The Second Sunday of Advent December 4, 2022 10 am Welcome to St. Bede's Episcopal Church

St. Bede's is a sacred place because it is a place where God and the human pilgrimage meet. It is a welcoming community because this is characteristic of the God we serve as followers of Christ – welcoming and affirming people of every race, age, sexuality, culture, ethnicity, gender identity, education, economic circumstances, family configuration, and physical ability. We believe Jesus the Christ to be the incarnation of God's love – the God who is reconciling and offering hospitality to the whole world.

Holy Eucharist The Liturgy of the Word

Passacaglia, BuxWV 161 Dietrich Buxtehude (1647-1707)

Welcome

Processional Hymn Prepare the way, O Zion Bereden vag for Herran Hymnal 65

Opening Acclamation

Opening Voluntary

One Blessed are you, holy and living One.

Many You come to your people and set them free.

The Collect for Purity

All pray together

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden: 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.



Collect of the Day

from Proposed Collects, The Anglican Church of Canada (2004) alt.

One God be with you.

Many And also with you.

One Together, let us pray.

God of justice, clear our lives of hatred and despair and sow in us seeds of joy and peace; so that shoots of hope may spring forth in us as we await the coming of the Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lesson — Isaiah 11:1-10

One A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear;

but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,

their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain;

for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

One Here what the Spirt is saying to God's people.

Many Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

One Let us pray the following portion of Psalm 72 together, responsively, by whole verse.

- Give the king your justice, O God, * and your righteousness to the king's son,
- That he may rule your people righteously * and the poor with justice;
- That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, * and the little hills bring righteousness.
- ⁴ He shall defend the needy among the people; * he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- ⁵ He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, * from one generation to another.

- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, * like showers that water the earth.
- In his time shall the righteous flourish; * there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- Blest are you, O God of Israel; * you alone do wondrous deeds!
- And blest is your glorious Name for ever! *

 May all the earth be filled with your glory. Amen.

The Sequence Hymn

O day of peace

Jerusalem

Hymnal 597

The Gospel – Matthew 3:1-12

One The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Many Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

One The Gospel of the Lord.

Many Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon - Raymond Walker, III, Ministry Intern

A period of silence follows the sermon.

The Nicene Creed

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,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,

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

from Intercessions for the Christian People

The deacon bids the prayers

God calls us to love one another. As a sign of that love, let us lift up our prayer to God for the needs of all people throughout the world, saying: O God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the peace of the world, that our instruments of war may be transformed into instruments of peace, and the nations shall cease to learn war any more. O God in your mercy, *Hear our prayer*.

We pray for the Church, that we may become more and more a means of grace and peace in the world. O God in your mercy, *Hear our prayer*.

We pray for all people of good will who seek to cast off the works of darkness, that we may be enlightened through our service of others in the name of Christ. O God in your mercy, *Hear our prayer*.

We pray for all who are in need, that we may be alert to the presence of Christ in them and ready to reach out in love. O God in your mercy, *Hear our prayer*.

We pray for all who are assembled here today, that we may be clothed with the love of Christ Jesus and go forth from this place to be Christ in the world. O God in your mercy, *Hear our prayer*.

We pray for all who have asked for our prayers that we may faithfully wait upon God with confidence in that love which sustains us in every moment of our lives. O God in your mercy, *Hear our prayer*.

Let us welcome into this space our own prayers of celebration and hope ...

Let us welcome in prayers for healing and wholeness ...

Let us welcome in prayers for the Church and for the World ...

Let us welcome in prayers for those who have died and for those who mourn ...

The one presiding adds a concluding collect

The Confession & Absolution of Sin

The deacon bids the confession

Let us confess our sins to God.

A period of silence is kept

All pray together

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The one presiding says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Please gently exchange the peace – perhaps with a wave or bow – as a courtesy to others.

One The peace of Christ be always with you.

Many And also with you.

To make your offering to God, please place your gifts in the alms basins located near the baptismal font, or you can give through Realm by scanning this code:



The Liturgy of the Table

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

One The Lord be with you.Many And also with you.One Lift up your hearts.Many We lift them to the Lord.

One Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The one presiding continues

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:



The one presiding 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,

All pray together

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The one presiding 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 Blessed Mary, Blessed Bede, and all your 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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

The one presiding continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

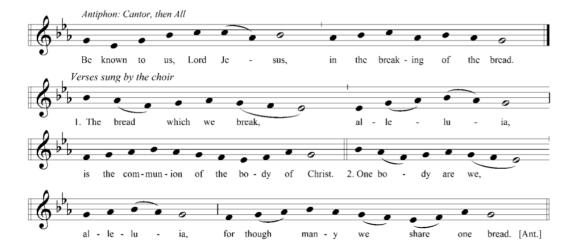
All pray together

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

The one presiding breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.



The one presiding offers the following invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Anthem at Communion

This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed and denied not, and said plainly, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What art thou then? Art thou Elias? And he he said, I am not. Art thou the prophet? and he answered, No.

Then said they unto him, What art thou? that we may give an answer unto them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? And he said, I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord.

words: John 1:19-23 music: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

The Post Communion Prayer

After communion, the one presiding says

Let us pray.

All pray together

Merciful God, may this Eucharist free us from our sins, fill us with unending joy, and prepare us for the birth of our Savior. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who is Lord, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The one presiding pronounces God's blessing.

Closing Hymn There's a voice in the wilderness crying Ascension Hymnal 75

Dismissal

The deacon sends the people forth with the following or similar words

One Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Many Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary

St. Bede's Prayer List

Prayers have been requested for:

Inaki Guevara Wendy TenHoeve, sister of Lynnsay Buehler

Michael Flanagan

Allen Townes Cunningham, sister of Rob Townes

Wallace Victor Simmons, brother of Jerry

Simmons

Mellie Frippen, friend of Nora Cruz-Diaz

Caroline Spires

Anne Jones, sister of Claiborne Jones

Joan Davis

Joy Sims, daughter of Nina Daniel Jack Raymer & Ginnie Ferrell

Carmen Graciaa, friend of Laura Martin Jim Poulos, husband of Carol Kemker

Helen Abraham

Fay Key

Rosalene Larson, mother-in-law of Michael Daniel

Aree Bancroft Laura Ribas Jane Wiggins Hilda Bell Willie Diaz Maggie Williams Mary Rodriguez Hollis Pickett

Margie Klein, mother of Jody Klein Lynn Edgar, mother of Beth Cannon

Nancy Waring

Andy Matia, friend of Ann Foote

Jim Ohl Frances Bowen Sydney Lund Ann Foote Cameron Maddox

For those who have died:

Jim Claybrook, friend of Nina Daniel Linda Mason, friend of Nancy Bruce June Sparks, friend of Nina Daniel Steve Bacon, uncle of Amanda Vaughn

We give thanks for those serving our country in the military:

Will Grimm Josh Bowers

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week:

12/5 Ashley Brown12/6 Regina Studwell12/7 Amy Busch12/8 Rebecca Pope

The greenery on the altar are in memory in memory of Ruth Mizell by Elizabeth, Bill, Julie, and Will Mizell

The Prayer List continues on the back page.

We celebrate with the confirmands from St. Bede's who will be confirmed at the Cathedral on December 11th

Daphne Blanco Palma Victoria Blanco Palma Aisha Yamileth Escobedo Peñaloza Geovanny Joel Escobedo Peñaloza Danna Sonoqui Cruz Maria Castellón Meza Hector Castellón Meza Jamileth Cortina Cardona



We invite and welcome *all* to worship, serve, and grow together as we engage the story of the living Christ.