

The Second Sunday of Advent

7 December 2025

The Church of the Holy Faith

Santa Fe, New Mexico

The Church of the Holy Faith welcomes all people into an ever-deepening relationship with Jesus Christ our Lord. We believe in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the Sacraments, and the Authority of Scripture. We honor our Anglican heritage and praise God with solemn liturgy, traditional Prayer Book worship, and music to exalt the spirit. We strive to live as a community with compassion for one another and the world around us. We worship together in peace to praise and thank God, to transcend division, and to celebrate the mystery of faith.

The 11:00 a.m. service will be broadcast via livestream on Holy Faith's YouTube channel.



Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent; for this is the House of God.
Before the Service, speak to the Lord; during the Service, let the Lord speak to you;
after the Service, speak to one another.

The voices of small children are always welcome!

Please take a moment to silence your cell phone.

The Word of God

At the sound of the bell, please stand.

Processional Hymn

Prepare the way, O Zion

Hymnal 65

The Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 323

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee,
and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Celebrant

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie

BCP p. 324 (Hymnal S 96)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent thy 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 liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

First Reading

Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

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

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

setting by Edward Cutler (1831-1916)

Chanted by the Choir (11:00 a.m. only)

Deus, iudicium

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall
be no more.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!

19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.
Amen. Amen.

Second Reading

Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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



The Sequence Hymn

Please stand.

Comfort, comfort ye my people

Hymnal 67

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

Fr. Robin Dodge

The Nicene Creed

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I believe in one God,
 the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
 the only-begotten Son of God,
 begotten of his Father before all worlds,
 God of God, Light of Light,
 very God of very God,
 begotten, not made,
 being of one substance with the Father;
 by whom all things were made;
 who for us men and for our salvation
 came down from heaven,
 and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
 and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered and was buried;
 and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
 and ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
 and he shall come again, with glory,
 to judge both the quick and the dead;
 whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped
and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People – Form V

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The Deacon

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth
and love, and be found without fault at the day of your
coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Here and after every petition the People respond

Lord, have mercy.

For N. our Presiding Bishop, for N. (N.) our own Bishop(s),
for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people
of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our
divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the
Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may
preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O
Lord.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost
their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we
pray to you, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and
forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray
to you, O Lord.

For those in positions of public trust [especially _____],
that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and
freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who live and work in this community [especially
_____], we pray to you, O Lord.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

For this congregation [for those who are present, and for those who are absent], that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord. For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

For _____, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Francis of Assisi, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Celebrant adds the following Doxology

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Confession of Sin

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The Deacon continues

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Almighty God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins
and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.
We do earnestly repent,
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,
the burden of them is intolerable.
Have mercy upon us,
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter
serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Absolution

The Celebrant, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto 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

The Celebrant continues

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

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

The Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.



The Holy Eucharist

Offertory Anthem

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

French carol
arr. Stephen Cleobury (b. 1948)

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand. King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth He stood, Lord of lords in human vesture, in the Body and the Blood He will give to all the faithful His own Self for heavenly food. Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way, As the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day, That the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away. At His feet the six-winged seraph; Cherubim with sleepless eye, Veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry, "Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord most High!"

The Doxology

Please stand.

Hymnal 380 v. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer II

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, because thou didst send thy 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 with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus & Benedictus

BCP p. 341 (Hymnal S 130)

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, 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, he 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 remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 336 (Hymnal S 119)

Celebrant and 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 Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei

BCP p. 337 (Hymnal S 164)

Celebrant and People

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.

People and Celebrant

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Regarding Communion

We believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

In the Episcopal Church all baptized Christians are invited to receive the Sacrament.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

*To receive wine, you may sip from the chalice. You may also decline the chalice,
as Communion in one kind constitutes a full Communion.*

Please do not place the wafer in the wine yourself.

*Our priests are happy to do so for you and place the wafer on your tongue.
If this is your preference, please keep your hands folded as a sign to the priest
to give you Communion in this manner.*

*If you do not wish to receive Communion,
you may cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing.*

*Children who have been baptized
may receive according to the discretion of their parents.*

Those watching via live-stream are invited to pray the following prayer at this time

A Prayer for those who are not present to receive

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the physical presence of my community, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and the life to come. *Amen.*

Communion Hymn

What is the crying at Jordan

Hymnal 69

The Postcommunion Prayer

BCP p. 339

People and Celebrant

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

The Advent Blessing

Celebrant

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. *Amen.*

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. *Amen.*

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Retiring Hymn

Please stand.

