



Welcome

The Second Sunday of Advent

December 10, 2017 8:00 & 10:30 am

St. Benedict's Episcopal Church
The Hands of Christ in the Heart of Lacey

The Right Reverend Greg Rickel, Bishop of Olympia
The Rev. Eldwin Lovelady, Vicar

Welcome.

We are enriched by your presence and hope you find God's love and grace in our worship and fellowship. You're invited to fully participate in word and song, and in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. If you are a guest, please sign the guest register at the welcome table and stay for fellowship after worship so we may greet you personally.

Everything you need for worship is in this bulletin and in the Hymnals in the pews. If you have questions about our worship, please ask for assistance from an usher or any member of our congregation.

We have childcare during 10:30 worship for infants through age 4 staffed by caring and qualified care providers. Children of all ages are welcome in worship at any service. Talk to an usher for more information.

Our Sunday school for ages 5 – 12 meets every other week during 10:30 worship – the schedule is: December 17, January 7

Advent is our time of preparation for the Messiah's birth. Our scripture readings remind us of God's promise of salvation fulfilled by the Messiah, the descendent of King David, who brings God's Kingdom into human history. We hear the familiar story once again with the expectation of "hearing it again for the first time" and to discover a new meaning for us as individuals and as a community of faith. Be watchful! Be awake! Be humble!

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day worship opportunities are:

Christmas Eve

5:30 pm Worship with the Children's Christmas Pageant

10:30 pm Traditional Festive Christmas Worship.

Christmas Day worship is at 8:00 am.

Please take your worship bulletin with you after worship for information about our calendar of events and other information.

*Unless otherwise marked, all hymns and service music are from the **blue** Hymnal 1982*

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: "Sleepers, wake!"

Hymnal # 61

1 "Sleep - ers, wake!" A voice a - stounds us, the
2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing; her
3 Lamb of God, the heavens a - dore you; let

shout of ram - part - guards sur - rounds us: "A -
heart with joy - ful hope is spring - ing, she
saints and an - gels sing be - fore you, as

wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night's peace their
wakes and hur - ries through the night. Forth he comes, her
harps and cym - bals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the

cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons clear - ly spo -
Bride-groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in truth vic - to -
ci - ty's por - tals: through them we stream to join the im - mor -

ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!
 rious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.
 tals as we with joy your throne sur - round.

Rise up, and give us light; the Bride - groom is in
 Now come, most wor - thy Lord, God's Son, In - car - nate
 No eye has known the sight, no ear heard such de -

sight. Al - le - lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and
 Word, Al - le - lu - ia! We fol - low all and
 light: Al - le - lu - ia! There - fore we sing to

has - ten there, that you the wed - ding feast may share."
 heed your call to come in - to the ban - quet hall.
 greet our King; for ev - er let our prais - es ring.

The Word of God

BCP Pg 355

The people standing the Celebrant says:

Blessed be the one Holy and Living God.

People: **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

The Celebrant may say

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.**

8:00 am: Trisagion *Said three times*

BCP 356

**Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
 mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
 Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
 up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
 Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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.

People: **Amen.**

The People sit for the readings

First Reading: Isaiah 40: 1-11

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.

Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,
that she has received from the LORD's hand
double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:

“In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”

A voice says, “Cry out!”

And I said, “What shall I cry?”

All people are grass,
their constancy is like the flower of the field.
The grass withers, the flower fades,
when the breath of the LORD blows upon it;
surely the people are grass.

The grass withers, the flower fades;
but the word of our God will stand for ever.
Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good tidings;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,
lift it up, do not fear;
say to the cities of Judah,
“Here is your God!”
See, the Lord GOD comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.
He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
and carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead the mother sheep.

The Gradual: Psalm 85: 1-2, 8-13

Read Responsively (by whole verse)

BCP 702

- 1 You have been gracious to your land, O LORD, *
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
- 2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your people *
and blotted out all their sins.**
- 8 I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.

9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *

that his glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

**11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

12 The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.

**13 Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.**

The Second Reading: 2 Peter 3: 8-15a

A reading from the second letter of Peter

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home.

Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

Sequence Hymn *O come, O come, Emmanuel*
[Vs 1 & 3] Hymnal # 56

**O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!**

**O come, thou Wisdom from on high,
who orderest all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show,
and teach us in her ways to go.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!**

The Gospel: Mark 1: 1-8

The Deacon or Celebrant introduces the Gospel, saying.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark

*People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ***

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,

who will prepare your way;

the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,

make his paths straight,’”

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

At the conclusion of the Gospel reading, the reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The congregation sits after the Gospel reading

The Sermon

Mr. Ralph Provencal

A moment of silence is observed after the sermon.

The Celebrant stands and introduces the Nicene Creed. All Stand.

The Nicene Creed

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**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

Form III

BCP 387

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly
serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Michael, Greg, Danilo, and all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for all your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

For family away from home for school, work, or military service, especially Mark, Sonny and Thomas.

For the ill and infirm, especially; Liz, Laura, Patti, Dave, Debbie and Mike.

For members of our Mission community; Heather, Corvi, Scott, Bob and Suzie.

For our ministries, The Book Group; Paul, Tony and Collie, Leaders.

In thanksgiving for the consecration of Church of the Resurrection in Ormoc, Leyte, Philippines.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant may add a concluding Collect.

The Confession and Absolution

BCP 360

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. The people may stand or kneel

Minister and People

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.**

The Bishop when present, or 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 *All stand for the Peace*

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Birthday and Anniversary Thanksgivings

*The people are invited to come to the Chancel in celebration of Birthdays and
Anniversaries*

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn: *Prepare the way, O Zion* Hymnal # 65



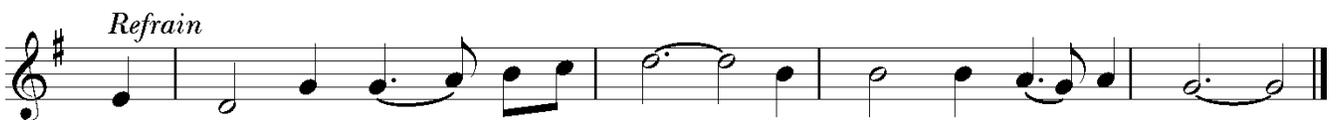
1 Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!
2 He brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heaven a - bove.
3 Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sa - vior's rule em - brace.



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.



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

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer II (EOW 1998)

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and says

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts

***People:* We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

Celebrant and People Said at 8:00 am, Sung at 10:30

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel

Then the Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Benedict, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.
AMEN.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,**

your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
Now and for ever. Amen.
The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.
A period of silence is kept.*

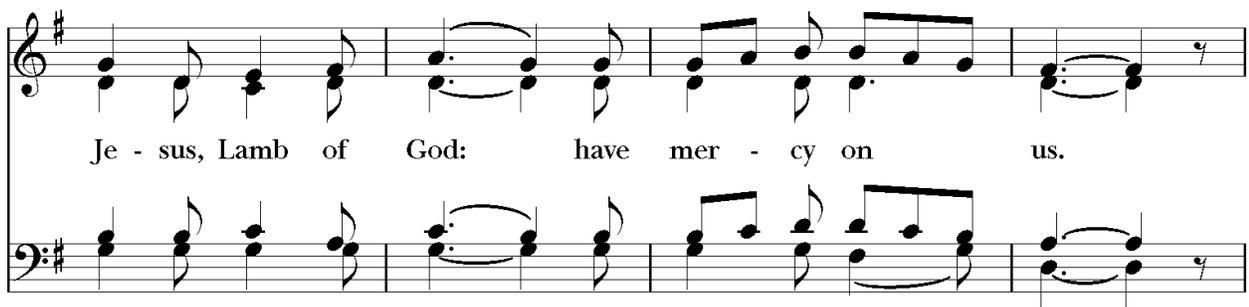
8:00 am Fraction Anthem

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrifices for us.
People Therefore let us keep the feast.

