

Welcome to The Parish of Holy Trinity St. Stephens

First Sunday of

Advent
living in hope

Eucharist #3

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 29TH, 2020



Greetings and Announcements:
Rev. Rob Henderson

Opening Hymn



THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Celebrant:

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
And the love of God,
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
Be with you all.**

***People:* And also with you.**

Celebrant: **Almighty God,**

People: **to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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.**

Trisagion (said 3 times)

**Holy God,
holy and mighty,
holy immortal one,
have mercy upon us.**

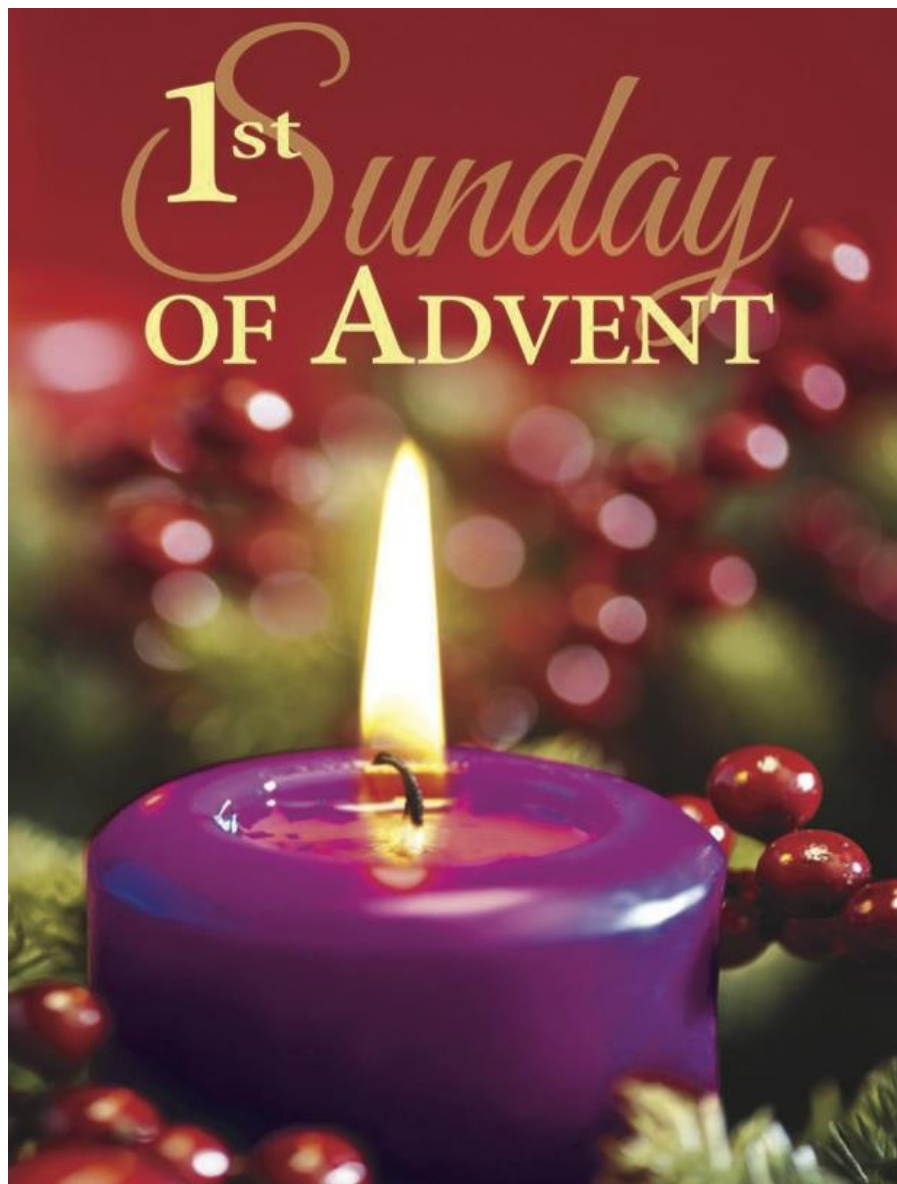
Repeat twice

We say together the Collect for today:

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on 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.**

1st Sunday
OF ADVENT



Celebrant: **God of Hope.**



Let your Spirit burn in our hearts; let your Light shine in our world;
and as we wait through the Advent season for the birth of Jesus', let your star of Hope lead us to the place where the Christ would be born today. Amen



THE READINGS

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The Proclamation of the Word



ISAIAH

HISTORY, PROPHECY, & SCIENCE

A Reading From The Book of Isaiah
(64:1-9)

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.

