ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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November 29, 2026

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The Prelude *Partita on Picardy* --Albert Zabel

The Welcome

The Lighting of the Advent Candle --Ronda Valiyi

All: **Light of the world, in grace and beauty,**
mirror of God's eternal face,
transparent flame of love's free duty,
You bring salvation to our human race.

Reader 1: Sacred Mystery, we light the first candle of Advent for hope and truth.
The first candle is lit.

Reader 2: We kindle it with hope. We long for you to come to our world, to break through and reign with compassion, justice, and peace.

All: **Sacred Mystery, break through all that keeps us from you. Help us to see the truth about oppression, as we prepare to become the beloved community. We ask for your mercy and to see your image in one another. This Advent, visit us with your justice, love, and peace. Amen**.

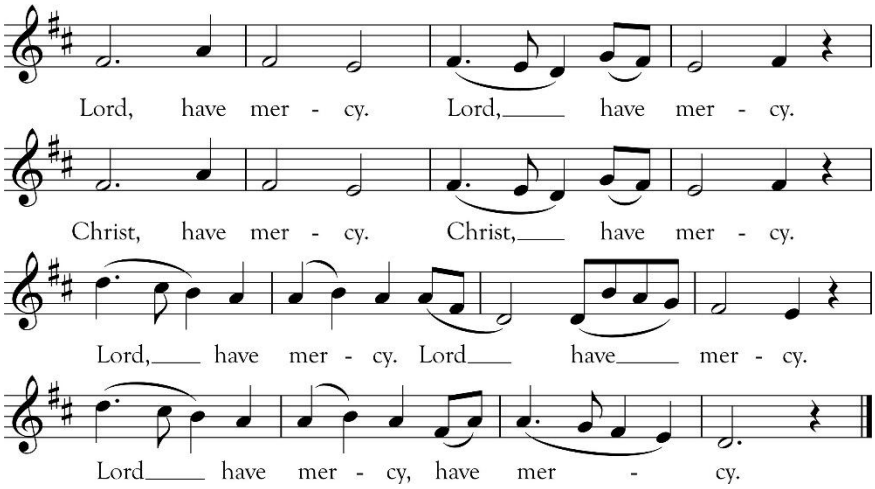
The Processional Hymn "Signs of ending all around us" **WLP #721**

Please stand as you are comfortable.

The Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**
Presider: 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.
People: **Amen.**

Kyrie **S #96**



The Collect of the Day

Presider: God be with you.
People: **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.**

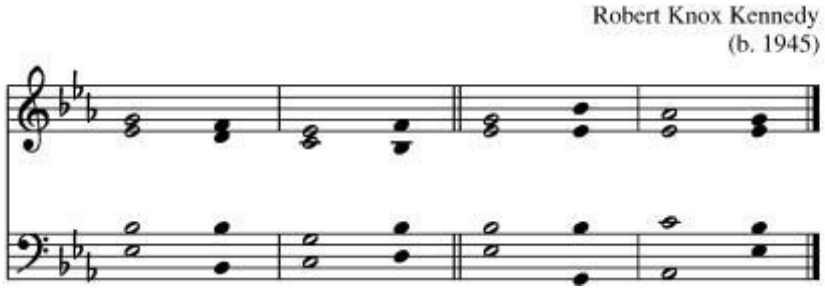
The Lessons

The First Reading — Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence--
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil--
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.
We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on your name,
or attempts to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.
Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord,
and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.

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

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18



1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, / leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, / you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.

3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, / and we shall be saved.

4 O Lord God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered /
despite the prayers of your people?

5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, / and we shall be saved.

16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, / that we may call upon your Name.

18 Restore us, / O Lord God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, / and we shall be saved.

The Second Reading **1 Corinthians 1:3-9**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

The Sequence Hymn "Thy kingdom come! on bended knee" **H #615**

The Gospel **Matthew 24:36-44**

Presider: 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."

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily The Rev. Allan Wallace

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are comfortable.

Everyone:

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.

