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The First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2013



The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

Gathering music Hymn #66

Come thou, Long expected Jesus

Procession to the Altar Hymn#57

Lo! He comes with clouds descending

Advent candle lighting *Christ be our light*

Said at 8:00 am

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Sung at 10:00 am - Printed on page 9 of the Worship Guide

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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 Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you**

Celebrant 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.**

A Reading from Isaiah

(2:1-5)

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.**

Psalm 122

(Read in unison after the first asterisk)

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."**

A Reading from Romans (13:11-14)

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

Gradual vss. 1, 2
Come, now, O Prince of Peace
(Printed on page 10 of the Worship Guide)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew (24:36-44)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "But 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ

Gradual vss. 3, 4
Come, now, O Prince of Peace
(Printed on page 10 of the Worship Guide)

The Sermon Fr. Haynes

Silence for reflection

The Nicene Creed (Standing, 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

As a people in darkness waiting for the coming of the light of Christ, let us pray to the Lord,
Lord hear our prayer.

For the Unity of Christ's One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church, let us pray to the Lord,
Lord hear our prayer.

For Bartholomew, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, Francis, Bishop of Rome, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Katharine our presiding bishop, Greg our bishop; for priests, deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God, let us pray to the Lord,
Lord hear our prayer

For the Anglican Communion, especially the Diocese of West Virginia; our diocese, especially St. Aidan, Camano Island, Transfiguration, Darrington, and St. Martin-St. Francis, Rockport; and our parish, especially for our parishioners Jim and Marian Oberg, Tom and Judy Peterson, and Bob and Dar Pirie; let us pray to the Lord,
Lord hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, especially Barack our President in the ways of justice and peace; for our armed forces and those who are deployed especially Andrew, Josh, Michael, Sarah, and for those we now name....; praying for the end of terrorism, war and violence throughout the world, let us pray to the Lord,
Lord hear our prayer.

For the poor, the hungry, the oppressed, the unemployed, those in prison, and for the sick and suffering; praying for all those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, especially Lyn, Lynn, Areewa, Eloise, Chris, Justo, Rita, Alex, Carmen,

Stephen, Dave, Lisa, Barbara, Ryan, Sue, Sarah, and Ted and for those we now name..., let us pray to the Lord,
Lord hear our prayer.

For those anticipating the birth of a child, a move, a change in employment or any new beginning, let us pray to the Lord,
Lord hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially for the blessings we now name..., let us pray to the Lord,
Lord hear our prayer.

For those who have died and now abide in Christ's presence, remembering especially this week Bob Leyendecker and others we now name..., let us pray to the Lord,
Lord hear our prayer.

Confession of Sin

We pray also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Leader 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.

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

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries, Celebrations and Healing Prayers

Offertory Hymn

Prayer of St. Francis

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1. Make me a channel of your peace;
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.
2. Make me a channel of your peace;
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;
Where there is darkness, only light;
And where there's sadness, ever joy.
3. O, Master, grant that I may never seek so much
to be consoled as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love with all my soul.
4. Make me a channel of your peace;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
In giving to all men that were receive;
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

(repeat vss. 3 and 4)

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The Great Thanksgiving – B

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 him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

Here a Proper Preface is said as appointed.

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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus 8:00 am (spoken) 10:00 am Sanctus (sung)

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.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

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.**

Lord's Prayer *said at 8 am & sung at 10 am*

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our father in heaven
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and Holy Communion

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

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

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [*Amen.*]

or with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

This is our Lord's Table, and He is our host. All baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who have yet to be baptized are invited to come forward for a blessing and are encouraged to speak with one of the clergy after the service about becoming baptized into Christ's Body. Gluten free hosts are available upon request at the rail.

Communion Music

Praise the Name of Jesus

Praise the name of Jesus, Praise the name of Jesus.

He's my rock, He's my fortress, He's my deliverer.

In Him will I trust. Praise the name of Jesus.

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O Lord You're Beautiful

O Lord, you're beautiful, your face is all I seek.
And when your eyes are on this child,
Your grace abounds to me.

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Peace Before Me

1. Peace before me
Peace behind me
Peace under my feet
Peace within me
Peace over me
Let all around me be peace.
2. Love...
3. Light...

4. Christ...
5. Alleluia...
6. Peace...

COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
*To be used when the need is present to
 Send out Lay Eucharistic Ministers*

Priest: In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

Presider and People: **We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.**

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray:

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

May the sun of righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Procession to the Neighborhood

Hymn #490 *I want to walk as a child of the light*

St. Matthew Mission Statement

To be a church that passionately embraces and values all people, growing in the love of Christ through word and action.

