

SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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and that we are recipients of and participants in that healing and restoration.*

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2025
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
THE FIRST CANDLE – HOPE

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Welcome to St. Paul's! We are grateful for your prayers and presence on this day in the life of the parish community. We hope that your worship with us will be both inspirational and spiritually nurturing. Please feel free to participate in the worship service as much or as little as you wish. Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's table.

Our worship service takes place here and online; it is also being recorded for later viewing. Feel free to greet one another as is your custom as you gather. When we are ready to start, our Angels Aloft will sound an opening bell. This signals those gathered that our service is now being recorded. Please maintain quiet and turn your attention to our opening activities at this time.



The Holy Eucharist - Rite II

Opening Bell

Welcome..... *Presider*

Announcements *Member of Vestry*

Prelude..... O Come O Come Emmanuel (in the style of Debussy)..... arr. Peter Jancewicz

Land Acknowledgement..... *Presider*

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Coast Salish peoples who have reserve treaty rights to this land, including the Skagit Tribe who have stewarded this land throughout the generations. We thank these caretakers of this land, who have lived, and continue to live here, since time immemorial.

Mission Statement

Presider and People:

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Opening Hymn.....Prepare the Way of the Lord

Canon

1. Pre - pare the way of the Lord. 2. Pre- pare the way of the Lord, and

3. all peo- ple will see 4. the sal - va - tion of our God. Pre -

Come, Let Us Adore Him: Advent Candle Lighting Liturgy

Reader One, Jen McCabe: From deep in the past, Isaiah calls to us: 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.’ (Isaiah 2:3). Beloved, the days are surely coming when the yearning of the land; the longing of the sun, moon, and stars; the desperate need of the people of earth for flourishing and peace will receive their fulfillment.

Congregation: While fear, anxiety, misinformation, and suspicion surround us on every side, we choose to watch and wait in hope, preparing our hearts to notice and cooperate with God’s grace already at work in our midst.

Reader Two, Barbara Tasker-Mueller: We light this candle of *hope* as a sign of our commitment to pay attention and prepare for the days that are surely coming and are already here—the days when God’s Word of love, justice, and mercy will reign.

Acolyte: *Light the first candle of the Advent wreath.*

The Opening Acclamation

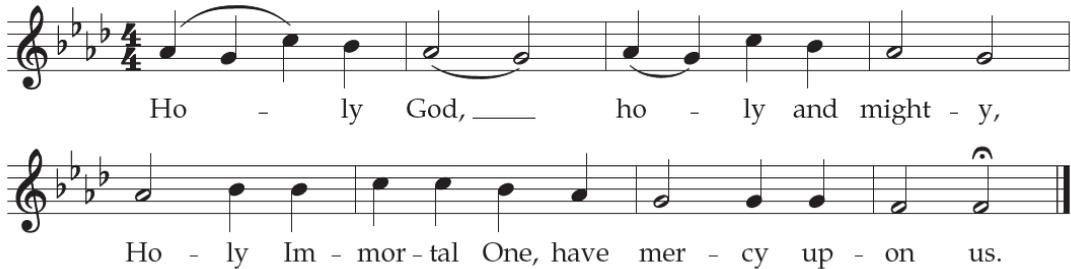
Presider: Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen**

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.**

Trisagion (sung x3)



Ho - ly God, ho - ly and might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider and People:

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 Liturgy of the Word

Please be seated.

A Reading From Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

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

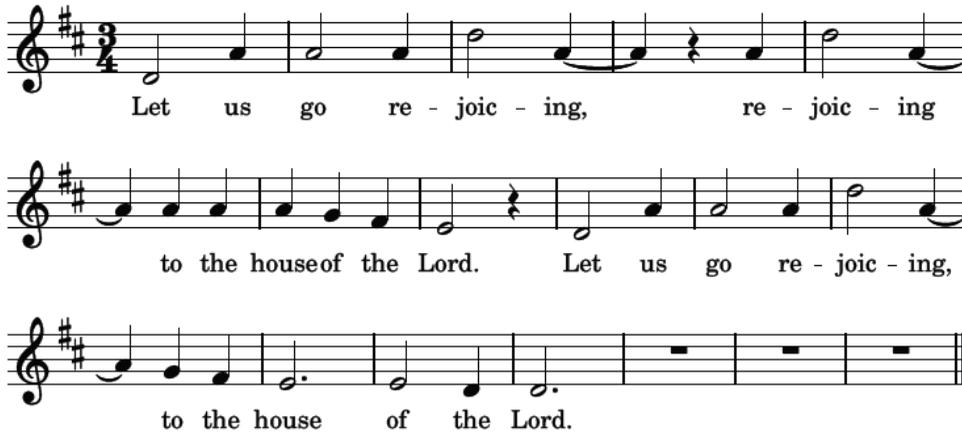
in the light of the LORD!