There's a voice in the wilderness crying

Hymnal 75

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

The Advent greens for the High Altar,
the Shrine of Saint Mary the Virgin, and the Chapel of the Good Shepherd
are given to the Glory of God



The Ministers of the Service

7:30 a.m.

The Reverend Simon R. Carian

Celebrant

The Very Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge

Assisting Priest and Preacher

Karen Gahr

Lector

8:30 a.m.

The Reverend Simon R. Carian
Celebrant

The Very Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge
Deacon of the Mass and Preacher

Scott Bernard
Subdeacon

Paxton Bernard, Silas Bernard, Lynsey Bernard, Asher Bernard, Van Swift, and Pam Jones
Acolytes

Bonnie Hardwick
Lector

Dan Green, Kaki Grubbs, Kent Grubbs, and Jon Indall
Ushers

11:00 a.m.

The Reverend Simon R. Carian
Celebrant

The Very Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge
Deacon of the Mass and Preacher

Pam Jones
Subdeacon

Alice McSweeney, Van Swift, Andrew Naoakes, and Doug Ash
Acolytes

Newlyn Allison
Lector

Emma Bachman, Marcus Parker, Joe Mashburn, and Jim Vaughan
Ushers

Ken Duran
Livestream Ministry

The Holy Faith Choir
Canon Mark Edw. Childers
Director of Liturgy and Music



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Prepare the way, O Zion

Hymnal 65



1 Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!
2 He brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heaven a - bove.
3 Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sa - vior's rule em - brace.



Let ev - ery hill and val - ley a lev - el way ap - pear.
His rule is peace and free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love.
His tid - ings of sal - va - tion pro - claim in ev - ery place.



Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry.
Lift high your praise re - sound - ing, for grace and joy a - bound - ing.
All lands will bow be - fore him, their voic - es will a - dore him.



Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, —

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Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.



1 Com - fort, com - fort ye my peo - ple, speak ye peace, thus
 2 Hark, the voice of one that cri - eth in the des - ert
 3 Make ye straight what long was crook - ed, make the rough - er



saith our God; com - fort those who sit in dark - ness
 far and near, call - ing us to new re - pent - ance
 pla - ces plain; let your hearts be true and hum - ble,



mourn - ing 'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak ye to Je -
 since the king - dom now is here. Oh, that warn - ing
 as be - fits his ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry



ru - sa - lem of the peace that waits for them;
 cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;
 of the Lord now o'er earth is shed a - broad;



tell her that her sins I cov - er,
 let the val - leys rise to meet him
 and all flesh shall see the to - ken



and her war - fare now is o - ver.
 and the hills bow down to greet him.
 that the word is nev - er bro - ken.

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might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

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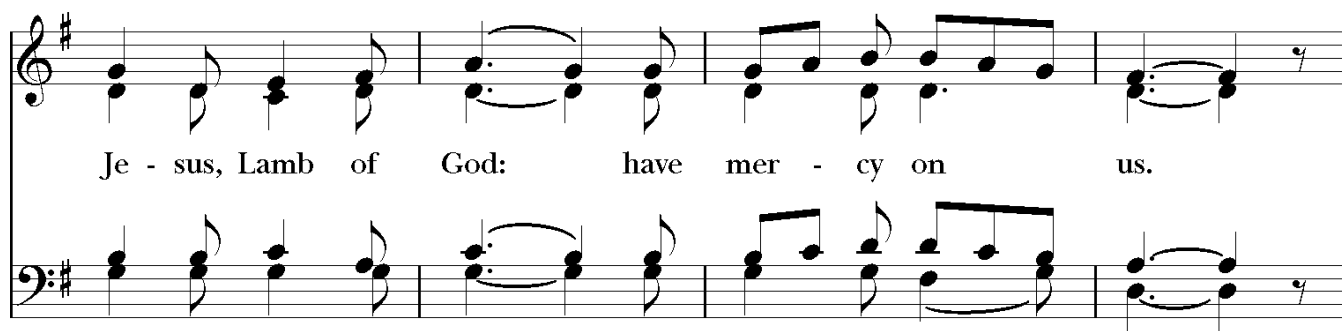
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san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

