



First Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2021

10:30AM

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Celebrant Come and save us, O Lord God of hosts.

People **Come and save us, O Lord God of hosts.**

Celebrant Show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

People **O Lord God of hosts.**

Celebrant Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

People **Come and save us, O Lord God of hosts.**

Celebrant Show us your mercy, O Lord.

People **And grant us your salvation.**

Celebrant Christ the Lord, Son of the living God, light from light,
leads us into the light and reveal his holiness.

With confidence let us make our prayer:

People **Come, Lord Jesus.**

Celebrant Light that never fades, dispel the mists about us.

People **Awaken our faith from sleep.**

Celebrant Guard us from all harm today.

People **May your glory fill us with joy.**

Celebrant Give us unfailing gentleness at all times,

People **toward everyone we meet.**

Celebrant Come to create a new earth for us,

People **where there will be justice and peace. Amen.**

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Hymnal 616

1 Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's great-er Son!
2 He comes with speed - y to those who suffer wrong,
3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,

1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!
 2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;
 3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:

1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;
 2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,
 3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;

1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
 2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.
 3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.

The Word of God

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.*

SONG OF PRAISE

Lord, have mercy upon us

Hymnal S 91

The following is sung, all standing as able

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
 on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
 Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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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 Lessons

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Prophet Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

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

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 25:1-9

Remain seated.

- ¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
 let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- ²Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
 let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- ³Show me your ways, O LORD, *
 and teach me your paths.
- ⁴Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
 for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- ⁵Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
 for they are from everlasting.

⁶Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

⁷Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

⁸He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

⁹All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

The people sit.

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

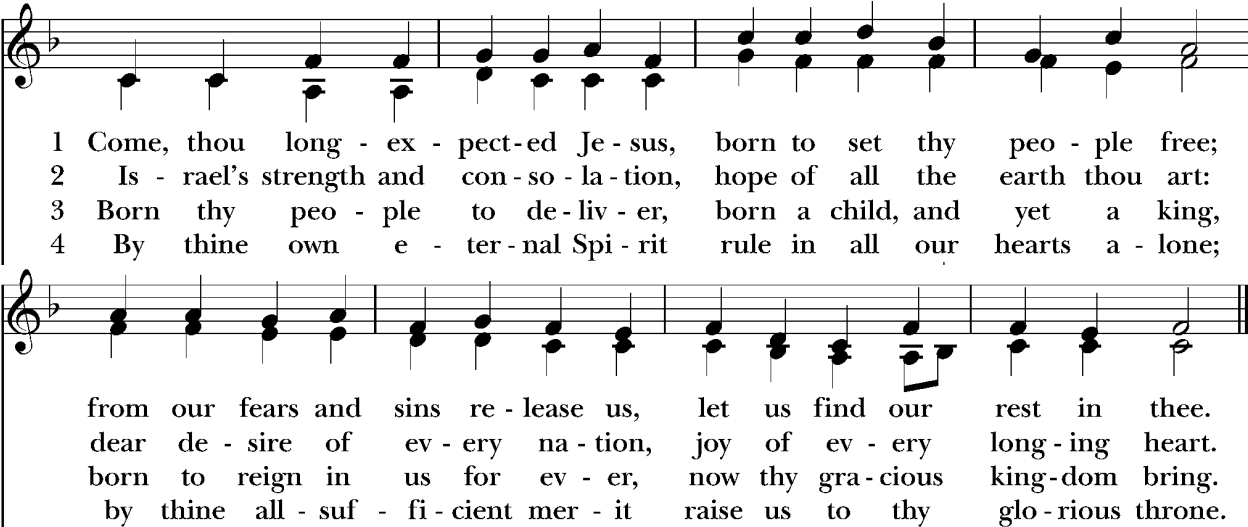
Silence may follow.

GRADUAL HYMN

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Hymnal 66

All stand as able.



1 Come, thou long - ex - spect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36

Continuing standing as able.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

[Jesus said:] “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. “Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Will Lowry

Brief moment of silence to follow.

THE CREED

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All stand 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

All remain standing as able.

Celebrant: We live in a time of distress among nations, faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world: Hear the prayers of your people as we stand up and raise our heads because our redemption is drawing near. Remember, O God, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

Litanist: To you, O Gracious One, we lift up our souls: Restore whatever is lacking in our faith, that your Church may increase and abound in love for one another and for all, alert at all times to see the Son of Man coming with power and great glory. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Russell, our Bishop; Will, our Rector; and all other clergy and ministers of your church.

