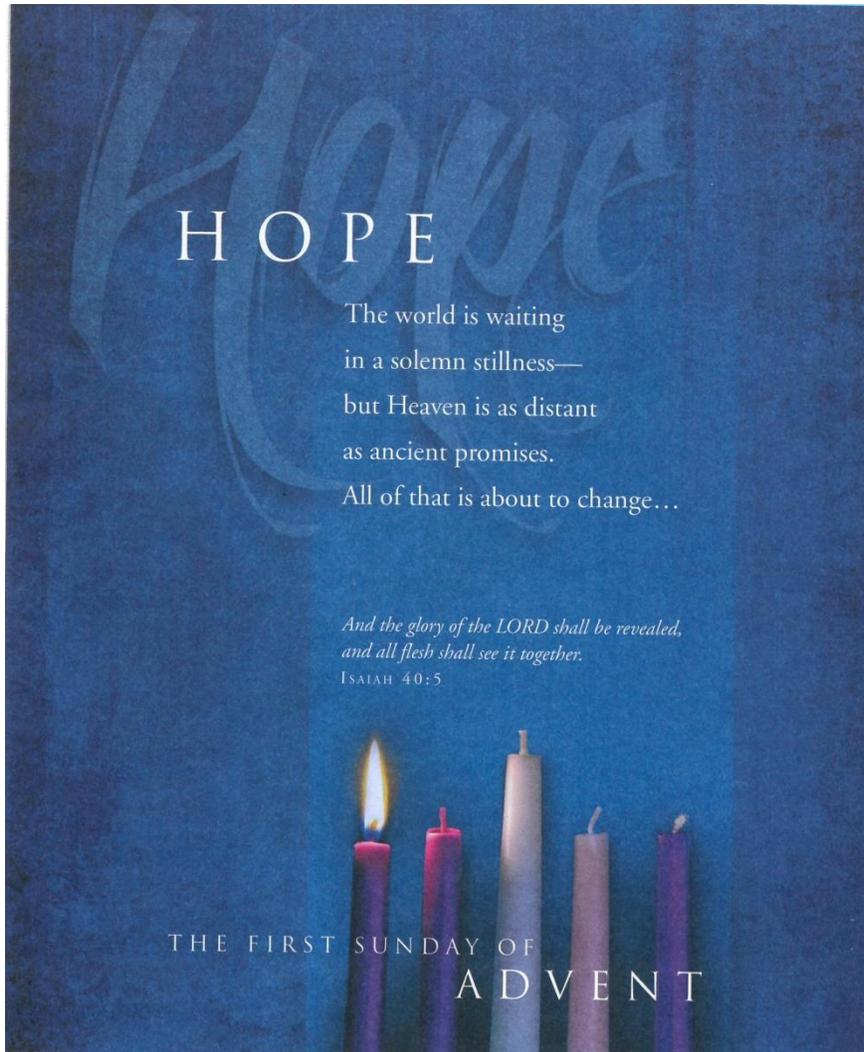


St. Patrick's Episcopal Church
Incline Village, Nevada

The First Sunday of Advent



Seeking Light and Sharing Love

We welcome you to Saint Patrick's Church. We are truly pleased that you have chosen to worship with us today.

If you are searching for a new church home and community, please introduce yourself to one of our parish clergy as you depart.

The First Sunday of Advent
November 28th, 2021

The Holy Eucharist: Enriching Our Worship

Announcements

Prelude: *In the Bleak Midwinter*

Traditional

Hand bell chimes three times signaling all to stand as they are able.

Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord, our light, our hope, our encircler.

Thanks be to God.

Procession in silence

Lighting of the Advent wreath:

The light shines in the darkness.

And the darkness did not overcome it.

The light shines in the darkness.

And the darkness has not overcome it.

The light shines in the darkness.

And the darkness will not overcome it.

Kyrie

Liam Lawton

Kyrie Eleison

Christe Eleison

Kyrie Eleison

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Collect of the Day: 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 First Reading: *Jeremiah 33:14-16*

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."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25, To You, Yahweh, I Lift Up My Soul

Tim Manion

Refrain

To You, Yahweh, I lift up my soul O my God.
To You, Yahweh, I lift up my soul, O my God.

