# First Sunday of Advent ELW Holy Communion Setting Ten Sunday, November 29, 2020 CLC 8am & 11am

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, whose forgiveness is sure and whose steadfast love endures forever. Amen.

Together let us honestly and humbly confess that we have not lived as God desires.

## Silence is kept for reflection.

Loving and forgiving God, we confess that we are held captive by sin. In spite of our best efforts, we have gone astray. We have not welcomed the stranger; we have not loved our neighbor; we have not been Christ to one another. Restore us, O God. Wake us up and turn us from our sin. Renew us each day in the light of Christ. Amen.

People of God, hear this glad news: by God's endless grace your sins are forgiven, and you are free free from all that holds you back and free to live in the peaceable realm of God. May you be strengthened in God's love, + comforted by Christ's peace, and accompanied with the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

## THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

## **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

## GATHERING SONG Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying (ELW 436)

1 Wake, awake, for night is flying, the watchmen on the heights are crying; awake, Jerusalem, at last.

Midnight hears the welcome voices, and at the thrilling cry rejoices: "Come forth, you maidens! Night is past.

The bridegroom comes! Awake; your lamps with gladness take!" Alleluia!

Rise and prepare the feast to share;

go, meet the bridegroom, who draws near.

2 Zion hears the watchmen singing, and all her heart with joy is springing. She wakes, she rises from her gloom.

Her dear friend comes down, all glorious, the strong in grace, in truth victorious:

her star is ris'n; her light is come.

Now come, O Blessed One, Lord Jesus, God's own Son.

Sing hosanna!

Oh, hear the call! Come one, come all,

and follow to the banquet hall.

3 Gloria! Let heav'n adore you! Let saints and angels sing before you, with harp and cymbal's clearest tone.

Gates of pearl, twelve portals gleaming, lead us to bliss beyond all dreaming,

with angel choirs around your throne.

No eye has caught the light, no ear the thund'ring might of such glory.

There we will go: what joy we'll know!

There sweet delight will ever flow.

#### Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying



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## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

## **KYRIE (ELW p. 203)**



Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer. We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair. Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin. Have mercy on us, Lord, make sin and shame depart. Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts!

#### CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 204)

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth. Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth: we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love. Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above; on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand. Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call; Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all: Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright. For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

to 1 Glo-ry be God in heav-en; peace, good-will all to the earth. Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and 2 Glo-ry be to Lord of love. 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call; Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all: you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. we ex - alt on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright. Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand. the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be God on high! For to All rights reserved. Reprinted under One License #725244-A

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day.

E pule, Kakou. Let us pray. *A brief silence is kept before the prayer.* 

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### The assembly is seated.

#### **WORD**

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

## FIRST READING: Isaiah 64:1-9

This lament comes from a people who have had their hopes shattered. The visions of a rebuilt Jerusalem and a renewed people of God, spoken of in Isaiah 40–55, have not been realized. Instead, the people experience ruin, conflict, and famine. This lament calls God to account—to be the God who has brought deliverance in the past.

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup>O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence— <sup>2</sup>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! <sup>3</sup>When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. <sup>4</sup>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. <sup>5</sup>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. <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>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.
<sup>8</sup>Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.
<sup>9</sup>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: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved. (Ps. 80:7)

<sup>1</sup>Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;

shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

<sup>2</sup>In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,

stir up your strength and come to help us.

<sup>3</sup>Restore us, O God;

let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

<sup>4</sup>O LORD God of hosts,

**how long will your anger fume when your people pray?** <sup>5</sup>You have fed them with the bread of tears;

you have given them bowls of tears to drink. <sup>6</sup>You have made us the derision of our neighbors,

and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

<sup>7</sup>Restore us, O God of hosts;

let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

<sup>17</sup>Let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,

the one you have made so strong for yourself.

<sup>18</sup>And so will we never turn away from you;

give us life, that we may call upon your name.

<sup>19</sup>Restore us, O LORD God of hosts;

let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

## **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9**

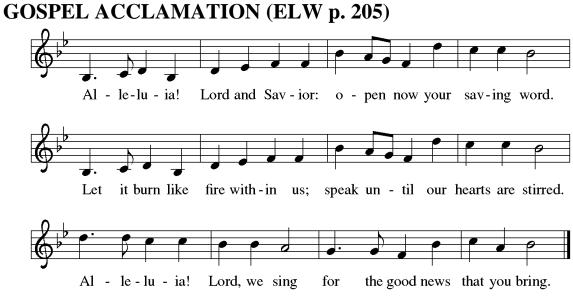
As the Christians in Corinth await the advent of Jesus, Paul reminds them how the Lord has already enriched them through spiritual gifts and will continue to strengthen them until the coming day of the Lord.

