



THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT

21 NOVEMBER 2021

10:30 AM SUNG MATTINS

11:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION



The Rev. Fr. Daniel S. Trout, *Rector*

Mr. C. Lance Davis, CAGO, *Music Minister*

The Most Rev. Mark Haverland, Ph.D., *Bishop Ordinary*

Joseph McRoy, *Senior Warden*; Barbara Z., *Junior Warden*; Rebecca Blair, *Treasurer*; Roberta Hannibal, *Secretary*; Beverly Roberts, *Editor*; Lucy Whitehorne, Barbara Cope, *Vestrymen*

Welcome to St. Luke Church, especially if you are a newcomer or visitor. Children of all ages are fully welcome in each liturgy. If you are a visitor, please sign the Guest Book located in the Narthex and fill out a Visitor Card. Newcomer packets are also available upon request. Please refer to the *Book of Common Prayer* (beginning on pg. 67) and the *Hymnal* throughout the Mass. We ask that you please keep prayerful silence in the church both before and after the liturgy. Silence is golden, but especially in church!

SUNG MATTINS

¶ The following page numbers relate to “The Daily Office Noted” booklet, unless otherwise stated. The liturgy begins on page 2 of the booklet. Please observe all postures as noted in that booklet.

¶ Please stand as the bells are rung.

Opening Sentence	BCP 5
Opening Versicles	DON 2
Invitatory & Venite, <i>Tone 1</i>	DON 3
Psalm 39, <i>Tone 2</i>	BCP 389
Lesson	<i>Jer. 3:14-18</i>
<i>Benedictus</i>	DON 15
Creed & Preces	DON 17
Collects & Closing Versicles	DON 21

SUNG MASS

¶ Please stand as the bells are rung.

Processional Hymn Hymn Board

¶ Please kneel during the Introit.

Introit
Thus saith the Lord: I know the thoughts that I think toward you, thoughts of peace, and not of evil: ye shall call upon me, and I will hearken unto you: and will turn away your captivity from all the nations. Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. *Gloria Patri.*

Collect for Purity	BCP 67
Summary of the Law	BCP 69
Kyrie	Hymnal #710
Collect(s) of the Day	BCP 225

Stir-Up Sunday

Today, the Sunday Next before Advent, is the last Sunday of the Church year. Next week begins the Church year anew with the first Sunday in Advent, four Sundays before Christmas. Our Collect today—perhaps one of the most famous in the Prayer Book—reminds us that it is ‘Stir Up Sunday,’ a Sunday synonymous with Christmas puddings. The great cry to “stir up” is a reminder to congregations to get the Christmas pudding made in plenty of time to mature before Christmas (a process easily aided by a healthy dose of brandy on top!).

However, the Stir Up (or *Excita*, “excite,” in the Latin original) prayer is actually asking God for something much more important. We are praying that God will *stir up* our wills, so that we might get on with doing the good works he has planned for us to do. Then, as a consequence, we pray that we might receive our abundant reward.

In an age when so much is about how we feel, it is important to be given an alternate perspective. In the end, it is our will, rather than our feelings, that is the most important governour of our actions. Authentic love is not about feeling, but rather choosing—by our wills—to do good to others even though we may not feel good towards them. We pray that God will “stir up” our wills, so that they will be in charge of us, doing what we know is right.

This Sunday also directs us towards preparation for the coming Advent Season. Our focus will soon be on the Second Coming of Christ (the “Parousia”), the Last Judgment, and the Heavenly Jerusalem. What does the Church teach about the Parousia? That Jesus will come in glory unexpectedly, and that no man knows when this will be. When he comes, the bodies of the dead will be raised and united with their souls. All who have ever lived will be judged in what is called the “Last Judgment,” which will happen in such a manner that everyone will know who Christ is and that his judgments are just. The world, and all creation, will be transformed and divinized. This is the great hope of the Christian, and today encourages us to allow God to begin to “stir up” that reality within us.

O watch and pray ere Advent dawn!
For thinner than the subtlest lawn
‘Twixt thee and death the veil is drawn.
But love too late can never glow:
The scatter’d fragments Love can glean,
Refine the dregs, and yield us clean
To regions where one thought serene
Breathes sweeter than whole years of sacrifice below.

-John Keble

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supply Priest Today

Please welcome back Fr. Eric Lewis to St. Luke as he supplies this morning while Father Trout and Anita are travelling. Father will be back on Wednesday for the Thanksgiving service and for all Advent I Masses next Sunday.

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Everyone is invited to join us on Wednesday at 6:30 PM for St. Luke's annual Thanksgiving (Eve) service with the "Blessing of First Fruits" ceremony to bless our holiday foods. To be followed by a Thanksgiving-ish dinner and the final lesson of "Keeping the Christian Year: Observance as Meaning & Meditation" in the parish hall.

St. Anne's Guild Meeting

Next Sunday, after the 11:00 AM Sung Mass, immediately following coffee hour in the parish hall for all parish ladies to discuss women's ministry. All are welcome!

