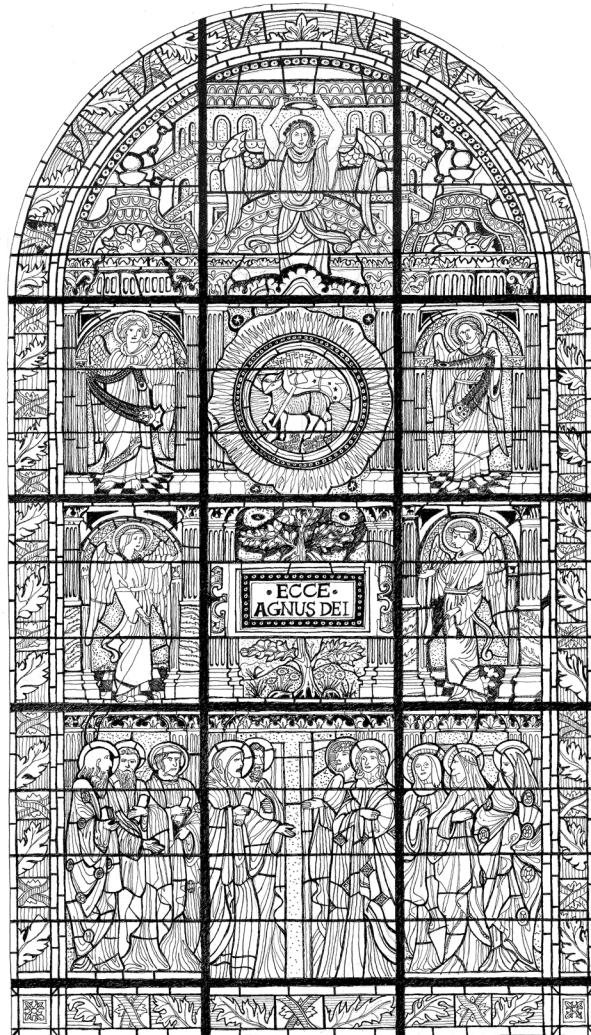


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THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

HOLY COMMUNION: RITE I
DECEMBER 18, 2022 • 10:30 AM



W E L C O M E

To all who are spiritually weary *and seek rest,*
to all who mourn *and long for comfort,*
to all who struggle *and desire victory,*
to all who sin *and need a Savior,*
to all who are strangers *and want fellowship,*
to all who hunger *and thirst after righteousness,*
to all who have been blessed *and wish to give thanks,*
and to whoever will come—*this church opens wide her doors*
and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.



A L T A R G R E E N E R Y

*The greenery on the altar is given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of beloved husband and father*

Steven Lee Dixon

HOLY COMMUNION: RITE I

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Berceuse, Op. 31

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

INTROIT

Sans Day Carol

arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)

Now the holly bears a berry as white as the milk,
And Mary bore Jesus, who was wrapped up in silk:
And Mary bore Jesus Christ our Saviour for to be,
And the first tree in the greenwood, it was the holly!
Now the holly bears a berry as green as the grass,
And Mary bore Jesus, who died on the cross:
Now the holly bears a berry as black as the coal,
And Mary bore Jesus, who died for us all:
Now the holly bears a berry as blood is it red,
Then trust we our Saviour, who rose from the dead.

Text: traditional Cornish carol. Music: Traditional carol arr. John Rutter (b. 1945)

THE WORD OF GOD

The people stand and sing the processional hymn.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 1

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Stuttgart

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear Desire of ev'ry nation, joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a King,
Born to reign in us for ever, now Thy gracious kingdom bring.

By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
By thine all-sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: *Stuttgart*, Christian Friedrich Witt (1715), adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

THE ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the celebrant says

Surely the Lord is coming soon.

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The celebrant says

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

The celebrant says

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

THE KYRIE

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

People Christ, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people kneel.

We beseech thee, Almighty God, to purify our consciences by thy daily visitation, that when thy Son our Lord cometh he may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people sit for the reading of God's Word.

THE LESSON

Isaiah 7:10-17

¹⁰ Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz: ¹¹ "Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." ¹² But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test." ¹³ And he said, "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also?" ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. ¹⁵ He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. ¹⁶ For before the boy knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land whose two kings you dread will be deserted. ¹⁷ The LORD will bring upon you and upon your people and upon your father's house such days as have not come since the day that Ephraim departed from Judah—the king of Assyria!"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people are invited to stand and sing the gradual hymn.