Prayers of the People

Creator of the stars in the sky, the sun, and the moon, You are the light by which we wake and work. **Illumine our darkness, and keep us alert.**

Surround your church, her leaders, and people, with your armor of light. We pray For Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury, for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Jennifer, our bishop, for Allan and Paul-Anthony, our clergy; for Bishop Mauricio Andrade and the people of our Companion Diocese of Brasilia, the people of the Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's in Mithon, our ministry partners in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui, and in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, St. Timothy's, Indianapolis,
Mr. Tim Nickson, Senior Warden and for our sister parish, St. Paul's, Jeffersonville. Strengthen them as they reach out to you in prayer and hope. Open their hearts to your will. **Illumine our darkness, and keep us alert.**

We pray for our leaders: especially our president; our governor; and the Congress and courts of this land. Savior of the nations, guide those who govern, and awaken those they lead, that we may all live in the spirit of cooperation and share so that all have enough: food, care, and peace. **Illumine our darkness, and keep us alert.**

For people across the world whose spirits bend under the yoke of oppression and struggle, give the people of this community a sense of togetherness and support. Open our eyes to those who fall by the wayside and whose faces and needs remain invisible. **Illumine our darkness, and keep us alert.**

Lover of our souls, you continue to mold us in your image and hold us in your hands. We ask your blessing on those who struggle with illness, anxiety, grief, or isolation. Today we pray for Leon, Melanie, Connie, Thomas, Ryan, Christine, Josh, Gary, and Gordon.
Illumine our darkness, and keep us alert.

Father of us all, we pray for those who have recently returned to your embrace and those who are broken with grief.

I invite you to add your own petitions or thanksgivings, either silently or aloud.

Silence

Illumine our darkness, and keep us alert.

Presider: O God, you promise a peace the world cannot give: overwhelm us with such an awareness of your peace and presence that we become your peacemakers; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

You may stand, kneel, or sit as is your custom.

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Presider: 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.**

We invite you to share signs of Christ's Peace with others whether in-person or streaming.

The Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Offertory Anthem *Creation Will Be At Peace* --Anna Laura Page

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

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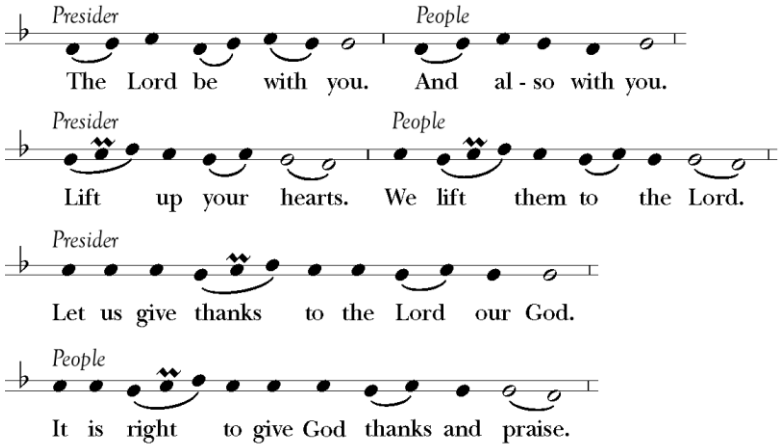
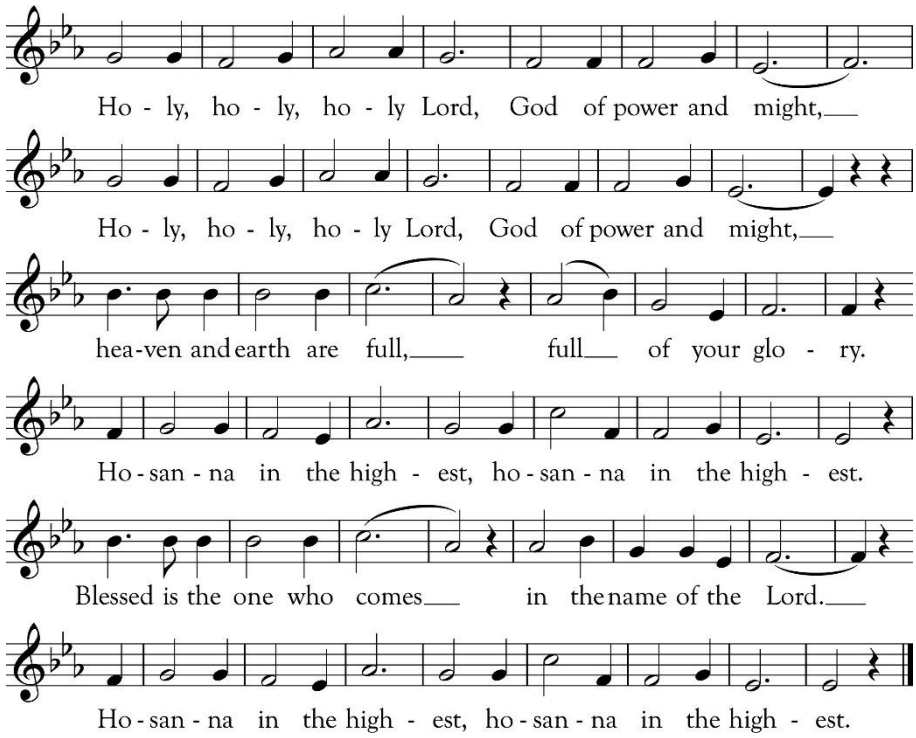


