

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 9:1-7 (page 573)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 108:1-6

My heart is steadfast, O God!

**I will sing and make melody with
all my being!**

*Awake, O harp and lyre!
I will awake the dawn!*

**I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
among the peoples;
I will sing praises to you among
the nations.**

*For your steadfast love is great above
the heavens;
your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.*

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!

Let your glory be over all the earth!

**That your beloved ones may be delivered,
give salvation by your right hand and
answer me!** (ESV)

Epistle Lesson: 2 Corinthians 1:2-7 (page 964)

Gospel Lessons: Matthew 2:1-12 (page 807)

Matthew 27:37-44 (page 834)

Matthew 28:18 (page 835)

Reader: ...the Word of the Lord!

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon ***The Good News of the Kingdom***
the Rev. Johnathan Keenan

*Creed The Nicene Creed

**WE BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible
and invisible.**

**AND IN ONE Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten
Son of God, begotten of his Father before all
worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God**

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**of very God, begotten, not made, being of
one substance with the Father; through whom
all things were made; who for us and for our
salvation came down from heaven, and was
incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man; and was crucified also
for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and
was buried; and the third day he rose again
according to the Scriptures, and ascended into
heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the
Father; and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the living and the dead; whose
kingdom shall have no end.**

**AND WE BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit, the Lord
and giver of life, who proceeds from the
Father and the Son; who with the Father and
the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in
one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission
of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the
dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

(concluding with the Lord's Prayer)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*The Doxology Trinity Hymnal #731

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

*Offertory Prayer

Hymn #213 "What Child Is This"

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

(cups in the outside ring contain wine)

*Hymn #196 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

*Benediction

(Congregational Response follows...)

*Congregational Response Trinity Hymnal #383

**Almighty God, your word is cast (v. 1 & 2)
like seed into the ground;
now let the dew of heav'n descend,
and righteous fruits abound.
Let not the foe of Christ and man
this holy seed remove,
but give it root in ev'ry heart
to bring forth fruits of love. Amen.**

Postlude

Anna Abbey



Announcements

VISITORS: Welcome to El Camino! Please sign our
guest book and join us for refreshments after worship.

TODAY WE WELCOME to the pulpit the Rev. Johnathan
Keenan, campus minister for Reformed University
Fellowship (RUF) at UCSB.

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Announcements, continued

MEMBERS PLEASE TAKE NOTE: Nominations are now being accepted for the ordained offices of Elder and Deacon, and the unordained offices of Deaconess and Trustee. Per our church bylaws: “The congregation shall be reminded of its right to make nominations for these elections at least nine weeks before the election meeting. Nominations for these elections shall be presented to the clerk in writing not less than five weeks before the election meeting.”

SERVICE FOR VIRGINIA LAURIE is being planned by Mac Laurie for next Wednesday or Thursday at Santa Barbara Cemetary Chapel. All are invited.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

TUES., DEC 3: 1:00pm Graveside Service for our deacon, Randy Stokes at Goleta Cemetary, 44 S. San Antonio Rd, Santa Barbara, followed by a 2:00pm Memorial Service and reception at El Camino Church.

WED., DEC 4: 12:15 -12:45pm Lunchtime Bible Study meets. Topic: Acts. Bring your own lunch.

NEXT SUN., DEC 8: Mr. Caleb Janson, a licentiate in the URC and an intern at Oceanside [CA] United Reformed Church, will lead Morning Worship.

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Weekly Worship at 10:45am & 6pm
Teen & Adult Sunday School classes at 9:45am

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Today's sermon will be available at elcaminoopc.org.

6:00PM Evening Prayer and Praise

December 1st, 2019

- *Call to Worship (*Congregation stands)
- *Hymn #195 “Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”
- *Prayer of Invocation
- Responsive Psalm 122 Trinity Hymnal p. 831
- Congregational Hymn Selections
- Offering
- Prayer for Illumination
- Scripture Lessons: Isaiah 2:1-5 (page 567)
Romans 13:11-14 (page 948)
Matthew 24:36-44 (page 830)
- Sermon **Knowing God as Father**
from the teaching series *The Sermon on the Mount*
webcast from the Rev. Dr. Sinclair Ferguson
- *Creed The Apostles' Creed
- I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
AND IN Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated on the
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence
he shall come to judge the living and the dead.**
- I BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**
- Congregational Prayer (concluding with the Lord's Prayer)
- *Hymn #162 “Of the Father's Love Begotten”
- *Closing Prayer

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The Lord's Day

The First Sunday in Advent: December 1st, 2019

10:45am Morning Worship

- Prelude Anna Abbey
- *Greeting and Call to Worship (*Congregation stands)
- *Hymn #194 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”
- *Prayer of Adoration and Invocation
- *The Gloria Patri Trinity Hymnal #735
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.
- Unison Prayer of Confession
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.
- *Assurance of Pardon
Minister: ...you are forgiven.
Congregation: Amen!
- *Call to Grateful Obedience
Minister: ...this is God's will for you in Christ.
Congregation: Amen!
- *Hymn #197 “Comfort, Comfort Ye My People”
- Unison Prayer for Illumination
Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your word. Silence in us any voice but your own; that, hearing, we may also obey your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.