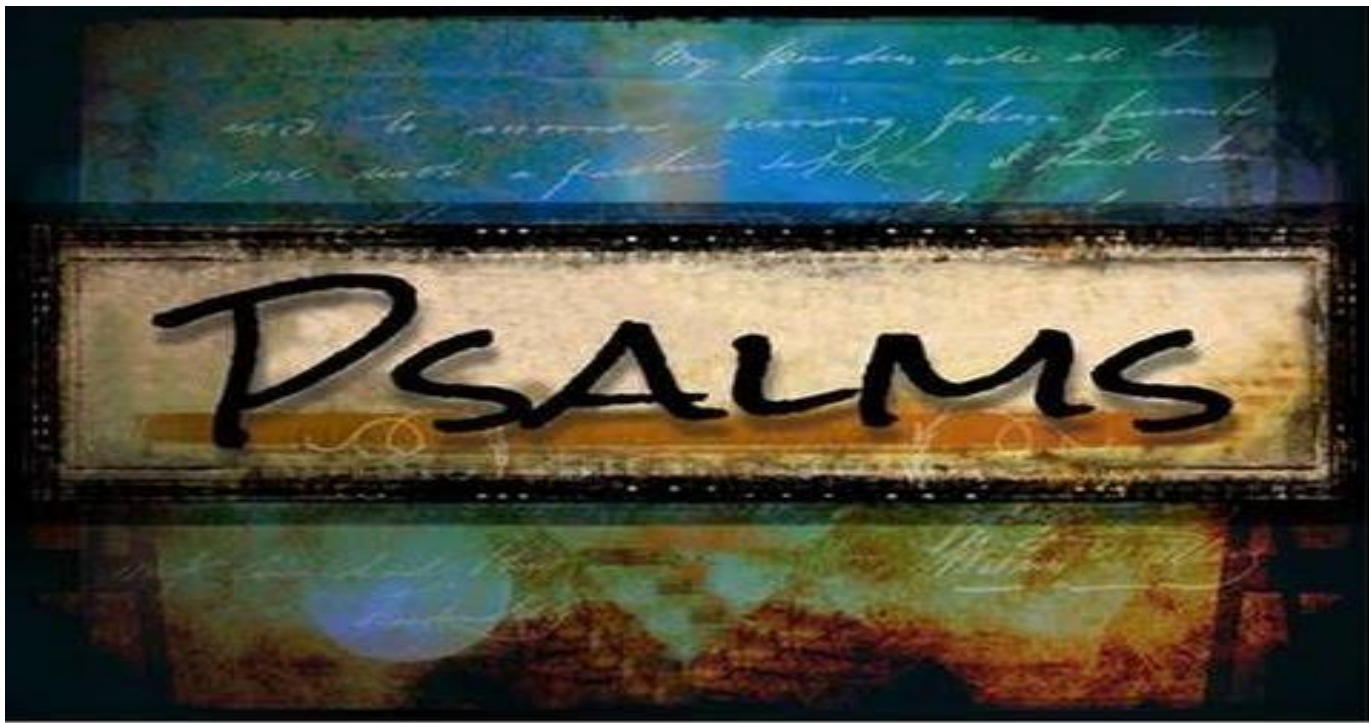
**You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your
ways. But you were angry, and we
sinned; because you hid yourself we
transgressed. We have all become
like one who is unclean, and all our
righteous deeds are like a filthy
cloth.**

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.**

Reader: **The word of the Lord.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm 80: 1-7, 16-18

Refrain: “*Show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*”

Psalm 80

**Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading
Joseph like a flock; shine forth, you that
are enthroned upon the cherubim.**

**In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin,
and Manasseh, stir up your strength
and come to help us.**

***Show the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.***

Psalm 80

O Lord God of hosts, how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?

You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

***Show the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.***

Psalm 80

**You have made us the derision of our
neighbours, and our enemies laugh us
to scorn.**

Restore us, O God of hosts

***Show the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.***

Psalm 80

Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, the son of man you have made so strong for yourself. And so will we never turn away from you; give us life, that we may call upon your name.