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—<sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>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.** 



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Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word. Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

## GOSPEL: Mark 13:24-37

Jesus encourages his followers to look forward to the day when he returns in power and glory to end all suffering.

The holy gospel according to Mark.

## Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] <sup>24</sup>"In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened,

and the moon will not give its light,

<sup>25</sup>and the stars will be falling from heaven,

and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

<sup>26</sup>Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup>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.

<sup>28</sup>"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. <sup>29</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. <sup>31</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>32</sup>"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup>Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup>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. <sup>35</sup>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, <sup>36</sup>or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. <sup>37</sup>And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

## **KEIKI STORY**

#### **SERMON**

## HYMN OF THE DAY Christ, Be Our Light (ELW 715)

 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
 Longing for truth, we turn to you.
 Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

#### Refrain

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

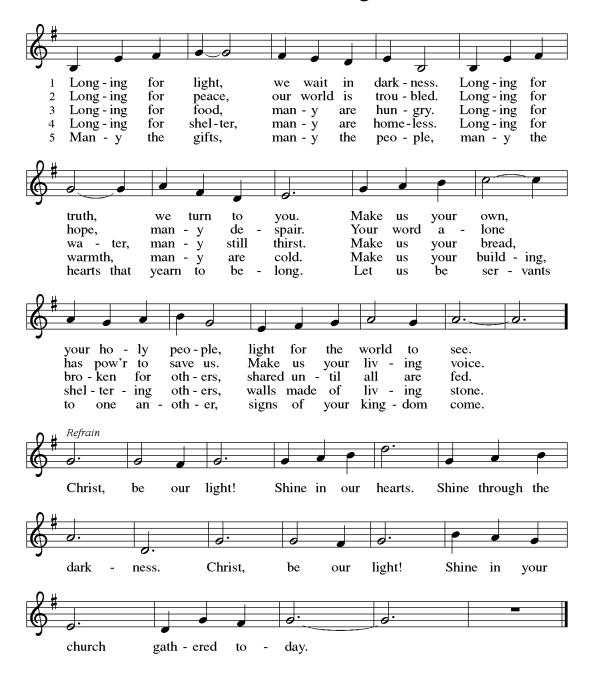
2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled.Longing for hope, many despair.Your word alone has pow'r to save us.Make us your living voice. *Refrain* 

3 Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. *Refrain* 

4 Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. *Refrain* 

5 Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, signs of your kingdom come. *Refrain* 

## Christ, Be Our Light



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#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

The Nicene Creed or the Apostles' Creed may be spoken. The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# **PRESENTATION OF THE FOOD DRIVE – THE PRIVATE SECTOR**

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of power and might, tear open the heavens and come quickly to this weary world. Hear our prayers for everyone in need.

A brief silence.

We pray for the ministry we share in Christ's name. Open our hearts to your call for justice, peace, and healing. Attune us to the needs of the world as you draw near. E ka Haku,

# E aloha mai.

We pray for this planet in need of restoration: for devastated habitats, polluted waters, thawing ice, blazing fires, swelling floods, and long-lasting droughts. Renew the face of the earth and our relationship to it. E ka Haku,

## E aloha mai.

We pray for all people who care for others in our community and around the world. Fill them with compassion and the power to respond with justice for those who are oppressed, with welcome for those who are excluded, and with relief for those who suffer. E ka Haku, E aloha mai.

We pray for people who are in crisis as the seasons change: for those without homes facing severe weather, for those who are unemployed or underemployed, and for those in poverty or facing food insecurity. Relieve their burdens, sustain their bodies, and ease their minds. Sustain those organizations that minister to them, including the Private Sector. E ka Haku,

## E aloha mai.

We pray for the people in our families and congregation who live with depression, anxiety, chronic pain, addiction, and other invisible illnesses. We especially pray for all those afflicted by the coronavirus and all those whom we name in our hearts and whose names we now speak aloud .... Ease their suffering and support them when they struggle. E ka Haku,

## E aloha mai.

## Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give thanks for the lives and witness of those who died while waiting for justice, peace, or healing, for those whose names we know and for those whose names are known only to you. Sustain all who still yearn for the completion of your redeeming work. E ka Haku, E aloha mai.

