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The Church of the Good Shepherd

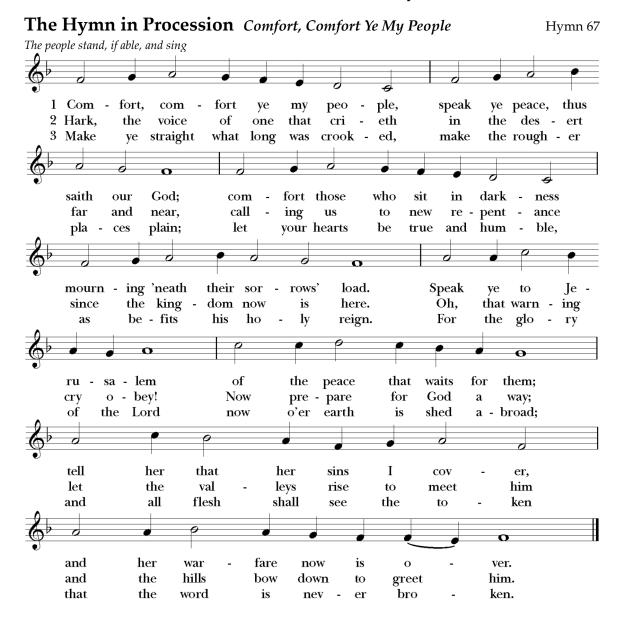
December 11, 2016 - The Third Sunday of Advent

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Welcome to Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd! We're delighted to worship God with you this morning. Everything you need for worship is here in these pages and in the Bible in the pew. If you're visiting and would like more information about Good Shepherd, please fill out a guest card from the rack in front of you or call the parish office (723-8032). At Good Shepherd you'll find friendly people, engaging sermons, joyful worship, practical teaching, and lots of kids. You are warmly invited to Coffee Hour downstairs immediately following both morning services. Welcome!

Holy Eucharist

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The Acclamation and Collect for Purity

The people remain standing

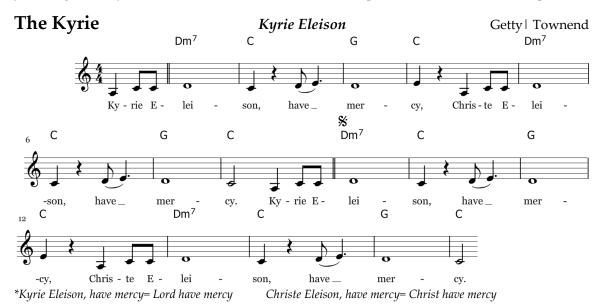
Celebrant Surely the Lord is coming soon,

People Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

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 Summary of the Law

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.



The Collect of the Day

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise make ready your way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world, we may be found a people acceptable in your sight; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and forever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

The people sit for the reading of the lessons.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 35:1-10

Pew Bible pg.595, LP pg. 757

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146



1 Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my / soul! *

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have / my be-ing.

Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of / earth, *

for there is no / help in them.

When they breathe their last, they return to / earth, * and in that day their / thoughts per-ish.

4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their / **help!** * whose hope is in the / *Lord their God*;

Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is / **in** them; * who keeps his promise / for ev-er;

Who gives justice to those who are op-/**pressed**, * and food to those / who hun-ger.

7 The Lord sets the prisoners free;

the Lord opens the eyes of the / blind; *

the Lord lifts up those who / are bowed down;

The Lord loves the righteous; 8

the Lord cares for the / strang-er; *

he sustains the orphan and widow,

but frustrates the way of / the wick-ed.

The Lord shall reign for / ev-er, *

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.

Hal-/le-lu-jah!

The Second Lesson

Hebrews 2:15-3:6

Pew Bible pg. 1002, LP pg. 1276

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

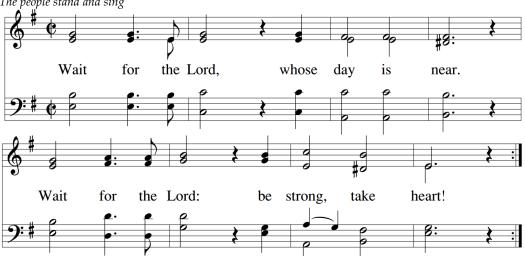
Those between the ages of three and eight are dismissed, with their parent's permission, for Children's Chapel.

