

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist
The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
The Episcopal Church of the Advent
Kennett Square, PA
October 12, 2025 11:00 a.m.



Elementary Sunday School at 9:45, starts in the Children's Chapel.

Jr/Sr High Sunday School at 9:45, in the St. Jude Room.

****No Jr/Sr High Sunday School class next Sunday, October 19th. ****

Adult Formation 9:45 Next week – Altar Guild members Kym Dyer and Mary Garrett will provide a tour of our sacristy and share the “behind the scenes” work that makes our weekly worship possible. During the month of October, our adult formation is focusing on acquainting/reacquainting the people of our parish with our church and campus.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

(Our liturgy is taken from *The Book of Common Prayer*.)

PRELUDE

Prelude in D

Clerambault

OPENING HYMN

#410 in the **Hymnal 1982** (blue hymnal)
Praise, my soul, the Kingdom of Heaven

Celebrant
People

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant

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.*

SONG OF PRAISE

#S236 in the **Hymnal 1982** (blue hymnal)
Glory to you

Celebrant
People
Celebrant

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Old Testament - 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean?'" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 111

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! *

they are studied by all who delight in them.

3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, *

and his righteousness endures for ever.

4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *

the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

5 He gives food to those who fear him; *

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

6 He has shown his people the power of his works *

in giving them the lands of the nations.

7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *

all his commandments are sure.

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *

because they are done in truth and equity.

9 He sent redemption to his people;

he commanded his covenant for ever; *

holy and awesome is his Name.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *

those who act accordingly have a good understanding;

his praise endures for ever.

THE EPISTLE - 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

if we are faithless, he remains faithful--

for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand for the Alleluia and the reading of the Gospel.)

GOSPEL ALLELUIA (*sing 3 times*)



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THE GOSPEL - Luke 17:11-19

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

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

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

GOSPEL ALLELUIA (*sing 1 time*)



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HOMILY

The Rev. Timothy A. Johnson +

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

THE NICENE CREED

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

(Please kneel or remain seated for the prayers and confession.)

Response to each intercession – God, our refuge and strength, ... **hear us, we pray.**

THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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 PEACE *(Please stand as you are able for the Peace.)*

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

arr. Russell Robinson

Advent Parish Choir

Leon Spencer, Conductor

DOXOLOGY

(Please stand as you are able for the Doxology.)

Hymn tune from # 380, v. 3 in the Hymnal 1982 – blue hymnal

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below! Praise him above you heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Eucharistic Prayer C from The Book of Common Prayer)

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 God thanks and praise.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, and to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sing 3 times in English.



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra-zón te a - do - ra.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you.



Mi co - ra-zón te sa - be de-cir: San - to e-res Se - ñor.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

Text: Argentine traditional
Music: Argentine traditional

ARGENTINE SANTO
6 7 8 5

(You may remain standing, kneel, or be seated for the remainder of the prayer.)

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our mothers and fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rebecca, and Mary; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**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.
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.**

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

COMMUNION HYMN #151 in the **Lift Every Voice and Sing** (red & black hymnal)
One Bread, One Body

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE RETURN TO THE WORLD

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN #397 in the **Hymnal 1982** (blue hymnal)
Now Thank We All our God

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE *Festival Postlude* Zipoli

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WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Celebrant: The Reverend Timothy A. Johnson+, Rector
Lector: Diane Chun
Sub Deacon: Dennis Glasgow
Eucharistic Minister: Diane Chun
Director of Music: Wilson G. Somers
Bell Choir Director: Leon Spencer

The Sanctuary Candle is sponsored this week by
Bob & Kathy Larson in honor of their friends and family.

SUGGESTED SPIRITUAL PRACTICE FOR THE FALL:

A PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our shared struggles for peace and justice, to relate to one another without hatred or bitterness, and to commit to working together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastoral Emergencies – If you have a pastoral emergency requiring the immediate assistance of a priest, please contact the church office during office hours. Outside of office hours, please contact the Rev. Tim Johnson directly at 484-730-1988.



Invitation to a Parish Weekend Retreat
Jan. 30th - Feb. 1st
(Friday – Sunday)

Join us for a parish weekend retreat at the beautiful Daylesford Abbey Spirituality and Retreat Center in Paoli, Pennsylvania. Beginning Friday, January 30th with dinner, and concluding on Sunday, February 1st with lunch, the weekend will provide opportunity for learning, fellowship, worship, and rest/leisure time. The Spirituality and Retreat Center at Daylesford Abbey will be our host, providing comfortable single and double-occupancy guest rooms and all meals.

The theme of the weekend will be: "Friendship with Jesus." In the church, we often refer to Jesus as our Savior and our Lord, but what does it mean to call Jesus our friend? What difference would it make to our spiritual lives and to our relationship with Jesus if we approach him as our friend?

The cost for the weekend is \$250 per person (financial assistance available), which includes lodging for two nights and all meals.

Contact Rev. Tim if you have questions (rector@adventks.org).

To register, scan this QR code, or contact Rev. Tim.





Are you an adult who has never been confirmed or received by the Bishop?

If you are an adult member of the Church of the Advent and have never been confirmed, or if you were confirmed in a denomination other than the Episcopal Church and have not been received by a bishop in the Episcopal Church, please consider doing so when Bishop Daniel Gutierrez visits our parish on Sunday, November 9th.

In the Episcopal Church and in the broader Anglican Communion, bishops are considered living symbols of our unity and shared faith. As such, the administration of the sacramental rite of confirmation is reserved for bishops. Bishops also formally receive and pray for all members who have joined the Episcopal Church from another Christian church or denomination.

If you are interested in being confirmed or formally received by the Bishop on November 9th, please let Rev. Tim by using the QR code below. If you have any questions, or if you are not sure if this applies to you, do not hesitate to reach out to Rev. Tim (rector@adventks.org).