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 122

ANTIPHON



Let us go re - joic - ing, re - joic - ing
to the house of the Lord. Let us go re - joic - ing,
to the house of the Lord.

Choir sung verses:

1. How I rejoiced to hear them say, “Let us go to the house of the Lord.”
And now within your walls we are standing, O Jerusalem.
2. Jerusalem, a city firmly built, knit together in unity and strength.
There the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, making pilgrimage.
3. There the tribes give thanks to the name of the Lord, according to the law of Israel.
There are set the thrones for judgment for the house of David.
4. Let us pray for the good of Jerusalem, and for those who love you prosperity and peace,
peace within your ramparts and your towers, peace in your dwellings.
5. For the sake of my people and my friends, I say peace be to you, Jerusalem.
For love of God’s house I pray for you and your prosperity.

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.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Presider: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew 24:36-44

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.”

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

The Sermon..... The Rev. David Walker

Please stand as able.

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 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 Form I

*The Leader reads normal type and the **People** respond **boldly***

Petitioner: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city of Mount Vernon, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For _____, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.
Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of St. Paul and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.
To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence.

Let us pray for the search process for our congregations;
Eternal Guide, please watch over our steps as the congregations of Resurreccion and Saint Paul's walk the path of selecting a new rector. Guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose a spiritual leader and pastor for us – a leader who will care for your people and prepare us for our ministries. We ask that you bless them with insight, faithfulness,

patience, and joy, so that they may truly hear your voice during their decision-making. Open the hearts of those who feel called to embark on this journey to an unfamiliar place, and walk with us as we trust in this process together. For the wonder of your love, Amen

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

Presider: Let us confess our sins to God.

Presider and People: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Presider speaks an Absolution.

The Peace / La Paz

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you. / La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.

People: And also with you. / Y con tu espíritu.

If you are worshipping with us virtually, use the chat function to “say” peace to your fellow parishioners, or text/email someone with whom you would like to share the peace of Christ.

Celebrations and Thanksgiving of Life

Offertory.....“Hope Will Not Fail”.....St. Paul’s Choir

Text of Choral Anthem:

*Hope will not fail,
no, hope will not fail
Though Anguish and apathy seem to
prevail,
no, hope will not fail;
hope, hope will prevail.*

*peace, peace will prevail.
Believe in the coming,
the coming of peace!
Though vengeance and violence seem to
prevail,
no, peace will not fail;
peace, peace will prevail.*

*Peace will not fail,
No, peace will not fail.
Though vengeance and violence seem to
prevail,
No, peace will not fail;*

*Joy will not fail,
no, joy will not fail.
Though mourning and misery seem to
prevail.*

*Believe in the blessing,
the blessing of joy!
Though mourning and misery seem to
prevail,
no, joy will not fail;
joy, joy will prevail.*

*Love will not fail,
no, love will not fail.
Though hatred and hopelessness seem to*

*prevail,
no, love will not fail;
love, love will prevail.
Believe in the power,
the power of love!
Though hatred and hopelessness seem to
prevail.
no, love will not fail;
love, love will prevail.*

Your gifts are much appreciated.

*If you are joining this live stream, you may mail your offering/pledge to 415 S. 18th Street,
Mount Vernon, WA 98274. You can also make payments online at www.stpaulsmv.org*

Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.
Amen**

The Holy Communion - Eucharistic Prayer B

*All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to come forward for communion or
blessing. Gluten free wafers are available. The assembly is invited to stand
as they are able for the Eucharistic Prayer.*

*Intinction, also known as dipping the bread in the wine, is not practiced here. If you do not
wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your arms in front of our chest as the chalice
bearer approaches. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.*

Presider: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift our hearts to God.

