

The Third Sunday of Advent December 15, 2024 10:30 am





We're so glad you chose to be here at Resurrection today.

Whether you're here for the first time, or are a life-long member, Resurrection is a hopeful, healing, transformation-minded kind of place, a place where everyone is welcome and can grow their relationship with God and with one another.

If you *are* here for the first time (or if you just haven't gotten around to it yet), please fill out a pew card and put it in the offering plate or scan the QR code to let us know you were here. To receive our weekly email bulletin, be sure to include your email address. And let us know if you would like to connect with our parish life and ministries; we're happy to help you find your spot!



Online Visitor Card

Our services follow *The Book of Common Prayer*, the red book in your pew rack. If you'd like to use the book to follow the service, we begin on page 355. Unless otherwise marked, our hymns are from the *Hymnal 1982*, the blue books in the pew rack.

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If you can't make it here in person, join us at 10:30, live on Facebook!





### HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

### THE WORD OF GOD

**Introit** 

**Entrance Hymn** 

Tell out my soul

Hymnal 437

All standing, the Celebrant says

**BCP 355** 

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for

ever. Amen.

Station at the Advent Wreath

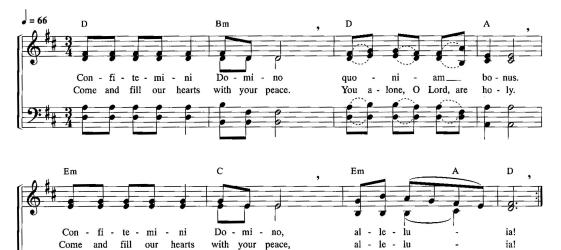
Celebrant Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Celebrant O God, make speed to save us.

People O God, make haste to help us.

### Sing through 3 times



### We prepare for our time together.

We take our places and allow the peaceful quiet to center and calm us.

The bold portions

are the parts the congregation says together. Remember that "liturgy" means worshipping together. It is important that we make our responses in a good, strong voice.

### The Collect of the Day

is written to go along with both the season of the church year and the readings for the day. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scripture for the day.

Reading and commenting on scripture goes back to the earliest services of Christianity. Following the pattern of Jewish synagogue worship, readings follow a set pattern for what will be read when. This is known as a lectionary.

We respond to each reading: the **Psalm** is our response to the Old Testament, in the second service, the hymn is our sung response to the **Epistle** (the second reading), and the sermon and creed are our response to the **Gospel**.

### The Collect of the Day

**BCP 212** 

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

People Celebrant

Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen**.

### The Lessons

### The First Lesson: Zephaniah 3:14-20

*Lector* A reading from the Book of Zephaniah

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem!

The Lord has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies.

The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more.

On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak.

The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory;

he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love;

he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival.

I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it.

I will deal with all your oppressors at that time.

And I will save the lame and gather the outcast,

and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you;

for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth,

when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

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

**Canticle 9,** The First Song of Isaiah

**BCP 86** 

*Lector* We will read the Canticle in unison.

Surely, it is God who saves me; \*
I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \* and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \* from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, \*
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; \* see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \* and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \* for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Meaning literally "a letter," the name **Epistle** was given to the first of the two New Testament readings in the eucharist. The majority of these passages are taken from the epistolary literature of the New Testament, such as the letters of Paul to communities of Christians in various places.

We stand to indicate the importance we place of Jesus' words and actions. The **Gospel** book comes into the midst of the people and all turn toward the reader.

### The Epistle: Philippians 4:4-7

Lector A reading from Paul's Letter to the

Philippians

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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

Sequence Hymn

Rejoice! Rejoice, believers

Hymnal 68

### The Gospel Lesson: Luke 3:7-18

All stand

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire."

And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages."

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

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

**Sermon** The Rev. Canon Michael Spear-Jones

A **Sermon** or a shorter teaching called a homily follows the Gospel. Since 1549, a sermon has been required at every Eucharist service.

### The Nicene Creed

**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 P

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

Originally the entire service was viewed as our confession of faith. But, since the Sixth Century, the church has recited the Nicene Creed at the Eucharist. The word creed comes from the Latin credo for "I believe."

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

Let our hearts and minds be stirred as we pray to God for the peace that passes understanding, and rejoice in the gift of Christ, saying, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For peace in the church: May we intensify our efforts at peace-making with the separated churches, that peace may prevail over conflict, and that we may be reconciled into one family, exercising one baptism, one eucharist, and one common ministry in its many forms. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

For peace in the world: May conflicts cease, may refugees and survivors find new homes and the spirit to begin again. May wounds be healed, losses grieved, and honorable deeds remembered. May grace abound in all lands and may the lion and the lamb lie content. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

For this assembly: That the world might know us by our love. Help us with the grievances we harbor within our families and communitites and among our co-workers and friends. Help us build trust and teach us forgiveness that we might know reconciliation in your love. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

For peace where we live, work and play, and for peace within ourselves: May the noises in and around us diminish so that we can hear the quiet sounds of Creation. And grant us time and space to listen for you, our heart's true desire.

