

## HOLY EUCHARIST

Hymns from The New English Hymnal

**Introit Hymn 501** Advent Prose, verses 1, 2 and 3

**Gradual Hymn 15**

**Offertory Hymn 11**

**Communion Hymn 3 (ii)**

**Recessional Hymn 7**

(all hymns same for both services)

**For the 8:00AM Service -**

**Book of Common Prayer with 8AM Singers**

**Setting: Said service**

**Psalm 146** (Chant: Naylor)

**Communion Motet**, sung by the choir

*O salutaris hostia* - Plainchant

**Postlude:** Prelude from *Prelude, Fugue et Variation* (C. Frank 1822-1890)

**For the 9:30AM Service -**

**Holy Communion with St. John's Choir**

**Setting: *Missa Sine Nomine* (P. Jewkes 1957-)**

**Psalm 146** (Chant: Naylor)

**Communion Anthem**, sung by the choir

Dearest Lord Jesus (J.S. Bach 1685-1750)

**Organ Communion Interlude:** *Adagio* from Choral No. 3  
(C. Frank 1822-1890)

**Postlude:** *Panis angelicus* (C. Frank 1822-1890)

The Lord be with you

**And with thy spirit.**

**The Collects**, from The Book of Common Prayer

Collect for The Third Sunday in Advent

O Lord Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee; Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without out end. Amen

Collect for The First Sunday in Advent

*The Book of Common Prayer instructs:*

*“This collect is to be repeated every day, with the other Collects in Advent, until Christmas Eve.”*

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now and in the time of this mortal life, in which thy 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 quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. Amen

**The First Reading is taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah,  
Chapter 35, verses 1 to 6a**

1 The desert and the parched land will be glad;  
the wilderness will rejoice and blossom.

Like the crocus, <sup>2</sup> it will burst into bloom;  
it will rejoice greatly and shout for joy.

The glory of Lebanon will be given to it,  
the splendor of Carmel and Sharon;  
they will see the glory of the LORD,  
the splendor of our God.

<sup>3</sup> Strengthen the feeble hands,  
steady the knees that give way;

<sup>4</sup> say to those with fearful hearts,  
“Be strong, do not fear;

your God will come,  
he will come with vengeance;

with divine retribution  
he will come to save you.”

<sup>5</sup> Then will the eyes of the blind be opened  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped.

<sup>6a</sup> Then will the lame leap like a deer,  
and the mute tongue shout for joy.

This is the Word of the Lord

**Response: Thanks be to God**

**Gradual Psalm: Psalm 146** (Chant: Naylor)  
*Sung by the choir, the congregation seated*

1 Praise the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord:  
yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God.  
2 O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man:  
for there is no help in them.  
3 For when the breath of man goeth forth he shall turn again to his earth:  
and then all his thoughts perish.  
4 Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help:  
and whose hope is in the Lord his God;  
5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is:  
who keepeth his promise for ever.  
6 Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong:  
who feedeth the hungry.  
7 The Lord looseth men out of prison:  
the Lord giveth sight to the blind.  
8 The Lord helpeth them that are fallen:  
the Lord careth for the righteous.  
9 The Lord careth for the strangers; he defendeth the fatherless and widow:  
as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.  
10 The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore:  
and throughout all generations.

**The Second Reading is taken from The General Epistle of James,**  
Chapter 5, verses 7 to 11

Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains. You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near. Don't grumble against one another, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door!

Brothers and sisters, as an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job's perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Response: Thanks be to God**

**The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew,**  
Chapter 11, verses 2 to 11

When John, who was in prison, heard about the deeds of the Messiah, he sent his disciples to ask him, “Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?”

Jesus replied, “Go back and report to John what you hear and see: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is proclaimed to the poor. Blessed is anyone who does not stumble on account of me.”

As John’s disciples were leaving, Jesus began to speak to the crowd about John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed swayed by the wind? If not, what did you go out to see? A man dressed in fine clothes? No, those who wear fine clothes are in kings’ palaces. Then what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written:

*“I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.”*

Truly I tell you, among those born of women there has not risen anyone greater than John the Baptist; yet whoever is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.”

(8AM) This is the Gospel of the Lord  
Response: **Praise be to thee, O Christ**

(930AM) This is the Gospel of the Lord  
OR For the Gospel of the Lord  
Response: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Nine Lessons and Carols – next Sunday, 18 December, 7:00PM