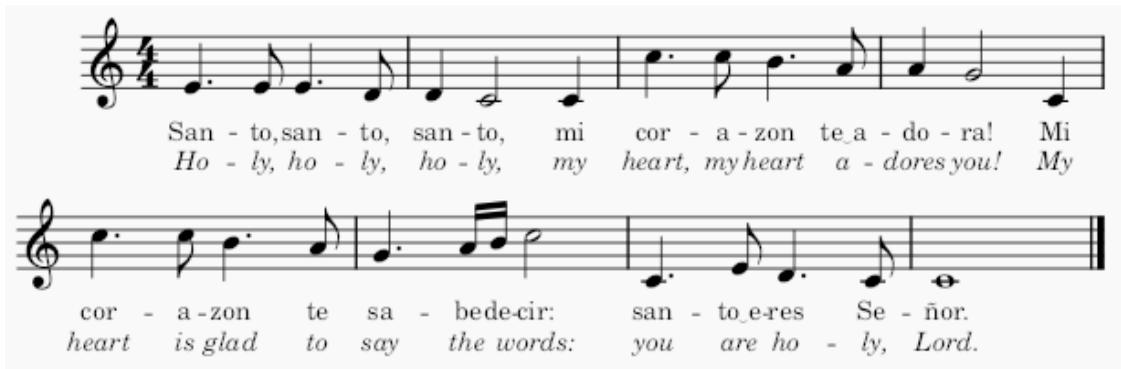
Presider: Let us give thanks to the One who created us.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, the Maker 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::



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My
cor - a - zon te sa - bede-cir: san - to e-res Se - ñor.
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

Presider: 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. Through Mary's Holy Child, you have delivered us from evil and made us worthy to stand before you. 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, Jesus 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O God,

Presider and People

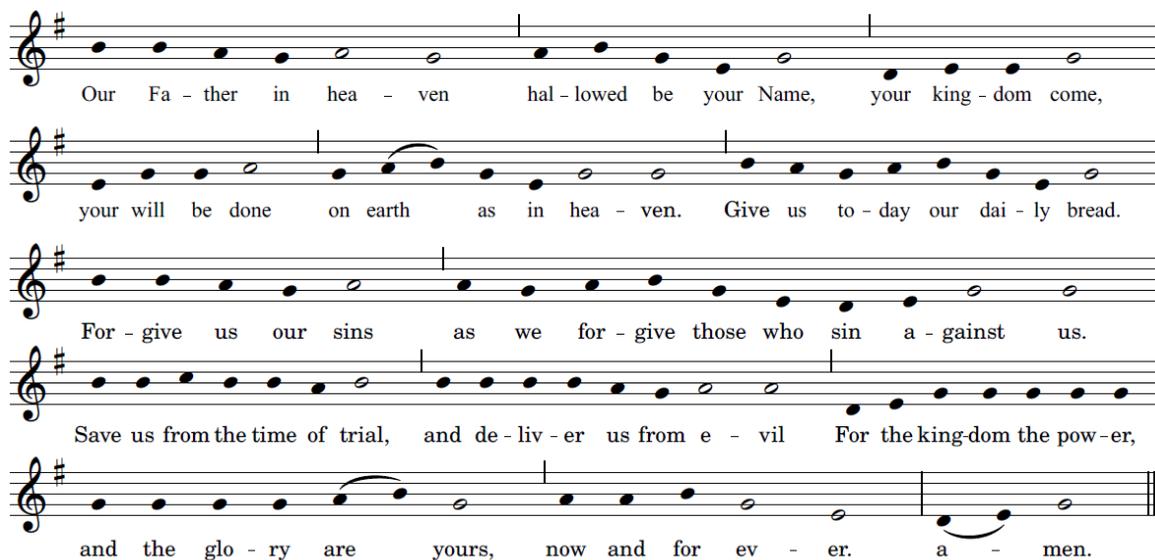
**We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

Presider: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Dear One; 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, gather all things into the circle of Christ's love, and bring us to that heavenly country where with St. Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of all your children; through Jesus Christ, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Most Blessed One, now and forever. Amen.

