

**ADVENT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
3760 Dover Center Road
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November 2, 2025

10:00 a.m.

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

All Saints Sunday

Holy Eucharist – Rite II – The Word of God

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL Hymn #287 For All the Saints

OPENING SALUTATION & RESPONSE

BCP 355

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant 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.

All standing, sing

THE GLORIA

BCP 356

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

2025 Necrology List

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For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen

The Celebrant says to the people

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 245

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The people sit

READING Ecclesiasticus 44:1-10,13-14

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

PSALM Psalm 149

BCP 807

- ¹ Hallelujah!
Sing to the Lord a new song;*
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
- ² Let Israel rejoice in his Maker;*
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
- ³ Let them praise his Name in the dance;*
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.
- ⁴ For the Lord takes pleasure in his people*
and adorns the poor with victory.
- ⁵ Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;*
let them be joyful on their beds.
- ⁶ Let the praises of God be in their throat*
and a two-edged sword in their hand;

- ⁷ To wreak vengeance on the nations*
and punishment on the peoples;
⁸ To bind their kings in chains*
and their nobles with links of iron;
⁹ To inflict on them the judgment decreed;*
this is glory for all his faithful people.
Hallelujah!

Psalm Response (sing)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen. Amen.*

READING Revelation 7:2-4, 9-17 Pew Bible 1291

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL PROCESSION #686 Come, Thou Fount of Every
Blessing (v. 1 & 2)**

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore Thee;
May I still Thy goodness prove
Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:
Prone to Lord, no longer tarry,
Take my leave the God I love,
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

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

soon the storms of time shall cease;
in God's likeness we awaken,
knowing everlasting peace.

Oh, what glory, far exceeding
all that eye has yet perceived!
Holiest hearts for ages pleading
never that full joy conceived.
God has promised, Christ prepares it;
there on high our welcome waits.
Ev'ry humble spirit shares it.
Christ has passed th'eternal gates.

Life eternal! Heav'n rejoices:
Jesus lives who once was dead.
Shout with joy, O deathless voices!
Child of God, lift up your head!
Life eternal! Oh, what wonders
crowd on faith: what joy unknown,
when amid earth's closing thunders,
saints shall stand before the throne!

THE DISMISSAL

BCP 366

POSTLUDE

Blest are they, the lowly ones
They shall inherit the earth
Blest are they, who hunger and thirst
They shall have their fill*

Blest are they who show mercy
Mercy shall be theirs
Blest are they, the pure of heart
They shall see God*

Blest are they who seek peace
They are the children of God
Blest are they who suffer in faith
The glory of God is theirs*

Blest are you who suffer hate
All because of me
Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom
Shine for all to see*

The Celebrant says Let us pray.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *(said by all)* **BCP 365**

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

RECESSIONAL Sing with All the Saints In Glory

Sing with all the saints in glory,
sing the resurrection song!
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,
to the former days belong.
All around the clouds are breaking;

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL **Matthew 5:1-12** **Pew Bible 1010**

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

#686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (v3)

Oh, that day when freed from sinning,
I shall see Thy lovely face;
Clothed then in the blood-washed linen
How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace!
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry,
Take my ransom'd soul away;
Send Thine angels soon to carry
Me to realms of endless day.

SERMON

Pastor Paul Laursen

NICENE CREED **(all standing)**

BCP 358

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 **BCP 388, Form 4**

Leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
 Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be
 united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your
 glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of
 justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the
 common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation,
 that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to
 your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that
 we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

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 **BCP 364**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread

<i>Celebrant</i>	Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
<i>People</i>	<i>Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.</i>
<i>Celebrant</i>	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.

* *All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion.
 For those not yet baptized (or for baptized visitors who do not
 wish to receive the Sacrament), you may come to the altar rail
 and cross your arms; the priest will be happy to pray a prayer
 of blessings.* * *Administration of Communion:*

- *Please follow usher's directions to altar rail.*
- *The consecrated bread is offered with the words,
 "The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven." (Amen).*
- *The intinction cup is offered with the words,
 "The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation," (Amen).*

* *You may dip your bread in the intinction cup* * *Intercessory Prayer is available at the
 back of the Sanctuary*

COMMUNION HYMNS

Blest Are They

Blest are they, the poor in spirit
 Theirs is the kingdom of God
 Blest are they, full of sorrow
 They shall be consoled*

* Refrain: Rejoice and be glad
 Blessed are you; holy are you
 Rejoice and be glad
 Yours is the Kingdom of God

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.

The Memorial Acclamation (Sing)

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again (2Xs)

The Celebrant continues

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 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.

The Great Amen (sing) ***Amen. Amen. Amen. (2Xs)***

*Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,*

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Necrology

Silence will be kept

Our Father in heaven,

We pray with open hearts and minds to know your will for us.

Reveal to us the initiatives we should take:

For nourishing ourselves with your Word; for supporting each other in Christian fellowship; for taking the Gospel to outside communities; and for loving and serving others in the power of your Spirit. We are grateful for the pastoral encouragement you have provided us in this season. We are grateful for our lay leadership in their shouldering of extra burdens. Lord, we ask that you lay bare the hearts of this congregation, and open each one of us to every new day. Open us to what you have for our future as a new church family in Christ.

Amen.

O Lord, God of our fathers, your Advent people have stood steadfast in the truth of Your Word. We have strived to be the beacon of light in our corner of this world, guiding others to you. We stand before you crying out to you. We know this battle belongs to You Lord. We cannot do this ourselves. As we walk on the path you have set before us, we sing your praises and give you thanks Lord! We know that you will show us the way. Amen.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

BCP 360

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

Celebrant 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.

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

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Celebrant and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself
for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

PRESENTATION OF ALMS & OBLATIONS

PREPARATION OF ELEMENTS

DOXOLOGY

The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

The people remain standing. The Celebrant says

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 him thanks and praise.**

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

Who, in the multitude of thy saints, hast compassed us about with
so great a cloud of witnesses, that we, rejoicing in their fellowship,
may run with patience the race that is set before us; and, together
with them, may receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away.

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:

Celebrant and People

The Sanctus (sing) Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. (2Xs)
Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. (2Xs)

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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.