



## ADVENT TWO

# HOLY EUCHARIST STREAMING SERVICE

## DECEMBER 6, 2020

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*Worship is like art, it is a representation of the relationship of God, community, and self. So, if it is an art, we should use our imagination and body. First, get ready. Turn off distractions and give the whole time to something greater than ourselves. Second, light a candle, place art, or arrange flowers near your screen. During the prelude breathe deeply and stretch your body. During the service: stand, sit, kneel, make the sign of the cross, and bow. Lastly, find something 'artistic' and not-distracting to do with your hands to keep the tactile part of this blessing real in your body.*

*Congregation shares in saying the words in bold.*

*The people standing, as each is able, the Presider says*

*Presider*        Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins  
*People*         **His mercy endures forever.**

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.**

Lord have mercy,        **Christ have mercy,** Lord have mercy.

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

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Grant, Almighty God, that your church may be so inspired by the example of your servant Nicholas of Myra, that it may never cease to work for the welfare of children, the safety of sailors, the relief of the poor, and the help of those tossed by tempests of doubt or grief; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING PRAYER

For this second Sunday of Advent, we recall the Holy Family, and we light this candle for all God-bearers, saying 'yes' to God's challenge, accepting the pain and joy of an unknown future.

***God, as we wait for your promise, give light, give hope.***

# THE LESSONS

*The people sit.*

THE EPISTLE: 2 PETER 3:8-15

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home.

Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

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

PSALM : 85:1-2, 8-13

- 1 You have been gracious to your land, O LORD, \*  
**you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.**
- 2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your people \*  
**and blotted out all their sins.**
- 8 I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, \*  
**for he is speaking peace to his faithful people  
and to those who turn their hearts to him.**
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, \*  
**that his glory may dwell in our land.**
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; \*  
**righteousness and peace have kissed each other.**
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, \*  
**and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**
- 12 The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, \*  
**and our land will yield its increase.**
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, \*  
**and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.**

THE GOSPEL: MARK 1:1-8

*The people stand.*

*Presider:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

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

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,  
who will prepare your way;  
the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight,’”

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE HOMILY

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*All stand as they are able and say in unison.*

**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

God calls us to love one another. As a sign of that love let us pray together saying:

O God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the peace of the world, that our instruments of strife may be transformed into tools of peace.

O God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the church, that we may become more and more a means of grace  
and compassion in the world.

O God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all people of good heart who seek to cast off the works of evil and injustice, that we may be  
reshaped through our serving others in the name of Christ.

O God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who are in need, suffering, stressed, or far from home: *Peticca Family, Mackenzie, Amy, Kay, Miriam, Sherri B., Adele C., Katharyn H., Maureen, Richard, Michelle, John H., Jay S., Donna P., Sue S., Joyce M., Rebecca, Anna, Jack, Jane B., Nancy A., Cameron, Megan, Jessica, Donna, Baby Vincent.*

First Responders: *Jim N., Rob H., Frank D., Tom H., Joan H., David III, Michael D., Marianna, Aaron K., Josh P., Doug C., Art R., Lee E., Jesse F., Mitchell H., Wayne M.*

Military: *Richard W., Eric C., Michael S., Chris W., Mark R., Michael B., Marshal N., Nicole G., Joshua R. David B., Tony G., Mark, Timothy N., Jerome S., William S., Austin, Neil S., Rob., Evan H., James R., Robert W.*

For all those who suffer in any way from this pandemic and for those on the forefront of confronting it.

We name these names that we may be alert to the presence of Christ in them and ready to listen in love.

O God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who have died in the faith of Christ especially Curtis  
and for the promise of the incarnation to be fulfilled.

O God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who have assembled to pray together this day,  
whether they be close or far, that we may all be wrapped in the embrace of God,  
and go forth from this moment to be Christ in the world.

O God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*The Presider adds a concluding Collect.*

Comfort all people in despair with the grace of your promise O God; that we may wait with hope for the fulfilling of your word, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*All stand as you are able.*

*Presider*           The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

### **Offertory Reminder and Announcements**

Let us love God and one another by offering our treasures to the work of love.