Verse 1

Yahweh, show your ways to me.
Teach me Your paths and
Keep me in the ways of Your truth,
For You are the God that saves me.

Refrain

Verse 2

The Lord is so good, so holy.
Sinners find the way,
And in all that is right He guides the humble.
The poor he leads in His pathways.

Refrain

Verse

All day long I hope in Your goodness.
Remember Your love,
The love that You promised long ago.
And the kindness that you gave from of old.

Refrain

The Second Reading: *1 Thessalonians 3:9-13*

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.

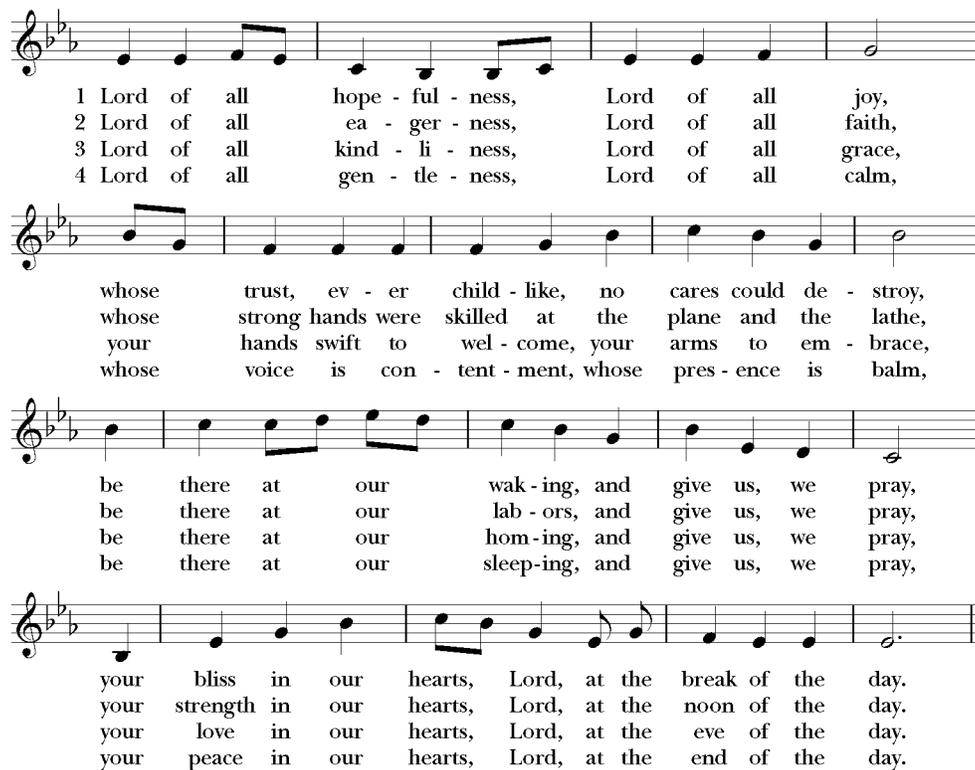
Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the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

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: *Lord of All Hopefulness, Lord of All Joy, Hymnal 1982 #482*

Jan Struther



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,
whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,
whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,
be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our lab - ors, and give us, we pray,
be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel: *Luke 21:25-36*

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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ

Reflection

the Rev. Sarah A. Dunn

Affirmation of Faith: from Tírechán (7th cen. Irish Bishop)

*Our God is the God of all humans, the God of heaven and earth, the God of sea and rivers,
the God of sun and moon, the God of all heavenly bodies,
the God of the lofty mountains, the God of the lowly valleys.*

*God is above the heavens; and he is beneath the heavens,
Heaven and earth and sea, and everything that is in them, such he has as his abode.*

*He inspires all things, he gives life to all things,
he stands above all things, he stands beneath all things.*

*He enlightens the light of the sun, he strengthens the light of the night and the stars,
he makes wells in the arid land and dry islands in the sea,
and he places the stars in the service of the greater lights.*

*He has a Son who is co-eternal with himself; and similar in all respects to himself;
and neither is the Son younger than the Father, nor is the Father older than the Son;
and the Holy Spirit breathes in them.*

And the Father and the Son and Holy Spirit are inseparable. Amen.

