



CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION
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Fourth Sunday of Advent

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL: O Come, O Come, Immanuel

O come, O come, Immanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Chorus

Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel
shall come to you, O Israel.

O come, O Branch of Jesse's stem,
unto your own and rescue them!
From depths of hell your people save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.

O come, O Key of David, come
and open wide our heavenly home.
Make safe for us the heavenward road
and bar the way to death's abode.

O come, O King of nations, bind
in one the hearts of all mankind.
Bid all our sad divisions cease
and be yourself our King of Peace.

ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Surely the Lord is coming soon!

People Amen! Come Lord Jesus!

COLLECT FOR PURITY

**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 DECALOGUE

God spoke these words and said:

I am the Lord your God, you shall have no other gods but me.

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

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

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

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

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

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

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

Honor your father and your mother.

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

You shall not murder.

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

You shall not commit adultery.

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

You shall not steal.

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

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

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

You shall not covet.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these, your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and as we are sorely hindered by our sins from running the race that is set before us, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

LESSONS

Old Testament: Micah 5:2–5a

At the conclusion of the OT lesson the reader says: The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 80:1–7

¹ Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, you that lead Joseph like a sheep;
show yourself also, you that sit upon the cherubim.

² **Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,**
stir up your strength and come to help us.

³ Restore us again, O God;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be whole.

⁴ **O LORD God of hosts,**
how long will you be angry with your people that pray?

⁵ You feed them with the bread of tears
and give them plenteous tears to drink.

⁶ **You have made us the derision of our neighbors, ***
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

⁷ Restore us again, O God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be whole.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

New Testament: Hebrews 10:1–10

At the conclusion of the NT lesson the reader says: The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high,
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply
echoing their joyous strains.

Chorus

Gloria in excelsis Deo (2x)

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
which inspire your heav'nly song?

Gospel: The reader introduces the Gospel lesson saying: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke (1:39–56).

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

At the conclusion of the Gospel lesson, the reader says: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Angels We Have Heard on High

Come to Bethlehem and see
him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

See him in a manger laid,
Whom the choirs of angels praise.
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid
While our hearts in love we raise.

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

the only-begotten 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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

SERMON

OFFERTORY: Magnificat

My soul glorifies the Lord
And my Spirit rejoices
In God my Savior

He has looked down with his favor
On his humble servant
Now all generations
Will call me blessed

The Almighty has done great things for me
Holy is his name
Holy is his name

He shows mercy to all
All those who fear him
From generation to generation

He has shown the strength of his arm
And scattered the prideful
He's brought down the mighty

And lifted the lowly

He has filled the hungry with good things
The rich with nothing
Holy is his name

He has come to Israel
To fulfill his promise
To those gone before us
The promise of grace

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O LORD,
People **And of your own have we given you.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying: Lord, in your mercy,
People **Hear our prayer.**

EXHORTATION

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker and judge of us all:**

**We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses,
which we have committed by thought, word, and deed
against your divine majesty,
provoking most justly your righteous anger against us.**

**We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions;
the burden of them is more than we can bear.**

Have mercy upon us,

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,

forgive us all that is past;

and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life,

to the honor and glory of your Name;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMFORTABLE WORDS

DOXOLOGY

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 SURSUM CORDA

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

THE SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your abundant and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table;
but you are the same Lord,
whose character is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

What Child Is This?

What Child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?

Chorus

This, this is Christ, the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:

Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The Babe, the Son of Mary!

Why lies He in such mean estate,
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,
Come, peasant, king to own Him.
The King of kings salvation brings;
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.

Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Come Thou long-expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the saints Thou art;
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit,
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

All Glory Be to Christ Our King

Should nothing of our efforts stand,
No legacy survive,
Unless the Lord does raise the house
In vain its builders strive.

To you who boast tomorrow's gain
Tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn
All glory be to Christ!

Chorus:

All glory be to Christ our king!
All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign we'll ever sing,

All glory be to Christ!

His will be done, His kingdom come
On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love

Let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ!

Chorus

When on the day the great I Am,
The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new.

Behold our God shall live with us
And be our steadfast light.
And we shall ere his people be
All glory be to Christ!

Chorus

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries,
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us:**

that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son,
the blessed company of all faithful people;
and are also heirs, through hope,
of your everlasting kingdom.

And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father,
to assist us with your grace,
that we may continue in that holy fellowship,
and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

BLESSING

All our problems
We send to the cross of Christ.
All our sins
We send to the cross of Christ.
All the devil's works
We send to the cross of Christ.
All our hopes
We set on the risen Christ.

RECESSION

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**