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The assembly stands

A collection is taken and carried in procession to the Lord's Table along with bread and wine

AT THE OFFERTORY

Presider: All things come of thee, O Lord.

Assembly: And of thine own have we given thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II

Presider: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And with thy spirit.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

Assembly: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Assembly: It is meet and right so to do.

THE SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider: As our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

All: **O**ur Father, who art in heaven, as we forgive those
hallowed be thy Name, who trespass against us.
thy kingdom come, And lead us not into temptation,
thy will be done, but deliver us from evil.
on earth as it is in heaven. For thine is the kingdom,
Give us this day our daily bread. and the power, and the glory,
And forgive us our trespasses, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Assembly: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Presider: O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Assembly: have mercy upon us.

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Assembly: have mercy upon us.

Presider: O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Assembly: grant us thy peace.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Said by all

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Presider shows the Holy Things to the assembly and says:

Presider: The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Every member of the assembly is welcomed and encouraged to approach the Lord's Table

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Presider invokes God's blessing upon the assembly, to which they respond "Amen."

THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Assembly: Thanks be to God.



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St. John on the Mountain Weekly Calendar

November 29, Advent 1

8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I
 10:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
 10:45 am Coffee Hour in the Zoom Room

December 2, Wednesday

8:15 am The Open Table
 5:00 pm Evening Prayer in a Time of Pandemic
 5:25 pm Choir Rehearsal

December 3, Thursday

12:15 pm Men's Luncheon, Morristown Club

December 4, Friday

8:00 am Quiet Church until 12:00 pm

December 5, Saturday

4:00 pm Virtual Choral Evensong for Advent
 8:00 pm Music in Somerset Hills Virtual Concert

December 6, Advent 2

8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I
 10:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
 10:45 am Coffee Hour in the Zoom Room

Remember in Prayer

Dorota Anderson, Phil Barbee, Charley, Kathy Connolly, Jessica Fitzgerald, Frank, Eddie Franz, Jack Fritts, Nathaniel Gilmartin, Al Haueis, Jake, Jude, Lisa Litschi, Margaret, Mark, Cynthia Potter, Rossie, Scott John Summers, Pat Warlick, Peter Warlick, Sheila Wise, Bill Young

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NOVEMBER 29, 2020

8 AM

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10 AM

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