

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A beacon of hope, a call to serve

The First Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2021 7:30am, 10:00am

Aloha and Welcome

**We are blessed to have you join us for worship today
in person or online!**



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Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Prelude (*Take this time to center your hearts for worship.*)

The Word of God

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

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

Presider 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

Presider Lord, have mercy.

People **Christ, have mercy.**

Presider Lord, have mercy.

Lighting of the First Advent Candle

Hymn *O come, O come, Emmanuel (vs. 1-2)* **Hymnal 1982, #56**

**O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**

**O come, thou Wisdom from on high, who orderest all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show, and teach us in her ways to go.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**

The Collect of the Day

Presider 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.**

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The First Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Psalm 25:1-9

Read responsively by whole verse. Congregation reads the verses in bold.

1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you;
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

**2 Let none who look to you be put to shame;
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.**

3 Show me your ways, O Lord,
and teach me your paths.

**4 Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.**

5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.

**6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.**

7 Gracious and upright is the Lord;
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

**8 He guides the humble in doing right
and teaches his way to the lowly.**

9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just

as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn *Come, thou long expected Jesus*

Hymnal 1982, #66

**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 earth 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 for ever,
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.**

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: Stuttgart, melody from Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andachtige und Schone Gesange, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 21:25-36

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is

near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

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

The Sermon

Pastor Diane

Music Meditation (7:30am and 10:00am)

Dr. Joseph Eppink

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.**

Prayers of the People, Form I

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After each petition, the response is “Lord, have mercy.”

Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider 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.**

Presider 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 ("Touchless")

Presider *The peace of the Lord be always with you.*

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

Give a nod, a wave, or a peace sign to those around you. The sharing of The Peace takes place as we prepare to receive communion. It is a sign of reconciliation, of the forgiveness we receive in Christ and that which we extend to one another with God's help.

Announcements and Birthdays

Offering - *We thank you for your financial faithfulness to the church during this challenging time, enabling St. Peter's to continue to fulfill its mission to be “A Beacon of Hope, A Call to Serve.” Your financial gifts can be placed in the offering bowl at the doors, mailed to the church or you can donate online at www.stpetershonolulu.org.*

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear 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 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.

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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 God,

**We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. Amen.

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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.**

For those of you joining by live stream or watching this service as a recording at a later time, although you are not physically receiving communion, you are invited to spend

this time in prayer, acknowledging your desire to be wholly united with Jesus and for your soul to never be separated from him.

Post-Communion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn

The King Shall Come

Hymnal 1982, #73

**The King shall come when morning dawns
and light triumphant breaks,
when beauty gilds the eastern hills,
and life to joy awakes.**

**Not as of old a little child
to bear, and fight, and die,
but crowned with glory like the sun
that lights the morning sky.**

**The King shall come when morning dawns,
and earth's dark night is past;
O haste the rising of that morn,
the day that e'er shall last.**

**And let the endless bliss begin,
by weary saints foretold,
when right shall triumph over wrong,
and truth shall be extolled.**

**The King shall come when morning dawns,
and light and beauty brings;
Hail, Christ the Lord! Thy people pray,
come quickly, King of kings!**

Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859-1925), alt. Music: St. Stephen, William Jones (1726-1800), alt.

Dismissal

Organ Postlude

PARISH PRAYER LIST

*Please call the church office or speak with Pastor Diane if you have a prayer request. Always ask permission of the person first if you want to add someone's name other than your own. Be sure to provide the church office with updates. **Names added by members will remain on our prayer list for one month. After that time, the names will be cycled off the list, unless there is a request for the name to be added for another month.***

Joe and Kathleen C., Sim K., Bill McK., John M., Helena W., Sharon F., Landy W., Violet T., Cal C., Nancy W., Dennis L., Austen C., Nami Ann F., John & Susan H., Jarrett I., Kelly K., Colleen K., Chris L., Ralph P., Natalia P., Jim & Patricia R., Pomai S., Ediza T., Trisha, Gary U., Taz W., Christopher G., Carolyn N., Chris H., Joshua M., Mike, Tom D.

***The St. Peter's Prayer Circle.** If you are interested in providing intentional prayers for those on our prayer list and others for whom we pray, become part of the Prayer Circle. Please contact Tiare Ono or the church office.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In response to CDC guidelines, eucharist during this time of pandemic will be in “one kind” only per Bishop Fitzpatrick. The Eucharistic Doctrine of Concomitance affirms the simultaneous presence of Christ's body and blood in each of the eucharistic elements. It upholds the understanding that the fullness of communion is available by receiving either the consecrated bread or wine.

Thank you to all of you who have made a financial pledge to the ministry of St. Peter's in 2021. If you haven't sent in your pledge card yet, we welcome them! The vestry will begin the budget work for 2022 during the month of December. Your pledge commitments make this ministry possible. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail, they are available on the greeter's table or by contacting the church office.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Weekdays, 6am (St. Peter's website or Facebook page) - A Moment With Music with Dr. Joseph Eppink (*Available "on demand" at other times.*)

Wed, Dec. 1, 10:00am – Weekly Bible Study by Zoom --- Contact Pr. Diane for the link.

Thurs, Dec. 2, 6:00pm - Jazz Vespers "in person" and live-streaming on the church Facebook page and website.

Scripture Readings for Sunday, December 5, Advent 2:

Malachi 3:1-4, Philippians 1:3-11, Luke 3:1-6, Canticle 4/16 (BCP) pg. 50, 92-
Luke 1:68-79

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TODAY'S MINISTERS

All those involved in worship as leaders are vaccinated.

Organist/Pianist	(7:30am, 10:00am)	Dr. Joseph Eppink
Live Streaming	(7:30am)	Terry Dang, Ron Kim
Lectors	(7:30am)	Barry James
	(10:00am)	Jenna Matsumoto
Table Greeters	(7:30am)	Willis & Jan Yap
	(10:00am)	Haroldwyn Chang & Velma Lee
Coffee Hour Hosts	(7:30am)	Jan Yap & Beth Chang
	(10:00am)	Velma Lee & Gail Haruki

Next week's Coffee Hour hosts (Dec. 5th):

7:30am: Cheryl Fong & John Afong

10:00am: Barbara Vlachos & Sim Kau



**Next Sunday: December 5
Second Sunday of Advent**

7:30am - Live Streaming of the service on St. Peter's website, www.stpetershonolulu.org or St. Peter's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/stpetershonolulu
7:30am and 10:00am -
"In person" worship

**Advent Jazz Vespers
December 2, 9, 16, 23
"In-person" and Live stream
on the church
Facebook page and website**



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