THE GRADUAL HYMN 20

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Divinum Mysterium

Of the Father's love begotten ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega, he the Source, the Ending he,
Of the things that are, that have been, and that future years shall see, evermore and evermore!

O that birth forever blessed, when the Virgin, full of grace,
By the Holy Ghost conceiving, bare the Savior of our race;
And the babe, the world's Redeemer, first revealed his sacred face, evermore and evermore!

O ye heights of heav'n, adore him; angel hosts, his praises sing:
Powers, dominions, bow before him and extol our God and King;
Let no tongue on earth be silent, every voice in concert ring, evermore and evermore!

Thee let old men, thee let young men, thee let boys in chorus sing;
Matrons, virgins, little maidens, with glad voices answering:
Let their guileless songs reecho, and the heart its music bring; evermore and evermore!

Christ, to thee, with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost, to thee,
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving and unwearied praises be,
Honor, glory, and dominion and eternal victory, evermore and evermore!

Text: Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, 348-413; Tr. J. M. Neale, 1854, Henry W. Baker, 1859.
Music: *Divinum Mysterium*, 13th cent. Plainsong, Mode V

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 1:18-25

The people remain standing. The priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

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

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. ¹⁹ And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹ She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." ²² All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: ²³ "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us). ²⁴ When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, ²⁵ but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

After the Gospel, the priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE NICENE CREED

All stand and say in unison

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and 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 of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The leader and people kneel and pray responsively*Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church; ***that we all may be one.***Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; ***that your Name may be glorified by all people.***We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; ***that they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; ***that there may be justice and peace on the earth.***Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; ***that our works may find favor in your sight.***Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; ***that they may be delivered from their distress.***Give to the departed eternal rest; ***let light perpetual shine upon them.***We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; ***may we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.****The celebrant continues*

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

CONFSSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The celebrant and people say in unison

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

The celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The celebrant reads several sentences from Scripture.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. (*Matthew 11:28*) God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (*John 3:16*) This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (*1 Timothy 1:15*) If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. (*1 John 2:1-2*)

THE PEACE

All stand.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Magnificat in D-Major

Wm. Henry Harris (1883-1973)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
 For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
 For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
 For he that is mighty hath magnified me and holy is his name.
 And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
 He hath shewed strength with his arm. He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
 He hath put down the mighty from their seat and hath exalted the humble and meek.
 He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.
 He rememb'ring his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,
 As he promised to our forefathers Abraham, and his seed forever.
 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.

Text: Luke 1:46-55. Music: Wm. Henry Harris (1883-1973)

All are invited to stand and sing

THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN 1 (S. 1)

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Stuttgart

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
 From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.

Text: Charles Wesley. Music: *Stuttgart*, adapted from a melody by Christian Friedrich Witt

HYMN 141 (S. 4)

America

Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing.
 Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
 Protect us by thy might, Great God, our King. Amen.

Music: *America*, in *Thesaurus Musicus*, 1740. Words: Samuel Francis Smith, 1832.

The celebrant faces the people and says

The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

All remain standing as the celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer. The people are invited to sing

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Philip W.J. Stopford (b. 1977)

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All kneel. The celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

People and Celebrant

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Remaining kneeling, all are invited to sing the Agnus Dei.

THE AGNUS DEI

Philip W.J. Stopford (b. 1977)

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 sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

People and Celebrant

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.

Those worshiping from home may participate in the Eucharist by speaking the following words of the Prayer for Spiritual Communion .

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN

The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came

Gabriel's Message

The angel Gabriel from heaven came, his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
"All hail," said he, "thou lowly maiden Mary, most highly favored lady," Gloria!

"For know a blessed Mother thou shalt be, all generations laud and honor thee,
Thy son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold, most highly favored lady," Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head, "To me be as it pleaseth God," she said,
"My soul shall laud and magnify his holy name." Most highly favored lady, Gloria!

Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born in Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
And Christian folk throughout the world will ever say—"Most highly favored lady," Gloria!

Words: Basque carol; para. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924)
Music: *Gabriel's Message*, Basque carol; harm. Edgar Pettman (1865-1943)

COMMUNION HYMN

Comfort, Comfort, Ye My People

Psalm 42

1. Com - fort, com - fort ye my peo - ple, speak ye peace, thus saith our God;
 2. Hark, the voice of one that cri - eth in the des - ert far and near,
 3. Make ye straight what long was crook - ed, make the rough - er pla - ces plain;

com - fort those who sit in dark - ness mourn - ing 'neath their sor - rows' load.
 call - ing us to new re-pent - ance since the king - dom now is here.
 let your hearts be true and hum - ble, as be - fits his ho - ly reign.

