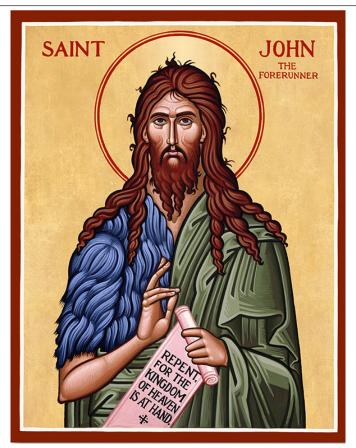
THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

17 DECEMBER 2023 | 9:00AM

HOLY COMMUNION IN CONTEMPORARY LANGUAGE



ST. PETER'S ANGLICAN CATHEDRAL

Reaching One Another, Tallahassee, and the World with the Transforming Love of Jesus Christ

Welcome to St. Peter's! Whether this is your first worship service here, or you've lost count, we're so glad you're here. We are an Anglican Church and the Cathedral of the Gulf Atlantic Diocese of the Anglican Church in North America. As such, we are rooted in the theology and worship of the English Reformation and our service consists of a regular pattern of prayers, music/songs, and readings that fall into two movements. In the Liturgy of the Word, we listen to God's word read, sung, prayed, and taught. In the Liturgy of the Table, we are nourished by God through the sacrament of his body and blood. The liturgy, which follows the ACNA Book of Common Prayer 2019, is all here in this service bulletin for you to easily follow along. Old & New Testament passages are taken from The Holy Bible, English Standard Version; Psalms are taken from the New Coverdale Psalter.

Please observe silence before the service for prayer and meditation.

All mobile telephones, pagers, and electronic devices should be turned off prior to the service.

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Holy Communion

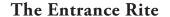
Prelude Lo! How A Rose D. Bish

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

The third Advent candle is the John the Baptist Candle, a reminder of John the Baptist, who calls us to prepare to welcome Jesus into our hearts.

Advent Prayer

God our Father, you gave to Zachariah and Elizabeth in their old age a son called John. He grew up strong in spirit, prepared the people for the coming of the Lord, and baptized them in the Jordan to wash away their sins. Help us, who have been baptized into Christ, to be ready to welcome him into our hearts, and to grow strong in faith by the power of the Spirit. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the Light who is coming into the world. **Amen.**



Pealing of the Bells Please stand.

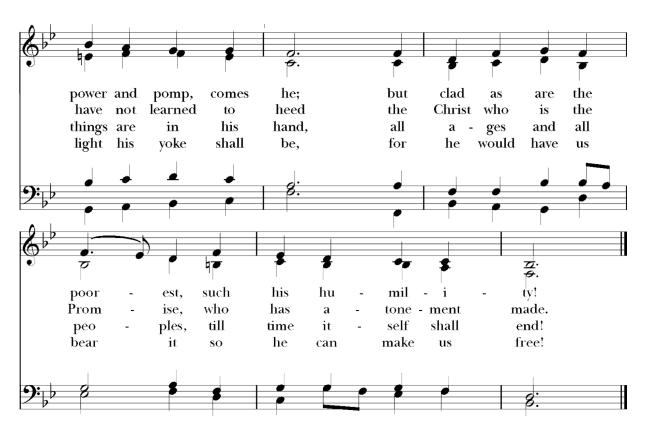


Turn page for Entrance Hymn.



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The Seasonal Greeting

Celebrant: Surely the Lord is coming soon.

People: Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

REVELATION 22: 20

The Collect for Purity

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.

The Summary of the Law

Celebrant:

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

MATTHEW 22: 37-40

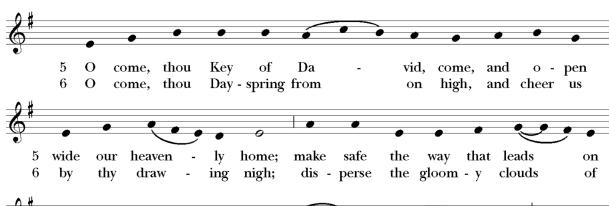
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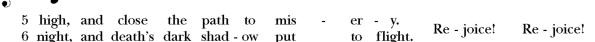
Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us. People: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Song of Praise Hymn 56

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel







The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spirit.

