Saint Luke's Episcopal Church Tulsa, Oklahoma

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two



The Second Coming of Christ

The First Sunday of Advent November 30, 2025 10:30 a.m.

All stand as able as the ministers process into the church

The Opening Hymn: H57, Lo! he comes, with clouds descending



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Helmsley*, melody Thomas Augustine Arne (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

The Word of God

The People standing as able, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant may say

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.*

The following hymn is sung or said, all standing as able

Gloria in excelsis, S-280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your 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 living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

The People sit.

The First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Reader A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword

against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

After the Reading, the Reader may say
The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.
Silence may follow.

Psalm 122

I was glad when they said to me, *
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

Now our feet are standing * within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city * that is at unity with itself;

To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, * the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.

For there are the thrones of judgment, * the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: * "May they prosper who love you.

Peace be within your walls * and quietness within your towers.

For my brethren and companions' sake, * I pray for your prosperity.

Because of the house of the LORD our God, * I will seek to do you good."

The Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Reader A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

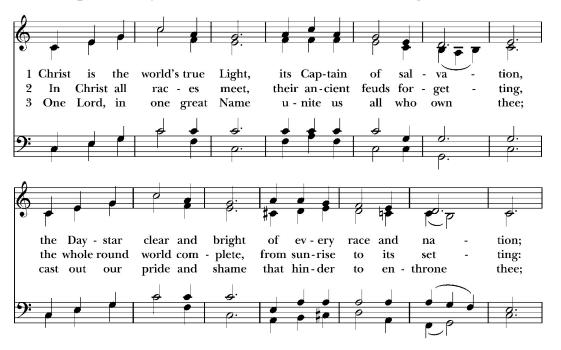
Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

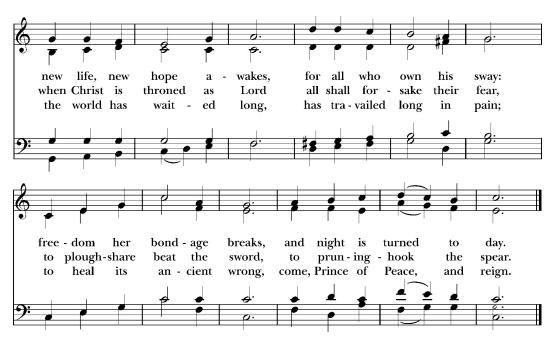
After the Reading, the Reader may say

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn: H542, Christ is the world's true Light





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The Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

Then, all standing as able, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying
The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two

women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon: The Rev. John Rule

The Nicene Creed

On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing as able

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 (Form IV)

Let us pray for the Church and 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 to the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and all of 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 the reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to honor your 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 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.

Lord Jesus Christ, true light of the world, you guide all mankind to salvation. Give us the courage, strength, and grace to build a kingdom of justice and peace ready for the coming of that kingdom, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. *Amen*

The Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant 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 Bishop, when present, or 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

All stand as able. The Celebrant says to the People

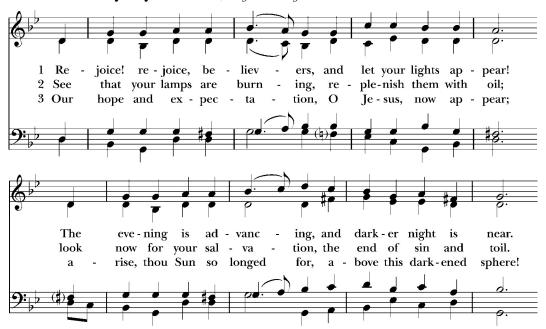
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

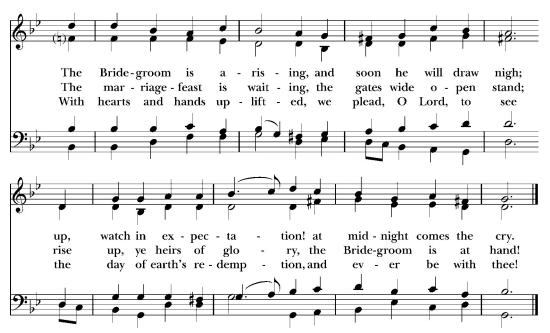
People And also with you.

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

The Offertory Sentence

The Offertory Hymn: H68, Rejoice! Rejoice, believers





Words: Laurentius Laurenti (1660-1722); tr. Sarah B. Findlater (1823-1907), alt. Music: *Llangloffan*, melody from *Hymnau a Thonau er Gwasanaeth yr Eglwys yng Nghymru*, 1865.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him all creatures here below, Praise him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The People remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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

S-128 Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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 this 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 St. Luke 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.

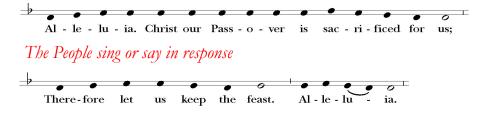
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*. And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

Then the Celebrant sings or says



The Fraction Anthem: \$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.

