

Saint George the Martyr Parish

THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT

23 NOVEMBER 2025



THE CHRISTIAN EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF CANADA

THE ORDER OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

INTROIT HYMN - 392 “*Rejoice the Lord is King*”

The Office of Preparation before the Lord’s Supper - (Kneel)

THE INTROIT. *Psalm* 85. 1-7. - (Kneel)

The Lord’s Prayer and Collect for Purity - (Kneel)

Our Blessed Lord’s Summary of the Law - (Kneel)

The Collect for the King’s Majesty - (Kneel)

The Collect for Sunday next before Advent - (Kneel)

THE EPISTLE. *Jeremiah* 23. 1-8. - (Sit)

THE GRADUAL. *Psalm* 85. 8-13. - (Stand)

THE GOSPEL. *Saint John* 6. 5-14. - (Stand)

THE NICENE CREED - (Stand)

THE SERMON.

OFFERTORY HYMN - 604 “*Fairest Lord Jesus*”

The Offertory and Doxology - (Stand)

The Prayer of Intercession - (Kneel)

The Preparation of the Faithful - (Kneel)

The Preparation of the Lord’s Table - (Kneel)

The Exhortation of the Faithful - (Kneel)

The Eucharistic Preface for Trinitytide - (Stand)

Sanctus and Benedictus (Holy, Holy, Holy) - (Kneel)

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION AND OBLATION - (Kneel)

The Preparation for Holy Communion - (Kneel)

The Ministration of Holy Communion - (Kneel)

POST-COMMUNION HYMN - 539 “*The King of love my Shepherd is*”

The Thanksgiving after Holy Communion - (Kneel)

The Collect after Communion for Trinitytide - (Kneel)

Gloria in Excelsis (Glory be to God on high) - (Stand) Tune: Old Scottish Chant

The Blessing and Dismissal - (Kneel)

DISMISSAL HYMN - 701 “*Advent tells us Christ is near*”

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23rd November 2025

INTROIT HYMN - *“Rejoice, the LORD is King”*

Hymn 392. Tune: Darwall. 66. 66. 88.

The Reverend Charles Wesley, 1746.

Rejoice, the LORD is King:
Your LORD and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

JESUS, the SAVIOUR, reigns,
The GOD of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains,
He took His seat above;
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail,
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our JESUS given:
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

He sits at GOD'S right hand
Till all His foes submit,
And bow to His command,
And fall beneath His feet:
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice! Amen.

AN OFFICE OF PREPARATION

*The Priest shall stand at the foot of the Altar,
and there he shall make the Sign of the Cross, saying,*

✠ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then shall the Priest say,

I WILL go unto the altar of God,

Answer. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

Then shall the Priest say,

GIVE sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people; O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

People. For Thou art the God of my strength; why hast Thou put me from Thee? and why go I so heavily while the enemy oppresseth me?

Priest. O send out Thy light and Thy truth, that they may lead me, and bring me unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy dwelling.

People. And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness; and upon the harp will I give thanks unto Thee, O God, my God.

Priest. Why art thou so heavy, O my soul, and why art thou so disquieted within me?

People. O put thy trust in God, for I will yet give Him thanks, which is the Help of my countenance, and my God.

And the Priest shall say,

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

People. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

Then shall the Priest say,

I WILL go unto the altar of God,

Answer. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

Priest. Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord;

Answer. Who hath made heaven and earth.

Priest. Wilt Thou not turn again and quicken us, O God;

Answer. That Thy people may rejoice in Thee?

Priest. O Lord, shew Thy mercy upon us;

Answer. And grant us Thy salvation.

Priest. O Lord, hear our prayer;

Answer. And let our cry come unto Thee.

Priest. Let us pray.

TAKE away from us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, our iniquities; and so purify our minds, that we may worthily enter into the Holy of Holies, and there in Thy presence worship Thee acceptably before Thy throne; through the merits of Thine only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

THE INTROIT. *Psalm 85. 1-7.*

The Psalm, or the portion thereof, appointed to be used for the Introit Psalm, shall be said or sung as the Priest proceedeth up to the Lord's Table. And at high and solemn celebrations, the Priest may cense the

Holy Table as the Introit Psalm is being sung.

