St. Clement's by-the-Sea, Episcopal Church The Second Sunday of Advent

December 5, 2021



"This Church of Ours is Open To All...There Will Be No Outcasts."

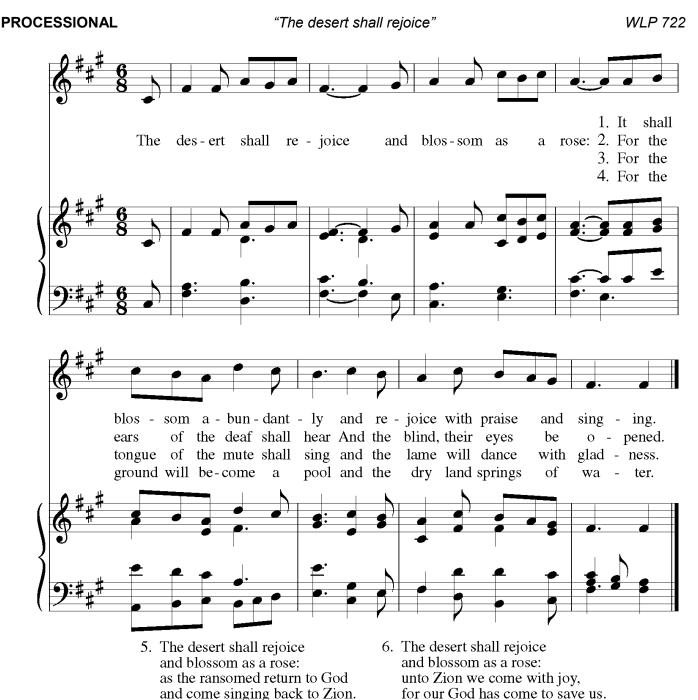
-The Most Rev. Edmund Browning Emeritus Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church

Parish Mission: Follow Christ through the way we live and love, spreading the good news of God in Christ, opening our hearts to all, and experience and spread joy in the process.



Congregation remains seated, joins on refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!



SALUTATION

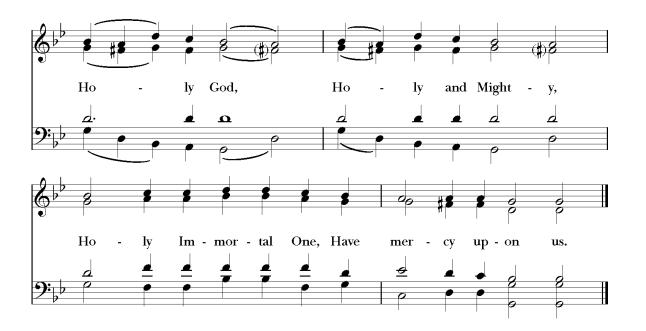
CelebrantOur King and Savior now draws near.PeopleO come, let us adore him.

Celebrant and People

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.

Music: Ver. Hymnal 1982, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

Sung three times



COLLECT

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Malachi 3:1-4

Lector A reading from the Book of the prophet Malachi.

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight-- indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

LectorHear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.PeopleThanks be to God.

In place of the Psalm today we have this canticle. The congregation may remain seated.



Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944) Music: *Shepherd's Pipes*, Annabeth McClelland Gay (b. 1925)

SECOND LESSON

Lector A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians.

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

LectorHear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.PeopleThanks be to God.

Hymnal 75



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GOSPEL

PriestThe Holy Gospel of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to Saint Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of

Luke 3:1-6

Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

PriestThe Gospel of the LordPeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

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

Wherever we are, in the wilderness, the countryside, or the city, God, you are there. That our hearts may be stirred up in thanksgiving for the life you have given us, let us pray, saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the gifts of creation, for the sun that lights our day and the moon and starts that shelter the night: May our eyes be open to the beauty around us, the subtle changes in the sky, the delicate coating of the good earth from which breaks forth our food and flowers and in which animals make their home. Help us to protect and nurture your creation all around us and ever proclaim its wonders. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

For the church in every place: May we be ever mindful of the richness of the family of faith we have in you, the persons next to us in the pew, those in neighborhood churches, the national, international, and ecumenical church comprising every race, nation and circumstance. Let us give thanks for the friends we have in Christ. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

For those in authority: Let us pray for Christians who witness in places hostile to the gospel, and let us be thankful for our freedom to practice our faith. Let us pray for the leaders of nations that Christ may transform strangers into friends that all may see your salvation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For this community in our joys and sorrows: Let us remember those who have gone before us, those who have sacrificed for us. Help us to look for what is below the obvious, and from this depth to reach out to others. Help us to know the joy that is mingled even with our utmost grief. Let us give thanks for this gathering of God's people and for the renewal of life we are given. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Fr. Patrick

For those at greatest risk among us: Let us pray for those lonely, rejected, or oppressed, for the sick and those who struggle to regain their strength, for those among us with the longest memories to link us to the past, and for the newborn, in whose baptism our baptism is again renewed. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

[Here other intercessions may be offered.]

