

*Whoever you are and wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome to Advent Episcopal Church. Our worship service follows the Book of Common Prayer and includes Holy Communion in which all may receive the bread and wine of Christ's Body and Blood. Hymn numbers preceded by the letter "H" are found in the blue 1982 Hymnal. Hymn numbers preceded by the letter "W" are found in the blue Worship and Rejoice hymnal. Acknowledging the people of the land, the Hohokam and other indigenous people as the original stewards of this land, we give thanks for their ancestors, elders and for all indigenous people, we pray for unity and peace together. Thank you for joining us for worship today!*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN H 537

*All standing, the Celebrant says:*

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

**People: And blessed be His kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: 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 H 390, verse 4

***Praise to the Lord!***

***O let all that is in me adore him!***

***All that hath life and breath***

***come now with praises before him!***

***Let the amen sound from his people again;  
gladly for ever adore him.***

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**(PLEASE SEE THE BULLETIN INSERT FOR TODAY'S READINGS, PSALM, AND GOSPEL)**

SEQUENCE HYMN *Sung Before the Gospel Reading* H 675

SERMON The Rev. Dr. Beverley Rader

NICENE CREED *Said By All* BCP 358

**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 worshipped 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.**

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**People: That we all may be one.**

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader: We pray for Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Jennifer, our Bishop; for Beverley, Debbie, Geoffrey, Janet, Meg, and Janice, our clergy; for our Lay Pastoral Care Ministers; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, and all other ministers.

**People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and sacraments.**

Leader: We honor and pray for our Indigenous neighbors.

**People: That we may dwell together in respectful harmony.**

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**People: That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

**People: That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest;

**People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

#### CONCLUDING COLLECT

DEACON: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

Celebrant: 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.**

PEACE *All stand as able*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

*(Ministers and People greet one another sharing peace)*

#### BIRTHDAY, ANNIVERSARY, AND TRAVELERS' BLESSINGS

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE (2 Cor. 9:7)

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE BREAD AND WINE (*The people stand as able. People sit during offertory music.*)

#### OFFERTORY MUSIC

THE PRESENTATION AND BLESSING OF THE GIFTS (*The people stand as able.*)

*Sung by all*

**Let there be peace on earth,  
and let it begin with me;  
Let there be peace on earth,  
the peace that was meant to be.  
With God as our Father, brothers all are we.  
Let us walk with each other in  
perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me;  
let this be the moment now.  
With every step I take,  
let this be my solemn vow;  
To take each moment and live each moment  
in peace eternally,  
Let there be peace on earth  
and let it begin with me.**

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 God thanks and praise.**

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

*(Celebrant recites selected Proper Preface)*

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:

SANCTUS *Sung in Unison* S-130

***Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might.***

***Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest,  
Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest,  
Hosanna in the highest.***

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People:*

**Christ had died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day, bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 (A period of silence is kept)

FRACTION ANTHEM

*Sung*

W 631 Chorus Only

***There is a balm in Gilead  
to make the wounded whole,  
there is a balm in Gilead  
to heal the sin-sick soul.***

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.  
Please come to the altar rail when directed by an  
usher, receive the bread, and may intinct the bread  
in the chalice at the end of the alter; consume it and  
return to their seat.*

COMMUNION HYMN

W 326

Celebrant Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,  
We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual  
food of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and for  
assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are  
living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now,  
Father, send us out to do the work you have  
given us to do, to love and serve you as  
faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord,  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN:

W 560

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE



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*Acknowledging the people of the land, the Hohokam  
and other indigenous people as the original stewards  
of this land, we give thanks for our ancestors,  
our elders, and for all indigenous people  
who pray for unity and peace today.*



**THE  
FOURTH  
SUNDAY  
AFTER  
PENTECOST**

**A READING FROM JEREMIAH** (20:7-13)

O Lord, you have enticed me,  
and I was enticed;  
you have overpowered me,  
and you have prevailed.  
I have become a laughingstock all day long;  
everyone mocks me.  
For whenever I speak, I must cry out,  
I must shout, "Violence and destruction!"  
For the word of the Lord has become for me  
a reproach and derision all day long.  
If I say, "I will not mention him,  
or speak any more in his name,"  
then within me there is something like a burning fire  
shut up in my bones;  
I am weary with holding it in,  
and I cannot.  
For I hear many whispering:  
"Terror is all around!  
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"  
All my close friends  
are watching for me to stumble.  
"Perhaps he can be enticed,  
and we can prevail against him,  
and take our revenge on him."  
But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior;  
therefore my persecutors will stumble,  
and they will not prevail.  
They will be greatly shamed,  
for they will not succeed.  
Their eternal dishonor  
will never be forgotten.

O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous,  
you see the heart and the mind;  
let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.

Sing to the Lord;  
praise the Lord!

For he has delivered the life of the needy  
from the hands of evildoers.

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

**PSALM 69: 8-11, [12-17], 18-20**

*Read Responsively by Half Verse*

- <sup>8</sup> Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach, \*  
**and shame has covered my face.**
- <sup>9</sup> I have become a stranger to my own kindred, \*  
**an alien to my mother's children.**
- <sup>10</sup> Zeal for your house has eaten me up; \*  
**the scorn of those who scorn you has  
fallen upon me.**
- <sup>11</sup> I humbled myself with fasting, \*  
**but that was turned to my reproach.**
- [<sup>12</sup> I put on sack-cloth also, \*  
**and became a byword among them.**
- <sup>13</sup> Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, \*  
**and the drunkards make songs about me.**
- <sup>14</sup> But as for me, this is my prayer to you, \*  
**at the time you have set, O Lord:**
- <sup>15</sup> "In your great mercy, O God, \*  
**answer me with your unfailing help.**
- <sup>16</sup> Save me from the mire; do not let me sink; \*  
**let me be rescued from those who hate me  
and out of the deep waters.**
- <sup>17</sup> Let not the torrent of waters wash over me,  
neither let the deep swallow me up; \*  
**do not let the Pit shut its mouth upon me.]**
- <sup>18</sup> Answer me, O Lord, for your love is kind; \*  
**in your great compassion, turn to me.'**
- <sup>19</sup> "Hide not your face from your servant; \*  
**be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.**
- <sup>20</sup> Draw near to me and redeem me; \*  
**because of my enemies deliver me.**

**A READING FROM ROMANS (6:1b-11)**

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

**SEQUENCE HYMN** *Sung Before the Gospel Reading* H 675

**THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  
ACCORDING TO MATTHEW (10:24-39)**

Deacon: The holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will

fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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