The Prayers of the People:

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Prince of Peace,

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Prince of Peace,

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Prince of Peace,

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as He loved us. Prince of peace,

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially Bill and Cat, Agatha, Amber and Owen, Julian, Lynn, Jim & Patti, Beth, Betty, Meera, Clare, Lydia, Paul, Candace and Family, The Fisher Family, Daniel, Barry, Bridget, Jeremy, Patricia and Piper, Alina and Family, Eric, Christopher, Everett, Annie, Sharon, Meredith, Andrew, Rachael, Donna, Judy, Jill, Ed, Deborah, Catherine, Doug, Lynne, Tim, the Woodliff Family, Loretta, Lainie, Marsha, Lans, Linda, and Jim; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Prince of Peace,

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Sharon and Greg, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all the saints in your eternal kingdom. Prince of Peace,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the peace of Jerusalem and for the peace of every tribe, people and nation; that our divisions may cease, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and that all may be one through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Confession of Sin: (from the Iona Community)

My siblings, not out of dread and fear, but believing that God is faithful to forgive, let us rid ourselves of what we need to carry no longer.

*Eternal God, maker of the skies above,
lowly Christ, born amidst the growing earth,
Spirit of life, wind over the flowing waters,
in earth and sky,
you are there.
O hidden mystery,
sun behind all suns,
soul behind all souls,
in everything we touch,
in everyone we meet,
your presence is around us,
and we give you thanks.
But when we have not touched
but trampled you in creation,
when we have not met
but missed you in one another,
when we have not received
but rejected you in the poor,
forgive us,
and hear now our plea for mercy.*

Here now the words of Jesus for all who are truly sorry and seek to renew their lives: Your sins are forgiven. Go in peace; come and follow me.

Lead us now, O God, to acknowledge your costly generosity by living as a forgiven people, until heaven and earth rejoice and the whole earth cries Glory! Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace:

God makes peace within us.

Let us claim it.

God makes peace between us.

Let us share it.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

SERVICE OF THE TABLE: Eucharistic Prayer - Celtic

Music at the Offertory: *How Precious is your Steadfast Love*

Linda Bevard

How precious is Your steadfast love
The children of God take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.
They feast on the abundance of Your love
And You give them

Peace like the rivers of your delight.
For with You is the fountain of Life
And in the light shall we see right.

Your precious love reaches up to the sky.
Your love extends to the heavens.
Your righteousness is like mountains
We feast on the abundance of Your love
And you give us

Peace like the rivers of your delight.
For with You is the fountain of Life
And in the light shall we see light.

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-or- scan the following QR code using your smart device



-or- now you can donate with Zelle! Send to Office@tahoepiscopal.org

Thank you!

Doxology: 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.

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said, “Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for the multitudes. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.” And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ’s undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever.

All:



A - men.

And now, 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 it is 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, the glory are yours, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread:

Jesus, Lamb of God:

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins:

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world:

Grant us your peace.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. *[All those seeking light and sharing love are welcome at the Lord’s Table; gluten free wafers are available]*

Music at Communion: Come Unto Him

G.F. Handel

Come unto Him all ye that labor.
Come unto Him , ye that are heavy laden
And He will give you rest.

Take His yoke upon you and learn of Him.
For He is meek and lowly of heart,
And ye shall find rest unto your souls.

Let us pray: *In gratitude, in deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people, we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared the Living Bread and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. So, Lord, may we live to your glory, both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the kingdom of heaven. Amen.*

Special Blessings

Congregational Blessing:

Deep peace of the running wave to you.
Deep peace of the flowing air to you.
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.
Deep peace of the shining stars to you.
Deep peace of the gentle night to you.
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you.
Deep peace of Christ,
of Christ the light of the world to you.
Deep peace of the Three in One to you,
The Source, the Son, and the Spirit. *Amen.*

Hymn: Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

Charles Wesley



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on
our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the
saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine
train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: The King of Love My Shepherd Is

arr. Dale Wood



Please join us for refreshments in the library following worship!