LORD Thou art become gracious unto Thy land; / Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. Thou hast forgiven the offence of Thy people, / and covered all their sins. Thou hast taken away all Thy displeasure, / and turned Thyself from Thy wrathful indignation. Turn us then, O God our Saviour, / and let Thine anger cease from us. Wilt Thou be displeased at us for ever? / and wilt Thou stretch out Thy wrath from one generation to another? Wilt Thou not turn again, and quicken us, / that Thy people may rejoice in Thee? O Lord, shew Thy mercy upon us, / and grant us Thy salvation.

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.

THE PREPARATION.

And the Priest, standing at and facing the Lord's Table, shall say in an audible voice the Lord's Prayer, with the Collect following, the people kneeling.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, unto Whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from Whom no secrets are hid : Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GREETING.

The Priest shall first kiss the Holy Table; and then turning himself to face the people, he shall greet them in the Name of the Lord, saying,

GRACE be unto you, and peace,
from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

THE COMMANDMENTS.

Then shall the Priest go to the north side of the Lord's Table, and facing the people rehearse the Commandments: either our Blessed Lord's Summary of the Law, or else the Ten Commandments; provided always that the Ten Commandments shall be read on some Sunday in Advent and Lent, on Days of Abstinence and Days of Solemn Prayer, and throughout the rest of the year on one Sunday every month.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS.

The Priest shall rehearse distinctly all the Ten Commandments: and the people still kneeling shall after every Commandment ask God's mercy for their transgressions thereof for the time past, and grace to keep the same for the time to come.

HEAR the Law of God which was given to Israel in old time. God spake these words, and said, I AM THE LORD THY GOD, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage: Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me, and keep my commandments.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Thou shalt not take the Name of the LORD thy God in vain: for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh His Name in vain.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Honour thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Thou shalt do no murder.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Thou shalt not steal.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house; thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is his.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these Thy laws in our hearts, we beseech Thee.

KYRIE ELEISON.

Then shall the Priest return to his place standing before the Holy Table,

*and this following shall then be said or sung in Greek or in English,
the people all still humbly kneeling as before.*

KYRIE, eleison. / Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christe, eleison. / Christ, have mercy upon us.
Kyrie, eleison. / Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECTS.

Then shall the Priest turn himself to the people, and shall say or sing,

THE Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Priest. Let us pray.

*Then shall the Priest turn again to the Lord's Table,
and shall say or sing this Collect for the King's Majesty following.*

ALMIGHTY God, Whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite: Have mercy upon Thy people in this Dominion, and all the realms and countries of our Commonwealth; and so rule the heart of Thy chosen servant *CHARLES*, our King and Governor, that he (knowing Whose minister he is) may above all things seek Thy honour and glory: and grant that we, and all his subjects (duly considering Whose authority he hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey him, in Thee, and for Thee, according to Thy blessed Word and ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

STIR up, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the wills of Thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of Thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen..*

THE EPISTLE. *Jeremiah* 23. 1-8.

Then shall the Priest, or some other Minister, read the Epistle, first saying,

The Lesson for the Epistle is taken from the twenty-third chapter
of the Prophet Jeremiah beginning at the first verse.

WOE be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the Lord. Therefore thus saith the Lord God of Israel against the pastors that feed my people; Ye have scattered my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them: behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, saith the Lord. And I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase. And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them: and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, saith the Lord. Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgement and justice in the earth. In His days Judah shall

be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is His name whereby He shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that they shall no more say, The Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; but, The Lord liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

And the Epistle ended, the Minister shall say,
Here endeth the Epistle. This is the Word of the Lord.

And all shall answer saying,
Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL. *Psalm 85. 8-13.*

Then shall all the people stand, and the Gradual Psalm, shall be said or sung.
ALLELUIA, Alleluia. I will hearken what the Lord God will say concerning me, / for He shall speak peace unto His people, and to His saints, that they turn not again. For His salvation is nigh them that fear Him, / that glory may dwell in our land. Mercy and truth are met together; / righteousness and peace have kissed each other. Truth shall flourish out of the earth, / and righteousness hath looked down from heaven. Yea, the Lord shall shew loving-kindness, / and our land shall give her increase. Righteousness shall go before Him, / and He shall direct his going in the way. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL. *Saint John 6. 5-14.*

*Then shall the Priest or the Deacon read the Gospel
appointed for that day, the people all still standing as before.*

And the Minister that shall read the Gospel shall first say,
THE Lord be with you.