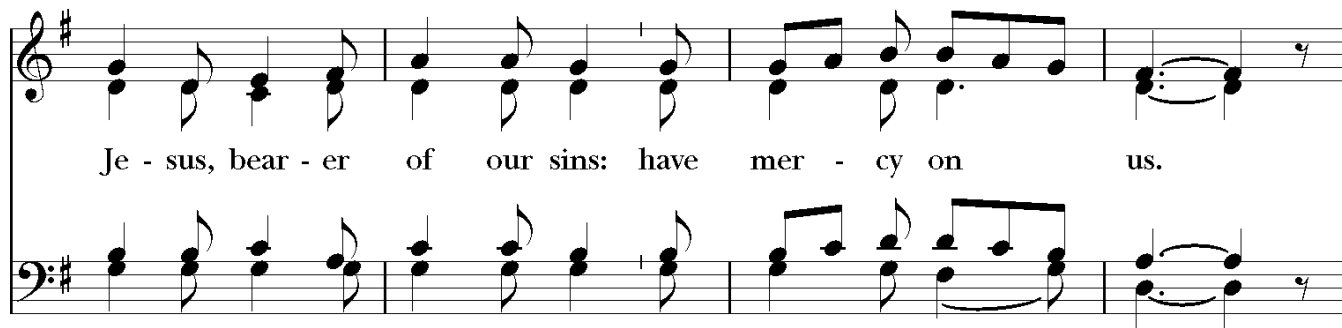
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in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

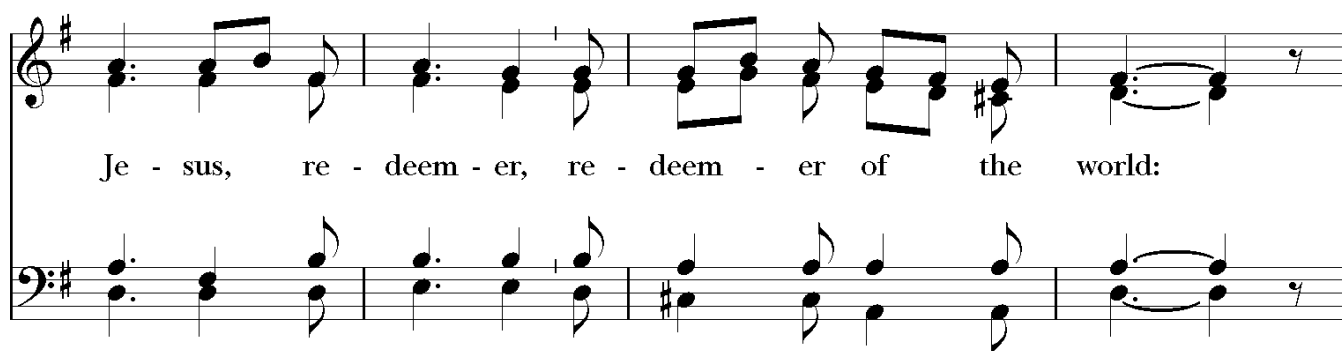
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

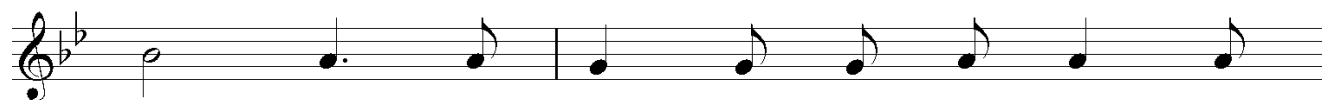


give us your peace, give us your peace.