It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

Sanctus **S #130**



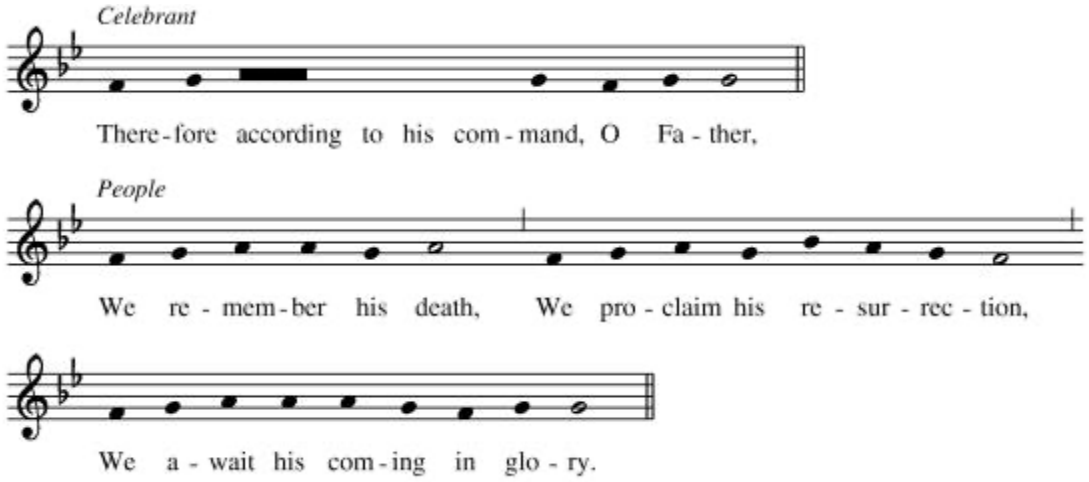
You may stand, kneel, or sit as is your custom.

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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 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."



And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 St. Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, 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 God, now and for ever.



