

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday December 19, 2021
8:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary • 9:30 a.m. Online

Opening Hymn • 56 • O Come • Verse 4 & 5

The Word of God

Celebrant: Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant: 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 Trisagion

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Reading — Micah 5:2-5a

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Micah.

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,
who are one of the little clans of Judah,

from you shall come forth for me
one who is to rule in Israel,

whose origin is from of old,
from ancient days.

Therefore he shall give them up until the time
when she who is in labor has brought forth;

then the rest of his kindred shall return
to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord,
in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.

And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great
to the ends of the earth;

and he shall be the one of peace.

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

Canticle 15 The Song of Mary *Luke 1:46-55*

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; *
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed: *
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him *
in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, *

he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *
and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel, *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,

The promise he made to our fathers, *
to Abraham and his children for ever.

The Second Reading **Hebrews 10:5-10**

A Reading from the Book of Hebrews.

Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure.

Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

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

Gospel Gradual Hymn • 72• Verse 1

The Gospel **Luke 1:39-46**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Luke.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.
When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."
And Mary said,

> "My soul magnifies the Lord,
> and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
> for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.

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

Gospel Gradual Hymn • 72 • Verse 2

The Sermon **The Rev. Edwin F Wills, Jr**

The Nicene Creed

(Stand as you are able)

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 **Form III**

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
People: **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
People: **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; remembering especially Ed our Priest in Residence, Bob our Bishop, and Michael our Presiding Bishop;
People: **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People: **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People: **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People: **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest.
People: **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People: **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. We remember especially those on our prayer list. Healing of body, mind and spirit for: Janice, Marilyn, Webb, David, Shane, Linda, David, Scott, Alicia, Helen, Sataya, Will, Elaine, Puana, and The Reverend George Lee and the Lee family. We pray that you bring people together in worship. Enliven your church and bless Michael our musician, our clergy, and lay leadership. We pray for our sibling Episcopal congregations on Kauaʻi: St. John and St. Paul, West Kauaʻi; St. Michael & All Angels, Līhuʻe; and All Saints, Kapaʻa; and for all of the churches on the North Shore. We pray for our own congregation of Christ Memorial, Kilauea – those present, online, and absent – that all of us together may be united in your ministry and that we all may be one.

(The People are invited to offer their own petitions at this time silently or aloud.)

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin
Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

The Absolution

Celebrant: 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
(Stand as you are able)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn: Music

Doxology *(Hawaiian)*

Ho'o-na-ni i ka Ma-ku-a mau,
Ke kei-ki me ka U-ha-ne no,
Ke Aku-a mau Ho'o-mai-ka'i pu,
Ko ke-ia ao, ko ke-la ao. Amene.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: 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:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all.

He 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 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 King Kamehameha IV, Queen Emma, Queen Lili'uokalani and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

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

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

E ko mākou Makua i loko o ka lani, E ho'āno 'ia Kou inoa, E hiki mai Kou aupuni, E mālama 'ia Kou makemake ma ka honua nei.

E like me 'ia i mālama'ia ma ka lani lā. E kala mai ho'i iā

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.

mākou i kā mākou lawehala ’ana, Me mākou e kala nei i ka po'e i lawehala i kā mākou.

Mai ho’oku’u ’oe iā mākou i ka ho’owalewale ’ia mai, E ho’opakele nō na’e iā mākou i ka ’ino. No ka mea, No uke apuni, a me ka mana, a me ka ho’onani ’ia a mau loa aku.

AMENE.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: 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.

Communion Hymn: Music

The Ministration of Communion

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant 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

Closing Hymn • 59 •

The Dismissal

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


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Friday,
December 24
9:00 PM
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