The Gradual

Wait for the Lord

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The people stand and sing



The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew. Celebrant

Glory to You, Lord Christ. People

Matthew 11:2-19

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

The Nicene Creed

The people stand, if able, and say

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 worshiped 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.*

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Church throughout the World

Kericho - (Kenya) Vacant; CANA East: Franciscan Brothers of St. Elizabeth • Brother Donald Paul • Brother Kenneth Leo • Brother Stephen, Ministry to the Homeless and the Poor in CANA East

Those in Authority in the Church and in the World

Our president, governor, and mayor; Bishop Dobbs and Bishop Bena

Missionaries

Bob and Joyce Carlson in Africa, the CHE community in Nicaragua, Carrie Moorhead, Lisa Ojetayo, and Lauren Kirst with InterVarsity, The Kuinde School, Mustard Seed communities in Jamaica, Garry and Melissa Ingraham with Love and Truth Network, and Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child ministry.

Those Who Don't Yet Know Christ

All those seeking Christ; our neighbors and neighborhood

Those in Sickness or Trouble

Peyton, Rick, Jason D., Doug & Maureen, Nicholas, Fred, The Sullivan Family, Annette, Lyn & Ed, Charles, Mary Lou, Fred U., Russ, Bill, Michelle, Owen and Becky, Steph, Catherine, Brad, Laura, Joyce, Debbie, Chris and Sue, Lillian, William Bryan, Josh Roe, Mary Lindsey, Mark, Lynn, Jonathan, Chris, and Bonnie.

The Concerns and Thanksgivings of this Church

Good Shepherd ministries and outreach; youth and children; those with birthdays or anniversaries

Those Who Have Died

The Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

The people kneel if able and pray together

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against your divine Majesty, provoking most justly your wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Comfortable Words

The Celebrant says

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

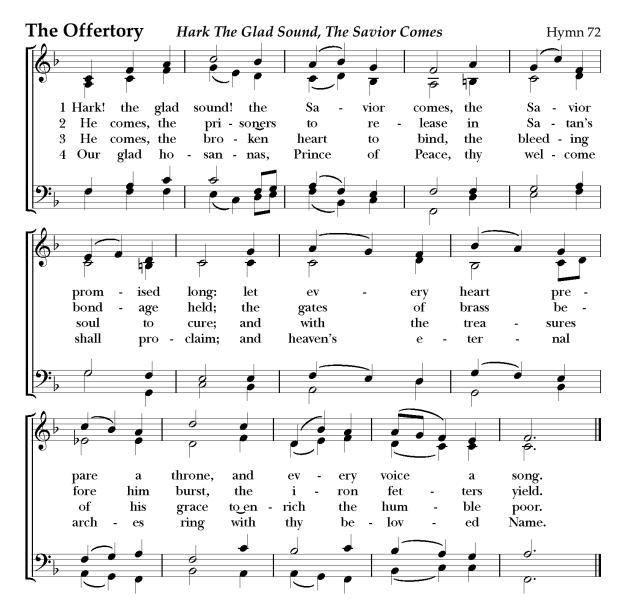
If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with your spirit.

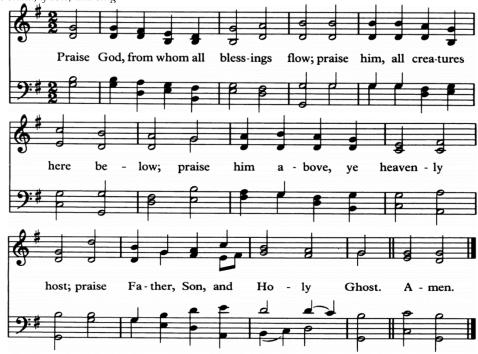
The Celebrants and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.



^{*}If you are a guest with us today, please do not feel obligated to give an offering. Instead, we invite you to fill out the guest card which may be found inserted in your bulletin. Please drop it in the offering plate when it passes.

The Presentation of the Gifts

The people stand, if able, and sing



The Holy Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving

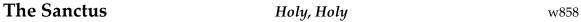
CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

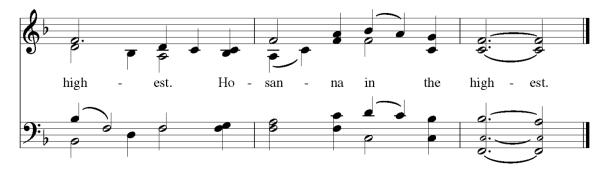
People It is just and right so to do.