Our prayers change each week, along with the lectionary. Please feel free to add those on your heart, either silently or aloud, at the appropriate place.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For all those who suffer, may we be messengers of hope, peace, and healing. Especially we pray for all those who have sought our prayers, for Aaron; Sarah; Killian; Frances & Becky; Stephen; the Hentchel family; Maurie; and all your children who suffer the effects of war, oppression, or natural disasters.

The congregation may add their petitions or thanksgivings.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For those who are gone and beyond our reach, fill the empty spots in our hearts and souls with the reassurance of your love for them and fill them also with the hope of our reuniting someday in your eternal kingdom. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

O Lord, fill our minds and hearts with everything that is good and loving and worthy of thanksgiving and praise, everything that comes to us under the sign of your peace and in the name of Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

### **Confession of Sin**

**BCP 359** 

The Celebrant says to the people
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People together, all kneeling

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, The Prayers of the People are followed by the Confession of Sin. We ask God's forgiveness for things done and things left undone. Private confession is not required in our church. However, for those particularly in need of unburdening themselves of past wrongs, private confession is offered. It can be an especially comforting way to turn away from past wrongs

and set out on a new path. But most of the time we only need this time of prayer together as a community to recall our sins and to ask for God's forgiveness.

The **Peace**, is a very ancient way for people to greet one another. When the celebrant says: "The Peace of the Lord be always with you," everyone responds: "And also with you." Then we share God's peace with one another

### The Liturgy of the Table

Now we come to the second part of the service with the Liturgy of the Table. It is based on Jewish Fellowship meals, particularly the Passover observance. But this second half of the service is not communion in and

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 Celebrant says

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 BCP 360

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you

People And also with you.

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

Announcements & Blessings Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2* 

### **Offertory Anthem**

The Celebrant invites the people's offerings

### **Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

## Parish Announcements

This center section of your bulletin is for you to tear out & take home with you. Keep the announcements, prayer lists, calendars, & Diocesan news on hand all week!

#### CHRISTMAS ALTAR FLOWERS

Donations for Christmas flowers can be made to the office or in the offering plate through Dec 22.

If your donation is in honor or memory of a loved one, please be sure to note their name on your check or envelope.

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE**

This Christmas we're bringing back our Lessons & Carols service on Christmas Eve. It's just what it sounds like: a short candlelight service with readings from scripture, each followed by a carol.

We'll have five readings - and anyone is welcome to sign up to read them. No lector experience is required! Just stop by the Parish Hall and pick your spot on the sign up sheet.

ALSO: Lay servers, please let me know how you'd like to serve for Christmas, too. The sign up sheet includes all our regular roles!

### ANNUAL PAPER BAG PAGEANT Today, 4:00 pm

We invite you to Resurrection's annual Christmas party with our guests from Adult Community Training (ACT). We'll gather in the Parish Hall at 4:00 pm this evening.

Each year we welcome our guests to join us for dinner, a simple pageant for all to participate in, carols, and a visit from Santa. If you've never been, it's a must for your holiday calendar! A long-time favorite, the pageant is always fun, usually touching, frequently funny, this evening is one of Resurrection's best offerings of the year.

### **CELEBRATING TODAY**

Today we welcome The Rev. Canon Michael Spear-Jones to Resurrection. Please greet him this morning with all your warm hospitality.

### THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

Aaron; Sarah; Killian; Frances & Becky; Stephen; the Hentchel family; Maurie; and all who suffer the violence of war and political unrest.

#### **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

12/4 - Ruth Hennessy

12/11 - Gregg & Rosemary Kitts

12/12 - David St. John

12/17 - Jerry Ploeger

12/18- Jenny Lucas

12/22 - Paul & Jeanette Fiebke Will & Nancy Heathcote

12/23 - Vicky St. John

12/24 - David Baumgardner

12/25 - Keytha Graves

12/26 - Jessica Harper Michael Mott

12/27 - Rame Coombes

12/30 - Mel Hines

#### **CONTINUED PRAYER LIST**

Claire Sandy Rob & Sherry Cheri

Jane Shannon

Jim Mel

Wayne Diana N.
Jack Ashley
Raynella Ed & Jean

Kim E. Joe Beverly Grace

Virginia Bob & Betty Anne

Rame & Janey Johnny

Karen H.