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*As you are able, please stand*

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

It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were created and have their being. **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of creation. **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

But we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Savior. He was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.  
**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**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.**

*Stand or kneel as you are able.*

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, 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.” **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord. **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, creator of all.  
**Glory to you for ever and ever, AMEN!**

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

**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, forever and ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
***Therefore, let us keep the feast.***

Come: the table of bread and wine is now ready.  
It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him.  
It is the table of sharing with the poor and suffering;  
those with whom Jesus identified.  
It is the table of communion with the earth,  
in which Christ became incarnate.  
So come to this table, you who have much faith  
and you who would like to have more;  
you who have been here often  
and you who have not been for a long time;  
you who have tried to follow Jesus,  
and you who have failed; Come.  
It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

*The people receive communion*

### A PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION FOR PEOPLE PARTICIPATING ONLINE

*Hold in your heart all the communion tables  
across the globe and across time, as well as  
transformative moments in your life at everyday  
tables.*

In union, O Lord,  
with your faithful people  
at every altar of your Church,  
where the Holy Eucharist is now being  
celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise  
and thanksgiving.  
I remember your death, Lord Christ; I  
proclaim your resurrection; I await your  
coming in glory.  
Since I cannot receive you today in the  
Sacrament of your Body and Blood,  
I call on you to come spiritually into my  
heart and soul.  
Cleanse and strengthen me with your  
grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be  
separated from you.  
May I live in you, and you in me, in this  
life and in the life to come. Amen.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

*Presider and 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.**

## FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

This second week of Advent may God, who forever comes to you, draw you to his love, draw you to his hope, draw you to himself; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you forever and for always. ***Amen.***

*Presider*

As we await our coming Savior, go forth to be the peace of Christ.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## CCRP EVENTS & INFORMATION

Whoever you are, for whatever draws you to join Christ Church today, we are glad you are here. If you would like to learn more about how to connect and grow through the ministries of the Episcopal Church in this region, and Christ Church, Ridley Park, please send us an email: [office@christchurchridleypark.org](mailto:office@christchurchridleypark.org).

**Join our weekly e-newsletter** by texting CCRPLOVE to 22828. The parish-wide emails will be in your inbox every Friday evening and have our most updated announcements and access to important links.

**AmazonSmile** If you are an Amazon shopper, please consider using Amazon Smile. A percentage (.5%) of your purchase would be returned to Christ Church. To participate, sign on to [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) and search for Christ Church Ridley Park. Select Christ Church as your charity and begin your shopping.

**Life Center:** Wednesday, December 9th is turn to provide a meal for the Life Center residents. They need 30 meals as they are not allowed to serve non-residents during the pandemic. We need 2 volunteers to prepare the main meal, and a few others to donate cases of water, fruit, individual desserts and some needed supplies. Please consider signing up. Contact Carole McManus at [carolemcmanus@comcast.net](mailto:carolemcmanus@comcast.net). Let Carole know what you are able to donate and where and when you will be dropping off donations. Items can be dropped off at Church by Tuesday 12/8 @ 2 or at Carole's anytime before Weds. 12/9 @ 4. We need enough for 30 - If you are dropping these off at church, please label Life Center and leave any non-perishable food and other donations on the table by the water cooler downstairs - where we usually sign-up to donate. Meals and fresh fruit can be left in kitchen fridge if being dropped off earlier than 12/9.

- 1 volunteer to prepare a meal - enough for 15 (Hamburger Alfredo)
- 2 -24 packs of Spring water
- 2 batches of brownies 15 each batch (wrapped individually) or 30 packs of cookies
- 30 dinner sized rolls (wrapped individually)
- 2 volunteers to donate 3 bags of salad each - enough for 30 side salads - no dressing on the salad please

### **Join us for livestreamed Christmas**

December 24th Holy Eucharist at 7:30pm

December 25th Morning Prayer at 10am

**Fill the pews!** We are collecting new & like new stuffed animals, action figures, and dolls to fill the pews as we carefully worship #TogetherApart. *All items will be donated to new homes with young friends this Christmas*

**We are live!** The livestreaming camera is now up and running. You can digitally worship with us in two ways: (1) Streamed prerecorded Morning Prayer, Sunday 9am on Facebook (includes musical offerings) OR (2) Live-streamed limited in-person Holy Eucharist, Sunday 10am on YouTube (live from the nave)

**YouTube is free to anyone**, you do not need an account. Look up our channel, CCRP Learning and Info to view. Both Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist will be available in our YouTube channel library to watch at any time post-Sunday.

**Livestreaming Assistant-** If you are willing to be trained on how to work the streaming camera remote and broadcast the Sunday 10am service please contact Mackenzie.