Restore us, O Lord God.

***Show the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.***

Psalm 80

**Glory be to the Father and to the
Son and to the Holy Spirit.**

**As it was in the beginning,
is now and will be forever.
Amen.**

Gospel Hymn



All stand for the Gospel

Reader: **The Lord be with you.**

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: **The Holy Gospel
of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to Mark.**

People: **Glory to you,
Lord Jesus 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, and 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."

Reader: **The Gospel of Christ.**

People: **Praise to you,
Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel Hymn





Homily
Rev. Rob
Henderson

The Apostles' Creed

Celebrant: **Let us confess
the faith of our baptism,
as we say,**

People: **I BELIEVE in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I BELIEVE in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived
by the power
of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**



Prayers of the People

First Sunday of Advent

At the beginning of this advent season, let us offer our prayers to God saying:

Lord Have Mercy.

**That our gracious Savior may rouse
us from sleep and make us attentive
to the nearness of this presence, let
us pray to the Lord.**

Lord Have Mercy.

That we may discover God's word in every sound of this world, God's touch in every human embrace and God's love in every gesture of self sacrifice among us, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord Have Mercy.

**That divine energy and holy grace
may bring our hearts to vigilance and
make us see with uncovered eyes the
Christ who suffers in his peoples
sufferings, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord Have Mercy.**

That we may come to recognize in our holy assembly, that Jesus Christ is here with us to show us the way to salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord Have Mercy.

That God's coming into the days and years of our human history may be always new, always brimming with light to drive all darkness away. let us pray to the Lord.

Lord Have Mercy.

**Make our hearts ready for your
coming O Lord, and receive our
prayers in the name of the one who
comes, our gracious Savior, Jesus
the Christ.**

Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: **Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love
and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners
and invites them to this table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.**

Celebrant: **Most merciful God,**

People: **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 neighbours 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 upon you,
pardon and deliver you
from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you
in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**



Passing the Peace

Celebrant: **The peace of the Lord
be always with you.**

People: **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn



**Receiving the
gifts of money
and other gifts
for the needs
and
responsibilities
of the Church.**





Altar Flowers

The flowers for the Altar today
are given to the Glory of God by
Rob and Margie Henderson in memory
of Rob's parents Bob and Beverly

Prayer Over The Gifts

God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



*Prepare
a Way
for the LORD*

***Eucharistic
Prayer
3
Season of
Advent***

Celebrant: **The Lord be with you.**

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: **Lift up your hearts.**

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

Celebrant: **Let us give thanks
to the Lord our God.**

People: **It is right to give our
thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: **Blessed are you,
gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who in the fullness of time came
among us in our flesh,**

**and opened to us the way of
salvation.**

**Now we watch for the day when he
will come again in power and great
triumph to judge this world,
that we, without shame or fear,
may rejoice to behold his appearing.**

**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.**

Holy, Holy, Holy (Dufford) – to be said

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.
God of Power and Might
Heaven and Earth
are full of your Glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna on high.**

**Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the Highest,
Hosanna in the Highest,
Hosanna, Hosanna on High.**

Celebrant **We give thanks to you,
Lord our God, for the
goodness and love you have made
known to us in creation;
in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to
suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
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, Father,
according to his command,**

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

Celebrant

**and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, 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, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.**

