

The 1st Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2020 The Holy Eucharist - 10:30 am

Music as people gather in silence. Susan Nagtegaal

Processional Hymn

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Priest The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People And also with you.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God,

give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on 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.**

First Reading	Isaiah 64:1-9
	Read by: Mark Allwood

Psalm Psalm 80: 1-7, 16-18 Cantor: Mary Lou Kingham

Gradual Joy Shall Come

The Gospel Mark 13:24-37

The Rev. Canon Tom Patterson

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

<u>At the conclusion of the Gospel:</u> The Gospel of Christ **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ** Homily The Rev'd Canon Lorne Mitchell

Hymn Wait for the Lord, Whose Day Is Near

Prayers of the People Led by: Stephanie Donaldson

Leader: Gracious God, in your mercy, *People*: Hear our prayer.

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 neighbours 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.

Absolution

The Peace

Priest	The peace of Christ
	be always with you.
People	And also with you

Peal of Bells

Peter Ryde

Offertory Hymn

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Prayer Over the Gifts

God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest	The Lord be with you
People	And also with you
Priest	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord
Priest	Let us give thanks to the Lord
	our God.
People	It is right to give our thanks
	and praise

Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise, for in the ocean of your steadfast love, you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.

When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us.

Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront us and reveal the vision of your new creation.

Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory saying

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.

Gracious God,

in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity.

Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world that could not bear the

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Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him.

He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this, all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

Christ has died Christ has risen Christ will come again

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen**

As our saviour taught us, let us pray,

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

- *Priest* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
- All We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.
- *Priest* The gifts of God for the people of God.
- All Thanks be to God.

The Communion

Communion will be brought to everyone in their seats. The congregation will receive first, the worship leaders last.

Communion Music

Creator of the Stars of Night

Prayer after Communion

God for whom we wait,

you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Doxology

Glory to God, whose power working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

Dismissal

<u>Offering Plates</u> <u>Are located at the back of the church.</u>

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING HERE!

Welcome back everyone!

This Fall there will only be one service at 10:30 am each Sunday. Please register with Karen Haslam (519-273-5398) for every Sunday service. There will be no 8:30 am Sunday services planned at this time. One reason for this is the need to sanitize the church after each service.

During the service, please note:

- <u>Masks will be required</u> in the building as required by government regulations. People are asked to bring their own. However, there will be masks available for those who do not have them.
- 2. People attending will be required to sign in. This is necessary for contact tracing required by both the government and diocese.
- 3. Orders of service will be <u>in the pew</u> where you sit. We are asked to take these home after the service. There are no books in the pews.
- 4. <u>Hand sanitizers</u> will be available at check in and throughout the church.
- Washroom facilities will be limited to <u>one washroom in the upper hall</u> and <u>one accessible washroom next to</u> <u>the office</u>. The washrooms under the narthex are closed.
- 6. After checking in, ushers will point you to your seats. <u>Social distancing of 6 feet</u> has been considered both in access to and in the seating pattern. To maximize the number allowed in

the church you will be shown to a seat and the church filled in order. This means that you will likely not be able to sit at your normal location. **Once seated, we ask that you do not move around the nave. Physical greetings cannot be allowed.**

There will be <u>no social greeting or</u> <u>gathering afterwards.</u>

- 7. During the service, movement around the nave will be very limited. There will be a <u>simple procession and no</u> <u>recession.</u>
- There will be <u>no choir or</u> <u>congregational singing</u>. Music will be limited to instrumental; organ, piano and instrumental soloists. Singing will be limited to a soloist at the high altar.
- After the service, the congregation will <u>remain at their seats until</u> <u>ushered out of the church</u>. The intent is that people will leave via the narthex door closest to end of their aisle.
- 10. We are asked <u>not to congest</u> <u>doorways</u> or areas directly outside so social distancing can be observed.

There are a lot of rules and changes. However, those planning the return to worship in the church are making every effort to make it meaningful and safe. If you have any concerns before, during or after a service please contact the wardens or our back to church coordinator, Rick Falshaw.