Remember, O God, your compassion and love,

for they are from everlasting.

Cast away the works of darkness among the leaders of the world and cover them with the armor of light: Come quickly and let your righteous Branch spring up to execute justice and righteousness in all the earth, so that the treacherous may be disappointed in their schemes, and every person may live in safety. We pray especially for Joe, our President; Kay, our Governor; Robert, our Mayor and Tony, Mayor of Orange Beach.

Remember, O God, your compassion and love,

for they are from everlasting.

Night and day the suffering people of the earth pray most earnestly: Though the powers of the heavens may be shaken, let none who look to you be put to shame; fulfill the promise you have made on behalf of everyone who suffers throughout the world.

Remember, O God, your compassion and love,

for they are from everlasting.

Show us your ways, O God, and teach us your paths in this community: Remember not the sins of our youth and our transgressions, but do remember us according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, that we may guide the humble in doing right and teach your ways to the lowly. We pray for all First Responders, Law Enforcement and Members of the Armed Forces, both at home and abroad, especially our parishioners Chris and John.

Remember, O God, your compassion and love,

for they are from everlasting.

Hear our prayers for those for whom we offer our intercessions, especially our parishioners Cal, Mike, Norma, Rick, Ellie, Betty, Ann, Al, Fred, Peter, Diane, Norma, Paul, Barbara, Kimberly and all on our prayer list.

We thank you for your grace and presence at work among us.

Come in your glory, O Christ, and take to yourself those who have died, that they may rise to the life immortal.

Remember, O God, your compassion and love,

for they are from everlasting.

Celebrant: Holy and Eternal One, as we see the foreboding signs in our times, may we know that your reign is near: Guard our hearts so they may not be weighed down with the worries of this life, but strengthened in holiness, that we may be blameless before our God at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints, in the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

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

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.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

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The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

DOXOLOGY

*3 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.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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The People remain standing as able.

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.

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

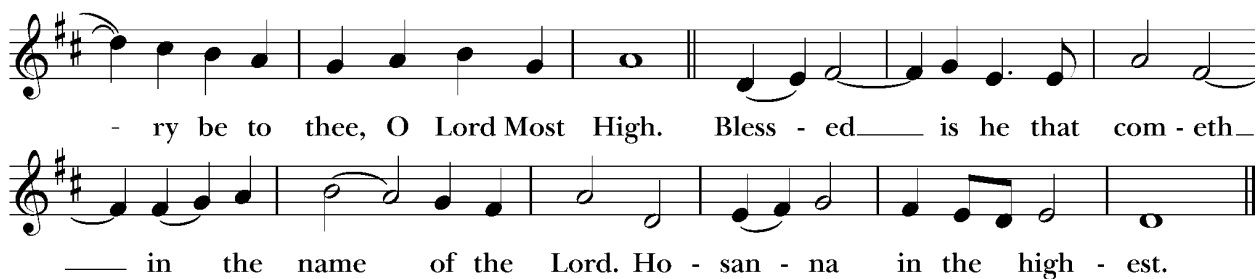
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

Celebrant and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of
 Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -



The People stand or kneel as able.

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 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the 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.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.

INVITATION

The Celebrant says

This is the table, not of the Church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love God and who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before, You who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because the Church invites you; It is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.

DISTRIBUTION

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.
We ask that if you receive the wine you do so by intinction.*

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

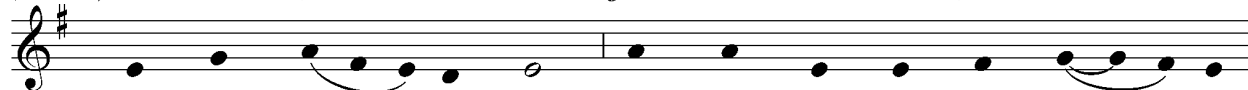
COMMUNION HYMN

O come, O come, Emmanuel

Hymnal 56



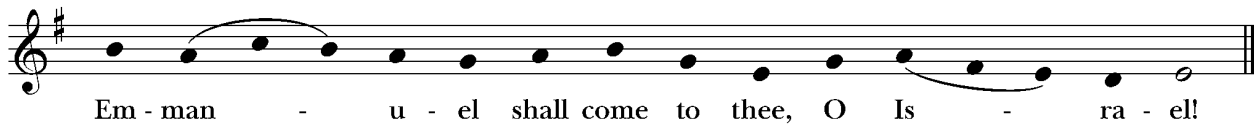
(Dec. 23) 1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
(Dec. 17) 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
(Dec. 18) 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
(Dec. 19) 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from