UPCOMING SERVICE & STUDY SCHEDULE

- Tuesday, November 23: **Sung Mattins** and breakfast at 8:30 AM.
- Wednesday, November 24: **Low Mass for Thanksgiving Eve** at 6:30 PM; followed by Supper & Study.
- Thursday, November 25: **NO SERVICE.**
- Saturday, November 27: **Sung Mattins** with SKCM devotions at 10:00 AM. **SKCM meeting and breakfast** at 10:30 AM. **Holy Rosary and Benediction** at 11:30 AM.
- Sunday, November 21: ADVENT I. **Low Mass** at 9:00 AM. **Sung Mattins and Litany** at 10:30 AM. **Sung Mass** at 11:00 AM.

PRAYER LIST

Jim, Sam, Laura, Juliet & child, Maddy & child, Levine, Dorothy, Beverly, Tom, Peggy, Julia, Lynn, Leslie, William, Ernie, Ruth, Kristi, James, John, Amy, Lamar, Penny, Hope, Marsha, Stephanie, Becky, Norah, Kevin, Elizabeth, Michael, Robin, Ronnie, Michi, Steven, Bryan, Jacquie, Lecia, Diann, Donna, Jonathan, Stephen, Kathie, Alex, Carol, Nancy, Jeremy, Marie, Rich, Tommy, Grace, Beth, Judy, Craig, Mark, Matthew, Ricie, Amber, Susan, Nick, HMTQ Elizabeth II

¶ **Please be seated.**

The Epistle

BCP 225

¶ **Please stand for the Gradual and Hymn.**

Gradual & Alleluia

It is thou, O Lord, that savest us from our enemies: and puttest them to confusion that hate us. V. We make our boast of God all day long, and will praise thy Name for ever.



Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. ALLELUIA.

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Gospel Hymn

Hymn Board

The Gospel
Nicene Creed

BCP 225
BCP 71

¶ **The Creed will be monotoned together.**

Sermon

¶ **Please stand for the Offertory Sentence and Hymn.**

Offertory Sentence

Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice: out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord.

Offertory Hymn
Presentation of Alms

Hymn Board
Hymnal #139

Orate Fratres

☩. Pray, brethren, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Father almighty.

℟. *May the Lord receive the sacrifice at thy hands for the praise and glory of his name, both to our benefit, and that of all his holy Church.*

¶ **Please kneel.**

Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church
General Confession & Comfortable Words

BCP 74
BCP 75

Sursum Corda and Preface
Sanctus et Benedictus
The Canon of the Mass

Hymnal #734
Hymnal #796
BCP 80

¶ **The Priest intones the words “Our Father,” and we join at “who art in heaven”.**

The Pax Domini
Prayer of Humble Access
Agnus Dei
Ecce Agnus Dei

BCP 82
Hymnal #712

℣. Behold the Lamb of God. Behold Him that taketh away the sins of the world.
℟. *Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed. (Said thrice)*

The Holy Communion

¶ **Any baptized Christian who is a regular communicant in the Anglican, Orthodox, or Roman Catholic traditions is invited to receive the Blessed Sacrament. If you are unable or do not wish to receive the Holy Communion, you may approach with your arms crossed over your chest, and the priest will extend you a blessing. Whilst in your pew, please remain in quiet prayer.**

Communion Sentence

Therefore I say unto you, what things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

¶ **Please kneel for the hymn.**

Communion Hymn

Hymn Board

Communion Thanksgiving

BCP 83

¶ **Please stand.**

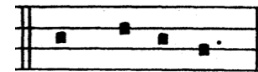
Gloria in excelsis

Hymnal #713

¶ **Please kneel.**

Post-Communion Collect
Dismissal and Blessing

BCP 84



Thanks be to God.

¶ **Please stand for the final Hymn.**

The Last Gospel
Hymn at the Retiring Procession

Hymn Board

¶ **During the Organ Voluntary, you may kneel or be seated. We ask that you remain in quiet prayer, and suggest that you make your Communion Thanksgiving at this time. Suitable devotions may be found on pg. 100ff of *St. Augustine's Prayer Book*, and at the bottom of this page. Please wait until arriving in the Parish Hall before carrying on conversations with others. Thank you for your assistance as we strive to make St. Luke's a place of prayer, reverence, and peace.**

Announcements, Parish Notices, and Special Occasion Blessings

Thanksgiving Prayer for the Holy Communion

I RENDER thanks unto thee, most gracious Lord Jesus Christ, true Light, the salvation of believers, the solace and hope of all the sorrowful, the joy of the Angels; that thou hast vouchsafed this day to feed my thy servant, a miserable and great sinner, with thy most sacred Body and Blood. Wherefore I, most miserable and tainted with numberless faults, with tearful prayers do implore thy most tender mercy and great clemency, that this most sweet refreshment, this high and incomprehensible Communion, may not be to me for Judgement of my soul; but may profit me as a remedy for driving out all the deceit and wickedness of the devil's guile, so that no iniquity of his may dominate me in my heart, body, soul, and senses; but that thy mercy may bring me to the heavenly feast of the Angels, where thou art true blessedness, glorious light, and everlasting joy. Amen.