#### **DIOCESAN PRAYERS**

St. Andrew's - Harriman, TN Mediator - Kyle, SD

### For Your Calendars

Acolyte: EM: Lector: Usher:

Mark Smith Judy Egan Dawson Hope Drew Hawley & Keytha Graves Bill Schwindt & Dave St. John

Counters:

David Baumgardner

Chancellor: Coffee Host:

Elizabeth & Steve **Botica** 

**Altar Guild:** 

Jenny Lucas & Dianna Stimpson Betty Martin

Flower Guild: Video:

Monty Ross

Check the table in the Parish Hall for Christmas Eve & Christmas Day sign up sheets!

Dec 22nd

Acolyte: **Monty Ross** EM:

n/a Bill Perry

Lector: Usher: Art Stewart & Garry Lucas Ginny Tolbert & Monty Ross Counters:

Neldá Griffith **Betsy Schwindt** 

Chancellor: Coffee Host: **Altar Guild:** 

Flower Guild: Video:

**Bev Baumgardner Bob Cantine** 

Acolyte: EM:

**Dawson Hope** 

Lector: Usher:

Alice Anderson Andy Hadjian & Drew Hawley

Counters:

Alice Anderson & Carolyn Parker Betsy Schwindt

Chancellor: Coffee Host: Altar Guild: Flower Guild:

Jenny Lucas Beverly Baumgardner Judy Hadjian &

Kathleen Bailey Mark Blakley

Video:

### **Next Week at Resurrection**

Monday, 12/16

6:00pm - Vestry Meeting 7:00pm - AA (open meeting)

Tuesday, 12/17

6:00pm Lions Club Christmas Dinner

Wednesday, 12/18

6:30pm - Advent Study Zoom

Sunday, 12/22

8:00am - Morning Prayer Service 10:30am - Morning Prayer Service

Email office@episcopalloudon.com to have your ministry or committee's activities or meetings added to the parish calendar (and to let us know if you'd like it to appear here).

### **COMING UP...**

Dec 24:

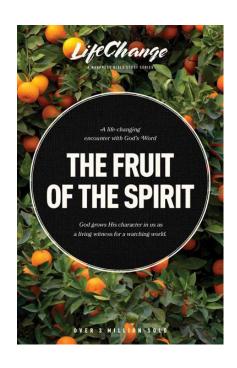
Christmas Eve Eucharist

with Lessons & Carols

Dec 25: Dec 24-Jan 2:

Merry Christmas! Office Closed

### Check it out!



### **New Year Bible Study Offering**

Beginning Wednesday, January 8th, Tony Adams will facilitate a Bible study offering on The Fruit of the Spirit. If you wish to participate, please contact Tony at (423) 884-3024 or adamsaj@aol.com.

Book Overview: The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Jesus displayed these excellent qualities throughout his life on earth, because they reflect the character of God himself. And from the moment you received Jesus as your Savior and Lord, that "fruit" has gradually and increasingly begun to appear in your life. This study helps you recognize these truths and how you

can increasingly allow the Holy Spirit to work through you to bear good fruit in all walks of your life.

In this topical Bible study, we will look at each fruit of the Spirit one session at a time in the order that Paul presents them. Each session will focus on one key passage of scripture that fully describes the fruit being considered.

We'll meet on Zoom, on Wednesday mornings at 11:00 am for 10 sessions (January 8 - March 19, excluding Ash Wednesday).

You may order a copy of the book if desired, but it isn't necessary. Handouts will be provided by Tony, and come from the study book. You will need a bible (some are available in the parish hall library, if needed.)

praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

of itself. It is the whole service, both parts, that make up the Eucharist.

# The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

### The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People
Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

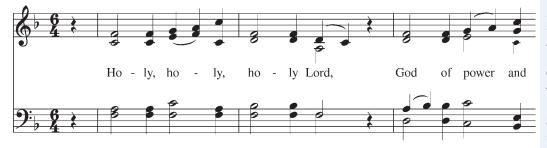
### Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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 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:

### Celebrant and People



From the Latin for "holy," the **Sanctus** is a hymn of adoration and praise based on the song of the seraphim as recorded in Isaiah's vision of the Lord in the year King Uzziah died.



When we gather together we remember Jesus. Through repeating the words and actions of Jesus' last meal with his disciples, we ourselves join the story and make it our own. We don't just watch the drama or

### 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.

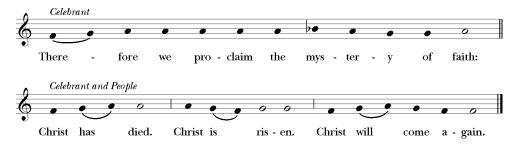
The people stand or kneel, and the celebrant continues

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."

### **Memorial Acclamation**

**Hymnal S133** 



#### 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.

### Hymnal S-147



listen to it unfold, but we enter into the story as we too take the bread and wine and eat and drink. While the bread and wine remain the bread and wine, they are not unchanged. The significance of the bread and wine for those partaking of them changes radically. Though they remain ordinary bread and wine, the elements of communion become the outward signs of inward grace. That grace, or gift from God is Jesus' real presence in the Eucharist through the power of the Holy Spirit.