The Lord's Prayer

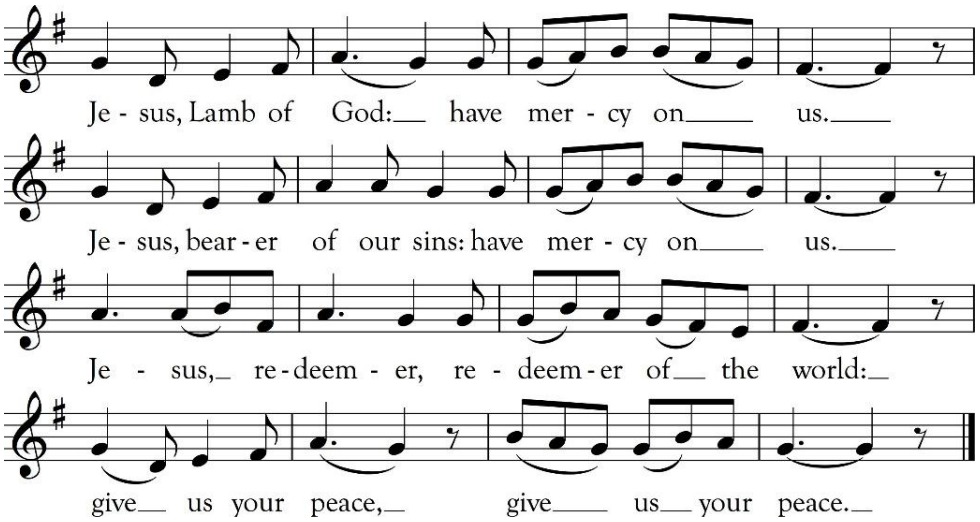
Presider: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Everyone: **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 Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

The Fraction Anthem **S #164**



Presider: The 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.

This is the Lord's Table. All are welcome. Bread is received with open hands, standing or kneeling as able. Those preferring a blessing may indicate by crossing their arms. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.
Please do not intinct (dip) the bread into the cup - it's more sanitary to sip.

The Prayer of Spiritual Reception

For those who are worshipping online and unable to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn "Let all mortal flesh keep silence" **H #324**

The Post-Communion Prayer

You may stand, kneel, or sit as you are comfortable.

Presider: Let us pray.

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

Please stand, as you are comfortable.

Presider: May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. **Amen.**

May he whose second coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. **Amen.**

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Recessional Hymn

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed " **H #616**

The Postlude

Hail to the Lord's Anointed --Steve Wente

Thank you for worshipping with us at St. Paul's Church. You are always welcome here, whether you join us in person, on YouTube, or in prayer, or through our other ministries. We strive to love our neighbors as ourselves and respect the dignity of every person. We celebrate our unity in Christ while honoring our differences, always putting the work of love before uniformity of opinion.

All are welcome to find community at St. Paul's Church.
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2nd Reader:	Carrie Fischer	Alaina Emerson
Intercessor:	Brandon Johnson	Xavier & Monica Mitchell
Thurifer:		
Crucifer:	Chris Mitchell	
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Audio/Visual:	John O'Brien	
Usher(s):	Rhonda Wolfe	
Altar Guild:	Kathy & Bob Streepey	Kathy & Bob Streepey
Monday Teller:	Susan Maguire and Cindy Scroggins	Conny Quinlan
Coffee & Conversation:	Kathy and Bob Streepey	December Birthdays & Anniversaries
Announcements:	Brandon Johnson	Jamie Elkin
Building Closer:	Rachael Hamilton	David Bryant

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Here's What's Happening!