Lord, gather up our prayers with those of all your people in every place, and as you prepare the way, making every valley filled and every mountain brought low in blessing and adoration, guide us to Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.

ABSOLUTION

The 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

In the tender mercy of our God, the dayspring from on high shall break upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthdays, Anniversaries, Thanksgivings, Welcome Newcomers, and General Information

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

We are so very grateful for your offerings to St. Clement's by-the-Sea to support our ministry in the world. Your gifts are essential. We are not passing the plate during these pandemic times, but there is an alms basin at the entrance of the church for your contributions. You can also scan the QR code below with your phone, and you will be taken to PayPal where you can easily contribute by credit or debit card. Thank you and God bless you.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

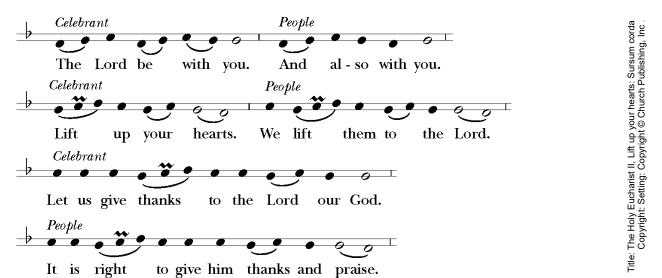
"Panis Angelicus"

by Charles Gounod

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Prayer B

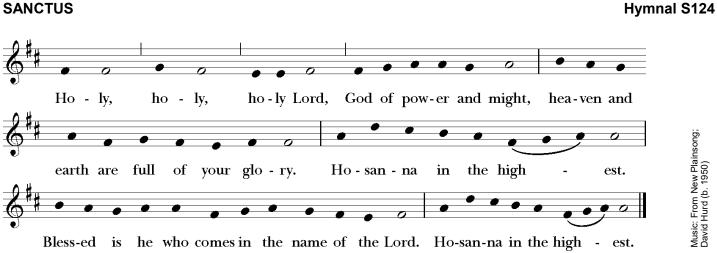
The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says

SURSUM CORDA



Then, facing the Holy Table, 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:



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."

Hymnal S120

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.

THE GREAT AMEN

Hymnal S146



THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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.

Priest The bread which we break is a sharing in the Body of Christ. **People We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Facing the people, 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.

All who seek Christ or a deeper relationship with Christ are welcome to receive Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available for those with Gluten allergies. If you are physically unable to come to the altar rail, please alert an usher, and Communion will be brought to you in your pew. To receive the consecrated bread, please extend your hands, one atop the other. If you wish not to receive Communion but rather a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you. Communion is given and received with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN "Comfort, comfort ye my people" Hymnal 67 0 \boldsymbol{c} a 4 Com fort, fort ple, 1 com ye my peo speak ye peace, thus 2 Hark, the voice \mathbf{of} cri eth the des - ert one that in 3 Make what long ye straight crook make the rough - er was ed, 0 O 0 0 saith God; fort those who dark our sit com in ness far near, call and ing us to new re pent ance plain; pla let your hearts be true and hum ble, ces C O mourn - ing 'neath their sor rows' load. Speak ye to Je the king dom now here. Oh, that warn - ing since is be - fits as his ho ly reign. For the glo ry Θ O 0 sa - lem of the that waits ru peace for them; o - bey! God cry Now pre - pare for a way; the Lord shed of o'er earth is a - broad; now Ø 0 0 tell that Ι her her sins cov er, let the val leys rise him to meet and all flesh shall see the to ken 0 \overline{C} æ 0 her fare and war now is 0 ver. the hills bow down him. and to greet that the word is bro ken. nev er -

Words: Johann G. Olearius (1611-1684); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: Psalm 42, melody and bass Claude Goudimel (1514-1572); harm. Hymnal 1982

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

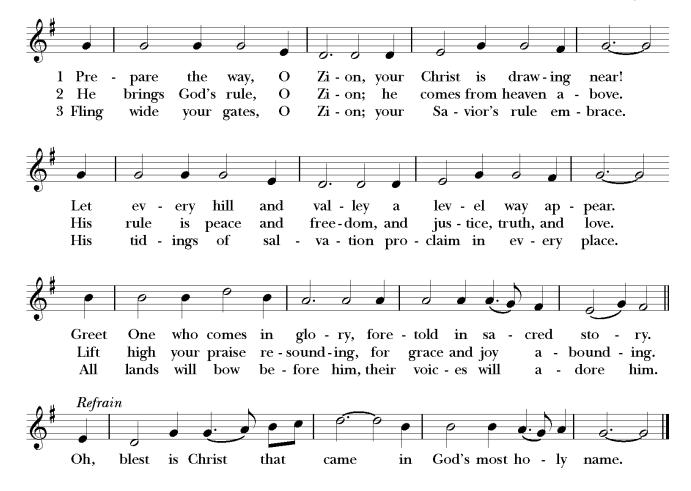
BLESSING

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 upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL

"Prepare the way, O Zion"

Hymnal 65



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DISMISSAL

PriestLet us go forth in the name of Christ.PeopleThanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

arr. by John Carter

Please join us for refreshments in the parish hall

Today at St. Clement's

Sunday, December 5th - The Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II (spoken)	Sanctuary
10:00am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II (with Choir)	Sanctuary
10:00am 12:00pm	Sunday School (ages 4-8) Misa en Español	Room 2 Sanctuary

The altar flowers are given by Thuy *L* Steve Jones in thanksgiving.