Draw near to us, O God, and receive our prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## PEACE AND ALOHA

Aloha nui e 'oukou. 'O ke aloha o ka Haku e mau ana me 'oukou apau loa.

Friends and neighbors, sisters and brothers, the peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

## MEAL

# **OFFERING**

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Mahalo nui loa to everyone is who able to continue with there offerings.

You may send checks via USPS mail or go to our "Donate" button at www.clcmililani.org and make your offering via Tithe.ly or PayPal. Mahalo to Thrivent members making offerings via Simply Giving.

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Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown. that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.



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#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

As the table is set, the assisting minister leads in the prayer. E pule, Kakou. Let us pray.

God our provider, we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

## DIALOGUE

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

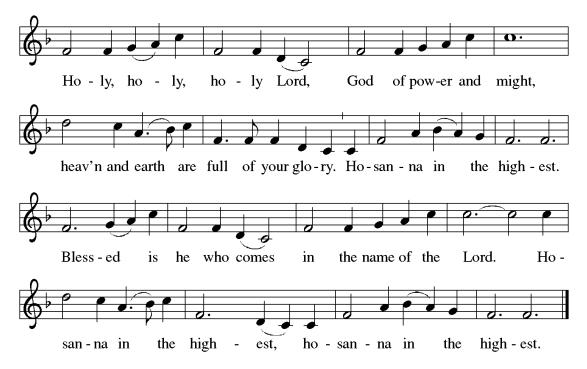
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** 

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 207)



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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n 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, hosanna in the highest.

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God,

our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,

you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,

and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.

You sent your Son to eat with sinners

and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

#### Amen

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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, forever and ever. Amen.

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Na Makana a ke Akua no ka Po'e a ke Akua The Gifts of God for the People of God.

E komo mai, e kipa mai. Come, all is ready. You are welcome.

## COMMUNION

**COMMUNION SONG - THE QUEEN'S PRAYER** O kou aloha no A ia I ka lani A o kou oia io He hemolele hoi. Amene.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As the table is cleared, the assisting minister leads in the prayer.

God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

## SENDING

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.** 

## SENDING SONG O Jesus, I Have Promised (ELW 810)

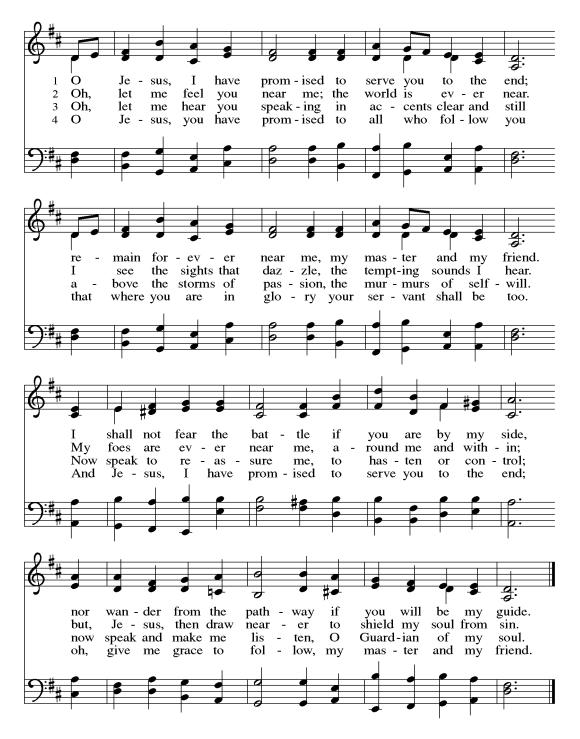
1 O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end; remain forever near me, my master and my friend. I shall not fear the battle if you are by my side, nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.

2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ever near. I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear. My foes are ever near me, around me and within; but, Jesus, then draw nearer to shield my soul from sin.

3 Oh, let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will. Now speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; now speak and make me listen, O Guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you that where you are in glory your servant shall be too. And Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end; oh, give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.

#### O Jesus, I Have Promised



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## **DISMISSAL** Go in peace. Remember the poor. **Thanks be to God.**

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