

The Fourth Sunday of Advent 22 December 2024

The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two 10 am

Ministers of the Service

Fr. David Bumsted *Celebrant and Preacher*

Fr. Carson Webb *Deacon of the Mass*

Zachary Malavolti *Choirmaster*

> Hank Carrillo Organist

Mary Shivel Lector

Marc McCaw and Thom Crowe Lay Eucharistic Ministers

A Prayer before Worship

O Almighty God, who pours out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to you from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Word of God

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland

Organ Voluntary

Processional Hymn 66

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, 1 born to set thy peo - ple free; 2 Is rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, all the earth thou hope of art: 3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and king, yet а 4 By thine own е ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone; find from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us our rest in thee. de - sire dear of long - ing heart. ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery born to reign in for now thy gra - cious king-dom bring. us ev - er, raise us thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it glo-rious throne. by to thy

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The Penitential Order

CelebrantBless the Lord who forgives all our sins.PeopleHis mercy endures for ever.

The Celebrant reads the following sentence

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

The Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

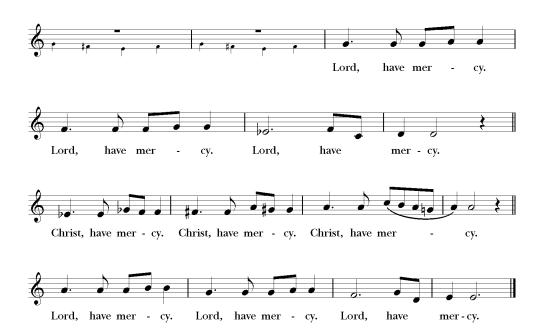
The people kneel. Silence may be kept.

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

Kyrie eleison, Hymnal S98

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.*



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William Mathias (1934-1992)

The Collect of the Day

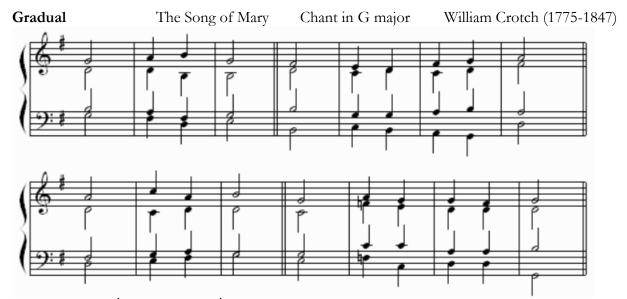
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

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 First Reading Micah 5:2-5a

Reader A reading from the 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.

Reader	The Word of the Lord
People	Thanks be to God.



- 1 My soul doth | magnify the | Lord, * and my spirit hath re- | joiced in | God my | Savior.
- 2 For | he hath re- | garded * the | lowli-• ness | of his | handmaiden.
- **3** For be- | hold from | henceforth * all gene- | rations • shall | call me | blessed.
- 4 For he that is mighty hath | magni-• fied | me, * and | holy | is his | Name.
 - 5 + And his mercy is on | them that | fear him * throughout | all | gener- | ations.
- 6 He hath showed | strength with his | arm; * he hath scattered the proud in the imagi- nation | of their | hearts.
- 7 He hath put down the | mighty from their | seat, * and hath ex- alted • the | humble • and | meek.



- 8 He hath filled the hungry with | good | things, * and the rich he | hath sent | empty • a- | way.
- 9 He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.
 - Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the be ginning, • is | now, * and will be for | ever. • A | -- | men.

The Second Reading Hebrews 10:5-10

Reader 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;

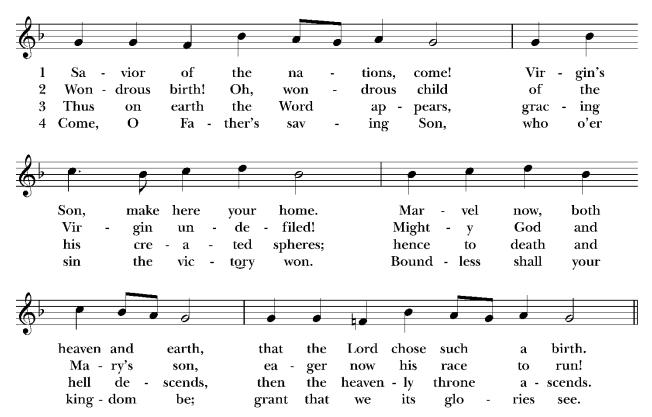
in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure.