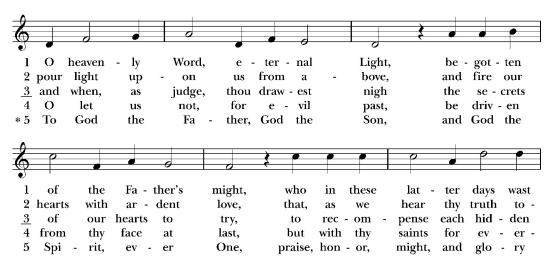
Facing the People, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

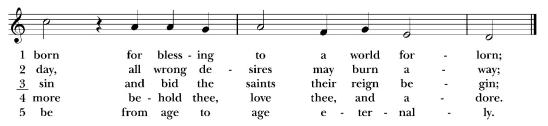
The Distribution of Communion

All baptized Christians are invited and encouraged to receive the Body and Blood of Christ at the altar of this parish church. Gluten-free wafers are available.

The Communion Hymn: H64, O heavenly Word, eternal Light



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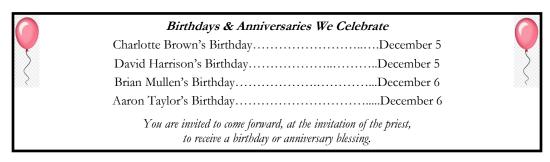
The Postcommunion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

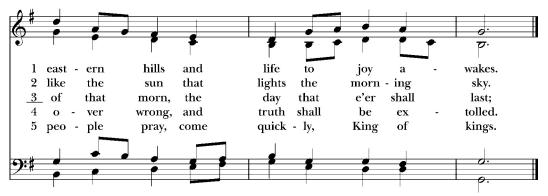
Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Birthday & Anniversary Blessings
The Blessing of the Children
The Final Blessing



The Closing Hymn: H73, The King shall come when morning dawns



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Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859-1925), alt. Music: St. Stephen, William Jones (1726-1800), alt.

The Dismissal

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the People, who respond

People Thanks be to God.

Announcements

St. Luke's is contributing gifts for New Hope Oklahoma children

What is New Hope Oklahoma you might ask?

New Hope Oklahoma's mission is to help children who have a parent or parents in prison. New Hope Oklahoma fulfills its mission by activating and organizing local resources to provide after-school programs, summer camps, and community events to meet the physical, social, and emotional needs of youth and families.

So, every year St. Luke's partners with New Hope Oklahoma at Christmas to provide gifts for kids. *This year we have commtted to providing gifts for five (5) children.* Please consider participating in this ministry. If you're interested and have questions, please see Melissa Mullen.

Thank you!

Our Lord Jesus Christ Head of the Church

The Right Reverend Poulson Reed

Bishop of Oklahoma

The Rev. John Rule

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Ministers:The Congregation of St. Luke's
Celebrant: & Preacher: The Rev. John Rule
Eucharistic Ministers: Anne GhostBear
Lectors: Martha Alford, Rick Vivion
Intercessor:Melissa Mullen
Acolytes: Bill Hiddle
Oblationers:Nancy Robbins, Carol Vivion
Organist:
Ushers:Sue Dishong, Craig Cottrell
Counters:Melissa Mullen, Jack Kelly

Father John's Prayer

Help us, Heavenly Father,
through the power
of the Holy Spirit,
always to be humble and compassionate
servants of others,
and to pick up our cross daily and follow
in the path of
your dear Son Jesus Christ,
our Lord and Savior.
in whose name we pray.

Amen.

The word advent means "expectation."
What advent can do for us is create a sense of hope.
Louie Giglio

Saint Luke's Tulsa

Those For Whom We Pray THE MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH

<u>Prayers for Healing</u>: Drew, Claudette & John, Linda, Charlotte, John, Joseph, Tera, Yvonne

[Please let Fr. John or Melissa Mullen know if you wish to add someone to the Prayer List]

Those in Retirement Homes:

Those in the Armed Forces: For all who serve around the world

<u>Christian People in the World</u>: The people of Ukraine

<u>The Clergy:</u> Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury-Elect; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; John, our Vicar

Our Wardens: Jack Kelly and Craig Cottrell

Our Bishop's Committee: Zac Cox, Sue Dishong, Ann GhostBear, Jana Gowan, Bill Hiddle, Carle Robbins, Dedee Cottrell, Susan Soulsby, and Rick Vivion

<u>Our Parish Office Staff</u>: Lee Ann Henley, Treasurer; Melissa Mullen, Secretary/Clerk; Susan Moffatt, Bookkeeper

Our Organist: Drew Ashley

Our Choir: Lee Ann, Melissa, Betty, Janice

The Faithful Departed: All those who have died during the war in

Ukraine and Palestine, and as a result of gun violence

Welcome Visitors

We are glad you chose to worship with us today.

We would appreciate it if you would complete the card found in your pew and place it in the alms basin, or sign our guest register at the north or south entrance to the church.



May our Lord Jesus Christ bless your worship experience this day and go with you throughout the week.

Our Mission Statement

To know Christ and make him known through worship, prayer, study, fellowship, outreach, and witness in our daily walk.



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