Thurs., Nov. 26: **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

Parish Office Closed Friday, Nov. 27

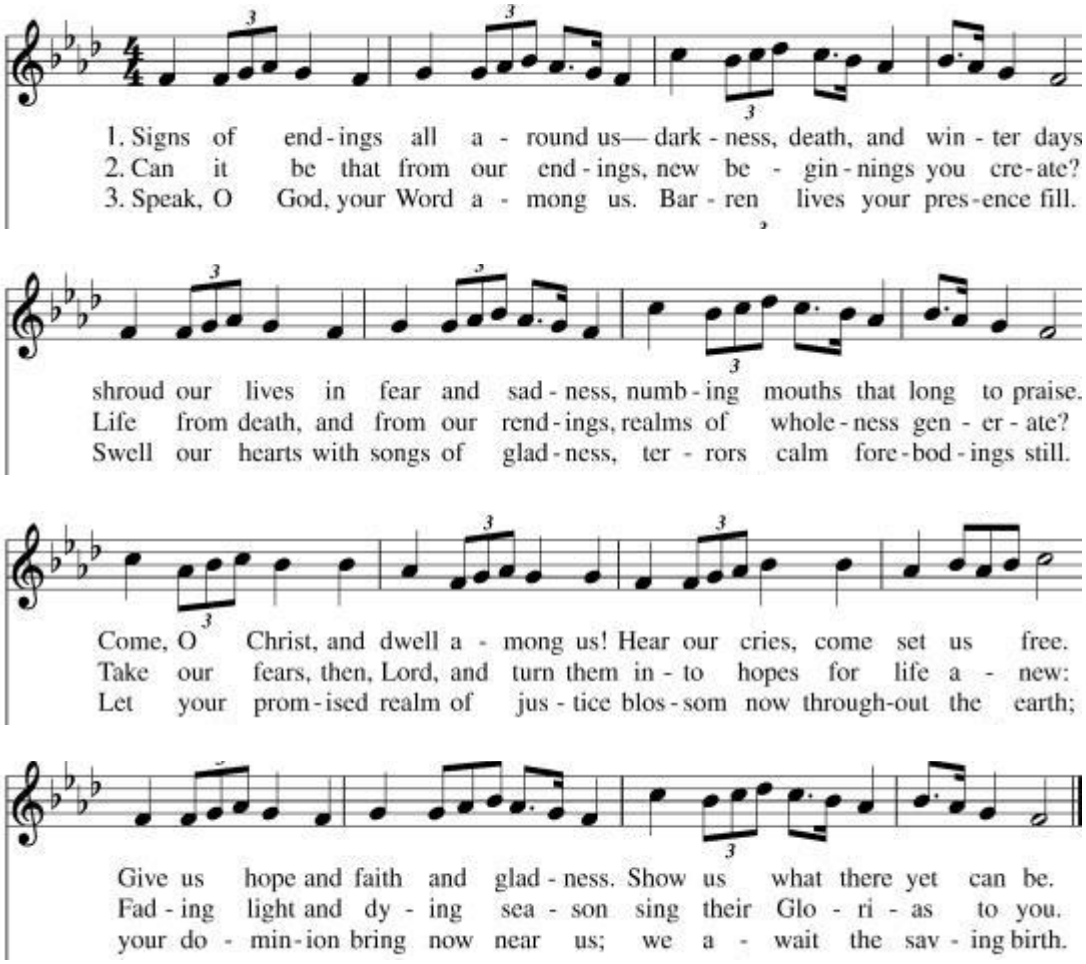
Fri., Nov. 27:	Shepherd's Kitchen Team 2	6:00-7:00 pm	Carriage House
Sun. Nov. 29:	**First Sunday in Advent**	**8:00 am & 10:00 am 1:00 pm**	**St. Paul's, New Albany St. Paul's, Jeffersonville**
	Choir Rehearsal	9:00 am	Choir Room
	Coffee & Conversation	11:15 am	Carriage House

