

St. Brendan's Episcopal Church

Juneau, Alaska

"A Harbor for God's Love"

Holy Communion with Reserve Sacrament

The First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 2025 ~ 10:30 a.m.



The Mission of the Church:

The mission of the Church is to restore all people to
unity with God and each other in Christ.

Catechism, Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 855

Welcome visitors. Take time to sign the guest
book in the narthex and join us for coffee hour after the service.
Please join us in worship again, and may God bless your week.

*Before the service, speak to the Lord;
during the service, let the Lord speak to you;
after the service, speak to one another.*

Holy Communion with Reserve Sacrament

Led by Worship Leaders trained and licensed by the Diocese of Alaska

Dave Muldoon ~ Officiant

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Sunday, November 30, 2025

Liturgy of the Word

Opening Hymn

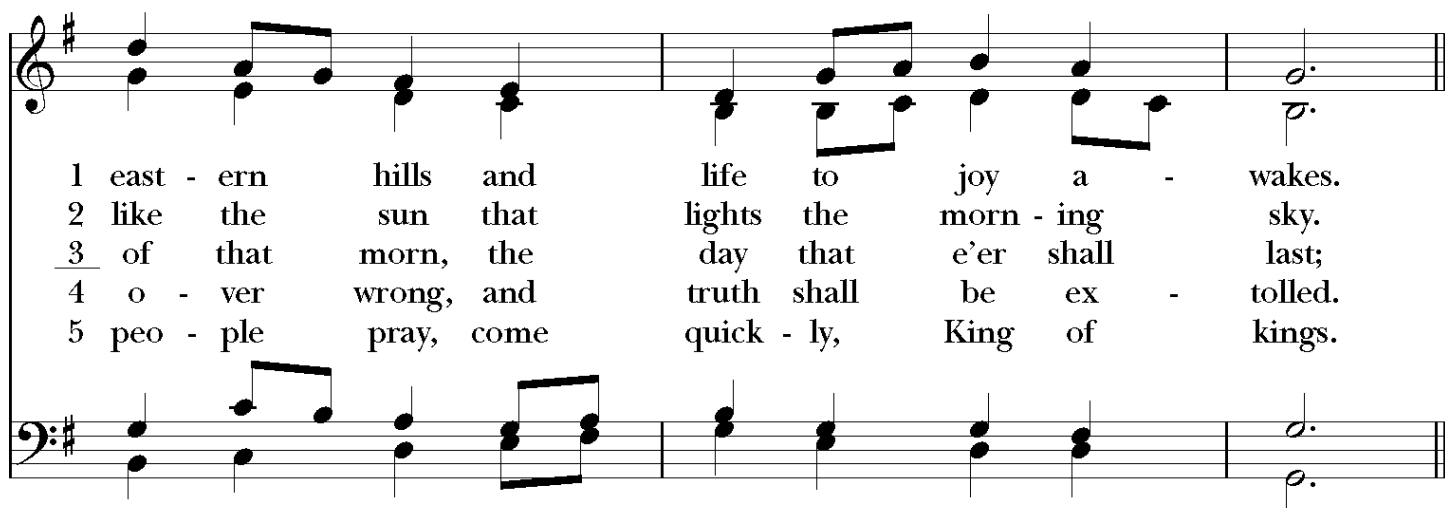
***The King shall come when
morning dawns***

Hymnal 73

The musical score is written for a five-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor 1, Tenor 2, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system covers the first five lines of the lyrics, and the second system covers the remaining five lines. The melody is primarily in the Soprano part, with other parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with line numbers 1 through 5 on the left of each line.

1 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and
2 Not, as of old, a lit - tle child, to
3 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and
4 and let the end - less bliss be - gin, by
5 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and

1 light tri - um - phant breaks; when beau - ty gilds the
2 bear, and fight, and die, but crowned with glo - ry
3 earth's dark night is past; O haste the ris - ing
4 wear - y saints fore - told, when right shall tri - umph
5 light and beau - ty brings: Hail, Christ the Lord! Thy



All standing, the Officiant says

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

People

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

Confession of Sin

All kneel or stand as able.