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.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 54



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The GospelLuke 1:38-45CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory 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."

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

The Homily Fr. David Bumsted

The Nicene Creed

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 people kneel.

Prayers of the People, Form IV

Deacon or other leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*. *The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

The Exchange of Peace Please stand.

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Parish Welcome and Announcements

The Offertory *The Priest begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.*

Representatives of the congregation receive the people's offerings. Gifts may also be made online at sjtulsa.org/giving or by scanning this code:



The Holy Communion

Offertory Motet Ave Maria

Jacques Arcadelt (1507-1568)

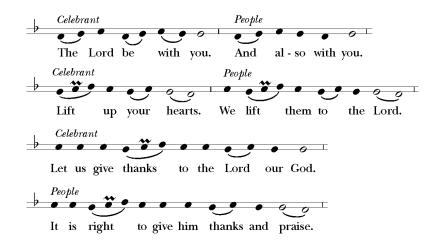
Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum. Benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus. Sancta Maria, ora pro nobis.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, pray for us.

Presentation Hymn 438 the Lord! 1 Tell out, my soul, great - ness of the 2 Tell out, my soul, thc great - ness of his Name! 3 Tell out, soul, the great - ness of his might! my 4 Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word! bered Un num bless - ings give my spi - rit voice; Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done; Powers do min - ions and lay their glo - ry by. Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure. $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ der me the his ten to prom - ise of word; his mer cy sure, from age to age the same; Proud hearts and stub born wills are put to flight, _ Tell the of the Lord out, my soul, great - ness 0 God in my Sa - vior shall my heart re joice. Might - y his ho ly Name– the Lord, the One. the fed, the hum - ble lift - ed hun gry high. _ chil - dren's chil - dren and to for ev er more!

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The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A Please remain standing.



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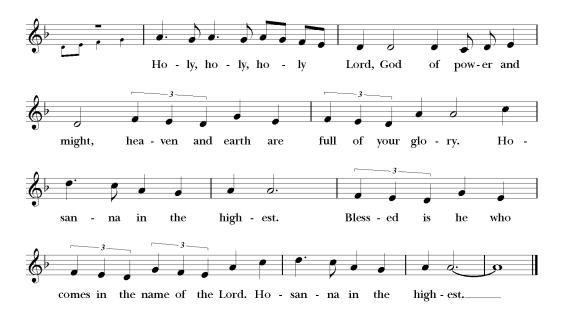
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus et benedictus, Hymnal S129

Robert Powell



The people kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 say,

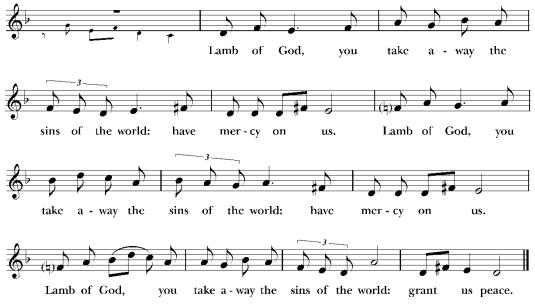
People and Celebrant

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Agnus Dei, Hymnal S163

Robert Powell



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Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation The Gifts of God for the People of God.

At the Communion

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead, please approach the Celebrant with arms crossed over one's chest.

A Prayer before Receiving Communion

Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

After Receiving Communion

O Lord Jesus Christ, who in a wonderful Sacrament has left us a memorial of your passion: Grant us so to venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of your redemption; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant 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.

The Final Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

The Celebrant dismisses the people, who respond Thanks be to God.

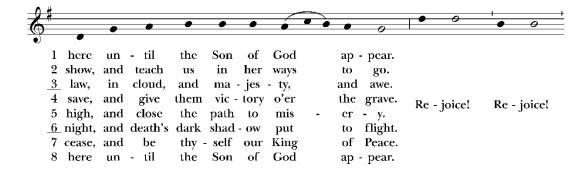
A PrayerAfter Worship

Grant us, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through your grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Processional Hymn 56

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The stanzas may be used as antiphons with "The Song of Mary" on the dates given.

