



Welcome to St. Aidan's! We are so glad you are here to worship with us. Please find the full texts in The Book of Common Prayer (red) and the words and music in The Hymnal (blue).

10am December 17, 2023 + 3rd Sunday of Advent

Prelude

Entrance Hymn *The King shall come when morning dawns*

The Hymnal 73

The Acclamation and Collect for Purity

The Book of Common Prayer 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

On the Third Sunday of Advent three candles are lit

Almighty, everlasting God, let our prayer in your sight be as incense, the lifting up of our hands in this holy Advent season. Give us grace to behold you, present in your Word and Sacraments, and to recognize you in the lives of those around us. Stir up in us the flame of that love which burned in the heart of your Son as he bore his passion, and let it burn in us to eternal life and to the ages of ages. Amen.

(The Book of Common Prayer p. 113 modified)

Song

The Hymnal 66 v. 1, 2

1 Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.

2 Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art:
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

The Collect of the Day

The Book of Common Prayer 212

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever.

People Amen

The First Lesson: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Hebrew Testament p. 536

Psalm 126 *In convertendo*

The Book of Common Prayer 782

1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The Lord has done great things for them."
4 The Lord has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

New Testament p. 159

Gospel Hymn *O come, O come, Emmanuel*

The Hymnal 56 Vs. 5-6

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

The Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28

New Testament p. 70

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Mary Kate Réjouis, Rector

The Nicene Creed

The Book of Common Prayer 358

Prayers of the People **Special Form for Honoring God in Creation (Form 2, SLC)**
The People's response to "God, Giver of life," is "Hear our prayer."

The Confession and Absolution

The Book of Common Prayer 360

The Peace

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

The Offertory

"...to give and give and give again, what God has given thee"



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Offertory Anthem *On Jordan's bank*

The Hymnal 76

As the gifts are brought forward the Doxology is sung

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below;
praise God above ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Holy Eucharistic Prayer B

The Book of Common Prayer 367

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Sursum Corda

The Hymnal S-120

The Sanctus

The Hymnal S-129

The Great AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Invitation and Sharing of Holy Communion

Please come forward when the Usher indicates to stand or kneel at the communion rail. To receive by intinction, please point toward the intinction plate and the clergy will hand you the consecrated bread that has been dipped in the consecrated wine. To receive from the common cup, take the bread in your hands, consume it, then take a sip from the chalice, guided by the chalice minister. If you prefer to receive only the bread, or to receive gluten free Holy Communion, please ask. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.

Communion Hymns *Jesus, remember me*
What is the crying at Jordan?

Taizé 37
The Hymnal 69

Postcommunion Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer 365

Celebrant and People pray together

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.

Sending Prayer for Home Communions

The Blessing

The people respond by saying "Amen" and making the sign of the cross.

Hymn *Prepare the way, O Zion*

The Hymnal 65

The Dismissal

The people are dismissed, and respond by saying

People **Thanks be to God.**

Would you like to assist in our worship by reading or serving?

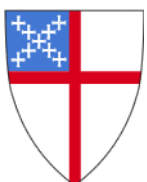
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Thank you for joining us today!



The Rev. Mary Kate Rejouis, Rector

The Rev. Steve Wengrovius, Priest Associate

The Rev. Dr. Kay K. Cook, Retired

Mr. Wes Leffingwell, Music Director

Mr. Corey Priebe, Office Manager

Ms. Amanda Barker, Seminarian

Ms. Lindsey Anderson, Nursery Coordinator

The Rev. Jan Oller, Retired

Mr. Jeremiah Otto, Keyboardist

Ms. Katiann Nelson and Mr. Seth Tack, Choral Scholars

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Bread+Belonging Tuesday Dinner at 6pm--All Students Welcome

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