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



Our Fa - ther in hea - ven hal - lowed be your Name, your king - dom come,
your will be done on earth as in hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.
Save us from the time of trial, and de - liv - er us from e - vil For the king - dom the pow - er,
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. a - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Fraction Hymn

Se - ñor y Je - su - cris - to, Hi - jo del Dios vi - vo Se - ñor y Je - su - cris - to, Hi -
 Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the li - ving God, Lord Jesus Christ, Son

-jo del Dios vi - vo. O - ten mi - se - ri - cor - dia de no - so - tros pe - ca - do - res O -
 of the li - ving God, O have mer - cy on us sin - ers, O

-ten me - se - ri - cor - dia de no - so - tros pe - ca - do - res
 have mer - cy on us sin - ners.

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

Please be seated.

Those present are invited to receive Holy Communion. You can approach the altar at the direction of the usher.

Those with us online, during these next moments of meditation, wherever you are, receive God's gifts to you. We share spiritual communion today.

Communion Hymn The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

1. The King shall come when morn - ing_ dawns and light tri - um - phant breaks,
 2. Not, as of old, a_ lit - tle_ child, to bear, and fight, and die,
 3. O bright - er than the_ ris - ing_ morn when he, vic - to - rious, rose
 4. O bright - er than that glo - rious morn shall this fair morn - ing be.
 5. The King shall come when morn - ing_ dawns and light and beau - ty brings.

When beau - ty_ gilds the east - ern_ hills and life to joy_ a - wakes.
 But_ crowned with glo - ry like the_ sun that lights the morn - ing sky.
 and_ left the_ lone - some place of_ death, de - spite the rage of foes.
 When Christ, our_ King, in beau - ty_ comes, and we his face_ shall see.
 Hail, Christ, the_ Lord! Thy peo - ple_ pray; Come quick - ly King of kings.

Sending out of Eucharistic Ministers:

The Deacon sends forth the Eucharistic Ministers:

Deacon: We who are many are one body

People: Because we all share one bread, one cup.

Deacon: In the name of God and of this congregation we send you forth, bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: As you have been fed, now feed others in the name of Christ.

Deacon: Our prayers go with you, go in peace. Amen.



Post Communion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray.

***People and Presider:* God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Blessing

Closing Hymn..... Soon and Very Soon



1, 4. Soon and ver - ry soon,
2. No more cry - ing there, We are going to see the King;
3. No more dy - ing there,



Soon and ver - ry soon,
No more cry - ing there, We are going to see the King;
No more dy - ing there



Soon and ve - ry soon,
No more cry - ing there, We are going to see the King; Hal-le-
No more dy - ing there,



-lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! We're going to see the King.



going to see the King. Ha - le lu jah! Ha - le lu jah!

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

PostludeWhat Wondrous Love is This Arr. Cotter

Serving Today:

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Presider and Preacher

Deacon:

Music Director

Eucharistic Minister:

Eucharistic Visitors:

Acolyte:

Youth Acolyte:

Greeters:

Lectors:

Counters:

The Rev. David Walker

The Rev. Dennis Taylor

J.J. Cully

Mary Ann Taylor

Mary Ann Taylor & Sandy McDougall

Acacia McDermott

Roland Crudder

Ron & Pat Kostanich

Jen McCabe & Barbara Tasker-Mueller

Alec McDougall & Dianna Hume

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Announcements and Opportunities

Welcome to our guests: We are so glad that you are worshipping with us today! Please put your name and contact information in our guest book so that we may get to know you better.

Congregational Meeting

There will be a short congregational meeting on December 14 immediately following the service for the purpose of nominations for Vestry and delegates to convention.

Altar Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary today are brought to you by the Schuh family, in honor of Andy Schuh's birthday.

Coffee Hour

The coffee hour today is hosted by Sandy McDougall and Jen McCabe. Stop in after worship for some coffee and conversation.

Please sign up on the clipboard in the Parish Hall to host a coffee hour. Questions? Contact Melissa Bird at 360.622.1008

Coats for Kids in Mount Vernon Schools

Coats are being collected through today for children in the Mount Vernon Schools. Bring your coat donation to the church and we will see that it gets delivered on December 1st. See the newspaper announcement in the Narthex or speak with Cathey Frederick for more details.