The Officiant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

The officiant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Officiant and People together say

**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.**

The Officiant says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

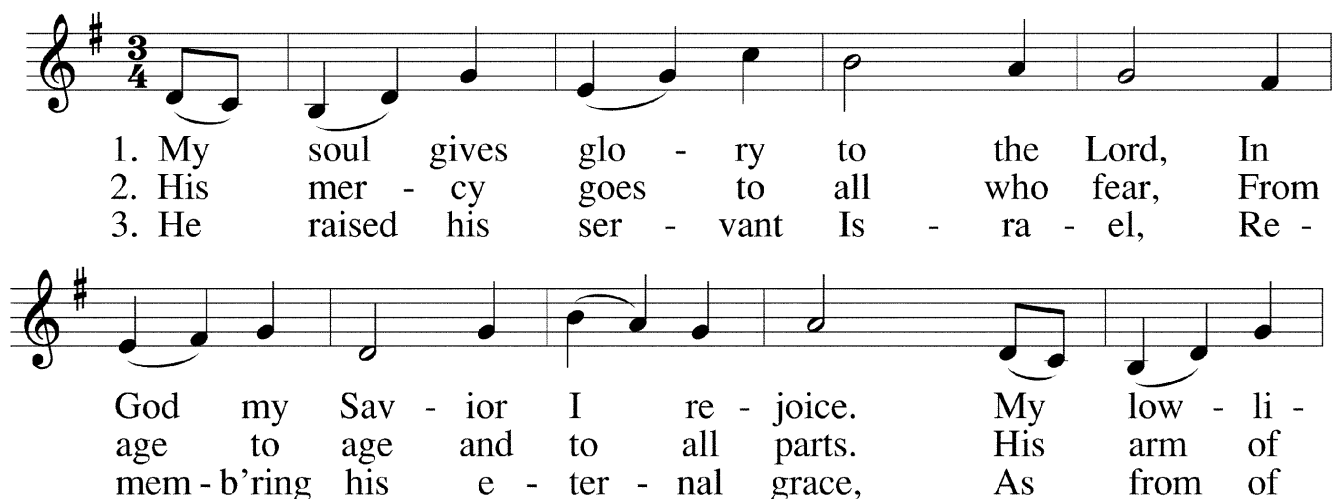
The Officiant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The following is sung, all standing as able

