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December 24, 2017 9:00 AM

Fourth Sunday of Advent

The Rev. Leslie J. Hague is the celebrant and preacher today.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

VOLUNTARY

Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen

Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

(Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming)

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Celebrant On this fourth Sunday of Advent, Let us pray.

People of God: awake! The day is coming soon when you shall see God face to face. Remember the ways and the works of God. God calls you out of darkness to walk in the light of his coming. You are God's children. Lord, make us one as we walk with Christ today and for ever. **Amen.**

(The fourth Advent candle is lit.)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 56 O come, O come, Emmanuel *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*

The people standing, the Officiant says

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

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

The Officiant then continues

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.**

TRISAGION

(sung three times)

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**Holy God, Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

A READING FROM THE SECOND BOOK OF SAMUEL 7:1-11, 16

When the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you."

But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 89:1-4, 19-26

*Cantor sings the versicle –
congregation sings the response*

Henry Walford Davies
(1869-1941)
(18002-12711)

1 Your love, O LORD, for ¹ever will I ¹sing; *
from age to age my ¹mouth will pro¹claim your ¹faithfulness.

PSALM 89:1-4, 19-26 (cont.)

- 2 For I am persuaded that your love is es¹ta¹blis¹hed for¹ever; *
you have set your faithfulness¹ firmly¹ in the¹ heavens.
- 3 “I have made a¹ cov¹en¹ant with my¹ chosen one; *
I have sworn an¹ oath to¹ Dav¹id my¹ serv¹ant:
- 4 ‘I will establish your¹ line for¹ever, *
and preserve your¹ throne for¹ all gene¹ra¹tions.’”
- 19 You spoke once in a vision and said to your¹ faith¹ful¹ people: *
“I have set the crown upon a warrior
and have exalted one¹ chosen¹ out of the¹ people.
- 20 I have found¹ Dav¹id my¹ serv¹ant; *
with my holy¹ oil have¹ I a¹no¹inted him.
- 21 My hand will¹ hold him¹ fast *
and my¹ arm will¹ make him¹ strong.
- 22 No¹ ene¹my shall de¹ceive him, *
nor any¹ wick¹ed man¹ bring him¹ down.
- 23 I will crush his¹ foes be¹fore him *
and¹ strike down¹ those who¹ hate him.
- 24 My faithfulness and¹ love shall¹ be with him, *
and he shall be vic¹torious¹ through my¹ Name.
- 25 I shall make his do¹minion ex¹tend *
from the¹ Great Sea¹ to the¹ River.
- 26 He will say to me, ‘You are my¹ Father, *
my God, and the¹ rock of¹ my sal¹vation.’

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS 16:25-27

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith-- to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 54 Savior of the nations, come! *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 1:26-38.

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

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

THE REV. LESLIE J. HAGUE

A quiet time for reflection follows the sermon.

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Extend your greeting to your favored ones, O God, and let your Holy Spirit overshadow us, that we may proclaim your love to our generation, as we await the coming of Christ, saying: Let your faithfulness and love be with us; for your love is established for ever.

Intercessor Gracious and Loving God, build your Church into a house that shall be made sure forever before you, that we, like Mary, may respond in faithfulness and be bearers of the Christ Child unto all the world. Let your faithfulness and love be with us;

People for your love is established for ever.

Intercessor Eternal and Infinite One, raise up just leaders, and guide the nations of the world, that all people may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and that evildoers shall afflict them no more. Let your faithfulness and love be with us;
People **for your love is established for ever.**

Intercessor Compassionate One, let the prophetic writings be made known to all the nations to bring release and comfort to all who are oppressed, to lift up the lowly and fill the hungry with good things. Let your faithfulness and love be with us;
People **for your love is established for ever.**

Intercessor Loving God, empower your Holy Spirit to come upon this community that we may be the servants of the Lord and live graciously according to your word. Let your faithfulness and love be with us;
People **for your love is established for ever.**

Intercessor Gracious One, visit all for whom we pray with your mysterious love, and honor the intercessions of your people as we pray for those on our All Saints prayer list; for Richard who will receive communion at home this week; and for others we may wish to name, either silently or aloud.

(Pause for quiet reflection)

Hear our glad tidings as we offer you our praise and thanksgiving, especially for our Lectors who so beautifully share the lessons each week in our Mass, and for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week, and for others we may wish to name, either silently or aloud.

(Pause for quiet reflection)

Raise up into your glorious eternal presence those who have died, especially Kathryn O'Neil who passed away on Monday, and others we remember, either silently or aloud.

(Pause for quiet reflection)

Let your faithfulness and love be with us;

People **for your love is established for ever.**

Celebrant Holy One, let your Word of perfect love cast out all fear. for the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages is now disclosed; guide us that we may joyfully bring about the obedience of faith to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Officiant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister 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.

A Priest stands and says

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 is then exchanged

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

HOLY COMMUNION EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

OFFERTORY QUARTET Lo, in the Time Appointed *Healey Willan (1880-1968)*

Susan Sloan, Kathy Dean, David Peters, Dan Bishop

Lo, in the time appointed the Lord will come,

The mountains and the hills shall break forth into singing

And all the trees of the field shall clap their hands:

For the Lord God shall come into his everlasting kingdom:

And upon the throne of David shall he reign for ever, Alleluia!

