# First Sunday of Advent November 30, 2025 9:30 a.m.

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Welcome to St. Patrick's. If you are new to our parish or visiting with us, we are so glad you are here. Please sign our guest book in the narthex or fill out a pew card. Thank you for worshipping alongside us. *Questions? Email us at church@pats-dublin.org* 

#### Children at St. Patrick's

We believe children point to the presence of the Holy Spirit during worship. Therefore, kids are welcome throughout the service. During the program year (September-May) we have Children's Chapel for children ages 4 through 5th grade. For younger children, ages 0 to 3 years old, we have nursery available staffed with 2 professional caregivers during this service year around. Please ask the ushers if you need directions to the nursery.

**Hearing/Vision Impaired:** Wireless hearing devices and large print materials are available. Please check with an usher for assistance in locating these if needed.

- **St. Patrick's Mission Statement:** St. Patrick's joyfully welcomes and includes you in a journey of Christian faith through the grace of the Holy Spirit.
- **St. Patrick's Vision Statement:** St. Patrick's continues to grow as a joyful community of faith. Through worship, friendship, education and outreach, we live a Christ-centered life, caring for each other and our neighbors as ourselves.

**Prelude** "Sleepers, Wake," a Voice Astounds Us J.S. Bach

## Opening Hymn 57 Lo! he comes with clouds descending

The people standing, the Presider says

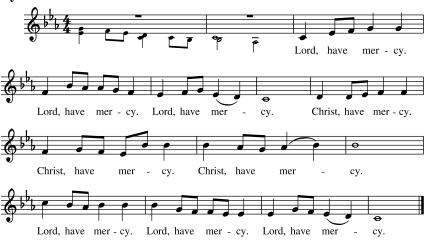
Blessed are you, holy and living One.

## People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

The Presider then says,

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.* 

### **Kyrie**



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## The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Presider 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*.

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## A reading from the book of Isaiah 2:1-5

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. People **Thanks be to God.** 

#### Psalm 122

- 1 I was glad when they said to me, \*
  "Let us go to the house of the LORD."
- 2 Now our feet are standing \* within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city \* that is at unity with itself;
- 4 To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, \* the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.
- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, \* the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: \*
  "May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls \* and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions' sake, \* I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the LORD our God, \* I will seek to do you good."

## A reading from Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn LEVAS 12 Come, we that love the Lord

The Gospel Matthew 24:36-44 (All stand.)

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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

#### 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.

## Prayers of the People for Advent

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Children of God, let us prepare for the light of the world, praying: God of all hope, *let your light come*.

Shine your light upon your whole Church, especially St. Simon of Cyrene, Lincoln Heights and St. James, Zanesville, that we may be a beacon of hope for all the world. God of all hope, *let your light come*.

Shine your light upon this nation. Where it is broken, heal it. What lies in shadow, reveal. Where there is injustice, let mercy erupt. God of all hope, *let your light come*.

Shine your light upon your creation. Show us where we harm it and where we can join you in healing it. God of all hope, *let your light come*.

Shine your light upon this city. Pierce our facade of perfection so your light may redeem our imperfections. God of all hope, *let your light come*.

Shine your light upon the sick and afflicted. May the healing power of Christ brighten their horizon and bring them to wholeness. God of all hope, *let your light come*.

Shine your light upon those who have died. May they perpetually know only your light, and may you comfort all who grieve. God of all hope, *let your light come*.

Shine your light upon all the blessings this life, especially ... who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week. God of all hope, *let your light come*.

Silence (during the silence the people may add their own petitions)

The Presider adds a concluding collect.

#### Confession

Deacon or Presider
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider 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.

#### Absolution

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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

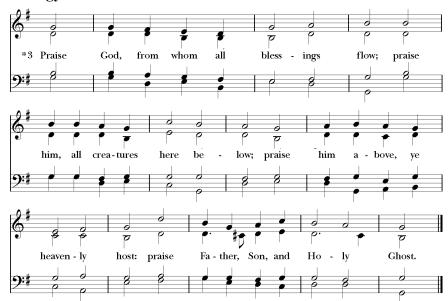
The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

#### Announcements

**The Offertory** O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

The people's gifts of bread and wine, along with the collection, are brought to the Altar. (Please stand.)

### **Doxology**



## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Presider faces them and says

God be with you.

People And also with you. Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

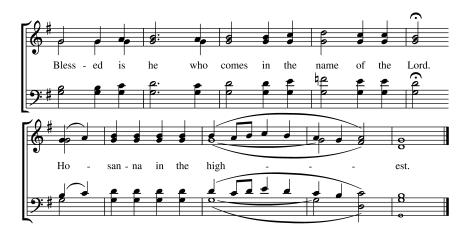
Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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





Setting: Byzantine; arr. George Black (b. 1931).

### Then the Presider continues

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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:

Presider and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. 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*.

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

People and Presider

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence may be kept.

Fraction Hymn 109 (vs 1&6) The first Nowell the angel did say

The first Nowell the angel did say
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields as they lay, keeping their sheep,
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord; that hath made heaven and earth of nought, and with his blood our life hath bought.

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

#### The Invitation

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All persons are invited to the Altar. If you choose to receive communion, you may do so in one of the following ways:

- Consume the bread first and then sip from the cup.
- Intinction is strongly discouraged however if you choose to intinct, please simply leave the wafer in your hands.
- The chalice bearer will dip the wafer, then hand it back to you.
- Communion in one kind, or both, is acceptable.
- If you prefer to not receive the wine, you may proceed to your seat after receiving the bread.
- If you would like to receive a blessing only, please cross your hands over your chest as a signal to the ministers.
- If you want a gluten free wafer, please place your palms down when you approach the ministers.

## Communion Hymn 617 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round

### **Post Communion Prayer**

After Communion, the Presider says

Let us pray.

Presider 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.

## The Blessing

Closing Hymn 61 "Sleepers, wake!" a voice astounds us

#### Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** 

"Sleepers, Wake!"

Emma Lou Diemer

Thank you for joining with us in worship this morning! We invite you to continue your Sunday morning experience, with fellowship and refreshments in the Parish Hall.

All are welcome!

# **Today's Ministry Team**

Presider: The Rev. Dr. Jason Emerson Preacher: The Rev. Catherine Duffy Music Director: Jennifer Bell Streaming: Peter O'Neill Lay Reader: Randy Edwards Lectors: Amy Collins, Becci Shields

Crucifer: Joe Machesky Acolytes: Ayla, Maria Kennedy

**Ushers:** Becky Stains, Tom Jones, Bob Butler, Steve Pearson

Greeters: Fran & John Montgomery Children's Chapel Helper: Kim Machesky Coffee Hour: Lisa Schmidt, Mary & Randy Edwards Altar Guild: Sandy Wilson, Becky Stains, Mary Kennedy

**Counters:** Amy Collins, Jeff Beuter **Hospitality Table:** Jo & Ed Yuhas