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HOLY EUCHARIST ~ RITE II ~ 4:00 PM
with Healing Service
ST. MATTHEW, THE APOSTLE

Welcome to Advent Episcopal Church, offering worship of The Episcopal Church to the Northwest Valley. Everyone is welcome to come in person or you can join us on-line on Advent's Facebook page or Advent's YouTube channel. Our worship follows the Holy Eucharist according to the *Book of Common Prayer* with a brief homily. Following the Litany of Healing, healing prayers will be offered for those who desire it. *We hope you enjoy the service!*

All standing, the Celebrant says

BCP 355

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

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

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

People *Christ, have mercy.*

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

A READING FROM PROVERBS

[3:1-6]

My child, do not forget my teaching,
but let your heart keep my commandments;

for length of days and years of life
and abundant welfare they will give you.

Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you;
bind them round your neck,
write them on the tablet of your heart.

So you will find favor and good repute
in the sight of God and of people.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and do not rely on your own insight.

In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

R: The Word of the Lord. P: *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM 119:33-40

Said in unison

³³ Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.

³⁴ Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
I shall keep it with all my heart.

³⁵ Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for that is my desire.

³⁶ Incline my heart to your decrees *
and not to unjust gain.

³⁷ Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *
give me life in your ways.

³⁸ Fulfill your promise to your servant, *
which you make to those who fear you.

³⁹ Turn away the reproach which I dread, *
because your judgments are good.

⁴⁰ Behold, I long for your commandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my life.

A READING FROM 2ND TIMOTHY

[3:14-17]

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

R: The Word of the Lord. P: *Thanks be to God.*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to John

[9:9-13]

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means,

'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

D: The Gospel of the Lord. P: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOMILY

THE LITANY OF HEALING (See back of bulletin)

Celebrant Let us name before God those for whom we wish to pray.

A moment of silence is observed

Lector: Holy God, source of health and salvation,
Here and after each bidding, the People respond,
"Hear and have mercy."

Following the Litany, the Celebrant says a concluding Collect.

The Celebrant now invites those who wish to receive prayers for healing to stand. The following anthem is said

Savior of the world, by your cross and precious blood you have redeemed us;

Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech you, O Lord.

The Celebrant says the following blessing over those who are standing

The Almighty Lord, who is a strong tower to all who put their trust in him, to whom all things in heaven, on earth, and under the earth bow and obey: Be now and evermore your defense, and make you know and feel that the only Name under heaven given for health and salvation is the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Celebrant now invites those who wish to receive prayers for healing to come one at a time, single file, and then lays hands on each person and says a prayer of healing.

Laypersons with a gift of healing may join the celebrant in extending hands in prayer at a second station.

After all have been blessed, the following prayer is said:

Celebrant O God of peace, you have taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and confidence shall be our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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 Priest stands and pronounces absolution.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE *All standing, as able.*

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

Maintaining proper social distance, the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE *Said by all (2 Cor. 9:7)*

All that we are and all that we have comes from God.
Let us offer our best to God in thanksgiving,
remembering that God loves a cheerful giver.

The people then stand, as able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer B*

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 him thanks and praise.*

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS *Celebrant and People*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary [] and all the saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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.
And 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept

FRACTION ANTHEM

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers at the altar receive the Sacrament and then deliver it to the People. The People come forward single file, one at a time at each communion station to receive the bread, returning to their seat before lifting their face mask to consume it.

In place of the usual postcommunion prayer the following prayer is said

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Gracious Father, we give you praise and thanks for this Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of your beloved Son Jesus Christ, the pledge of our redemption; and we pray that it may bring us forgiveness of our sins, strength in our weakness, and everlasting salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Acknowledging the people of the land, the Hohokam and other indigenous people as the original stewards of this land, we give thanks for our ancestors, our elders, and for all indigenous people who pray for unity and peace today.

A LITANY OF HEALING

Celebrant: Let us name before God those for whom we desire to pray.

The People audibly name those for whom they are interceding. The lector then leads the Litany.

Lector: Let us offer our prayers for God's healing, saying, "Hear and have mercy."

Holy God, source of health and salvation,
Hear and have mercy.

Holy and Mighty, wellspring of abundant life,
Hear and have mercy.

Holy Immortal One, protector of the faithful,
Hear and have mercy.

Holy Trinity, the source of all wholeness,
Hear and have mercy.

Blessed Jesus, your Holy Name is medicine for healing and promise of eternal life,
Hear and have mercy.

Jesus, descendant of David, you healed all who came to you in faith,
Hear and have mercy.

Jesus, child of Mary, you embraced the world with your love,
Hear and have mercy.

Jesus, divine physician, you sent your disciples to preach the Gospel and heal in your name,
Hear and have mercy.

Jesus our true mother, you feed us the milk of your compassion,
Hear and have mercy.

Jesus, Son of God, you take away our sin and make us whole,
Hear and have mercy.

Jesus, eternal Christ, your promised Spirit renews our hearts and minds,
Hear and have mercy.

Grant your grace to heal those who are sick, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Give courage and faith to all who are disabled through injury or illness, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Comfort, relieve, and heal all sick children, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Give courage to all who await surgery, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Support and encourage those who live with chronic illness, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Strengthen those who endure continual pain, and give them hope, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Grant the refreshment of peaceful sleep to all who suffer, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Befriend all who are anxious, lonely, despondent, or afraid, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Restore those with mental illness to clarity of mind and hopefulness of heart, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Give rest to the weary, and hold the dying in your loving arms, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Help us to prepare for death with confident expectation and hope of Easter joy, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Give your wisdom and compassion to health care workers, that they may minister to the sick and dying with knowledge, skill, and kindness, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Uphold those who keep watch with the sick, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Guide those who search for the causes and cures of sickness and disease, we pray to you, O God,
Hear and have mercy.

Jesus, Lamb of God,
Hear and have mercy.

Jesus, bearer of our sins,
Hear and have mercy.

Jesus, redeemer of the world,
Hear and have mercy.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

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