



CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Annunciation

December 19, 2021

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire hope;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;

And to whoever will come;

*This church opens wide her doors and offers welcome
in the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ.*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

*Congregational responses are indicated in **boldface**.*

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Savior of the Nations, Come

Text: atr. Ambrose of Milan, 340-397; Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. hymnal version; © 2006 Augsburg Fortress; Music: J. Walter, Geistliche Gesangbuchlein, 1524

1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; vir - gin's son, make here your home.
2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, but the mys - tic Breath of God,
3 Won - drous birth—oh, won - drous child—from his throne, a vir - gin mild!
4 From God's heart the Sav - ior speeds, back to God his path - way leads;

Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth: God has cho - sen such a birth.
was the Word of God made flesh, fruit of wom - an, blos - som fresh.
Ver - y God, and Mar - y's son, ea - ger now his race to run!
out to van - quish death's com - mand, back to reign at God's right hand.

5 Now your manger, shining bright,
hallows night with newborn light.
Night cannot this light subdue;
let our faith shine ever new.

6 Praise we sing to Christ the Lord,
virgin's son, incarnate Word!
To the holy Trinity
praise we sing eternally!

THE ACCLAMATION

The People standing, the Celebrant says

Surely the Lord is coming soon,
Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

REVELATION 22:20

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

**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.**

THE DECALOGUE

God spoke these words and said:

I am the Lord your God.

You shall have no other gods but me.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not take the Name of the Lord your God in vain.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Honor your father and your mother.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not murder.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not commit adultery.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not steal.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

You shall not covet.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and write all these, your laws,
in our hearts, we beseech you.**

EXODUS 20:1-17; DEUTERONOMY 5:6-21

THE CONFSSION

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 KYRIE

The musical score for 'THE KYRIE' is presented in two systems. The first system is marked 'unison' and consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The treble staff contains the vocal melody with lyrics: 'Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Christ, have mer-cy up - on us.' The bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment. The second system also consists of two staves. The treble staff has the lyrics: 'Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.' The bass staff continues the accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C).

THE ABSOLUTION

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and as we are sorely hindered by our sins from running the race that is set before us, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR CHILDREN

Children in 2nd grade and younger may attend Children's Chapel at this time and return at The Peace.

Almighty God, heavenly Father, you have blessed our congregation with the joy and care of children: Give us courage, patience, and wisdom, as we bring them up in the faith, that they may never know a day apart from your love and care; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE LESSONS

MICAH 5:2-5A

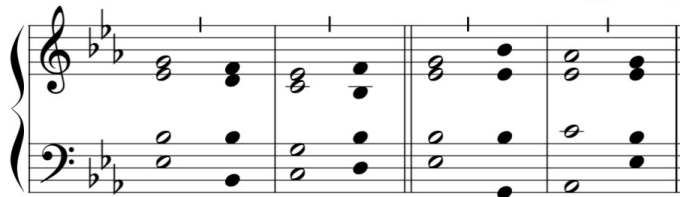
After the Lesson the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 80:1-7

Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945)



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- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, you that lead Joseph like a ¹ sheep; |
show yourself also, you that sit upon the ¹ cherubim. ||
- 2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Ma ¹ nasseh, |
stir up your strength and come to ¹ help us. ||

- 3 Restore us again, O God; |
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be whole. ||
- 4 O Lord God of hosts, |
how long will you be angry with your people that pray? ||
- 5 You feed them with the bread of tears |
and give them plenteous tears to drink. ||
- 6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, |
and our enemies laugh us to scorn. ||
- (repeat second half of chant)*
- 7 Restore us again, O God of hosts; |
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be whole. ||

HEBREWS 10:1-10

After the Lesson the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

LUKE 1:39-56

All stand for the Gospel as the Priest reads, first saying

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

All stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant first saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

In joyful expectation of his coming to our aid, let us pray to the Lord saying, "Amen. Come Lord Jesus."

Come to your Church as Lord and judge. We pray...

Help us to live in the light of your coming and give us a longing for your kingdom.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to your world as King of the nations. We pray...

Before you rulers will stand in silence.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to the suffering as Savior and comforter. We pray...