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

Special Ministers Today

Priest	The Rev. Kendall Haynes
Worship Leader	Tom Peterson
Eucharistic Minister	Daniel Dawes
Lector	Dick Elofson
Acolytes	Moses Chege Zawadi Chege
Ushers	Art Ladley Pamela Reed
Greeters	Claire Scharmach Janet Witter
Eucharistic Visitor	Kitty Walker
Bread Maker	Marian Oberg
Altar Guild	Jill Little Sue Inglis Mary Jo Hopkins
Counters	Jackie Whorton Dick Collins
Nursery	Sarah Dawes
Coffee Hour	Jim & Ginny Sloan Bob & Janet Witter
Bell Ringer	Mason Lepkowski
Altar Guild Directress	Janet Witter

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Today's Prayer List

Lyn Zimmerman – Myotonic Dystrophy

Lynn Tanner – kidney disease

Areewa Yuorn – imprisonment

Eloise Page (friend of Tom & Elaine Taylor) – hospice

Chris Quinn-Britnall – cancer

Justo Fernandez (brother of Agueda Fernandez-Webster) –

Muscular Dystrophy and bitterness

Rita Fernandez (sister of Agueda Fernandez-Webster) –

Muscular Dystrophy and heart condition

Alex Candoo – Parkinson's Disease

Carmen Planas (aunt of Agueda Fernandez-Webster) – broken

leg and dementia

Stephen Peterson (son of Tom & Judy Peterson) – back pain

Dave Hopkins – pain management and balance

Lisa Arnold (niece of Kerry & Deborah Abbington) – breast

cancer

Barbara Cashman – general health (sodium levels)

Sue Ayers (friend of several parishioners) – pancreatic cancer

Sarah (sister of Lydia Nabawanga) – recovery after heart

surgery and grief following the death of her husband

Ted Swanson (uncle of Sueann and Sandy Goretti) – lung and

brain cancer

Those not named and are in need of identification:

Bruce, Mary, Mary, Tim and his family, Gail, Terri, Michael,

Linda

**To add someone or take someone off the prayer list,
email saintmatthewpastoralcare@gmail.com . Thanks!**

Announcements

Altar Guild Breakfast— December 15 at 9:00am
in the Parish Hall.

A major house cleaning effort is beginning at St. Matthew— Before the spring house cleaning happens in early January, 2014, please do not forget to mark anything in the basement and in the third classroom with a sign that reads: "SAVE" and include your name and phone number.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN UP-DATE— The sun is out, Thanksgiving is two days away (over if you are reading this in the Worship Guide) and the new Church Year starts this Sunday. All reasons to celebrate as we give thanks for what we have been given.

Outreach has been working these past few weeks to make a difference in the lives of families in our community, by preparing Thanksgiving food baskets for those less fortunate. Socks will be collected during the month of December for those who would not have them, but for the care and concern of the people of St Matthew. Local Outreach has taken care of those in need of money to pay rent, gas to go to the doctor, for power bills to keep heat in their home and much more. Recycling has been reemphasized within the church this past year, as part of stewardship of the earth. Teaching the young...Godly Play a new curriculum presented by our Christian Education Commission... more about Christ and His way. The "Older Young" continue each week to learn more about topics of interest, such as, "Why Evil Exists"...presented by Adult Education. As we are all aware Stewardship is not only about money, and yet, at this time of year it might seem that way. The above gives you a taste of what is, and has been, going on in and around St Matthew as we grow in our walk with Christ.

December Outreach: the December St Matthew outreach project will, again this year, be in support of the "**PUT A SOCK IN IT**"— drive to provide clean new socks to Tacoma's homeless. Our Christmas tree will be put up in the Narthex the first week in December and everyone is invited to decorate it with pairs of new socks as we did last year. The best socks to donate are those that wick water away so that feet stay dry. These are usually a blend with some acrylic yarn. Fred Meyer will have their traditional 2 pairs for the price of one during the Black Friday shopping weekend. They generously supported our "Put A Sock In It" drive last year and we are encouraging you to take advantage of their Black Friday sale prices. Then bring your socks and decorate our tree.

St Matthew Community Winter Book Sale, Saturday, January 18th: We are off to a great start. Donated books, DVD and CDs are piling up in the Narthex. You will soon be seeing flyers in the neighborhood as well. We want this sale to be as big as possible. Not just a St Matthew event but a true community event. Our goal is to have as large a selection as possible with as many community members as possible attending. So we are asking

Announcements (continued):

you to let as many of your friends and neighbors as possible know that they can donate their books to this event. Please contact all your friends that are voracious readers, your book club and any other organization you can think of. We especially want children's books, coffee table books and old books in good condition. We are also accepting magazines, DVDs, CDs, video games and comic books. If you or your friends have too many books to lug to the church we will pick them up. To arrange pick-up, volunteer to work at the sale or if you have a great idea for the sale, contact Jackie Whorton at 927-3415, jgwhorton@msn.com or John Kennedy at 927-9254, johnakennedy@harbornet.com. Thanks in advance for helping make our book sale a success.

Mark your calendar—

- Men's Breakfast, every Saturday 8-9AM in the Parish Hall
- Adult Catechumenate, every Thursday at 7PM and every Friday at 9AM
- Saturday, December 14, 9AM-Noon Work Party at Julia's Gulch
- Saturday, December 21, 9:00AM – 11AM, Decorating the church to Celebrate Jesus
- Friday, December 26, 7PM JLS (Just Love Singing)