

Sanctus (*Hymnal S124*) *Hurd*
Lord's Prayer (*BAS* p. 918) *McNeil Robinson*
Breaking of the Bread *BAS*, p. 212
Agnus Dei (*Hymnal S161*) *Hurd*

All baptized persons are welcome to receive communion.

*If you wish to receive a blessing rather than communion,
please cross your arms over your chest when the priest approaches.
Feel free either to stand or to kneel – we ask that you not lean on the rail.*

Communion hymn 324: *Let all mortal flesh* PICARDY
Please stand, as able, for the prayer after communion.

Prayer after Communion *BAS*, p. 271

Doxology

Priest: Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Closing hymn 66: *Come, thou long-expected Jesus* STUTT GART

Dismissal

Priest: Go forth in peace, to love and serve the Lord
All: Thanks be to God.

*Welcome to everyone here today!
Please join us after Mass for refreshments
and conversation in the parish hall.*

Intercessions List

A list is available each Sunday on the small table at the entrance.
Please feel free to add your own petitions, and the names of
those you would like prayed for during Mass.

Prayers have been asked today for:

Phyllis, Montelle, Tannis, William, Vanesta, Marcelle,
Morgan, Joseph, Thomas, Matthew, Ken, Cuthbert, Belinda,
Jim, Louise, Dorothy, Christine, Nolan, Beckie, Lovena, Pamela,
Leonie, Richard, Anne, Tracey, John, Charles, Evernese,
George, Donald, Mark, David, Kadeem, Cyrlene, Victoria,
Jermaine, Maryanne

***For announcements and up-coming events,
see the separate take-home leaflet.***



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3rd Sunday of Advent
December 15th, 2013

SUNG MASS AT 11:15

**The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me,
because the Lord has anointed me
to bring good tidings to the afflicted.**
Isaiah 61.1

The service begins on page 185 of the green *Book of Alternative Services* (BAS). Hymns and service music are found in the burgundy *Hymnal 1982* (items marked “S” are in the front portion of the book).

Processional hymn 65: *Prepare the way, O Zion* BEREDEN VÄG

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Almighty God,

**All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.**

**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 (*Hymnal: S86*)

Hurd

Collect of the Day

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The third candle of the Advent wreath will be lit after the Collect.

Liturgy of the word

(A period of silence is observed after each reading and the homily).

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 35.1-10

Psalm 146.4-10: *Lauda, anima mea*

4 BLESS-ED is he that hath the God of Jacob for his **help**, /
and whose hope is in the Lord his God;
5 **Who made heaven and earth, the sea,**
and all that therein is; /
who keepeth his promise for ever;
6 Who helpeth them to right that suffer **wrong**; /
who feed-eth the hun-gry.
7 **The Lord looseth men out of pri-son: /**
the Lord giveth sight to the blind.
8 The Lord raiseth up them that are **fall-en**: /
the Lord lov-eth the right-eous.

9 **The Lord careth for the strangers;**
he upholdeth the fatherless and wi-dow: /
as for the way of the ungodly,
he turneth it up-side down.
10 The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for ever-more, /
and throughout all ge-ne-ra-tions.

Epistle: James 5.7-10

Gradual: Advent Prose (*see separate leaflet; please stand, as able*)

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.*

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 11.2-11

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: Rev'd Mtr Maggie Helwig

Nicene Creed

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Intercessions

(Names and prayers may be added to the list at the entrance)

When the departed are prayed for:

V: Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

R: And let light perpetual shine upon them.

V: May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

R: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Priest: Dear friends in Christ,

*God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy,
welcoming sinners and inviting us to this table.*

Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Priest: Most merciful God,

**All: 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 neighbours 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.**

Priest: Almighty God have mercy upon you,

† pardon and deliver you from all your sins,

confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Laying on of hands

(Please come forward if you desire prayer for healing or a blessing).

Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you

All: And also with you

Announcements

Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory hymn 59: *Hark! A thrilling voice*

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Prayer over the Gifts

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Eucharistic Prayer 2

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We will be using Eucharistic Prayer 2 during the season of Advent.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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