

# The First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2020

10:30 a.m.

*St. Peter's by-the-Lake*

The Rev. Carol Mead  
Rector

The Rev. Dennis Wilson  
Deacon



## Procession into the Church

### Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

**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 every nation,  
joy of every longing heart.**

**Born Thy people to deliver,  
born a child and yet a king,  
born to reign in us forever,  
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.**

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### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Celebrant*    Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People*        **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant and People*

**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.***

## Song of Praise

### O Come, O Come 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 orderest all things mightily;  
to us the path of knowledge show, and teach us in her ways to go.**

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### The Collect of the Day

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

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. *Amen.*

### The First Reading: 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.

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

**Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18**

- 1 Hear, 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.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:\***  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**The Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

**Gospel Hymn**

**Rejoice, Rejoice Believers**

**Rejoice! rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear!**  
**The evening is advancing, and darker night is near.**  
**The Bridegroom is arising, and soon he will draw nigh;**  
**up, watch with expectation! at the midnight comes the cry.**

**See that your lamps are burning, replenish them with oil;**  
**look now for your salvation, the end of sin and toil.**  
**The marriage-feast is waiting, the gates wide open stand;**  
**Rise up, ye heirs of glory, the Bridegroom is at hand!**

**Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear;**  
**Arise, thou Sun so longed for, above this darkened sphere!**  
**With hearts and hands uplifted, we plead, O Lord, to see**  
**the day of earth's redemption, and ever be with thee!**

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**The Gospel:** Mark 13:24-37

*People*                    The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
                                  according to Mark.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*      **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**—The Rev. Dennis Wilson

**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.**

### **Prayers of the People - Advent 1**

As we keep awake for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us offer prayers to God who stirs up strength and comes to help us.

For the peace of the world, and for our unity in Christ.  
**Come, O Lord, and save us.**

For Justin the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, Brian our Bishop, Carol our Priest, Dennis our Deacon, for all bishops, for the presbyters, for the deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.  
**Come, O Lord, and save us.**

For the church throughout the world and the faithful in every place.  
**Come, O Lord, and save us.**

For the leaders of the nations and all in authority.  
**Come, O Lord, and save us.**

For justice, peace, and freedom among peoples of the earth.  
**Come, O Lord, and save us.**

For travelers, for the sick and the suffering, for the hungry and the oppressed, and for those in prison.  
**Come, O Lord, and save us.**

For the dying and the dead.  
**Come, O Lord, and save us.**

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need.  
**Come, O Lord, and save us.**

Joining our voices with the Blessed Virgin Mary and with all the saints and angels of God, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.  
**To you, O Lord.**

### **The 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.**

### **The Absolution**

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.*

Celebrant      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**

### **Welcome and announcements**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE**

### **Offertory**

### **Presentation of our Gifts**

#### **The Doxology**

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

Jimmy Owens/Thomas Ken/Tune: Winchester New (Hymnal #76 "On Jordan's Banks")

## *The Great Thanksgiving* Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant 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.**

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

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:

### The Sanctus

Blue hymnal S-129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. \_\_\_\_\_

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;**

And we offer our 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 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**

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People:** *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

**Communion Hymn**

**Emmanuel**

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel.  
God in our midst, revealed to us, His name is called Emmanuel.**

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## Postcommunion Hymn

### While We Are Waiting Come

**While we are waiting come; while we are waiting come.  
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting come.**

**Come Savior quickly come; come, Savior, quickly come.  
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting come.**

**With power and glory, come; with power and glory, come.  
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting come.**

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## Postcommunion Prayer

**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 Blessing

### Procession into the World

#### Thy Kingdom Come

**“Thy kingdom come!” on bended knee the passing ages pray;  
and faithful souls have yearned to see on earth that kingdom's day.**

**But the slow watches of the night not less to God belong;  
and for the everlasting right the silent stars are strong.**

**And lo already on the hills the flags of dawn appear;  
Gird up your loins, ye prophet souls, proclaim the day is near:**

**the day to whose clear shining light all wrong shall stand revealed,  
when justice shall be throned in might, and ev'ry hurt be healed;**

**when knowledge hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth abroad;  
the day of perfect righteousness, the promised day of God.**

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## The Dismissal Response

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