**In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light**

**Where you dwell with all your sons
and daughters;**

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

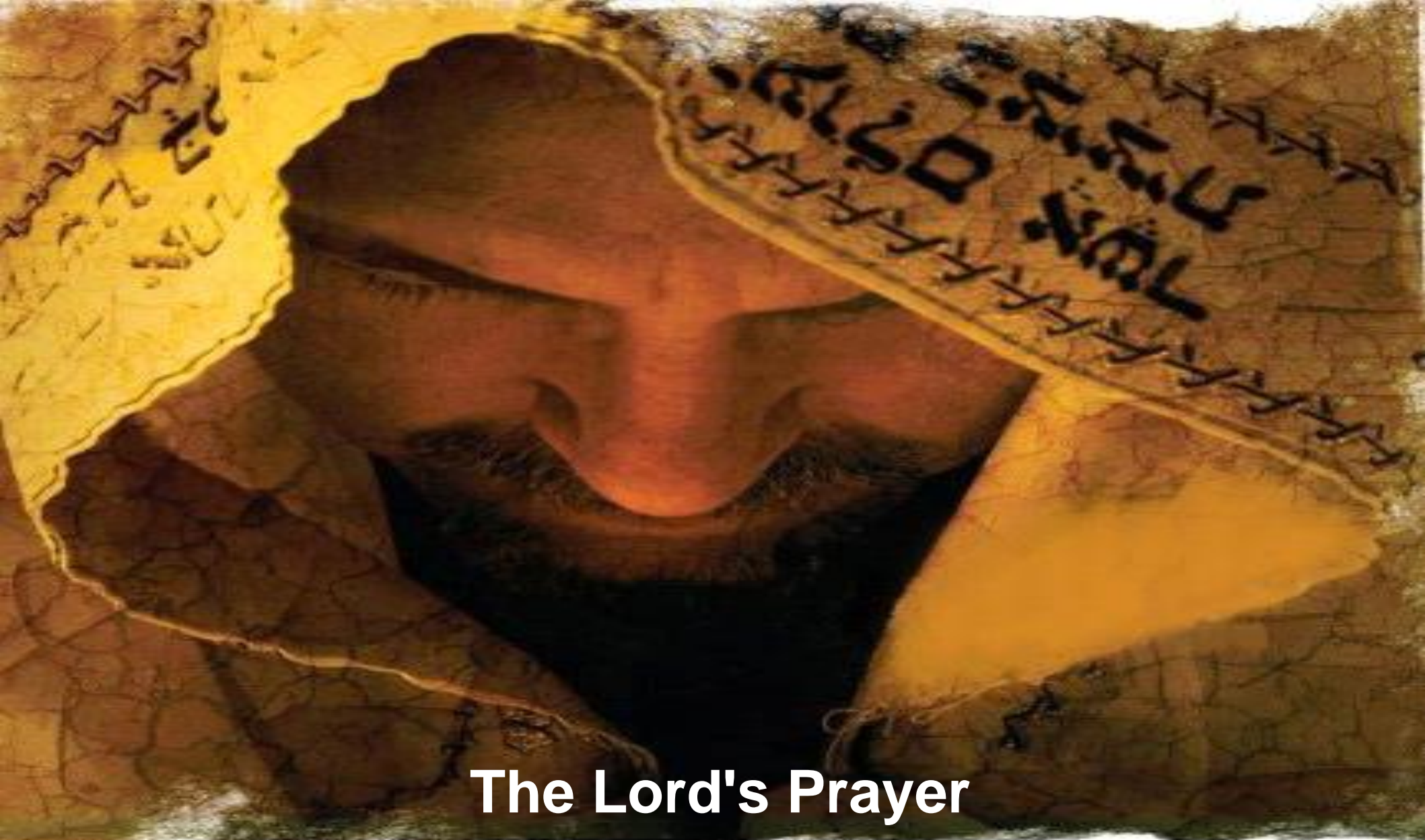
the firstborn of all creation,

the head of the Church,

and the author of our salvation;

**By whom,
and with whom,
and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
almighty Father, now and for ever.**

People **Amen.**



The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Landry)

Cantor: Let us pray to God our Father in the way
Jesus taught us to pray:

All: **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 Yours is the kingdom,
And the power,
and the glory,
Now and for ever. Amen.**



Breaking of the Bread
Advent



Celebrant: **God of promise,
you prepare a banquet
for us in your kingdom.**

People: **Happy are those who are
called to the supper of the
Lamb.**



**The gifts of God
for the
People of God.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE,
IT IS JESUS WHO INVITES YOU.**

**Please stay physically distanced when
approaching to receive the bread.**

**After receiving your wafer,
please step to the side and remove your mask
before consuming the bread.**

Gluten free wafers are available.



Come ^{to} the Table

Communion Hymn



We Say Together the Prayer After Communion:

**God for whom we wait, you have
fed us with the bread of eternal life.**

**Keep us ever watchful,
that we may be ready to stand
before the Son of man.**

**We ask this in the name of Christ
the Lord. Amen.**

The Doxology

Celebrant: **Glory to God,**

People: **whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.**

**Glory to God
from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.**



Advent
Blessing

Closing Hymn



The Dismissal

FILL US ALL WITH

Hope





THANK YOU
for worshipping with us

GO IN PEACE

HAVE A GREAT WEEK