SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
NOVEMBER 27, 2016 -- FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II — 10:00 A.M.

THE WORD OF GOD

The opening music offers a time for prayer and meditation. Please silence all devices.

GATHERING MUSIC

Come, Savior of the Nations
J. S. Bach

Please stand, as able, at the sound of the chimes.

The choir and clergy process during the Introit.

INTROIT
Alma Redemptoris Mater
Antiphon for Advent: Plainchant

Alma Redemptoris mater, quae previa caeli porta manes,
et stella maris, succurric cadenti, surgere quiescat populo:
Tu quae genuisti, natura mirante, tuum sanctum Genitorem:
Virgo prius ac posterius, Gabrielis ab ore sumens illud Ave, peccatorum miserere.

Amen.

Please also stand and pray.

The choir and clergy process during the Introit.

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Celebrate Blessèd be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
People And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Reader The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Reader Let us pray.

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.

People Amen.

Please be seated after the Collect.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 2:1-5 (pew Bible p. 618)

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

SECOND READING

Romans 13:11-14 (pew Bible p. 1036)

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

Please stand, as able, for the Advent verse and Gospel.

The Antiphon is sung first by Cantor, then repeated by All before and after the verse:

Re- joice! Re- joice! Em- man- u- el shall come to us, and with us ev- er dwell.

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

Gospel The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

WELCOME

You are invited to share a sign of God’s peace with those around you.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

All are invited to share at the Lord’s table. At the altar rail you may stand or kneel to receive the bread and wine. You may drink from the cup or touch the bread to the wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing you may indicate so by crossing your arms.

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The common loaf is gluten free.

OFERTORY SENTENCE

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say, rejoice.

Anonymous

Be careful for nothing; but in all prayer and supplication in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Be careful for nothing; but in all prayer and supplication keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

PRESENTATION

(pew Bible p. 904)

Reader Gracious Lord,
People Hear our prayer.

Reader Gracious God:
All By your love you have called us to proclaim with joy the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him, that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

(Collect for St. John’s)

THE PEACE

Standing, if able

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

Nicene Creed

Standing, if able

Book of Common Prayer p. 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Standing or kneeling

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OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Anonymous

Rejoice in the Lord alway.

Let your softness be known unto all men; the Lord is e’en at hand.

Let your petitions be manifest unto God, with giving of thanks.

Let your hearts and minds in Christ Jesu.

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OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Anonymous

Rejoice in the Lord alway.

O come, O Bread of Heav’n sublime,
Who comes to us in bread and wine.

Still sacraments one day will cease
In God’s eternal Reign of Peace.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come again and with us ever dwell.

VENI EMMANUEL

Anonymous

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer D (The prayer may be followed in the BCP on p. 372.)

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 truly right to give God thanks and praise.
Celebrant It is right to give God thanks and praise.

All 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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread
Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.
Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

Lord’s Prayer
Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All 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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer (said by all; kneeling or standing)

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Procession of the Crèche Figures (seated)
Carol Now Leave Your Sheep French Carol / Kitson
(Each week the figures will journey closer to the manger in anticipation of Christmas.) Please stand us able for the closing hymn.

HYMNAL #73 The King Shall Come ST. STEPHEN

Blessing and Dismissal
Deacon Our worship here is ended; now let our service begin. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary Come Savior of the Nations Johann Walter
(You are invited to move forward to the choir stalls for the final music.)

Today we pray with
Max, Gillian, Jim, Ginny, Burt, Mitch, Kathleen, Joan, Patricia, Amy, Irene, Mary Ellen, George, Amina, David, Monica, Terry, Steve, Ginny and Jack, Camille, Susan, Christopher, Tom Stanley and his platoon serving in Iraq, Sydney, Sara, Caroline, Hank, Sandy, Bill, Norma, Mildred, refugees and those who serve them, all whose lives have been shattered by violence and injustice, the system that treats and supports those who live with mental illness, and those you would add.

Advent Greens
In thanksgiving for the lives of John H. Hannaford; Gertrude Hannaford Jaffray; Caroline S. & Jule M. Hannaford, Jr.; Jule M. Hannaford III.

Assisting in the service
Clergy The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson
Assistant Priest The Reverend Kate Bradmiller
Preacher The Reverend Barbara Mraz
Deacon The Reverend Margaret Thor
Altar Guild Dusty Mairs, Phillip Bared, Shirley Cooper, Phyllis Frisby, Patty Byrne Pfalz, Bill Sherfy
Adult Choir Jayson R. Engrist, Director of Music and Organist
Youth Choir Heather Hunt, Director
Instrumentalists Kevin Wall, Nancy Wellington
Acolytes Caroline Krall, Linnea Krall, Sabine Krall, Alison Schmidt
Readers Carolie Selin, Sarah Lightner
Verger Joan Potter
Ushers & Greeters Bob Baumann, Gary & Paige Hagstrom, John MacBain, Peter Rosendale & Jennifer Frost-Rosendale, Judy Southwick
Coffee Hour Linda Lindeke

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