### The Lord's Prayer

follows in either traditional or contemporary language. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection. In the Lord's Prayer we ask for daily bread meaning the things we need to get through each day. But as a part of that, the bread also symbolizes God's presence, which is something that is also essential to our getting through the day.

We partake in the Eucharist and are spiritually nourished, but it is not for our benefit alone. Communion enables us to return to the world with renewed vigor for proclaiming the Gospel in our words and in our lives. In the Eucharist, Christ's presence both nourishes us and challenges us.

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

### Celebrant and People

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.

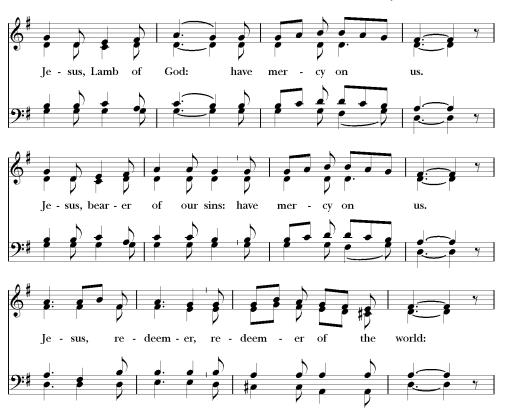
### The Breaking of the Bread

**BCP 364** 

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

### **Fraction Anthem**

### Hymnal S-154





### The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### Communion of the Faithful

We encourage you to come forward to receive Holy Communion as you feel comfortable. Remain seated, and the usher will direct you forward to the communion rail. After receiving communion, please return to your seat by the side aisle, so that traffic flows one way.

If you would prefer communion be brought to you at your seat, please let an usher know and, as always, we will be happy to do so. If you prefer not to receive communion, please cross your arms over your chest as a sign that you prefer a blessing.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen**. The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen**.

### Communion Hymn

Compline

Hymnal 43

### **Post Communion Prayer**

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

### Celebrant and People

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the

### **Receiving Communion**

All are welcome at God's table. Hold out your hands and you will be given the bread. For now, wine is available both in individual cups and from the chalice. Please partake in the way you feel comfortable. Gluten-free wafers are available by request.

You have fully received communion if you receive either the bread or the wine.

#### **Post Communion**

**Prayer** - a prayer of thanksgiving after communion that also seeks God's help for Christian service.

This prayer expresses the transition of the Christian's attention from the mystery of sacramental participation to the engagement of Christian ministry. spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

# WE GO INTO GOD'S WORLD The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people.

**Postcommunion Hymn** *Hark! The glad sound* 

Hymnal 72

Dismissal - The Eucharist is not an exclusive gathering that separates us from the world, but a challenge to reach out beyond our own church to the world around us in thanksgiving for all God's good and gracious gifts.

The Dismissal

**BCP 366** 

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

You are invited to stay following worship for coffee and snacks, and to connect with other parishioners and clergy in the Parish Hall.

### **Today's Art**



Éclat
2015
Gill Sakakini
British
Acrylic on board
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"Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem!" Zephaniah 3:14

### Éclat, displayed at The Art of Mary exhibition, Southwell Minster in January 2016

As quoted in an article Contemporary Marian Visions by Pat Ashworth in The Church Times, "Gill Sakakini's Mary...is an athletic, muscular girl, knees bent, arms outstretched, almost flying in abandon as she hears the news" (of the annunciation).

https://www.gillsakakini.com/gallery.html

Gill Sakakini is a Pioneer Priest in the Arts in the Diocese of Bath & Wells in Somerset, England. To see more of Ms. Sakakini's work, learn more about her art, and see what she has going on, please visit her website: www.gillsakakini.com.

One of her offerings is a book (and a course) called *Imaging the Story*, which follows the contours of the salvation story through the lens of the arts. Putting visual art and poetry in conversation with the Bible, it seeks to engage the imagination. Rather than analyzing the narrative, the reader is invited to behold it and respond to it through "making"--either verbally or visually.

Whether following it as a group or reading it alone, this course book will appeal to anyone with an interest in the salvation story and the arts. It is particularly for those who feel permission is needed to pick up a paintbrush--or any other creative medium--just for the love of it. See more at **www.imagingthestory.com.** 

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Thank you for joining us today! We hope to see you again soon.

We invite you to join us for worship at 8:00 or 10:30 am each Sunday. If you can't make it in person, join us at 10:30, live on Facebook! facebook.com/episcopalloudon

- Curious about the Episcopal Church?
- Wonder why we do what we do?
- Questions about what we believe and how we worship?

Great information is available at episcopalchurch.org.

- Questions about our service?
  Curious about Church of the Resurrection?
- Wondering how we're being the church in these days?

We welcome you to visit us at our website or call us at the number below.