Let us pray. Celebrant:

Celebrant: O Lord Jesus Christ, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise make ready your way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient toward the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world, we may be found a people acceptable in your sight; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson All are seated.

Isaiah 65:17-25

¹⁷ "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. 18 But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. ¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. ²⁰ No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. ²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²² They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³ They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord, and their descendants with them. ²⁴ Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. ²⁵ The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the Lord.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126 Chanted by all.

Chant: Tone VIII



1 When the Lord overturned the captivity of **Zí**on, *

then were **wé** like **thôse** who dream.

² Then was our mouth filled with **láugh**ter * and our **tóngue** with **shôuts** of joy.

³ Then they said among the **ná**tions, *

"The LORD has **dóne** great **thîngs** for them."

- 4 Indeed, the LORD has done great things for us alréady, * whereóf we rejôice.
- ⁵ Overturn our captivity O Lórd, *

as when streams refresh the **dés**erts **ôf** the south.

6 Those who sow in **téars** *

shall **réap** with **sôngs** of joy.

⁷ He who goes on his way weeping and bears **góod** seed * shall doubtless come again with joy and bring his sheaves with him.

The Second Lesson Remain seated.

1 Thessalonians 5:12-28

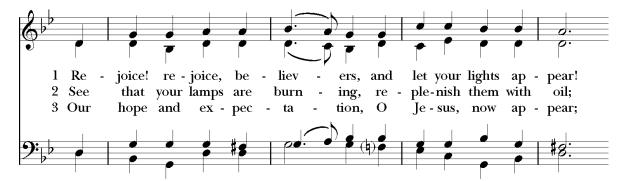
¹² We ask you, brothers, to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, ¹³ and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. ¹⁴ And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all. ¹⁵ See that no one repays anyone evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to everyone. ¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray without ceasing, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. ¹⁹ Do not quench the Spirit. ²⁰ Do not despise prophecies, ²¹ but test everything; hold fast what is good. ²² Abstain from every form of evil. ²³ Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴ He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it. ²⁵ Brothers, pray for us. ²⁶ Greet all the brothers with a holy kiss. ²⁷ I put you under oath before the Lord to have this letter read to all the brothers. ²⁸ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. *People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 68 All stand.

Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers

At this time, Children (1st Grade & under) are invited to come to Children's Chapel. We gather in the Narthex before moving downstairs. In Chapel, the children will have an opportunity to hear the Gospel, pray, sing, and participate in a format that is enriching and engaging. Children will return to their pews during The Peace.





Words: Laurentius Laurenti (1660-1722); tr. Sarah B. Findlater (1823-1907), alt.

Music: Llangloffan, melody from Hymnau a Thonau er Gwasanaeth yr Eglwys yng Nghymru, 1865

John 3:22-30

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²² After this Jesus and his disciples went into the Judean countryside, and he remained there with them and was baptizing. ²³ John also was baptizing at Aenon near Salim, because water was plentiful there, and people were coming and being baptized ²⁴ (for John had not yet been put in prison). ²⁵ Now a discussion arose between some of John's disciples and a Jew over purification. ²⁶ And they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, he who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you bore witness—look, he is baptizing, and all are going to him." ²⁷ John answered, "A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven. ²⁸ You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, 'I am not the Christ, but I have been sent before him.' ²⁹ The one who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is now complete. ³⁰ He must increase, but I must decrease."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Very Rev'd Marcus A. Kaiser, Sr.

Notes

The Nicene Creed All stand.

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 begyen

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.

The Prayers of the People All kneel.

After each bidding of "Lord, in your mercy" the People prayerfully respond with "Hear our prayer."

The Confession of Sin

Celebrant and People:

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.