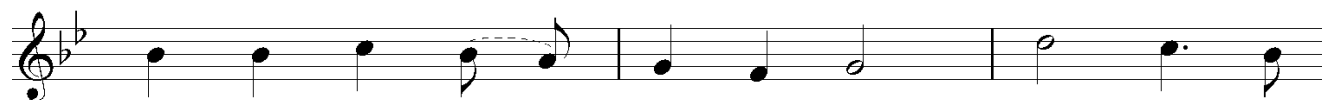
Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

What is the crying at Jordan

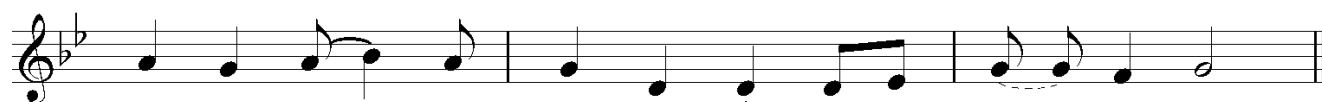
Hymnal 69



1 What is the cry - ing at Jor - dan? Who
2 Who then shall stir in this dark - ness, pre -
3 Lord, give us grace to a - wake us, to
4 Now comes the day of sal - va - tion, in



hears, O God, the pro - phe - cy? Dark is the
pare for joy in the win - ter night? Mor - tal in
see the branch that be - gins to bloom; in great hu -
joy and ter - ror the Word is born! God gives him -



sea - son, dark our hearts and shut to mys - ter - y.
dark - ness we lie down, blind - heart - ed, see - ing no light.
mi - li - ty is hid all heaven in a lit - tle room.
self in - to our lives; O let sal - va - tion dawn!



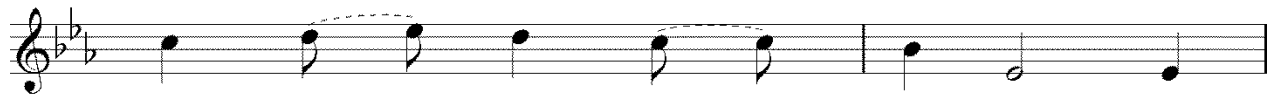
1 There's a voice in the wil - der - ness cry - ing, a _____
2 O _____ Zi - on, that bring - est good tid - ings, get thee
3 but the word of our God _____ en - du - reth, the _____



call from the ways un - trod: Pre - pare in the des - ert a
up to the heights and sing! Pro - claim to a des - o - late
arm of the Lord is strong; he stands in the midst _____ of



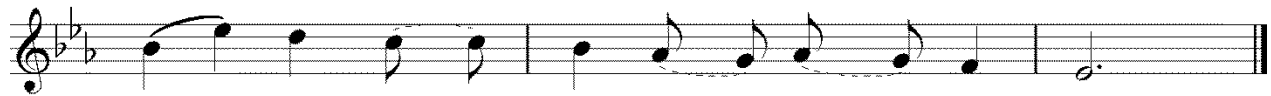
high - way, a high - way for our God! The _____
peo - ple the com - ing of their King. Like the
na - tions, and he will right the wrong. He shall



val - leys shall be ex - alt - ed, the
flowers of the field they _____ per - ish, like
feed his _____ flock like a shep - herd, the



lof - ty hills brought low; make straight all the crook - ed
grass our works de - cay, the power and pomp of
lambs he'll gent - ly hold; to pas - tures of peace he'll



pla - ces where the Lord our _____ God _____ may go!
na - tions shall _____ pass like a dream _____ a - way;
lead them, and _____ bring them _____ safe to his fold.



This Week at Holy Faith

December 7 – December 14

SUNDAY	The Second Sunday of Advent
	7:30 a.m. Spoken Eucharist Rite I
	8:30 a.m. Eucharist Rite I with Hymns and Anthems
	8:30 a.m. Children's Chapel
	10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
	10:00 a.m. Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist Rite I
	11:00 a.m. Children's Chapel
	12:30 p.m. Youth Group
	6:00 p.m. Compline with Contemplative Prayer and Meditation
MONDAY	10:30 a.m. Effortless Change
	5:30 p.m. Evening Bible Study
	6:00 p.m. Scouts
TUESDAY	10:00 a.m. Spiritual Classics Study
	5:15 p.m. Rosary
	6:00 p.m. Taizé Eucharist with Prayers for Healing – <i>Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon, 1637</i>
WEDNESDAY	10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
	12:10 p.m. Holy Eucharist – <i>Frederick Howden, Jr., Priest and Chaplain of the Armed Forces, 1941</i>
	1:30 p.m. Library Committee
THURSDAY	10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study
	12:00 p.m. Contemplative Outreach Meditation Group
	5:30 p.m. Education for Ministry
SUNDAY	The Third Sunday of Advent
	7:30 a.m. Spoken Eucharist Rite I
	8:30 a.m. Eucharist Rite I with Hymns and Anthems
	8:30 a.m. Children's Chapel
	10:00 a.m. Adult Forum
	10:00 a.m. Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist Rite I
	11:00 a.m. Children's Chapel
	12:30 p.m. Youth Group

We pray Morning Prayer each weekday at 9:15 a.m. in the Church Chancel.
We pray Evening Prayer each weekday at 4:30 p.m. in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd.

