



EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Season of Advent

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Welcome to the Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist!
Whatever brought you here today is a good thing. Know that
wherever you are in your faith journey, you are welcome in
this place. If you would like more information about our
wonderful church, please speak to an usher or member of
the clergy. We are so glad to have you with us!

As the people gather, we ask that you remain mindful of the sacredness of this place. Please be courteous to those who wish to spend time in silent prayer before the service begins.

*The Congregation's spoken parts are in the **bold** print.*

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the one holy and living God.
People **You come to your people and you set them free.**

ENTRANCE HYMN/HYMN OF PRAISE

WELCOME AND GREETING

PRAYER FOR A PROSPEROUS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Almighty God, look favorably on your whole Church, and especially on our parish home of St. John's. Lead us to care for our parish as you continue your mystical work of creation. Guide us to give generously of ourselves. Help us to see that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE KYRIE

Spoken at 8, sung at 10:15

*Lord, have mercy.
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you**
Presider Let us pray.

*The Presider says the collect, the people respond **Amen.***

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

THE SECOND READING

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to ____.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Enriching Our Worship

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon: As we joyfully await the coming of our Savior, we pray for the welfare of the Church and the world. We respond to “Come, Lord Jesus,” with, “We praise you and adore you.”

For the Church around the world. We pray for unity, mission, faith, and perseverance. Empower us to be your hands and heart in this place. Come, Lord Jesus.

We praise you and adore you.

For our nation and every nation. We pray for justice and peace in the world. We pray for those who are affected by wars, violence, disasters, and any need. We pray for the imprisoned and the sick. Lead us to care for one another. Come, Lord Jesus.

We praise you and adore you.

You have given us dominion over the good earth you have made. Guide us to care for one another and to be good stewards of our home. We pray for a spirit of relationship with the indigenous peoples of this land. Come, Lord Jesus.

We praise you and adore you.

We pray for our leaders. We pray for Joe, our president, Donald, our president-elect, Katie our governor, our congress and our Supreme Court. We pray for all who are in authority. Guide them as they make decisions that benefit your people. Come, Lord Jesus.

We praise you and adore you.

We pray for the ministers of your Holy Church. We pray especially for the lay ministers of St. John’s and the Diocese of Arizona. We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Jennifer, our bishop, Gabe, Marty, Harry, Henry, and Tim, our priests, Chuck, our deacon, and Mary, our candidate. Fill their hearts with your love and grant them strength to serve you and us. Come, Lord Jesus.

We praise you and adore you.

Comfort and heal those who are in any kind of need. Bless those who care for them. We pray for the imprisoned, captives, the sick, the hungry, the homeless, and those who are lonely. We pray especially for: _____. Be present with them and empower us to do our part to help them. Come, Lord Jesus.

We praise you and adore you.

We pray for those who have died. We pray for those who died in faith and for those whose faith was known to you alone. We pray especially for _____. Come, Lord Jesus.

We praise you and adore you.

We lift up our prayers, both spoken and kept in silence, as we pray the prayer taught to us by St. Francis.

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. *Amen.*

Deacon: Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence

People:* God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. *Amen.

Priest: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you of your sin through our Lord Jesus Christ. Go forth and sin no more. *Amen.*

Priest: God of all mercy, I confess that I have sinned against you, opposing your will in my life. I have denied your goodness in others, in myself, and in the world you have created. I repent of the evil that enslaves me, the evil I have done, and the evil done on my behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen me through our Savior Jesus Christ, that I may abide in your love and serve only your will. *Amen.*

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THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

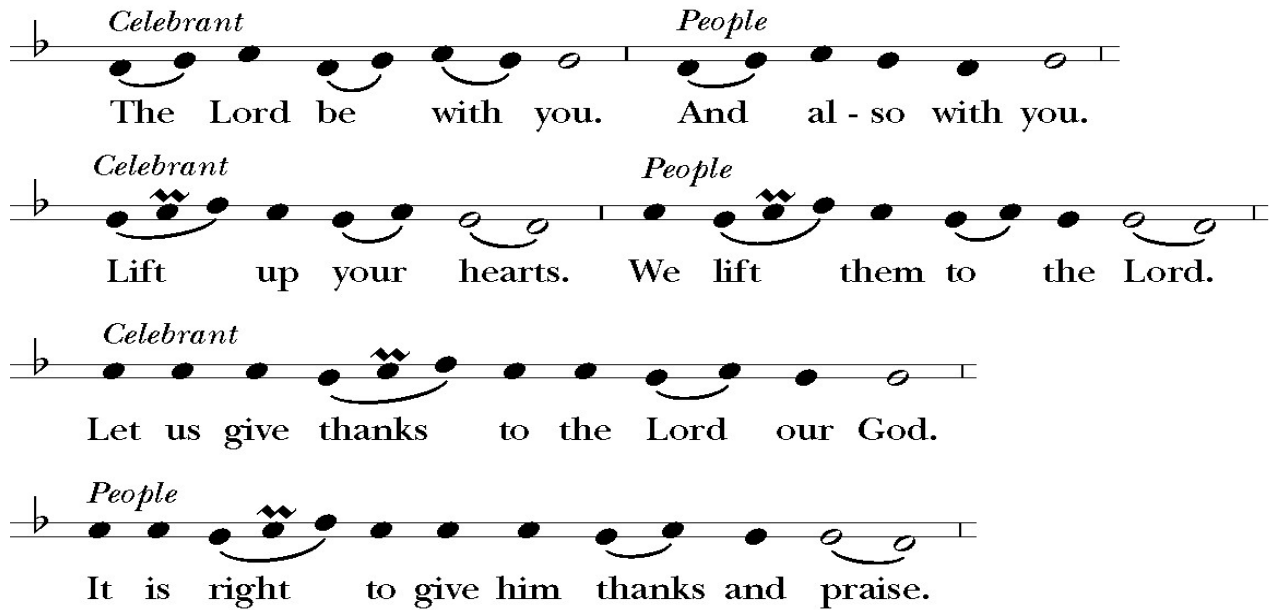
WELCOME

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY HYMN

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer 1



Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so 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 him thanks and praise.

Our true and loving God: through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by who created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out of the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you.

**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.

The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours,
Creator of all,
your Word has never been silent;
you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations,
you delivered them from bondage
and led them to a land of promise.
Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life,
to proclaim the coming of your holy reign
and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.
Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer,
you have freed us from sin,
brought us into your life,
reconciled us to you,
and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us
Jesus took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it,
gave it to his friends and said:
“Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”
After supper Jesus took the cup of wine,
said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood,
poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us:
the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, we
present to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made.

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
And profess your Resurrection
Until you come again, until you come again.**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon these gifts of bread and wine
that they may be to us
the Body and Blood of your Christ.
Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power,
may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ,
and in the fullness of time gather us with
blessed John the Baptist, St. Francis, Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and all your people into the
joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit,
We worship you and glorify you with our voices of unending praise.

People **Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Spoken at 8:00, Sung at 10:00, LEVAS #264

Presider And now as our Savior Christ has taught us we are bold to say.

**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 FRACTION

The Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

THE INVITATION

Presider These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

COMMUNION HYMN

*If you are unable to come to the altar for Communion,
please signal to an usher and the Priest will bring it to you in your pew.*

PRAYER FOR LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS *(as appropriate)*

Deacon In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that _____ may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Presider: Let us Pray

All: Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Presider blesses the people

People **Amen**

CLOSING HYMN

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon dismisses the people.

People **Thanks be to God.**



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