Speak ye to Je - ru - sa - lem of the peace that waits for them;
 Oh, that warn - ing cry o - obey! Now pre-prepare for God a way;
 For the glo - ry of the Lord now o'er earth is shed a-broad;

tell her that her sins I cov - er, and her war - fare now is o - ver.
 let the val - leys rise to meet him and the hills bow down to greet him.
 and all flesh shall see the to - ken that the word is nev - er bro - ken.

Text: Johann G. Olearius (1611-1684); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.
 Music: PSALM 42, melody and bass Claude Goudimel (1514-1572); harm. *The Hymnal 1982*

COMMUNION HYMN

Tell Out, My Soul

Woodlands

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
 Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
 Tender to me the promise of his word;
 In God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!
 Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
 His mercy sure, from age to age the same;
 His holy Name—the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
 Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
 Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
 The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
 Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
 To children's children for evermore.

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 Music: Woodlands, Walter Greatorex (1877-1949)

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people join in saying this prayer

Almighty and everlasting 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

After the blessing, all are invited to stand and sing the closing hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Veni Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, thou Wisdom from on high, who ord'rest all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show, and teach us in her ways to go. *Refrain*

O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times didst give the law, in cloud, and majesty, and awe. *Refrain*

O come, thou Rod of Jesse's stem, from every foe deliver them
That trust thy mighty power to save, and give them vict'ry o'er the grave. *Refrain*

O come, thou Key of David, come, and open wide our heavn'ly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high, and close the path to misery. *Refrain*

O come, thou Day-spring from on high, and cheer us by thy drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadow put to flight. *Refrain*

O come, Desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of all mankind;
Bid thou our sad divisions cease, and be thyself our King of Peace. *Refrain*

Words: Hymnal Version, based on Latin, c. 9th cent.; St. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, pub. Cologne, 1710
Music: *Veni Emmanuel*, Melody adapted from Plainsong, Mode I, by Thomas Helmore, 1854

THE DISMISSAL

The priest dismisses the people, and the people respond: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Postlude on *In Dulci Jubilo*

Norman Dello Joio (1913-2008)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wrapping Up 2022

- Final high school youth group is tonight at 6:00 p.m. (resumes Jan. 8)

Now in Recess

- Middle school youth group (resumes Jan. 6)
- Sunday school, Rector's Forum (resume Jan. 8)
- Theology on Tap (resumes Jan. 10)
- Wednesdays Alive! service, supper, class (resumes Jan. 11)
- Rector's Bible Study (resumes Jan. 12)

Christmas Eve at St. Philip's

(in-person and livestreamed; no nursery or children's church)

4:30 p.m. Christmas Pageant and Holy Eucharist: Rite I

7:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite I (with brass and the Canterbury and St. David Choirs)

10:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite I (with brass and the St. Philip's Choir)

Christmas Day at St. Philip's

(in-person only; no nursery or children's church)

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite I

The Church office will be closed for Christmas and the New Year from December 26 through January 2. In the event of a pastoral emergency during that time, please call the Rev. Bill Christian at (843) 327-0791.

The 20s-30s Oyster Roast is January 8 from 3:00 to 5:00 on the Parish House lawn. Children are welcome! Please register at stphilipschurchsc.org/events by this Thursday, December 22 (pay-what-you-can option available).



Foundations with the Rev. Andrew O'Dell begins January 8. This semester-long course explores the foundational beliefs of the Christian faith in an environment that allows for conversation and connection. For those who feel led to join St. Philip's, the class will culminate in the service of Confirmation when the bishop makes his annual visitation in the spring. Register at stphilipschurchsc.org/foundations or scan the QR code at right.



The Mere Anglicanism Conference is coming to Charleston January 26–28, 2023, and registration is nearing capacity! The theme, “Telling a More Beautiful Story: Lessons from C.S. Lewis on Reaching a Fractured World,” will be addressed by world-class Lewis scholars and theologians, including opening keynote speaker Alister McGrath. Register at mereanglicanism.org.

Schedule updates:

- **January 1:** Regular service schedule; no nursery or children's church
- **January 8:** Regular service schedule; Epiphany observed

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