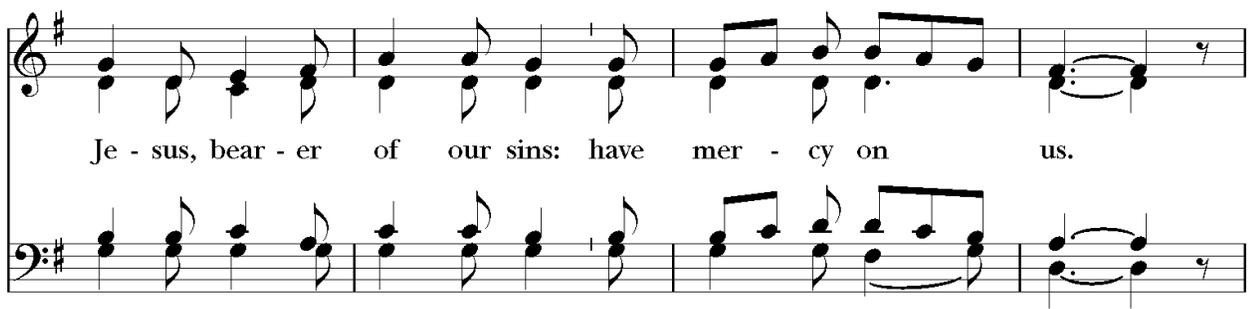
10:30 am Fraction Anthem

Jesus, Lamb of God

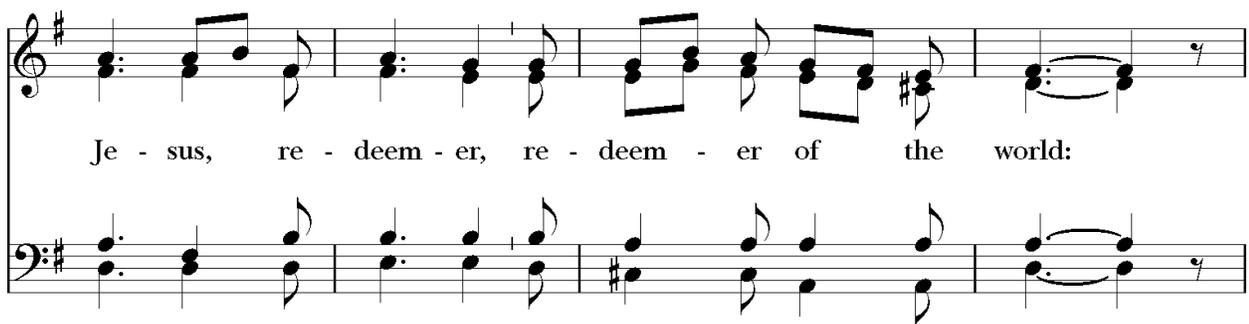
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Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



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.

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 are welcome to God's holy table and we invite everyone to share in this

holy meal. If you do not wish to receive Communion, you may come to the altar rail for a blessing. As a sign that you desire to receive a blessing, cross your arms across your chest.

If you wish someone to pray with you, at the 10:30 service, prayer partners are available in the side chapel during Communion time.

**Hymn During Communion: *Within our hearts be born*
*/Gather (Green) Hymnal # 329***



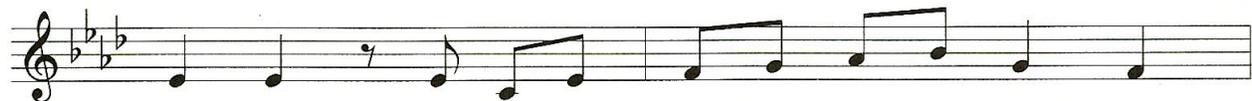
1. O an - cient love, pro - cess - ing through the
 2. O home - less love, that dwells a - mong the
 3. O gen - tle love, car - ess - ing those in
 4. O suf - f'ring love, that bears our hu - man



a - ges: O hid - den love, re - vealed in hu - man
 stran - ger: O low - ly love, that knows the might - y's
 sor - row: O ten - der love, that com - forts those for -
 weak - ness: O bound - less love, that ris - es with the



form: O prom - ised love, the dream of seers and
 scorn: O hun - gry love, that lay with - in a
 lorn: O hope - ful love, that prom - is - es to -
 morn: O might - y love, con - cealed in in - fant



sa - ges:
 man - ger: O liv - ing Love, with - in our hearts be
 mor - row:
 meek - ness:



born, O liv - ing Love, with - in our hearts be borne.