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Organ Voluntary

Toccata on "Veni, Emmanuel"

Andrew Carter (b. 1939)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 22, 2024

If you are visiting today, please fill out a visitor card and place it in an alms basin. Following the service, join us in the Common Room for fellowship, coffee, and refreshments.

HAPPENING TODAY

THE RECTOR'S FORUM - Sunday at 9 am in the Common Room

CHORAL EVENSONG Tonight at 5:30pm our Chamber Singers will offer Evensong canticles by C. V. Stanford and an anthem by Judith Weir. Please join us

HAPPENING SOON

WEDNESDAYS AT SAINT JOHN'S begin with the Holy Eucharist at 5:30 pm. This brief but encouraging service might be just what you need in the middle of the week! We hope you'll stick around for Fr. David's Bible Study as we dive into Exodus. **Fr. David's class will take a two week break and resume on Wednesday, January 8.**

DEAD THEOLOGIANS' SOCIETY Our next meeting will be on **Thursday, January 2 at 6:15 pm at Saint John's Church.** Any are welcome to join at any time. If you want more information, please reach out to Dr. Zach at <u>zmalavolti@sjtulsa.org</u> or follow the group on Facebook!

SAVE THE DATE - THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY Epiphany marks the end of the Twelve Days of Christmas, and on Epiphany we remember the arrival of the Wise Men who were searching for the infant Jesus. We commemorate Epiphany on **Monday**, **January 6**, with our celebration of Holy Eucharist, followed by the annual Drip Beef Dinner. Worship starts at 5:30 pm, with dinner following immediately. Please join us for this tradition at Saint John's.

Christmastide at Saint John's

Christmas Eve, December 24th 4:30 pm, Christmas Eve - Eucharist with Pageant 9:00 pm, Christmas Eve - Festival Eucharist Rite II 11:15 pm, Christmas Eve - Solemn Eucharist Rite I

Christmas Day, December 25th 10:00 am - The Holy Eucharist Rite II (with hymns)

Sunday, December 29th 8:00 am, I Christmas - Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:00 am, I Christmas - Holy Eucharist Rite II 5:30 pm, A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

January 5th, 2025 8:00 am, II Christmas - Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:00 am, II Christmas - Holy Eucharist Rite II 5:30 pm, II Christmas - Choral Evensong, Rite I

January 6th

5:30 pm, Epiphany Solemn Eucharist, Rite I



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REMEMBER THOSE FOR WHOM PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED

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You can add a name to the Prayer List by calling the church office, (918) 742-7381 A name will be kept on the Prayer List for up to two months.

FAMILY MINISTRIES

Dear Families at Saint John's Episcopal Church,

With the construction done in the church basement, we are soft-opening our basement for all Children's Ministry activities. For all activities, **please ask staff or volunteers to direct you to the new location**, and feel free to look around and enjoy our new, transformed space. We are so excited to begin utilizing this space, and we look forward to seeing you downstairs!

Nursery Care is every Sunday! Our nursery team is ready to welcome your children ages 0 - 4 starting at 9 am.

Christmas Pageant: There is still time! Children of all ages are welcome to participate in the Christmas Pageant for the 4:30 pm service on Christmas Eve. If you want your children to participate, please bring them to our last Children's Chapel rehearsal this Sunday at the 10 am service. On Christmas Eve we ask that all participants be at the church by 3:45 pm so we can make sure everyone is in costume and in place for the Pageant. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to us and we will be happy to work with you.

Sunday Morning Formation takes place after the 10 am service. Kids will learn how they are part of God's story, enjoy snacks, and have the chance to earn prizes by memorizing verses! We will start learning about the Christmas season and why we celebrate it.

Christmas Breaks: We will still have Children Chapel every Sunday, but several programs will go on break for the holiday. Choristers, Youth Group, Kids' Night, and Sunday Formation will on be on break from Dec. 25 until Jan. 8. We will resume meeting on Wednesday, January 8. We hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

We are so excited for this new transition for our kids programs at Saint John's Episcopal Church. We look forward to all the new classes, formations, and memories that will be formed in our new space.

Saint John's Episcopal Church

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> **Regular Service Schedule** www.sjtulsa.org

Sundays 8 am Holy Eucharist, Rite One 10 am Holy Eucharist, Rite Two 5:30 pm Choral Evensong, Rite One

Wednesdays 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

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