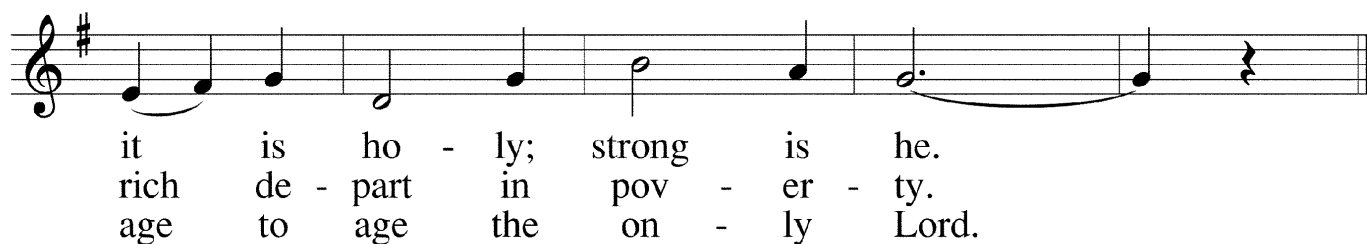
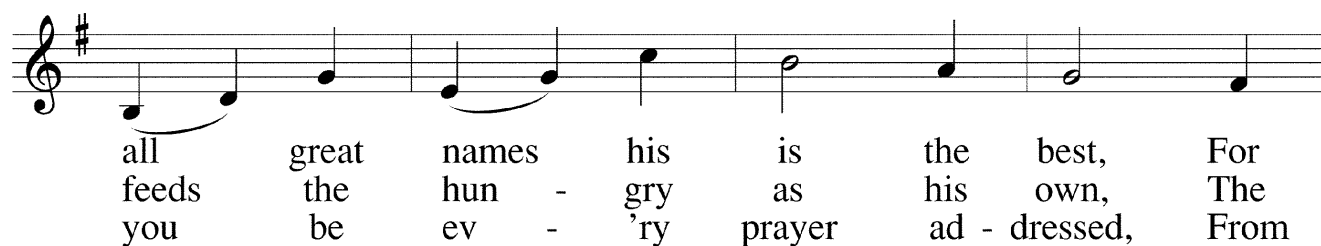
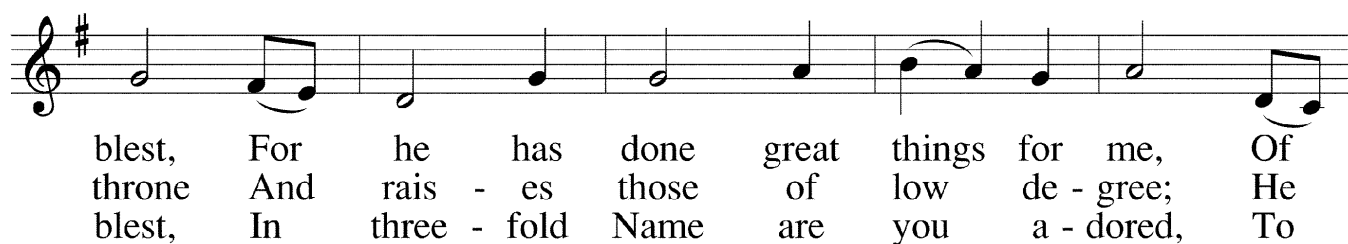
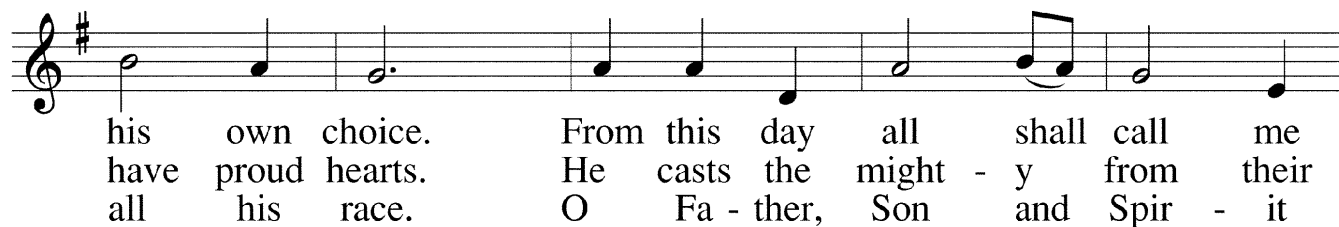
Gospel Canticle

Gather 14



1. My soul gives glo - ry to the Lord, In
 2. His mer - cy goes to all who fear, From
 3. He raised his ser - vant Is - ra - el, Re -

God my Sav - ior I re - joice. My low - li -
 age to age and to all parts. His arm of
 mem - b'ring his e - ter - nal grace, As from of



Text: Luke 1:46-55; J.T. Mueller, 1885-1967, alt.

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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.*

First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

Dan Hall

All sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

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

Remain seated.

Lætatus sum

- 1 I was glad when they said to me, *
“Let us go to the house of the LORD.”
- 2 Now our feet are standing *
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city *
that is at unity with itself;
- 4 To which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the LORD, *
the assembly of Israel,
to praise the Name of the LORD.
- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, *
the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
“May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls *
and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions’ sake, *
I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the LORD our God, *
I will seek to do you good.”

Second Reading***Romans 13:11-14*****Brita Rice**

A Reading from Paul’s letter to the Church in Rome.

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

All stand as able..

Thy kingdom come, O God

Hymnal 613

1 Thy king - dom come, O God! Thy rule, O Christ, be - gin!
2 Where is thy reign of peace, and pu - ri - ty, and love?
3 When comes the prom - ised time that war shall be no more,
4 We pray thee, Lord, a - rise, and come in thy great might;
5 Wher - ev - er near or far thick dark - ness brood - eth yet:

1 Break with thine i - ron rod the tyr - an - nies of sin!
2 When shall all ha - tred cease, as in the realms a - bove?
3 op - pres - sion, lust, and crime shall flee thy face be - fore?
4 re - vive our long - ing eyes, which lan - guish for thy sight.
5 a - rise, O Morn - ing Star, a - rise, and nev - er set!

Holy Gospel

Matthew 24:36-44

Congregation may remain seated during the reading of the Gospel.

