



Digital Bulletin
November 29, 2020 9:00 AM
First Sunday of Advent

Prelude “Le Bon Berger (Shepherd of Israel)”

Dom Paul Benoît

Welcome & Introduction

Opening Hymn “O Come, O come, Emmanuel” (vs. 1, 2 &3)

Hymn 56

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!

2. O come, thou Wisdom from on high,
who orderest all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show,
and teach us in her ways to go.

Refrain

3. O come, O come, thou Lord of might,
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times didst give the law,
in cloud, and majesty, and awe.

Refrain

Book of Common Prayer Pg. 355

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

People **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Officiant 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.**

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Kyrie eleison, “Lord, have mercy”

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant 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.

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.

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

Qui regis Israel

- 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

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.

The Gospel

Officiant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Mark 13:24-37

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

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

Sermon Rev. Matt Holcombe

Meditation "Breath of Heaven (Mary's Song)", by Amy Grant and Chris Eaton

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.

Advent 2020 Prayers of the People

(to have a name added to the prayers of the people please contact The Rev. Judi Sato)

O God, our Emmanuel, we live these days in continual hope. We offer our prayers confident of your faithfulness to us and all creation.

Silence

We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Kym, our Bishop, Matt and Judi, our priests, and Gary our deacon, that they may seek truth and lead with love.

Silence

We pray for all the world, national and community leaders.

Silence

We pray for those who serve and work beyond the walls of comfort and safety. We pray for first responders and all who put their lives before others. And we pray for our deployed military: Gary, Vince, and Danielle.

Silence

We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Gail B., Garrett, Rhona, Cade and Marcy. And those celebrating Anniversaries: Steve and Sue Caruthers.

Silence

We pray for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; Ji-bril, Laura, Miles, Ashleigh, Tom, Cheryl, Sue H., Reuben, Gael, Cindy, Tyler, Austen, Christine, Emily, Bev, Alvin, Cory, Patty, Chuck, Betty, and Roger.

Silence

We remember those who have died, we remember Caroline Brown, Charlie Brown's mother, and join our hearts with those who grieve.

Silence

Gracious God, grant us strength and vision to prepare a place for you within our own hearts and within our shared life in this faith community, that we may love and serve the world beyond our walls.

The Confession

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 360

Officiant 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.**

Officiant 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 Digital Peace (You are encouraged to use your cell phone to exchange the peace via text message)

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The Doxology “Praise God from whom all blessings flow”

Hymnal 380, st. 3

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer B

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 367

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Officiant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Officiant 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... 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: *Saying together*

**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 continues: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation;... Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant continues: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving... Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, (The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 369)

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

*Communion can be picked up at St. Michael's every Sunday 10:30 – 12:00 PM.
If you wish to have Communion delivered to your home, please sign up on the website.*

Post Spiritual Communion Prayer

Lord of the Feast,
thank you for feeding us with the
spiritual Body and Blood of Christ.
May we be reminded of the many times
we have been fed at your table,
always being drawn closer to you
in the breaking of the bread.
We acknowledge your presence among us,
just as you were present with your disciples.
May your Holy Spirit continue to strengthen us
to live, learn, and love beyond our walls.
For the sake of your love in our lives,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Final Blessing

Final Hymn: “God rest you merry, gentlemen,”

Hymn 105

1. God rest you merry, gentlemen,
let nothing you dismay;
remember Christ our Savior
was born on Christmas Day,
to save us all from Satan's power
when we were gone astray.

Refrain:

O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy!

2. From God our heavenly Father
a blessed angel came
and unto certain shepherds
brought tidings of the same:
how that in Bethlehem was born
Son of God by name. **Refrain**

3. “Fear not, then,” said the angel,
“Let nothing you affright;
this day is born a Savior
of a pure virgin bright,
to free all those who trust in him
from Satan's power and might.” **Refrain**

4. Now to the Lord sing praises,
all you within this place,
and with true love and charity
each other now embrace;
this holy tide of Christmas
doth bring redeeming grace. **Refrain**

Dismissal

Postlude: “Jubilate Deo Omnis Terra (Be joyful in the Lord)

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Parish Announcements:

- To view all the weekly announcements please view the **Weekly eNews** emailed every Friday at 6:00 AM. Included are new events, links, and exciting information about what is happening at St. Michael’s. To be added to the email list call the church office or email support@stmikeschurch.com
- “Got Lights?” We are gearing up for a new Christmas offering and Light Show at St. Michaels during the month of December on select days. We are looking for donated NEW or used/working Christmas Lights AND extension cords that you don’t need/want. Drop off at the church office in one of the clear bins outside the office at your earliest convenience. Thank you!

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