Announcements –Advent Edition

Dwelling in the Word: A contemplative, creative comparison of the Christmas stories

Adults are invited to join Rev. Sarah Dunn from St. Patrick's Incline Village, NV and Rev. Tanya Wallace from All Saints' South Hadley, MA as we reclaim our childlike awe and wonder at the word of God. We will examine the different accounts of the Nativity narrative in our Gospels, using creativity and imagination. Contact Nora in the office for the zoom link. Flyer is attached – please share with friends!

“Silence for the Soul” Serenity Meditations

Traditional Christian meditative practices, guided and in silence. Led by Rev. Clare Novak. Saturday Dec 4th, 9am-1pm at St. Patrick's – lunch is provided. Details in attached flyer.

Advent Word

For the eighth year in a row, #AdventWord will gather prayers via a global, online advent calendar.

Gathering a worldwide community, #AdventWord provides a daily meditation, visual image, and invites your personal reflections via social media to share your own Advent journey. Thousands have participated each year, responding to the words with photos, written responses, crafts, drawings, poems, found art, and Holy Spirit-filled posts.

The #AdventWord Images and meditations can be experienced through AdventWord.org, direct daily emails, as well as on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, and ASL videos via YouTube.

Meditations will also be available in English, Spanish, and French via email and on www.adventword.org.

The prompts for this week are:

November 28: Promise

November 29: Strength

November 30: Soul

December 1: Path

December 2: Justice

December 3: Fulfill

December 4: Heart

Do you have words that speak to you this advent season? Every week we invite you to send Nora in the office your Advent Words and we will share them during the Sunday service.

Christmas Camp

Christmas camp starts this week – 11/28! Christmas Camp will be held Sundays after church until 1pm. November 28th-December 19th. Adult volunteers are needed, so contact Nora in the office if you'd like to help or would like your kids to join us. It's going to be a great program!

Crèche Exhibit

St. Patrick's is hosting a wonderful display of crèches from around the world collected by Sue Parker, a friend of the church. The crèche exhibit is free to visit and will be displayed in the Library, Chapel, Lobby and Narthex at the following times:

Friday, December 10th, 3pm-6pm

Saturday, December 11th, 12pm-3pm

Sunday, December 12th, 12pm-3pm

Volunteer monitors are needed – contact Nora in the office to sign up!

This month we remember those who are in our Columbarium:

Jefferson & Lillian Lamb, William & Virginia Larner, Chester Latshaw, Jennifer Laur, Sam & Doris Mae Leftwich, Angela & William Leonard, Helen F. & Morris Levin, Marvin Locke, Ernest Losberger, Raymond & Kathlyn Mahan, Peter Markus, Jeanette Martinez, Georgianna Maye, Martha McArtor, Kathryn & Richard McCall, C. William & Hazel M. McClung, Emma McCormich, Patrick McFadden, Harold "Bud" & Irene K. McKean, Diane & Sid McKenna, Evalyn Meitner, Patrick & Eddie V. Mollins, Ray & Goldie Moore

The flowers at the altar are given to the *Glory of God*
by Kay Lehr

Worship Assistants

Minister of Music: Donna Axton

Choir: Jamie Bonetto, Karen Colbert, Kay Lehr,
Linda Pittman, Nora Behrens, Brad Perry, Bill Slocumb

Worship Leaders: Ben Perry & Nancy Rawie

Ushers: Karen & Jack Barney

Counters: Bob Skidmore & Len Thomsen

Clergy

The Rev. Sarah A. Dunn (rector)

The Rev. Dr. Bob Swope

The Rev. Dcn. Ken Rackley

Members of the Vestry

Mike Wang, *Senior Warden*

Bob Brust, *Junior Warden*

David Vomund, *Treasurer (non-voting)*

Connie Skidmore, *Clerk (non-voting)*

Cindy Boudett, Karen Colbert, and Mike Wang (2019-2022 term)

Nora Beauchamp, Bob Brust, and Daniel Gollery (2020-2023 term)

Steve Barney, Katherine Krivan, Kay Lehr (2021-2024 term)

Nora Behrens, *Parish Administrator*

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