Text: Michael Joncas, b.1951
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Our pastoral care committee and Eucharistic Visitors regularly visit those who are unable to attend worship due to illness or infirmity. We use the following “sending forth” to recognize that ministry and those with whom we share our Sunday celebration.

Sending Forth of the Gifts

Celebrant: Please follow the sending forth of gifts in your bulletin.

_____, In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these Holy Gifts to _____, that they may share with us the Communion of Christ’s Body and Blood.

All say together:

We who are many are one Body, because we all share One Bread, One Cup.

Postcommunion Prayer

EOW II

After Communion, the Celebrant says
Let us pray.

Celebrant and People, all standing

God of abundance,

**you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven
and on earth.**

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior.
Amen.

The Blessing *The Celebrant says the Blessing:
and the people respond **Amen.***

The Dismissal

*The people are invited to turn toward the entry doors for the Dismissal, as a
reminder that our ministry is out in the world.*

The Deacon or Celebrant says the dismissal

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the
Spirit.

*and the people respond. **Thanks be to God.***

Closing Hymn: *On Jordan's bank*

Hymnal # 76

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an -
 2 Then cleansed be ev - ery breast from sin; make
 3 For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, our
 4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand, and
 5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee, whose

1 noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,
 2 straight the way for God with - in, and let each heart pre -
 3 re - fuge, and our great re - ward; with - out thy grace we
 4 bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; shine forth, and let thy
 5 ad - vent doth thy peo - ple free; whom with the Fa - ther

1 for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings.
 2 pare a home where such a might - y guest may come.
 3 waste a - way like flowers that with - er and de - cay.
 4 light re - store earth's own true love - li - ness once more.
 5 we a - dore and Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more.

Announcements for **Sunday, December 10, 2017**

Calendar

Sunday	December	10	8:00 am Worship; 10:30 am Worship w/Music; 12:00 pm Costume Repair
Monday	December	11	7:30 pm Al-Anon
Tuesday	December	12	6:30 pm Bishop's Committee
Wednesday	December	13	11:00 am Book Group
Thursday	December	14	7:00 pm S-Anon
Saturday	December	16	7:30 am Saturday Sisters; 3:00 pm Community Dinner and Food Bank
Sunday	December	17	FOOD BANK SUNDAY 8:00 am Worship; 10:30 am Worship w/music; 10:45 am Sunday School; 11:45 am Worship & Music committee
Monday	December	18	7:30 pm Al-Anon
Wednesday	December	20	11:00 am Book Group
Thursday	December	21	7:00 pm Holy Wisdom; 7:00 pm S-Anon
Friday	December	22	6:00 pm German Christmas Service
Saturday	December	23	4:30 pm Holy Wisdom

Financial Commitment Campaign

THANK YOU – for your commitment of financial support for our mission and ministry. Many have dreamed with us as we discern God’s call to ministry in 2018. Return of completed pledge cards has been good. Our Stewardship Team will be following up with those who have not responded to the campaign. We continue to receive pledge cards and offer them in thanksgiving on the altar each Sunday. To date, we have received 45 financial pledges totaling \$152,570.00.

Sunday School, Ages 5-12

This year’s study is “Build a Bible Book” where the youth will create their own bound book and will fill it each week with mementos, pictures, text, writings and stickers that demonstrate the lesson of week. We will cover key Bible stories, the Lord’s Prayer, a meal prayer, and key symbols of the church. This will be an interactive adventure for kids and adults alike!

The next several Sunday School days are: - December 17 - January 7, 2018.