Break into our lives, where we struggle with sickness, distress, depression, and addictions; set us free to serve you for ever.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to us as shepherd and guardian of our souls. We remember...

Give us with all the faithful departed a share in your victory over evil and death.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come from heaven, Lord Jesus, with power and great glory.

Lift us up to meet you, that with all your saints we may live and reign with you in your new creation.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Silence is kept. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Come, Lord Jesus, do not delay; give new courage to your people, who trust in your love. By your coming, raise us to share in the joy of your kingdom on earth as in heaven, where you live and reign with the Father and the Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

THE OFFERTORY

You may place an offering in the basket, give online at holycrossva.org/give, text "Give" to 434-277-4975, or mail a check to PO Box 614, Crozet, VA 22932.

O Come, O Come Emmanuel (*verses 1 & 2*)

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent; Music: Veni, Veni Emmanuel, plainsong, Mode 1



(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
 (Dec. 20) 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen
 (Dec. 21) 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us
 (Dec. 22) 7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the
 (Dec. 23) 8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som



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
 5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on
 6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of
 7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions
 8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



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!
 5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.
 6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
 7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.
 8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Doxology

Composer: Louis Bourgeois (1551); Public Domain

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise

3
Him, all crea-tures here be-low; Praise Him a-bove, ye

6
heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men.

The People stand while the offerings are presented.

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty:
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are
exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,
And of your own have we given you.

I CHRONICLES 29:11, 14^T

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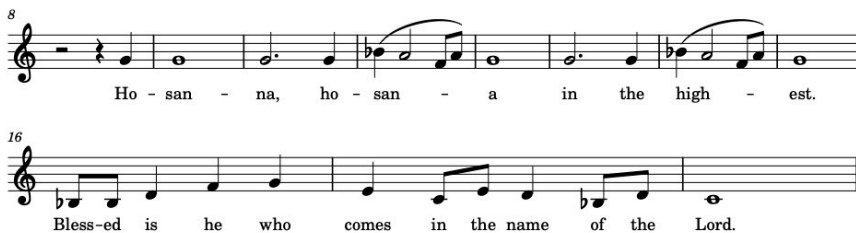
The Celebrant says to the People

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

THE SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

5
heav - en and earth are full of your glor - y.



8
Ho - san - na, ho - san - a in the high - est.

16
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The Celebrant and the People say together

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 FRACTION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The celebrant will, as always, wash and sanitize his hands before the service and again right before communion. To receive communion, come forward as directed by the usher. "Cross" the palms of your hands to receive bread from the priest. Gluten-free bread is available upon request. If you desire to receive wine, please bring a chalice or cup from home. The chalice bearer will pour a small amount of wine into your cup for you (and your family). If you do not desire to commune, but would like to receive prayer, cross your arms over your chest as you come forward, and the pastor will pray for you. All baptized Christians who trust in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, seek to lead a new life by God's mercies, and strive to walk in love and charity with their neighbors are welcome at this table.

During communion there are prayer ministers near the stairs who'd love to pray with you for any need, great or small.

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Words: Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-410?); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866) and Henry William Baker (1821-1877), alt.
Music: Divinum mysterium, Sanctus trope, 11th cent.; adapt. Piae Cantiones, 1582; acc. Bruce Neswick (b. 1956), harm. © 1984, Bruce Neswick



1 Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten, ere the worlds be -
 2 O that birth for ev - er bless - ed, when the Vir - gin,
 3 Let the heights of heaven a - dore him; an - gel hosts, his
 4 Christ, to thee with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly



gan to be, he is Al - pha and O - me - ga,
 full of grace, by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,
 prais - es sing; powers, do - min - ions, bow be - fore him,
 Ghost, to thee, hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing,



he the source, the end - ing he, of the things that
 bore the Sa - vior of our race; and the Babe, the
 and ex - tol our God and King; let no tongue on
 and un - wea - ried prais - es be; hon - or, glo - ry



are, that have _____ been, and that fu - ture
 world's Re - deem - er, first re - vealed his
 earth be si - lent, ev - ery voice in
 and do - min - ion, and e - ter - nal



years shall see, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! _____
 sa - cred face, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! _____
 con - cert ring, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! _____
 vic - to - ry, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! _____