Officiant

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

Jesus said to his disciples, “About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of

Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

Officiant
People

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Dave Muldoon

Nicene Creed

All stand as able..

**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: Form I

Jo Schoeppe

All remain standing as able.

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying,
“Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for
the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let
us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city for every city and community, and for those who live in them,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to
conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and
We pray for, ***Ann, Dominic, Johnny, Seena, Daisy, Mary & Stan,
Marilyn, Jeannie, Caroline, Laurie, Tamira, Joyce, Heather,
Fred, Henry, Sharon & family, David & Jackie, Gavin, Dee, Sam,
John, Judi, Linda, Heaven, John, Mike, Ashu, Karen, Ann,
Eyerus, Maria, Justine, John, Don A., Mariah, Miryam, Rudy,
David, Steve, Julie, Linda, Marilyn, Stephanie, Penny, Marlene,
Jim, Cyndy, Anne, Aaron & Devonne, Dwayne, Constance, Troy,
Cheryl, Jordan, Jeremy; for the victims of domestic violence and
gun violence; all who live and work at the Johnson Youth
Center, SEARHC'S: Ravens Way, and Lemon Creek Correctional
Center; all who live with addictions; all who suffer from long
term illnesses; and for those who love and care for them.***

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for
prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us
pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the
departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let
us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without
reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of St. Brendan and of all the saints, let us commend
ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Officiant adds a concluding collect.

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of
your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our
ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us
in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Peace

All stand as able.

Officiant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

The People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Holy Communion

The Officiant says

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

Today's loose offering will go to Meals on Wheels.

Offertory Hymn

Hope is a Star

The musical score is for the hymn "Hope is a Star". It is written for a unison voice part in C major. The melody is on a treble clef staff, and the bass line is on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The score consists of four measures. The first measure is marked with a 'C' and the word 'Unison'. The second measure is marked with an 'F'. The third measure is marked with a 'C'. The fourth measure is marked with a 'C'. The lyrics are: 1 Hope is a star that shines in the night, 2 Peace is a rib - bon that cir - cles the earth, 3 Joy is a song that wel - comes the dawn, 4 Love is a flame that burns in our heart.

C Unison

F

C

C

1 Hope is a star that shines in the night,
2 Peace is a rib - bon that cir - cles the earth,
3 Joy is a song that wel - comes the dawn,
4 Love is a flame that burns in our heart.

F C Dm⁷ FM⁷ Gsus⁴ G
 lead - ing us on till the morn - ing is bright.
 giv - ing a prom - ise of safe - ty and worth.
 tell - ing the world that the Sav - iour is born.
 Je - sus has come and will nev - er de - part.

Refrain Am F G C Am
 When God is a child there's joy in our song. The last shall be

F G C Am F Dm⁷ C
 first and the weak shall be strong, and none shall be a - fraid.

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Irregular with refrain

MOON BEAMS

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The People stand as able and sing the Doxology as the offering is brought forward and placed on the Credence Table.

Doxology (a hymn of praise)

***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.***

The service continues with the authorized and Thanksgiving Prayer. All stand, as able.

Prayer of Preparation for Communion

BCP pg. 101

Together, the Officiant and People say

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.***

The Officiant continues

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

People and Officiant

**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 Officiant says

Let us make our Holy Communion in the Body and Blood of Christ given to his people and received by faith.

*All are welcome at the Lord's table. We are no longer strangers or guests but one family in the Lord.
Let the Chalice Bearer know if you prefer alcohol free wine. Chalice Bearers – Barbara Learmonth
& Jo Schoeppe*

Communion Music

Stephanie Hall

After Communion, the Officiant says

Let us pray.

The Officiant and People together say

**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.**

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Please stand as able for any birthdays or anniversaries and together say

Prayer for Birthdays *(BCP 830, prayer 50)*

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant *N.* as *he* begins another year. Grant that *he* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *his* trust in your goodness all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Anniversaries *(BCP p. 431)*

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, *N.* that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness. That their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Announcements...*Congregation may remain seated during announcements...*



Holiday Market Important Notice!!!

- **Set Up – Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**
- **Please Bring Donations No Later Than Wednesday – 9 a.m.**
- **Bring Baked Goods No Later Than Friday Noon**

*St. Brendan's
14th Annual
Holiday
Market*

*December 6th
8:30am-3pm*

4207 Mendenhall Loop Rd.

Homemade Jams, Jellies
Baked & Home Goods
Holiday & Home Decor
Alaska Arts
& so much more!