The Absolution

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.**

The Comfortable Words Remain kneeling.

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying:

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

I TIMOTHY 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

I JOHN 2:1-2

The Peace All stand and greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.

At this time, the children who participated in Children's Chapel will return to their seats.

Parents, please look for your children and help them find their seats.

The Holy Communion

You can now give your tithes or pledges by texting SPAC to 73256 followed by your desired gift amount, e.g. SPAC \$50.

At the Offertory

Ave Maria

G. Caccini

Becky Thompson, soloist Diane Marshall, violin

> Hail Mary, Full of grace, The Lord is with thee.

Presentation Hymn All stand.

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus



The Sursum Corda

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. *People:* **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

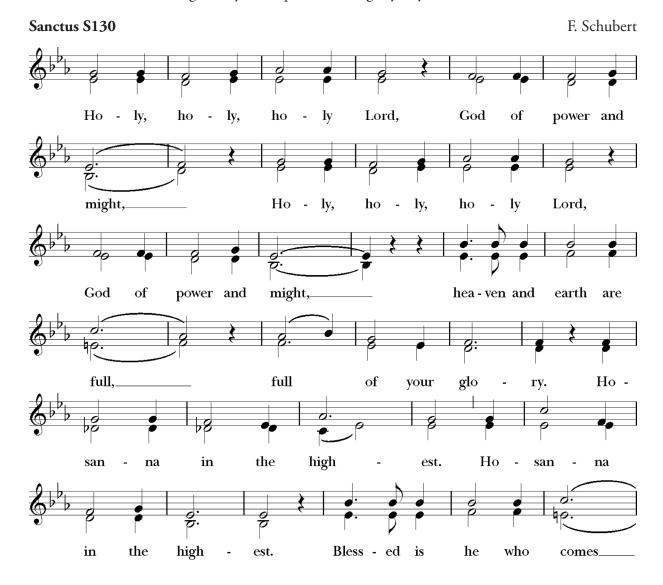
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

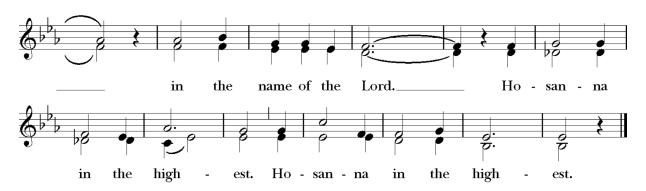
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Celebrant:

It is right, our duty and our joy, 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 glory 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





All kneel.

All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in 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:

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, because of our many sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we ask you to accept this duty and service we owe, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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

People: 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 Fraction

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant and People:

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.

Invitation to Communion

Communion Instructions

All baptized Christians, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive the real and living presence of Christ in this Holy Communion. Anyone may come forward for a blessing in lieu of Communion. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms on your chest.

An usher will release the aisles to come forward for Communion. A verger will direct you to the altar rail where a priest will place a wafer in your hands. If you would like to dip the wafer into the wine, hold it so it is visible and the first chalice bearer will offer you the intinction chalice for you to do so. If you would like to drink from the common cup, consume the bread and drink from the chalice offered by the second chalice bearer.

Gluten-free wafers are available from the acolytes in front of the pulpit or the lectern. Once you have obtained your wafer, come to the priest for the words of administration.



F. Schubert



Prayer Ministry: If you would like to be prayed for by a team of prayer ministers, after receiving communion, please proceed to the prayer ministry teams in either transept. You may form a line along the wall of the transept if necessary.