In our Diocese: Please pray for our Bishop: John; and our Presiding Bishop, Michael.

In our Parish: Please pray for our Spanish-speaking brothers and sisters in Christ who worship here at 12pm. Pray for Margarita Farias, Padre Patricio, Tom Fahney, Patty Clarke, Elvira Carrillo, and others who help with our Spanish worship services.

We pray for the Marines that were with us on Veterans Day: Benjamin Falk, Anthony Diaz, Andres Carrion, Jack Heydt, Jackson Forsythe

For those in need of healing: Darian, Doug, Elizabeth, Frankie, Louisa, Donn, Joseph, Marie, and Jane.

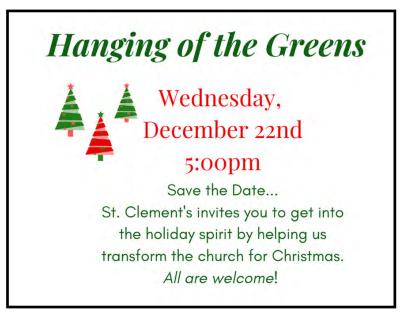
For those who have died: Bill Loftus

Comfort, Guidance & Consolation for those suffering loss: The Loftus family, The Bickel family, The Barber family

For those who are traveling: Char, Robert.

Prayer requests may be made by calling the church office at (949) 492-3401 or e-mail info@scbythesea.org

Prayers for Healing, for Comfort & Discernment, and for Pets will remain on the Prayer List for 4 weeks.



December 2021					
Birthd	ay Celebrants	Wedding Anniversaries			
1-Colin Casey	22-Iridiana Farias	27-Larry & Pat Sawyer			
2-Jose Carrillo	25-Rocco Carbonara				
7-Donald Morgan	25-Julia Darden-Lentz				
7-Georgina Williams	26-Gustavo Carrillo				
8-Will Wallett	27-Isabel Grigg				
10-Joelle Adamson	28-Claus Beneker				
13-Joe Silva	30-Andrea Morris				
16-Ken Hite					





Envelopes and forms will be available in each bulletin, as well as during Coffee Hour.

Please place your Christmas Flower Offering along with your dedication in the Sunday offering or the office drop box. The drop box is located to the right of the church office door.



SAN CLEMENTE MILITARY FAMILY OUTREACH (SCMFO) TOGETHER WITH MARY'S FEAST ARE HOSTING THEIR ANNUAL JANUARY 2022 BABY SHOWER

SCMFO is a ministry of St. Clement's. Members of our parish represent St. Clement's on the SCMFO Board of Directors and Volunteer Committee. Every year, SCMFO gives a baby shower for approximately 40 new or expectant mothers who receive complete layettes for their babies.

This year, as one of our Christmas outreach ministries, St. Clement's is participating in the baby shower by donating **new unwrapped baby gifts** appropriate for an infant or child up to 12 months of age.

Beginning with the 2nd Sunday of Advent on December 5, and extending until the 4th Sunday of Advent on December 19th, a Christmas tree will be in the parish hall. On the tree will be tags labeled with baby items the military families need. If you would like to participate in this outreach ministry, please select a tag from the tree for a baby shower item(s) you would like to purchase.

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, we can bring much needed and appreciated baby items to the underresourced Marine families in need via the San Clemente Marine Family Outreach annual baby shower.

Where to bring your new, unwrapped items;

- to the parish hall during coffee hour and place them in the in the basket by the tree
- to the church office prior to Christmas Eve where there will be a basket to place your donation.
- If you donate a gift card, place it in an envelope with "baby shower" written on the envelope and drop it in the mail slot next to the door of the parish office.
- If you have any questions, please contact Jayne Lane at 774.722.4644 or JayneLane05@hotmail.com or Tina Inglish at 949.285.9576 or ringlish@cox.net



Coffee hour is really important time for us to come together, and it strengthens our community. Everyone at St. Clement's seems to love Coffee Hour, yet we have had some challenges getting folk to sign up to host. This is a very easy ministry. You need only make a few pots of coffee on Sunday morning (for which instruction is provided), and bring some treats to share (which can be store bought or homemade, your choice). If you love coffee hour, as I do, please click the link below and sign up to host some Sunday soon. We need hosts for both the 8am and 10am services.

https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/9040445a5ae2ba5f85-coffee

MINISTERS SERVING YOU TODAY

Celebrant

The Rev. Patrick Crerar

Music Director Larry Gates

Cantor

Amanda Patterson

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