1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge
3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the
4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.
3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.
4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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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.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people

As you leave this place, go forth in peace. Be assured that the past is forgiven and know that the future is in God's hands. Return no evil for evil, remember the poor, pray for the sick, and make no peace with injustice in this world. May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen*

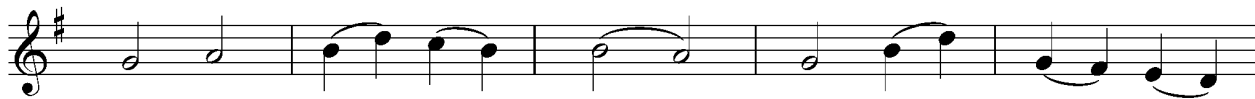
RECESSIONAL HYMN

Lo! he comes, with clouds descending

Hymnal 57



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

WELCOME TO HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

All who seek to know God in a deeper and more meaningful way are welcome to receive Communion. If you do not wish to receive the Sacraments, just cross your arms and a blessing will be given instead. Gluten free communion wafers are available. Please ask the priest as communion is distributed.

Those for whom we pray: Cal Hanson, Mike & Norma Minchew, Rick & Ellie Brandon, Katherine Stribling (Jan Waggoner), Billy Hermezc (Lillian Bemis), Roy Hermezc (Lillian Bemis), **Betty Huechtker**, Melody Taylor (Lillian Bemis), Marilyn Lewis (Lillian Bemis), Carrietta Nelson (Lillian Bemis), **Ann Gurney, Al Vondrasek, Fred Waggoner**, Gayle Pierce (John Butterick), **Peter Sanchez**, Brooke Butterick (John Butterick), Kurt Porter (Barbara & Paul Smith), Joann Parrish (Rick & Ellie Brandon), **Diane Livengood, Lillian Bemis**, Pat Barfield (Christine & Wiley Ashley), **Norma Black-Glossop**, Larry Updike (Joy Howell), Staci Lieferman (James & Shauna Howell), Kathi Dolder (Sue Wiggins), **Paul & Barbara Smith**, Jayne Bemis Sharp (Lillian Bemis), Cindy Howell (Joy Howell), Judi Kuntz (Ann Lofaro), Matt Burgess & family (Rhonda Barber), Nadia Sinitio (Dick & Lee Reid), Sam Gilfillan (Christine Ashley), Martha Cole (Courtney Gibb Dardis), Bailey Powers (Cyndi & Jim Hill), Thomas Michie (Courtney Gibb Dardis), **Kimberly Worthy**, Pat Pickett (Rose Johnson), Kai Lassen (Courtney Gibb Dardis), Laura Hermezc (Lillian Bemis), Kevin Hermezc (Lillian Bemis), Matt Lawley (Karen Anderson), Larry Brown (Cyndi & Jim Hill), Logan Davis (Cyndi & Jim Hill)

Prayer List Guidelines: If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please contact the office. Parishioners' names will be said in the Prayers of the People. All others will be added to the Prayer List in the bulletin. Names will be removed from the bulletin list after one month unless we are notified otherwise.

For all First Responders, Law Enforcement and Members of the Armed Forces: Phil Gurney (USN), Blake Buskens (USA), Dillon Johnson (USA), Charlie Conner (USA), **Chris Miller (GSPD)**, Joseph Callaway (USN), Jonathan Arthur (USA), Savannah Kichler (USAF), Jacob Wetzler (USN), Luc Lau (USM), Jack Taylor (USN), Snap Nelson (USM), Callaway Williamson (USN), **John Butterick (FMVFD)**, Zachary Russell (USAF), Cailan Ross Ashley (USCG)

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In Thanksgiving for Expectant Mothers: Katie Goodwin (Jim & Cyndi Hill)

Servers:

Acolyte/Chalice Bearer-

Lectors- Jeanie Blake & Millie Ericson

Ushers- Steve & Linda Martin

Altar Guild- Sara Walker & Fr. Bill Ericson

Flower Guild- Rose Johnson & Sandra Garth Pancerz

Beadle- Linda Ryall

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Diane Livengood ('21), Jr. Warden

James Howell ('21)

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