PERSONAL PRAYERS FOR USE DURING COMMUNION

For those who Desire to Commit to the Christian Faith

Lord Jesus Christ, I am broken by sin and unable to save myself. I believe that you died for me, bearing my punishment on the cross, and that you offer me forgiveness and new life in you. I turn from my sins and trust in you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

For those in Search of Truth

God, I am uncertain whether you exist and whether you are listening to me now. I want to know the truth, and I am willing to live according to it. If you are there, please reveal yourself to me and give me faith that leads to the abundant life promised by Jesus Christ. Amen.

For those who Desire a Deeper Faith

Almighty and eternal God, so draw my heart to you, so guide my mind, so fill my imagination, so control my will, that I may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you; and then use me according to your will, for your glory and the welfare of your people. Amen.

My Soul Is Filled With Joy

Words: David Haas (Lk 1:46-55); Music: Traditional Irish Tune



1 My — soul is filled with joy — as I sing to God my sav - ior: you have
2 I am low - ly as a child, but I know from the day for - ward that my
3 I pro - claim the pow'r of God: you do mar - vels for your ser - vants; though you
4 To the hun - gry you give food, send the rich a - way emp - ty. In your
5 In your love you now ful - fill what you pro - mised to you peo - ple. I will

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looked up - on your ser - vant, you have vis - it - ed your peo - ple
name will be re - mem - bered, for — all will call me bless - ed
scat - ter the proud heart - ed and de - stroy the might of princ - es
mer - cy you are min - ful of the peo - ple you have cho - sen
praise you, Lord, my sav - ior, ev - er - last - ing is you mer - cy

9



and — ho - ly is your name through all gen - er - a - tions! Ev - er - last - ing is your

20



mer - cy to the peo - ple you have cho - sen and — ho - ly is your name

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Heavenly Father, 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 into the world 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 forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE RECESSIONAL

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Text: Charles Wesley, 1744; Music: Witt's Psalmodia Sacra, 1715, alt.

1 Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus,
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion,

3
born to set thy peo - ple free; from our fears and
hope of all the earth thou art; dear de - sire of

6
sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee.
ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are placed between the vocal and bass lines. The first system contains two lines of lyrics. The second system contains two lines of lyrics. The third system contains two lines of lyrics. The music is a simple, hymn-like setting.

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent Morning Prayer Join us on Tuesday and Thursday mornings during Advent for Morning Prayer from 7:15-7:45 AM. We'll meet in the Choir Room at Crozet Baptist. All are welcome!

Christmas Eve Services We will offer two services on December 24 at 3:30 PM and 5:00 PM at the Barn at Fidelis Farm (6577 Jarmans Gap Road). Please RSVP online so that we ensure there are enough seats for everyone.

Youth Sunday School Youth Sunday School will begin on Sunday, January 9, at 8:45 AM. This 5 week study will focus on basic Christian theology. There will be room for discussion each week. Teenagers can submit questions or discussion topics here: <https://tinyurl.com/HCyouthdiscussion>. See Josh Waldron, Michelle Peck, or Sam Parks with questions.

Holy Cross Prayer Ministry A team of parishioners is available to pray daily for needs within the parish. Send prayer requests to Tom Harrison at thar65@gmail.com, and he will forward them to team members. All requests are held in strict confidence.

Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany Prayer Booklets Holy Cross prayer booklets for Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany can be found on the welcome table.

Communion Cup Reminder If you'd like to receive wine at communion, please bring a chalice or cup from home. Families are encouraged to share one cup.

Children We love the presence of a growing number of children at Holy Cross! Parents, please be sure not to leave your children unattended while on the premises at Pro Re Nata.

COVID Precautions When the temperature is above 50 degrees, we will worship with the large garage doors open to allow for maximum outdoor ventilation. Please consider the weather and dress comfortably. Outdoor, physically-distanced seating is available for those who desire it. Face coverings remain optional under current Virginia law.

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