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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 glory 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 people kneel. The Celebrant continues

All praise and glory is yours, God our heavenly Father, because of your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

And now, O merciful Father; in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith

Celebrant and People say together

Christ Has Died, Christ is Risen, Christ Will Come Again

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice; humbly pleading that all those who shall partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ; that, by the Holy Spirit, we may be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us, and we in him. 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 forever. *Amen.*

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

The Lord's Prayer

The people remain kneeling, and 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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Fraction

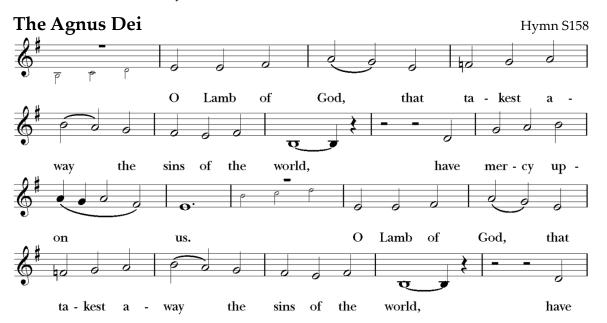
Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

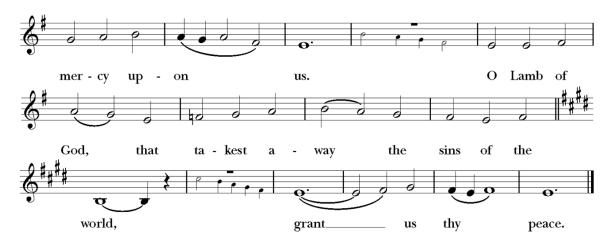
People Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant and people say together

We do not presume to come to this your Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold 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 property 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 we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen*.





The Invitation

Celebrant

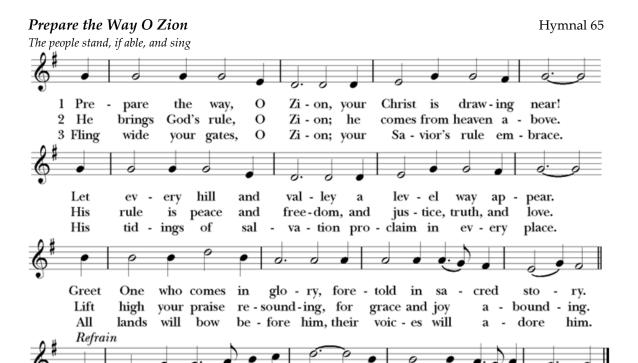
T he Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People

All Christians baptized in any denomination are welcome to take Communion. If you are not a Christian or are unbaptized, you are warmly invited to the rail for a prayer and blessing: just place your hands across your chest and one of the pastors will bless and pray for you. If you are in a wheelchair or are unable to come forward for any reason, please let an usher know and we will bring the Sacrament to you in your pew.

The people may sing, seated or kneeling.





The Post-Communion Prayer

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The people kneel. Celebrant and People

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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.*

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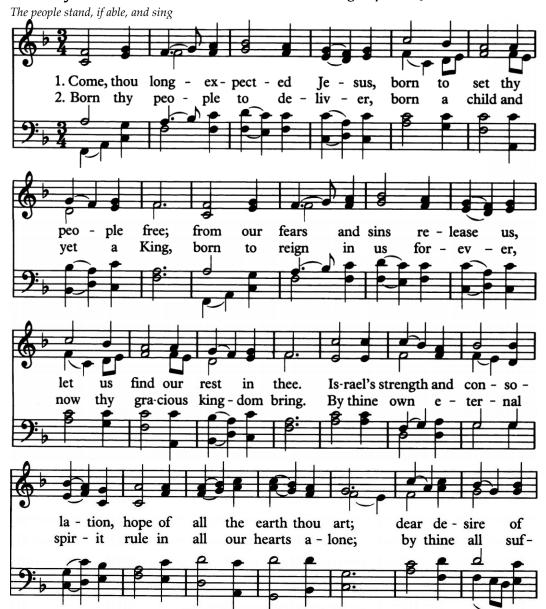
God's most ho - ly name.

The Blessing

Oh,

Celebrant

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*





The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Thank you for worshipping at Good Shepherd this morning!

We would be so grateful if you would deposit your used bulletins in one of the recycling bins located near the exits of the sanctuary as you pass by.

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 - (1734–1820); adapt. Samuel Webbe (1740–1816); harm. Hymns Ancient and Modern, Revised, 1950; desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891–1971) Meter: CM
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