Parish Office Closed Mon, Nov. 30-Friday, Dec. 4

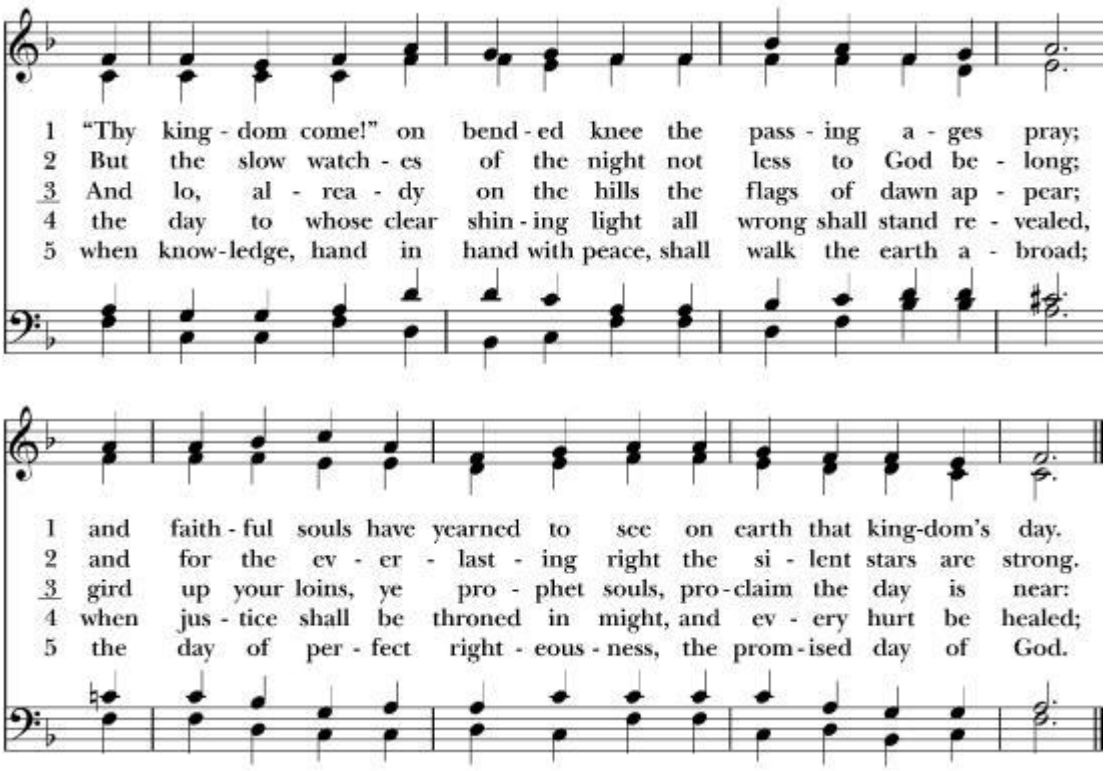
Mon., Nov. 30:	Connections Committee	6:00 pm	El Nopal, State St.
Tues., Dec. 1:	Uncorked Spirituality	7:00 pm	Wine Shop 410 Pearl St.
Wed., Dec. 2:	Midweek Advent Service	12:00 pm	St. Paul's, New Albany
	Shepherd's Kitchen "Uplift Them, Inc."	6:00-7:00 pm	Carriage House
	Bell Rehearsal	6:00-7:00 pm	Church
	Choir Rehearsal	7:00-8:00 pm	Choir Room
Thurs. Dec. 3:	Young Adult Group	5:30 pm	Parish House Parlor
Fri., Dec. 4:	Shepherd's Kitchen Team 3	6:00-7:00 pm	Carriage House
Sat., Dec. 5:	Crafting Circle	1:00-3:00 pm	Parish House Parlor
	Private Event	4:00-8:00pm	Parish House
Sun. Dec. 6:	**Second Sunday in Advent**	**8:00 am & 10:00 am 1:00 pm**	**St. Paul's, New Albany St. Paul's, Jeffersonville**
	Choir Rehearsal	9:00 am	Choir Room
	Coffee & Conversation	11:15 am	Carriage House
Wed., Dec. 9:	Midweek Advent Service	12:00 pm	St. Paul's, New Albany
	Shepherd's Kitchen "Uplift Them, Inc."	6:00-7:00 pm	Carriage House
	Bell Rehearsal	6:00-7:00 pm	Church
	Choir Rehearsal	7:00-8:00 pm	Choir Room
Fri., Dec. 11:	Shepherd's Kitchen Team 4	6:00-7:00 pm	Carriage House
Sun. Dec. 13:	**Third Sunday in Advent**	**8:00 am & 10:00 am 1:00 pm**	**St. Paul's, New Albany St. Paul's, Jeffersonville**
	Choir Rehearsal	9:00 am	Choir Room
	Coffee & Conversation	11:15 am	Carriage House

ALL ARE WELCOME!