Home Communion: If you are unable to attend services at St. Peter's because you are home-bound or otherwise unable, we can bring Communion to you. Please contact our Lay Eucharistic Minister_Visitor Coordinator, Lori Thompson, at <u>1loriandmichael1@gmail.com</u>

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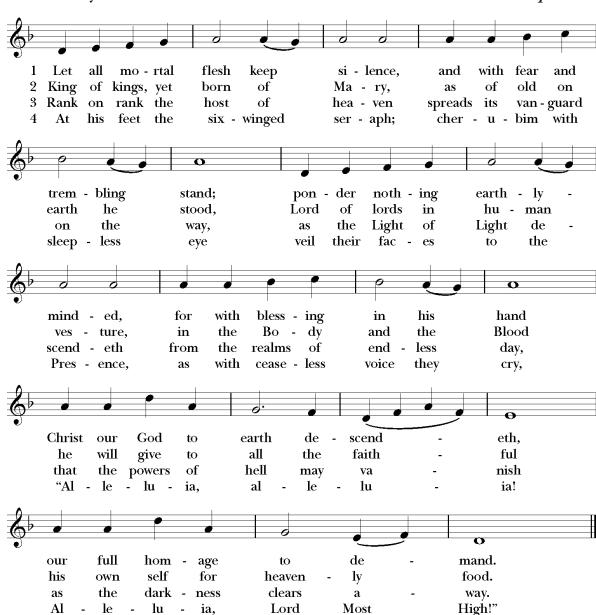
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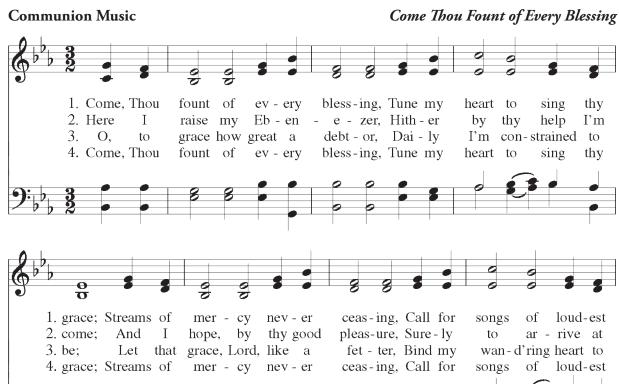
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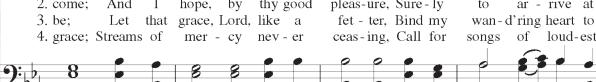


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- 1. praise. Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, Sung by
- 2. home. Je sus sought me when a stran ger, Wan-d'ring wan - der, Lord, I feel___ it, Prone to 3. Thee. Prone to
- 4. praise. Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, Sung by





The Postcommunion Prayer All kneel.

Celebrant and People:

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.

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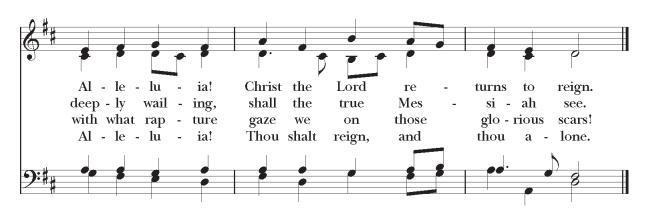
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Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending





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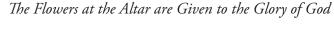
The Dismissal

The People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Savior of the Nations, Come

J.S. Bach



And in Celebration of Our 65th Wedding Anniversary On the 27th of December, By Major & Jane Harding

And in Thanksgiving for Stan Mattick on His Birthday, By Barbara Mattick

And in Loving Memory of Our Mother, Polly Causseaux, By Maryann Jones, Cynthia Greene, & Tom Causseaux.





SERVICES

9am Sunday* | Holy Communion in Contemporary Language
11:15am Sunday* | Holy Communion in Traditional Language
5pm Sunday | Holy Communion in Contemporary Language | St. Mary's Chapel
12:10pm Wednesday | Holy Communion & Prayers of Healing | Chancel
5:30pm Wednesday (during class semester) | Choral Evensong | Chancel
9am Monday-Friday | Morning Prayer | Chancel
4:30pm Monday | Tuesday | Thursday | Evening Prayer | Chancel
*Service is live-streamed on our YouTube channel | www.youtube.com/stpetersfl

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