And all the people shall answer,
And with thy spirit.

*Then shall the Minister announce that portion of
the Gospel which is to be read, saying,*

✠ **T**HE holy Gospel is written in the sixth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint John beginning at the fifth verse.

Then shall be said or sung,
GLORY be to Thee, O Lord.

Then shall the Minister read the Gospel.

WHEN Jesus then lifted up His eyes, and saw a great company come unto Him, He saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? And this He said

to prove him: for He Himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him, Two hundred penny-worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto Him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves; and when He had given thanks, He distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. When they were filled, He said unto His disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world.

And the reading of the holy Gospel ended, all shall then together in like manner as before say or sing,

PRAISE be to Thee, O Christ.

Then shall the Minister say,

AND through the Words of the Gospel may our sins be blotted out.

Then shall be said or sung the Nicene Creed as followeth, the Priest and people still standing as before.

THE NICENE CREED.

Then shall be said or sung the Nicene Creed as followeth, the Priest and people still standing as before.

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord *(And here all shall bow with reverence.)* **Jesus Christ**, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds: God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through Whom all things were made: *(And here all shall kneel or bow.)* **Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, AND WAS MADE MAN, (And here all shall again rise.)** And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together *(And here all shall reverently bow.)* **is worshipped and glorified**, Who spake by the Prophets. And I

believe One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the ☩ Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

THE SERMON.

And here at the principal Eucharist upon the Lord's Day and greater Holy-days, a Sermon shall be preached or an Homily read out to the faithful.

THE OFFERTORY.

Then shall the Priest return to the Lord's Table and begin the Offertory; and first kissing the Altar, he shall turn to the people, and say,

LET us present our offerings unto the Lord
with reverence and godly fear.

Then shall the Priest say or sing one or more of these Sentences following, as he thinketh most convenient in his discretion.

AND they came every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering. *Exodus xxxv.*

Offer unto God the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay thy vows unto the Most High.
Psalm l.

Give unto the Lord the honour due unto His Name; bring an offering and come into His courts.
Psalm xcvi.

I will offer to Thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the Name of the Lord; I will pay my vow unto the Lord in the sight of all His people.
Psalm cxvi.

Trinitytide. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.
Saint Matthew vii.

OFFERTORY HYMN - "*Fairest LORD JESUS*"

*Hymn 604. Tune: Crusaders' Hymn. P. M.
Joseph Scriven, 1857.*

Fairest LORD JESUS, Ruler of all nature,
O Thou of GOD and man the SON,
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honour,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring;
JESUS is fairer, JESUS is purer,

Who makes the woeful heart to sing,
Fair is the sunshine, Fairer still the moonlight,
And fair the twinkling starry host;
JESUS shines brighter, JESUS shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

All fairest beauty, Heavenly and earthly,
Wondrously, Jesus, is found in thee;
None can be purer, fairer or dearer,
Than Thou, my SAVIOUR, art to me. Amen.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS.

And when the Tithes and Offerings are presented, the following shall be sung,

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,
All things come of Thee, O LORD;
And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

Or else this following may be said or sung instead,

BLESSED be Thou, O Lord God of Israel, forever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine. All things come of Thee; and of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

And when there is a Eucharist, the Priest at the time of the Offertory shall also place upon the Lord's Table the oblations of so much Bread and Wine as he shall think sufficient (laying the same upon a fair linen cloth). And the Bread shall be the best and purest unleavened wheat Bread, and the Wine the purest grape Wine, that may be gotten. And at high and solemn celebrations, the Holy Table and oblations may then be censed by the Priest.

THE INTERCESSION.

Then shall the Priest say,

Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church.