Life Planning Sessions

The Faith Community Nurses of St. Paul's are inviting you and your friends to a series of conversations on Life Planning. These are designed to help you and your family make informed decisions regarding your health care as you age. These will be held during the first three Wednesdays of Advent, starting December 3 with a soup supper beforehand. See the notice on the white board for more information on topics and speakers. An RSVP is requested so there is enough soup!

Stewardship Letters and Pledge Cards.

Stewardship letters and pledge cards have been mailed. Be sure to look for yours, and prayerfully consider how you will respond. Please turn them in on or before December 7th which will be our Ingathering Sunday. Extra pledge cards are available if you have misplaced yours.

Art in the Narthex

The art in the narthex is Needlepoint by Susan Sanderson. Thanks so much for sharing with us.

Do you have art you would like to display in the narthex? Religious or otherwise, we enjoy seeing what parishioners enjoy in their homes. It does not have to be your own artwork. It can be fiber, glass, paint, sculpture or whatever medium. Contact Val Aadsen (360-298-3675) for scheduling.

Due to formatting the page might have been left blank. However here are a thought on Advent by Wes Simmons from the Reformed University Fellowship <https://ruf.org/media/god-has-spoken-some-thoughts-on-advent/>

Do you ever wonder if, when or how God is going to show up in your life, particularly in places that are painful and need redeeming – places where you may feel abandoned? Why is He seemingly silent and even absent at times?

If so, you're not alone. All of us wonder about those things at times. In fact, God's people did as well – for 400 years! After the Old Testament Prophets, there was a period of time Biblical scholars like to call the 'Inter-Testamental Period' (the time between the Old and New Testaments, as recorded in Scripture) that lasted roughly 400 years. Let that sink in. Not just a separation page in your Bible, but 400 years – of silence, of waiting, of questions. Of wondering where God was, if He had abandoned His people and if He was going to show up to redeem and restore what was broken.

After those 400 years, the silence was broken; the waiting had come to an end. Through the birth of Jesus, God was speaking into the silence. But, God's long-awaited Word didn't show up in the way His people expected Him to – not as a political ruler who would conquer His enemies and topple other earthly kingdoms, but as a Spiritual King who would bring all things under his dominion and rule by laying down His own life for His people.

Understandably, His people were confused; He certainly didn't look like they thought He would look – when He finally showed up. In much the same way, we are often confused when God shows up in our lives because it rarely looks the way we have imagined it would (or should) look. He often shows up in ways we don't expect Him to, for reasons we don't understand.

Much like a wax imprint of an emperor's ring on a sealed letter, Jesus gives us an up-close and personal view of the character and nature of God – the exact imprint of God – in human form. In part, this was so we could see Him, walk with Him, listen to Him, understand what matters to Him, understand why He had to die for His people – why He had to take on our sin so He could give us His righteousness.

To understand the spoken Word, you first have to understand the silence. Advent is a reminder of God speaking into your silence, your doubts, your questions, your fears, your sin, wondering where He is – speaking in the form of His Son, Jesus. Advent doesn't promise immediate answers to all of our questions, but it does promise His presence with us in the middle of the questions.

Let it be that for you this year. Amidst the flurry of excitement, the good food, the celebration, and gifts, let Advent give you the gift of His peace and presence. Be reminded that you have a God who wants to be known, a God who loves you so much that He wanted to share with you what He was like – and how much He would give – to rescue and redeem you for Himself. And He did just that, in Jesus.

As we wait for the Second Advent, the return of Christ – when all things will be made new and all of our pain will be redeemed – remember that we wait with hope, with expectation, with joy, with trust – because God has spoken to us in His Son, Jesus.

Rejoice and be glad. He has spoken into the silence.

Welcome to Saint Paul's!

We hope that your worship with us will be both inspirational and spiritually nurturing. Please feel free to participate in the worship service as much or as little as you wish. The prayer book gives directions as to when we stand, sit, or occasionally kneel; these are guidelines. What is more important is that you bring your complete self to worship God.

Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's Table. We use real wine in the cup. Intinction, which is also known as dipping the bread in the wine, is not practiced here. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your arms in front of your chest as the chalice bearer approaches. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread, which is gluten free.

We ask that those worshipping with us online reverently pray and meditate on God's grace and blessing whenever you observe the Eucharist being taken.

TELECOIL ASSIST AVAILABLE.



HEADPHONES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE,
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