

## The Prophecy of Jeremiah

33:14-16

*In spite of the faithlessness of the leaders of Judah, Yahweh will fulfill his promise of a better future for his people*

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

## Psalm 25:1-9

*Gregorian Chant, Mode I*

*Happy liturgical New Year! All today's readings relate to life both today and the one to come.*

1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;  
my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O LORD, \*  
and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all the day long.

5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

## Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians

3:9-13

*Coming from his jail stint in Philippi, Paul is ecstatic to find such faith in the nascent community of believers.*

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you

may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

## Gradual Hymn 61

*Wachet auf*

*Pastor* The Holy Gospel according to Luke  
**People Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

21:25-36

*Themes from Jewish apocalyptic texts such as Daniel run through Luke's Gospel this morning; they are also present in Matthew and Mark.*

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

*Pastor* The Gospel of the Lord.  
**People Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon

Pastor Heidi Truax

## A time of silent reflection

## The Nicene Creed

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## The Prayers of the People

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Diocesan Bishops Ian, and Laura; our Rector, Heidi, and for this gathering; for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. *(We read from the book and leave time for names to be added.)* Pray for those in any need or trouble.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of the Holy. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

I ask your prayers for the departed especially Manuel Herrera and *(we read from the book and leave time for names to be added.)* Pray for those who have died.

On our parish cycle of prayer, I ask your prayers for Michael and Sandy Cuoco, and their daughters, Sarah and Elizabeth. For Jeremy Dakin, and for their families.

I ask you to lift up in prayer all those things for which you are thankful today...*(we leave time for thanksgivings to be added.)* We give special thanks this morning for physicians, nursing staff members, and therapists who tend to both our minds and bodies.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

## The Confession

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## The Absolution

## The Peace and the Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory Anthem "O Lord in Thee is all my trust"

By Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

O Lord, in thee is all my trust.  
Give ear unto my woeful cries.  
Refuse me not, that am unjust,  
but bowing down thy heav'nly eyes,  
behold how I do still lament  
my sins wherein I thee offend.  
O Lord, for them shall I be shent,  
sith thee to please I do intend?

No, no, not so! Thy will is bent  
to deal with sinners in thine ire:  
but when in heart they shall repent  
thou grant'st with speed their just desire.  
To thee therefore still shall I cry,  
to wash away my sinful crime.  
Thy blood, O Lord, is not yet dry,  
but that it may help me in time.

Haste now, O Lord, haste now, I say,  
to pour on me the gifts of grace  
that when this life must flit away  
in heav'n with thee I may have place  
where thou dost reign eternally  
with God which once  
did down thee send,  
where angels sing continually.  
To thee be praise, world without end. Amen.

Doxology: Hymn 380, verse 3

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The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A pg. 361

Holy, Holy, Holy (pew card)

Please stand or kneel as you prefer

The Lord's Prayer pg. 364

Fraction Anthem (pew card)

Communion Hymn 73 St. Stephen

Communion Hymn 620 Land of Rest

Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess: Grant us grace that we may honor you with our substance, and remembering the account which we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP p. 827)

Recessional Hymn 68 Llangloffan

Dismissal

Postlude Gevert

Serving Today

Rector: The Rev. Heidi Truax  
Music Director: Christine Gevert  
Ministers of Communion: Pari Forood, Carol M. Taylor  
Ushers: Allen Berrien, Jason Gladding  
Lector: Carol M. Taylor  
Epistler: Jason Gladding  
Intercessor: Mary Anne Carley  
Counters: Martha Nesbitt & TBD  
Hospitality :Team 1—Lloyd  
Altar Guild :Bev Becker  
Advent Greens: Joanne Grafe  
Young People: Terri Brennan, Arete Warren  
Verger: Geoff Brown

Announcements

We offer both wine and grape juice at Communion and invite you to ask for whichever chalice you prefer. If you are not able to eat wheat, please ask Pastor Heidi for a gluten free wafer.

Wed., Dec. 5 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist at Noble Horizons  
Wed., Dec. 12 Blood Drive at Salisbury Congregational Church  
Thurs., Dec. 13 1:30 PM Holy Eucharist with the Trinity Choir at Geer Village  
Sun., Dec. 16 Noon: Vestry Meeting  
Wed., Dec. 19 11:00 AM Morning Prayer at Noble Horizons  
Sun., Dec. 23 10:30 AM Annual Christmas Pageant  
Noon: Greening of the Church—grab some coffee and come help decorate!  
Mon., Dec. 24 3:00 PM Family Service with Holy Eucharist  
3:45 PM Christmas Prelude Purcell's "Te Deum and Jubilate"  
4:00 PM Festive Christmas Eve Service  
7:00 PM Misa de Nochebuena  
Tues., Dec 25 10:00 AM A quiet Christmas service  
Sat., Dec. 29 3:00 PM Crescendo Holiday Concert "Love Sublime"  
Sun., Dec. 30 **No 8:00 AM Service**  
10:30 AM Lessons and Carols  
Sundays 8:45 AM Bible Study "Beyond the Grubby Stripe (of the BCP)"  
Mondays 7:00 PM Crescendo  
Wednesdays 8:00 PM AA meeting in Walker Hall

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The Word of God

Prelude Gevert

Processional Hymn 54 Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Hymn 56 vs. 1 & 2 Veni, Emmanuel

Pastor Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Pastor 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.**

Trisagion (pew card) Gevert

Pastor The Lord be with you.  
People **And also with you.**  
Pastor Let us pray together our collect.

**Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Trinity Vestry

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