

The First Sunday of Advent Sung Eucharist + Rite One + 10:30 AM

St. Martin of Tours Episcopal Church
Bridgewater NJ



The Great Litany in Procession

The Altar party enters in silence. Please stand.

You may want to use the Book of Common Prayer to follow the biddings, page 149

Officiant
O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, *People*
Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, *People*
Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant
O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faith - ful, *People*
Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant
O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, *People*
Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant
Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy

People
preserve us for ev - er. Spare us, good Lord.

Officiant
From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the


devil; and from everlast - ing dam - na - tion,

People
Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

The same response is sung to the petitions which may be found in the Book of Common Prayer, p. 149


We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way,

People




We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.


The same response is sung to the petitions which may be found in the Book of Common Prayer, p. 150




Officiant Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.
People Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.



Officiant O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.
People O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up-on us.



Officiant O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.
People



Officiant O Christ, hear us. *People* O Christ, hear us.

Kyrie Eleison

Hymnal 1982 S91

The 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 forever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah *(Please be seated)*

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence— as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil-- to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet

those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

The Word of the Lord/ *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 80:1-7; 16-18 *Simplified Anglican Chant*

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a **flock**; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the **cherubim**.

2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Man/**asseh**, *
stir up your strength and come to **help us**.

3 Restore us, O God of **hosts**; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be **saved**.

4 O Lord God of **hosts**, *
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your **people**?

5 You have fed them with the bread of **tears**; *
you have given them bowls of tears to **drink**.

6 You have made us the derision of our **neighbors**, *
and our enemies laugh us to **scorn**.

7 Restore us, O God of **hosts**; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be **saved**.

16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right **hand**, *
the son of man you have made so strong for your/**self**.

17 And so will we never turn away from **you**; *
give us life, that we may call upon your **Name**.

18 Restore us, O Lord God of **hosts**; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be **saved**.

A Reading from St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. The Word of the Lord/ *Thanks be to God.*

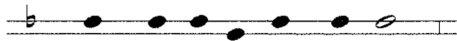
Gospel Acclamation *(Please stand)*

Choir: Alleluia; People: Alleluia. Choir: Alleluia; People: Alleluia.

Verse: Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and give us your salvation.

Choir: Alleluia; People: Alleluia. Choir: Alleluia; People: Alleluia.

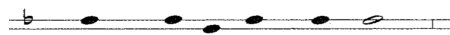
The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark



Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."



Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.

The Homily
The Nicene Creed (*Please stand*)
The Peace and Announcements

BCP, 326

Please stand

Offertory Hymn *On Jordan's Stormy Bank*

LEVAS II, 09

1 On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,
And cast a wishful eye;
To Canaan's fair and happy land,
Where my possessions lie.

Refrain:

I am bound for the promised land,
I am bound for the promised land;
Oh, who will come and go with me?
I am bound for the promised land.

2 All o'er those wide-extended plains,
Shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns,
And scatters night away. [Refrain]

3 No chilling winds or pois'nous breath
Can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness and sorrow, pain and death,
Are felt and feared no more. [Refrain]

4 When shall I reach that happy place
And be forever blest?
When shall I see my Father's face,
And in God's bosom rest? [Refrain]

The Liturgy of the Altar (*Remain standing if able*)

The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

The Eucharistic prayer continues on the Book of Common Prayer, on page 333

Sanctus *Willan* *Hymnal 1982, S-114*

(Kneel or Stand. The prayers continue in the Book of Common Prayer on page 334)

The Lord's Prayer *BCP, 336*

The Fraction

Agnus Dei *Willan* *Hymnal 1982, S-158*

Prayer of Humble Access *BCP, 337*

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are they who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

Holy Communion

Communion Hymns

1 The grain is ripe: the har - vest comes!
 2 The right - eous God gives this ___ and more:
 3 The work of peace is all ___ for all,

good seed of hope, your time ___ is now
 grace is the mode, in mer - cy the key,
 face turned to face in o - pen trust,

jus - tice will stream from hill and ri - ver, more than you
 God comes in truth the sharp - est la - ser to scan the
 all fam - ine gone and thirst and bleed - ing, the har - vest

dream ___ and run - - - - - ning o - ver.
 earth, ___ to take ___ our mea - sure.
 comes ___ from love's ___ good seed - ing.

Thy Kingdom Come

Hymnal 1982, 615

Post Communion Prayer *(Please kneel or stand)*

BCP, 339

Prayer for Peace

Merciful God, Father of All: we join our prayers to those of the people throughout the world who are trapped in war zones, who look to the heavens for peace and protection during this time of violence and oppression. We pray for the families, especially, the children living through the horrors of war and all the upheaval and tribulation it brings. We pray for the repose of those who have died. We ask for your mercy: that peace would be restored, that wars would cease, that the hearts and minds of those who have chosen the path of destruction may be transformed by your grace, and that all peoples may live freely in unity and tranquility. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our hope in times of trouble. Amen.

Blessing and Dismissal

Closing Hymn *Hail to the Lord's Anointed* vv. 1,4,5

Hymnal 1982, 616

Serving Today

Usher: David Persson and Vic Haddad

Thurifer: Fausto Beleno Crucifer: Nick Persson

Lay Reader: Anne Marie Verdiramo Eucharistic Minister: Jennifer Persson

Choir: Beth Hixenbaugh, Alison Jandak, Jane Maloney, Rob Vernon

Organist: Kathy Shanklin Celebrant: Father Rob Laws

Upcoming Events

800th Anniversary of the Nativity Scene Open House Sunday Dec. 10 4-6 pm

Christmas Worship

Dec 24 Fourth Sunday in Advent Morning Prayer 8:15 am

Dec 24 Christmas Pageant and Communion 4 pm

Festival Mass for Nativity of Our Lord 9 pm

Dec 25 Christmas Day Mass 10 am

Prayer Intentions for this Mass

For healing: Fausto, John, Ryan, Joe, Paige, Maureen, Bozeno, Helios, Sonia, Bob, Julia, Anna, Nicole, Dusty, Nory, Anthony, Jeff, Debbie, Ian, Pat, Dillon, Mary, Olivia, Anna Rose, Christine, Justin, Angela, Evelyn and Brent.