Then shall the Priest say this Prayer following.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, Who by Thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men: We humbly beseech Thee most mercifully *to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers,* which we offer unto Thy Divine Majesty; beseeching Thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess Thy holy Name may agree in the truth of Thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech Thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially Thy servant *CHARLES* our King; that under him we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto all his councils, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and impartially minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of Thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, *and specially to Thy servant Robert. our Archbishop*, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth Thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer Thy holy Sacraments. And we beseech Thee also to bless all others who minister in Thy Name; that every one according to his calling and ministry may truly and godly serve Thee, to Thy honour and glory, and the edifying of Thy holy Church.

And to all Thy people give Thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive Thy holy Word, truly serving Thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech Thee of Thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, *especially those for whom our prayers are desired*.

And here we ☩ remember before Thee, O Lord, and commend to Thy gracious keeping, all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear. And we bless Thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified Thee, remembering chiefly the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord and God; together with all Thy blessed Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Doctors; Martyrs and Confessors; Virgins, Widows, and Matrons; and all Thy blessed Saints, in every place, and in every age: beseeching Thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, and assisted by their prayers, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE SUPPER OF THE LORD

(This sacred portion of the Mass is reverently conducted in the Church.)

When all have communicated, a Post-Communion Hymn may be sung.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN - *"The King of love my Shepherd is"*

Hymn 539. Tune: Dominus Regit Me. 8 7. 8 7.

The Reverend Sir H. W. Baker, 1868.

The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am His,

And He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul He leadeth;
And where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed,
But yet in love He sought me;
And on His shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
With Thee, dear LORD, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy CROSS before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And oh, what transport of delight
From Thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house forever. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL COLLECTS

The Collects following one or more are appointed to be said by the Minister after the Offertory before the Dismissal when there is no Communion.

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of Thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by Thy most gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of Thy laws, and in the works of Thy commandments; that through Thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the words, which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through Thy grace be so grafted inwardly in our hearts,

that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favour, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy holy Name, and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the Fountain of all wisdom, Who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beseech Thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in Thy Son's Name: We beseech Thee mercifully to incline Thine ears to us that have now made our prayers and supplications unto Thee; and grant, that those things, which we have faithfully asked according to Thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of Thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

WE humbly beseech Thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of Thy Name turn from us all those evils that we have most justly deserved; and grant that, in all our troubles, we may put our whole trust and confidence only in Thy mercy, and evermore serve Thee in holiness and pureness of living, to Thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, Whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive: Receive our humble petitions, we beseech Thee, O heavenly Father; and though we be tied and bound with the chain of our sins, yet let the pitifulness of Thy great mercy loose us, and let our prayers and supplications rise up before Thee; for the honour of Jesus Christ, Thy beloved Son and our only Saviour. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING.

Then shall the Priest kiss the Lord's Table; and turning himself again to face the people, he shall let them depart with this Blessing, the people all kneeling.

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

*Then shall this Dismissal Hymn following be sung
as the Priest and Minsters leave the Church.*

DISMISSAL HYMN - 701 “*Advent tells us CHRIST is near*”

Tune: Innocents. 7 7. 7 7.

Katherine Hankey, 1888.

Advent tells us CHRIST is near;
Christmas tells us CHRIST is here;
In Epiphany we trace
All the glory of His grace.

Those three Sundays before Lent
Will prepare us to repent,
That in Lent we may begin
Earnestly to mourn for sin.

Holy Week and Easter, then,
Tell Who died and rose again:
O that happy Easter Day!
‘Christ is risen indeed,’ we say.

Yes, and CHRIST ascended, too,
To prepare a place for you;
So we give Him special praise
After those great Forty Days.

Then He sent the HOLY GHOST,
On the day of Pentecost,
With us ever to abide:
Well may we keep Whitsuntide.

Last of all, we humbly sing
Glory to our GOD and King,
Glory to the ONE in THREE
On the Feast of TRINITY. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL.

The Priest or Deacon shall dismiss the people as followeth.

THE Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Priest. Let us depart in peace.

Answer. In the Name of the Lord. *Amen.*



Merry Christmas Celebration

Friday, December 19 • 3:30 p.m.
St. John's Presbyterian Church

Sing it Loud!
Savour the Season!

Come celebrate community with a joyful
afternoon of Festive Treats and Carols Karaoke.

🎵 Sing your favorite carols or hum along

🍴 Enjoy sandwiches, savoury bites,
and sweet treats

❤️ Bring your voice, your spirit, and your
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