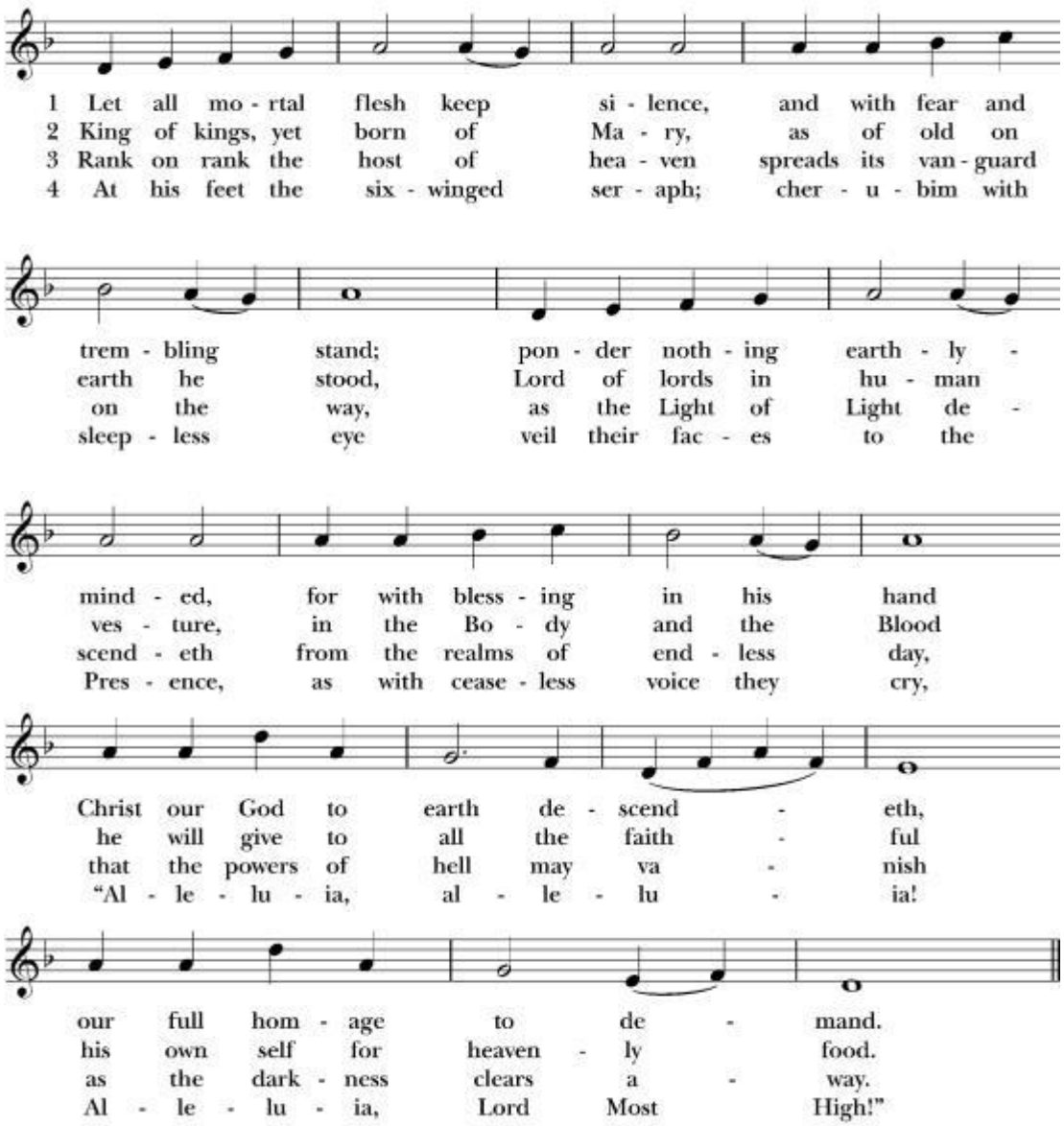
Processional Hymn WLP #721



Sequence Hymn H #615



Communion Hymn H #324



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