Your support of the mission and ministry of Holy Faith is always appreciated. Donations can be made in person Sundays or on nearly every page of the website, holyfaithchurchsf.org. For announcements and other information, scan the QR code below to go to the Holy Faith website.



Announcements

Fr. Robin Appointed Dean

Bishop Hunn has appointed Fr. Robin as Dean of La Sierra Encantada Deanery covering the northeast portion of the diocese. In addition to convening meetings of the deanery and gathering the deanery clergy, Fr. Robin will serve as a member of the Diocesan Council, the governing board of the diocese. It is an honor for Holy Faith to have voice and vote around the table on issues that affect the governance and finances of the diocese and its parishes.

Christmas Pageant News

Rehearsals continue! Sunday's turnout was enthusiastic and all had fun! Please join Ms. Sally, Ms. Denzler and Ms. Kathlene this Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the church for more singing, rehearsing and casting of the new, fabulous Christmas pageant!

Youth Group

Sunday is our holiday party! All youth ages 8+ join us in Kinsolving at 12:30 p.m. for the usual wacky games (what will Ms. Pam think up next?), gifts, singing and of course - FOOD! Santa hats will appear so we can take some crazy pictures! RSVP to Pam J. at pengojones@gmail.com.

Stewardship Campaign

Our 2026 Stewardship Campaign "You are the Light of the World" is progressing with 128 pledges totaling \$652,386 for the mission and ministry of Holy Faith. Pledges are gratefully accepted at any time. Pledge cards are available in church. You can also pledge online at <https://holyfaithchurchsf.org/stewardship/>.

Join our Prayer Banner – Let your light shine!

Help us create a "Banner of Light", by writing your prayer on a gold ribbon, located in Palen Hall. Pray that Holy Faith's LIGHT GROWS in commitment, membership, ministry, worship, discipleship, community, hospitality, and Spirit led direction. Help us carry the TORCH to light the world. BE SEEN FOR GOD'S GLORY.

Adelante Harvest Project

The Mission and Outreach Opportunities Committee is grateful for everyone who donated to the Adelante Harvest Project. Thanks to your generosity, we reached our goal of supplying Santa Fe Public School children and their families with an abundance of rice for the holidays. What a blessing to be part of this community!

Volunteer Opportunity at Gerard's House

Are you looking to expand your volunteering in 2026. Please consider Gerard's House, who support everyone in our community who is grieving. Their core program service is facilitated support groups in which grief is normalized and supported through interactions with peers and attention and support from caring adult facilitators. Children and youth build trust and express their feelings through group activities that include art, writing, drama, games, free play, group sharing, and memorializing of those they have lost. To learn more about the upcoming volunteer training on January 24th, please visit their website, www.gerardhouse.com.

The Holy Faith Free Spirits Women's Group

The Holy Faith Free Spirits Women's Group is a group of women who do not have partners any longer. After a long hiatus, the Free Spirits plan to gather at the home of Rebecca Tobey for the annual Christmas pot-luck and gift exchange on December 13 at 3pm. Please RSVP to Rebecca at rutobey@yahoo.com if you plan to come, and newcomers are always welcome.

From Your Treasurer

Last week, our year-to-date financial information (specifically our deficit) was reported. And while we have run up a deficit through October of \$(196,586), that news isn't as terrifying as it appears. We'll pull funds from the endowment at year-end to offset capital purchases and library expenses. In addition, we anticipated a year-end deficit of \$(62,110) as we wean ourselves from booking pre-paid pledges. That left us with an adjusted shortfall of \$(64,324). We're working on booking all the entries for November and where we stand will be reported next week. We still have a gap to cover: as I mentioned last week, if we simply match the pledges, plate, and dedicated gifts contributed in November and December of last year (and we stick to our budgeted expenses), we'll end the year \$(32,000) short of our target. That gives us the next four weeks to meet the challenge of closing the gap and ending the year where we planned. This is your time to shine: please take this opportunity to honor your pledge for 2025 and to consider an additional gift to support our shared mission to welcome all people into an ever-deepening relationship with Jesus Christ. As always, feel free to reach out to me or any member of your Vestry if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you!