Jail Ministry Outreach

Deadline for contributions is **TODAY, Dec 10th**. It is Cookie and Sock time. We have pledged 50 Dozen Homemade Cookies (Chocolate Chip). Place them in Ziploc Bags (write #dozen) and get them to Matt Fisher, who will freeze them and deliver them on Friday December 15. In addition we have pledged 100 pairs of New Plain White Socks.

4th Sunday of Advent – Dec 24th

8:00 am Worship as 4th Sunday of Advent

10:30 am Festival of Advent Lessons and Carols

Christmas Eve Worship – Dec 24th

5:30 pm Christmas Eve worship with Children's pageant

10:30 pm Festive Christmas Eve worship

Christmas Day – Dec 25th

8:00 am Christmas Worship

Celebration of New Ministry – Jan 4, 2018 – 5:30 pm

Bishop Rickel will be the celebrant and preacher as we celebrate our ministry together and install Fr. Ed as our Vicar. Reception follows. Join us for this formal celebration of the work we have already begun and celebrate God's spirit in leading our mission and ministry.

Open Hearts, Open Doors at Local Mosque - Jan 5, 2018

St Benedict Episcopal members are invited to be Interfaith Visitors on January 5, 2018, Noon to 2:00. This includes hearing their call to prayer, the sermon, a social hour and invitation to Q and A. We will meet at 11:15 am at St. Benedict's and carpool to the Mosque, located at [4324 20th Lane NE, Olympia](#). To augment our understanding prior to the visit, Jeff Zahir will be speaking to us at **9:15 on Dec 31, 2017**. Please put both dates on your calendars!

Feast of The Epiphany – Jan 7, 2018

We celebrate the Magi's visit to baby Jesus and the revelation that God's Messiah has come to all people. Following 10:30 worship we will have an Epiphany King Cake and luncheon Welcoming Fr. Ed and Debbie. (the welcome luncheon was rescheduled from Dec 3).

Baptismal Feast – January 7, 2018

If you are considering baptism for yourself or a child, the next opportunity will be as we celebrate The Feast of The Epiphany on January 7th. Contact Fr. Ed about baptism planning.

Ministry leaders Annual Reports for Annual meeting. Annual reports should be submitted by all ministry leaders and sent to the church office NLT **January 14th** to be included in the annual reports booklet.

Annual Meeting – Jan 28, 2018 – 9:15 am

Our Annual Meeting to elect 3 Bishop's Committee members, and 4 primary and 2 alternate Diocesan Convention delegates. We'll review our life and ministry for 2017 and reflect on the new year opportunities and challenges.

Prayer request? Keep in Touch? Bulletin announcement?

Contact the church office [360.456.2240](tel:360.456.2240) – sbechurch@gmail.com or Fr.

Ed [360.870.1649](tel:360.870.1649) – vicar@sbechurch.org - for Prayer Requests, to provide or change your contact information, or for an announcement you'd like in the Sunday bulletin.

Pastoral Care.

If you, a member of your family, or someone you know in our congregation have pastoral care needs contact Doretha Mowrey or Tony Irving at [360.357.7915](tel:360.357.7915), the church office, or Fr. Ed [360.870.1649](tel:360.870.1649) - vicar@sbechurch.org. *Please note that voice messages left at the church are not checked on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday.*

Wednesday Morning Discussion Group

We are reading a book about Martin Luther, join us for another lively discussion and time of sharing.

Assisting This Sunday:

Ministers for Christ

The Rev. Ed Lovelady
Mr. Ralph Provencal
Ralph Provencal
Scott Zimmerman
Bob Wilson
Roger Bryant

The Rev. Ed Lovelady
Mr. Ralph Provencal
Norma Upton & Dennis Powell
Andrea Weston-Smart
Jason Asperin
Ralph Provencal, Nancy Zabell &
Mary Michael Garlich
St Cecilia Guild

Everyone

8:00 Service

Celebrant
Preacher
Eucharistic Minister
Acolyte
Lector/Intercessor
Usher

10:30 Service

Celebrant
Preacher
Eucharistic Ministers
Lector/Intercessor
Musician
Altar Guild
Hospitality Guild

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Mr. Dan Renfroe, Vicar's Warden
Mr. Collie Liska, People's Warden**