OFFERTORY HYMN 66 Come, thou long expected Jesus *Stuttgart*

The Eucharistic Gifts are brought forward.

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.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, 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:

Celebrant and People sing

Sanctus

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**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 as they choose.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
People and Celebrant

**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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Then may be said

Celebrant and People

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**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

The Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

Prayer Partners during Communion

(Prayer Partners are available near the pulpit during Communion.

All wishing to have special supportive prayers for yourself or others are encouraged to approach the prayer partner during communion time.)

COMMUNION QUARTET *Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen* Michael Praetorius (1571-1621) (Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming) arr. Donald Cashmore (b. 1926)

Translation from German:

*A rose there is a springing from tender roots on earth;
As ancient men were singing, from Jesse came its birth.
And now this little flow'r appears in coldest winter at this, the midnight hour.
This Rose, the stem of Jesse, by prophets once foretold;
Mary alone has brought us the Child promised of old.
By God's eternal pow'r the Midwife has borne the infant at this, the midnight hour.
The flow'r so small and slender shines thro' with radiance bright;
To us so sweet and tender dispels the darkest night.
True Man with God's true pow'r, helps us from all our suffering,
Saves us from death's dark hour.*

After Communion, the Celebrant says

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.

SENDING FORTH OF THE LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Priest N. (and N.) we send you out to share Communion this week with
N. (and N.)

People **May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.**

Priest May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE BLESSING

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, may bless the people.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 59 Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding

Merton

Voluntary:

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Savior of the Nations Come

arr. Paul Manz (1919-2009)

*Please join us for Greening of the Church
following this service.*

ALL SAINTS CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday, Dec. 24 **4:00 PM Family Nativity Christmas Mass**
10:30 PM Anthems and Carols
11:00 PM Choral Nativity Mass

Monday, Dec. 25 **10:30 AM Christmas Day Mass**



The Altar Greens this week are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of William Higgins,
Ken and Charlotte Solakian Ross,
and Walter and Violet Dunkle by K. Pat and Kerry Ross & Family.

The Sanctuary Candle this week is given to the Glory of God
and in in thanksgiving for the joy of the birth of our Lord,
by the people of All Saints.



CELEBRATING THIS WEEK: December 24 – 30

Birthdays Pat Ross, Phil Farnsworth
Anniversary Earl and Kathryn Congdon
Berry and Phyllis Barnes

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS

<i>Mon. – Fri.</i>		Easier Softer Way (AA Meeting)	8:00 am	Neaverson
<i>Wednesday</i>	12/27	Holy Eucharist w/Healing	12:05 pm	St. Luke's
		Deadline eComm and Bulletin	12:00 pm	
<i>Thursday</i>	12/28	Vespers	6:30 pm	St. Luke's
<i>Saturday</i>	12/30	RiverSounds: Sean Cavanaugh Pianist	4:00 pm	

The All Saints Office will be closed on Monday, Dec. 25 and Tuesday, Dec. 26.
We will also be closed on Monday, Jan. 1 and Tuesday, Jan. 2.

**DEDICATION OF ALTAR FLOWERS AND SANCTUARY CANDLES
2018**

The sign up for 2018 dedication of Altar Flowers and the Sanctuary Candles is now available on the bulletin board in the Narthex. The donation for Altar Flowers is \$100; and during Advent, it is \$30 for the Altar Greens. Flowers are not used during Lent. The Sanctuary Candle is \$15 for each week. A special thank you to everyone for their support of our Flower Guild to add to the beauty and enrichment of our Church.

WEDNESDAY HEALING PRAYER WITH EUCHARIST

Wednesday, December 27 12:05 p.m.

(please use the entrance by Jensen Courtyard)

Has anyone ever asked you to remember them in your prayers? Every Wednesday at noon in St. Luke's Chapel, we have a special service of prayer, anointing, and laying on of hands for healing. If you have been asked to pray for others, please join us in this important ministry of prayer.

**THIS WEEK IS THE COMMEMORATION OF ST. JOHN
THE APOSTLE**

VESPERS (EVENING PRAYERS – RITE I) AT ALL SAINTS

Every Thursday Evening at 6:30 pm in St. Luke's Chapel

Vespers is a wonderful and deeply spiritual liturgy of prayer which is the penultimate of the ancient daily Christian "Prayer Hours." Vespers offers us an opportunity for thanksgiving for the good in the day, to let go of the stresses of work and life; and to turn all things earthly, over to God near the end of the day.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28
COMMEMORATION OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS**

ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

ECW Book Review

Monday, January 15th from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm

Book Reviews are Back by Popular Demand!!!

"Boys In the Boat" Reviewed by Marj Lyons

Monday (MLK Holiday) Jan. 15th from 11-12:30

Light Tapas Lunch \$10

A SPECIAL NOTE: All are welcome to attend the Book Review, **MEN AND WOMEN**, to join in a stimulating conversation about the historical and triumphant Rowing Team of the 1936 Olympics that over came all odds against them.