Charles Rountree

Faith Family in December

The December Faith Family Lead Disciple is Bonnie Hardwick, bhardwick2@msn.com, (505) 670-3135. What is Faith Family? We are a ministry that provides assistance to parishioners who could use occasional help. Do you need a ride to the doctor, the grocery store or a church service? Or maybe you're in need of a friendly visit! If so, please reach out to the Lead Disciple (see Bonnie's contact info above) as soon as possible! If you would like to join our ministry, contact Fr. Robin, fr.rob@holyfaithchurchsf.org or call the office (505) 982-4447.

Our Prayers ...

For Birthdays

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life.

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Especially for:

Hannah Christine Weichsel – 7	Clarice Lillian Coffey - 10
Heidi Hahn – 9	Patricia Mason - 10
Vann Bynum – 9	Kaipo Croxton - 12

PARISH PRAYER LIST

(as of December 7, 2025)

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please Pray For:

Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury-Designate	Robin, Rector	St. Bede's
Sean, Presiding Bishop	Simon, Associate Rector	Holy Family
Michael, Diocesan Bishop	Madelynn, Assisting Priest	First Presbyterian Church
	The Vestry and Staff	Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give thine angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for thy love's sake. Amen.

Within Our Parish Family:

GAIL Allen	LISA Emory	DIRK Mathis	JANET Schreiber
PAT Bailey	TÉRÈSE Fayden	GRANT McDonald	JAMIE Shannon
BARBARA Barlow	KAREN Gahr	JOANNE Morrissey	SUZANNE Spivey
STEVEN Berkshire	IRMA Gutierrez	JOEL Olson	PAULA Steinert
BOB Blackford	CHUCK Ingraham	JULIE ANNE Overton	GEORGE Strebeck
RICHARD Brunson	KRISTAN Kirkpatrick	WES Pacheco	LILLIAN Strebeck
LUCY Carian	JAMES Koch	ANITA Pisa	OTTO Strebeck
JIM Clapp	CLAIRE Kropschot	RUTH Rael	LINDA Thomas
HANK Coleman	WES Lackey	PATRICIA Randolph	ETHAN Watson
ED Colson	DIANA Lautens	JENNIFER Roberts - Carian	SUSAN Weber
JULIE Cresswell	STEPHANIE Lobaugh	MARI Russell	JUDY White
CHRIS Emory	LENA Mann	MARIA Sandoval	KAREN Winter

The Communion of Saints:

Antoinette Parkhurst (8 December 2016) Cissy Lewis (9 December 2023) Janice Matthews (10 December 2010)
Nancy Stratton (12 December 2008) Kathryn Campbell (12 December 2022)

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses ... let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

Christmas Flowers and Farolitos

If you would like to make a special donation for poinsettias or farolitos this Christmas, please fill out the form below, and return to the parish office. You may also email the information to donna@holylaithchurchsf.org. We must receive your donation form by Monday, **December 16**.

Please indicate if your donation is being made in thanksgiving, honor or memory of someone and please print legibly.

I/we would like to make a donation of: _____ (Suggested donation \$40).
Choose one: _____ Poinsettias _____ Farolitos

My donation is being given:

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In memory of

Please print your name(s) here:

Phone number here:

Thank you for your donation.

Deadline for receipt of form is Monday, December 15.



The Very Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge, *Rector*
The Reverend Simon R. Carian, *Associate Rector*
The Reverend Madelynn Johnston, *Assisting Priest*
Canon Mark Edw. Childers, *Parish Administrator and Director of Liturgy & Music*
Kathlene Ritch, *Youth Choir Director*
Pam Jones, *Volunteer Contact, Family and Children's Ministries*
Elisheva Herrera, *Parish Secretary*
Marcos Castillo, *Facilities Manager*
Rocío Salazar, *Housekeeping*
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