Proceeds benefit Ministries in our Community

Pancake Breakfast 9-11am



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Closing Hymn

*Lo! he comes, with clouds
descending*

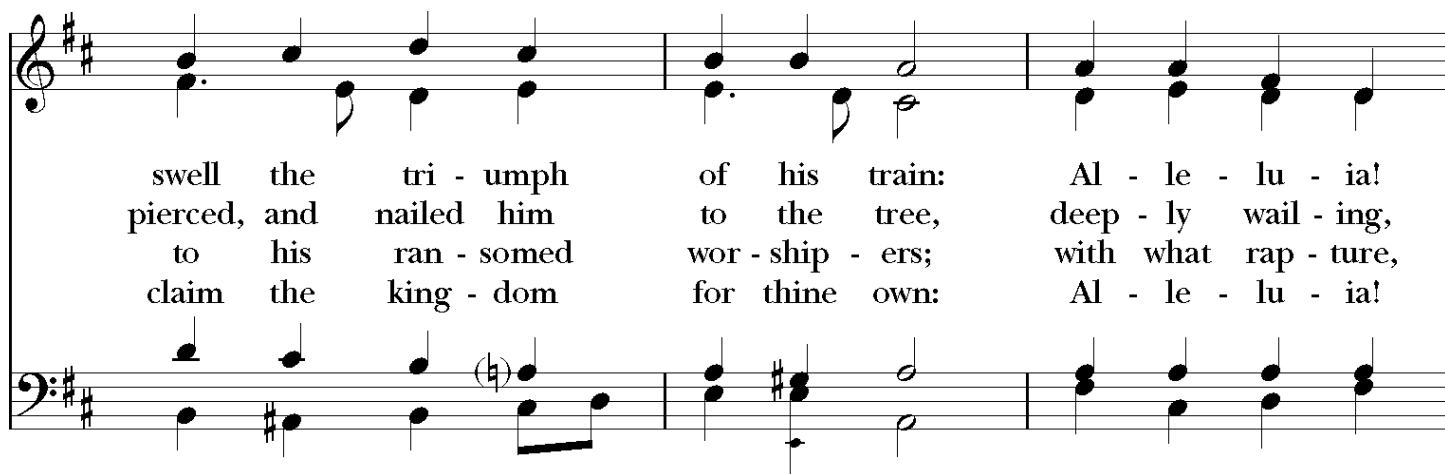
Hymnal 58



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for our sal -
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in dread - ful
 3 Those dear to - kens of his pas - sion still his daz - zling
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on thine e -



va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing
 ma - jes - ty; those who set at nought and sold him,
 bo - dy bears, cause of end - less ex - ul - ta - tion
 ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the power and glo - ry;



swell the tri - umph of his train: Al - le - lu - ia!
 pierced, and nailed him to the tree, deep - ly wail - ing,
 to his ran - somed wor - ship - ers; with what rap - ture,
 claim the king - dom for thine own: Al - le - lu - ia!



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *St. Thomas*, melody att. John Francis Wade (1711-1786); harm. att. Vincent Francis Novello (1781-1861)

Dismissal

Officiant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant says

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *Romans 15:13*

A Note on Today's Readings

The First Sunday of Advent—Year A

Welcome to our worship service today. On this Advent Sunday, the liturgy is centered on the second Advent of Christ, when he will return as judge and establish the Kingdom of God. In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells his followers that his return will be sudden and with no warning. Therefore, we are to live at all times as though his return is imminent.

In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah foresees that Kingdom as God's reign over a united and peaceful humanity. All people will know themselves to be the children of God and brothers and sisters to all other people.

The second reading from Romans exhorts us to live as though we were in the last days. We are to live as though the Kingdom has come; shunning darkness and living in the light of God's presence.

The Advent theme that points to Jesus' first coming in his birth becomes the sign for us of the Advent yet to come. As we gather in the Eucharist, we find in our liturgical action a foretaste of the unity and peace of God's Kingdom. We recognize that in this in-between time (between Jesus' first coming and his second) we ourselves are caught up in the Eucharist into the Kingdom.

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