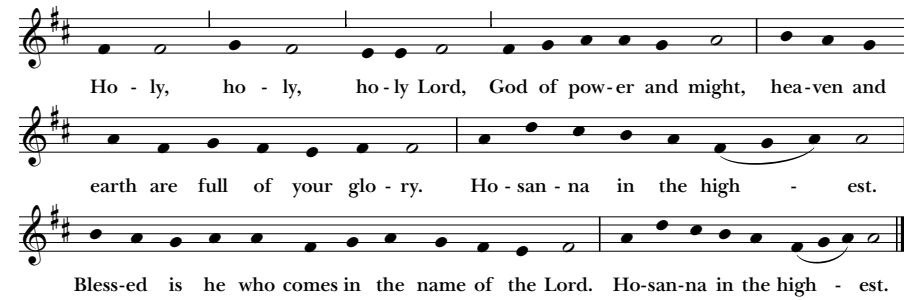


It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

The Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the World. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. *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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

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

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

For Communion, baptized persons are welcome to receive the bread, received in the open palm, and the wine, either by common cup or by dipping the bread in the chalice. Instead of receiving communion, you may receive a blessing by coming to the altar rail and crossing your hands over your chest. Afterwards, you may receive a prayer of healing for yourself or another at the Prayer Station.

Communion *Ave Maris Stella* Edvard Grieg
Lo, He Comes With Clouds Descending 18th Century English

Celebrant 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.

The Blessing

Hymn 73 "The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns" *St. Stephen*

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People: Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude Chorale Prelude in D Major, Buxtehude
"Ach Gott und Herr" BuxWV 177

We invite the congregation to remain seated for the postlude, which is an act of worship. Those who wish to leave, please do so quietly.

Altar Flowers: The flowers in the Church were given by Kerstin and Tom Stempel in celebration of 45 years of marriage.



Welcome to Saint Alban's Episcopal Church

The Second Sunday of Advent

December 6, 2009 — 10:00 a.m.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

We are called by the Spirit to be transformed by God in heart and mind; to serve our community, UCLA, and the world as the Body of Christ. We will grow in faith, hope and love through the practices of worship, formation, stewardship and caring ministries.

Organ Prelude Chorale Prelude in D Minor, Dietrich Buxtehude
"Jesus Christus, unser Heiland" BuxWV 198 (1637-1707)

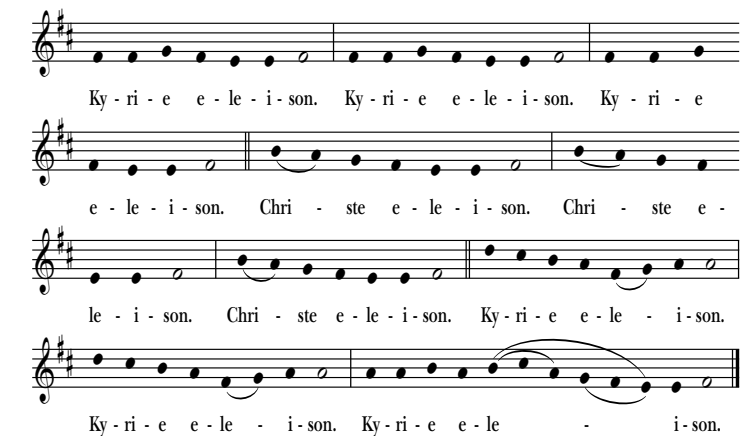
The Word of God *Please stand.*

HYMN 59 "Hark a Thrilling Voice is Sounding" *Merton*

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant: 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.**

Kyrie Eleison David Hurd



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The Collect of the Day – (see insert)

First Lesson – (see insert)

Baruch 5:1-9

Psalm 126 (see insert)

Second Lesson (see insert)

Philippians 1:1-11

Hymn 76 "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

Winchester New

Alleluia (sung by all before and after the gospel)

The Holy Gospel (see insert)

Luke 3:1-6

The Sermon

The Rev. Susan W. Klein

The Nicene Creed

Please stand.

Let us join in affirming our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

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.

The Prayers of the People

Adapted from Intercessions for Christian People

Lector: O Lord, during the Advent season, let us pray for this community and all communities which gather in your name throughout the world; for Orthodox, Catholic, and Protestant churches. May we grow in our understanding of our common mission that we may be strengthened for service

O Lord, God of grace, **Hear our prayer.**

Lector: We pray for all the blessings of this life. For Kerstin and Tom Stempel on their 45th wedding anniversary, and for all of the blessings we now name... O Lord, God of grace, **Hear our prayer.**

Lector: We pray for all who live in fear, pain and confusion. For refugees, orphans; for the victims of human trafficking; for prisoners and the homeless; for those who have lost members of their families through the violence of warfare; for those who have been wounded.

O Lord, God of grace, **Hear our prayer.**

Lector: We pray for all who suffer, emotionally and physically; especially for: **Betty** Jones, **Jeanne** Heckler, **Ann** Shannon, **Courtney** Williams, **Doug** Laidlaw, **Herb** Jones, **Miranda** Reem, **Scott** Sublett. For those who are in the military, especially Lt. Ryan Klint and Rob Ruano. For all whom we name... O Lord, God of grace, **Hear our prayer.**

Lector: We pray for those who have gone before us in faith that they may abide in peace. We pray for Susan Nichol and all whom we now name... O Lord, God of grace, **Hear our prayer.**

Lector: O Lord, this Advent Season, open our eyes to the continuing revelation of your presence in our community and in the world. Help us to wait with hope for the fullness of your kingdom, now and in the world to come. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People:
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.

Celebrant: 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

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**
If you are celebrating a birthday or anniversary, please come to the front pew to receive a prayer.

The Holy Communion, Eucharistic Prayer B

Offertory Anthem *A Stable Lamp is Lighted* David Hurd/Richard Wilbur

A stable lamp is lighted, whose glow shall wake the sky. The stars shall bend their voices, and every stone shall cry. And every stone shall cry. And straw like gold will shine. A barn shall harbor heaven. A stall become a shrine.

This child through David's city will ride in triumph by. The palm shall strew its branches, and every stone shall cry. And every stone shall cry, though heavy, dull and dumb, and lie within the roadway to pave the kingdom come.

Yet He shall be forsaken and yielded up to die. The sky shall groan and darken, and every stone shall cry. And every stone shall cry for thorny hearts of men, God's blood upon the spearhead, God's love refused again.

But now as at the ending, the low is lifted high. The stars will bend their voices, and every stone shall cry. And every stone shall cry in praises of the child, by whose descent among us, the worlds are reconciled.

10% of the plate offering will go to the Episcopal Relief Fund.

HYMN 56 (vs.3-4) "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" *Veni Emmanuel*

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. 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.