



# Welcome to Holy Faith Episcopal Church

## **A Welcoming Multicultural Community of Celebration, Transformation and Compassion**

Our welcome to you...

As God's house, Holy Faith opens its doors to everyone. God's love is constant and Holy Faith celebrates the beauty in each one of us because we are all created in God's image. We believe the Holy Spirit embraces, protects, and cares for persons of every race, culture, gender, age, sexual orientation, economic circumstance, and belief. Holy Faith respects all people and we welcome everyone to worship with us.

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## **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

November 28, 2021  
8:00 am



*Our commitment is to the safety and care of our Parish community and hospitality for our neighbors. These values mean that we will continue physical distancing and require masks for everyone at indoor gatherings. If you are healthy and vaccinated, please join us for in person worship. If you think you may be sick or are unvaccinated, you are invited to livestream the service.*

## **CANDLE PRAYER**

*Celebrant:* Today we light the first candle of the Advent wreath, which is the candle of HOPE.

*People:* **We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.**  
*(Psalm 33:20)*

*Celebrant:* Eternal God, as we await the coming of our savior, give us the courage to hope. Give us grace to see your plans of redemption for our lives, for this community, and for the world. Through Jesus Christ, the source of our redemption and hope. **Amen.**

## **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Celebrant:* Blessed are you, holy and living One.

*People:* **You come to your people and set them free. Amen.**

## **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*Remain standing.*

*Celebrant and People:*

**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.**

## **KYRIE**

*Celebrant:* Lord, have mercy.

*People:* **Christ, have mercy.**

*Celebrant:* Lord, have mercy.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant:* God be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

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 for ever. **Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON

*(Jeremiah 33:14-16)*

### **Reading from the Book of the prophet Jeremiah**

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 25:1-9

*Ad te, Domine, levavi*

- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;  
my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord, \*  
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

## SECOND LESSON

(1 Thessalonians 3:9-13)

### Reading from the first letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL

(Luke 21:25-36)

### A Reading from the life of Jesus from the Gospel of Luke

*Deacon:* † The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

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

*Remain standing*

Jesus said, “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## SERMON

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## **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 truly human.**

**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 she is worshiped and glorified. She 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.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Deacon:* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Celebrant:* God of many names, God beyond all names; the beginning and the end of every story, the meaning of every life; infinite Mystery both hidden and revealed:

*People:* **Hear us when we pray to You.**

*Leader:* Blessed are You who join us together in the communion of Christ's Body. Renew and energize your holy Church, in this parish and throughout the world, that we may be a resurrection people, manifesting your steadfast love in our common life of praise and service.

*People:* **Hear us when we pray to You.**

*Leader:* O perfect Wisdom, direct and rule the hearts of the leaders and shapers of society, raise up prophets of justice and peace, and empower your people for the holy vocation of repairing the world. May we entrust all our labors to the work of Providence.

*People:* **Hear us when we pray to You.**

*Leader:* O Deliverer, You unlock every door and make a way where there is no way. Set free all who are afflicted or distressed in body, mind or spirit. Resurrect their hope, grant them peace and refreshment, and restore their joy.

*People:* **Hear us when we pray to You.**

*Leader:* O Morning Star, bright splendor of the light eternal, illumining all things with your radiance: Come, enlighten all who sit in darkness, and those who dwell in the shadow of violence and death. Grant us your peace, and teach us to live in the dawn of your unfailing promise.

*People:* **Hear us when we pray to You.**

*Leader:* O Desire of every heart, the answer to every longing: You are the strong force that draws us into the mystery of love divine. Forgive us those things which distract and delay us, and lead us ever deeper into the Way, the Truth and the Life.

*People:* **Hear us when we pray to You.**



*Leader:* God who has come, God who does come, God who is yet to come:  
Make us an Advent people, ready and alert to welcome and receive You  
in the stranger's face, the loving act, the moment of grace, the presence  
of healing, the birth of possibility, the gift of wonder. (*adding our own  
petitions either silently or aloud*) Let every heart prepare You room.

*People:* **Hear us when we pray to You.**

*Celebrant:* O Emmanuel, God-with-us, You show us the face of divinity and reveal  
the fullness of our humanity. Come: renew your creation, restore us all in Christ, and  
enable us to become who we are, your faithful and loving people. We pray in the name  
of Jesus. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins to God.

*Please wait while silence is kept in the presence of God.*

**God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION

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

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant:* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Remain Standing.*

*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.**

*The Celebrant continues:*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. 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:

*The people stand or kneel.*

**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!**

*The Celebrant continues*

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.” Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

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 all your 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 God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

**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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant:* This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

*People:* **Whoever eats this bread will live forever.**

## AN INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

*For those not able to take communion at this time.*

Let us pray.

*People:* **In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

*People:* **Eternal God, great Creator, 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 Christ's 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.**

## **BLESSING**

*Celebrant:* May God bless you with stillness as you listen for the Word, May God bless you with patience as you watch for the Light, May God bless you with anticipation as you wait for Love, May God bless you with the joy of heaven as you rejoice in his name. And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you today and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

*Deacon:* Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord!

*People:* **Thanks Be To God!**

## SUNDAY MINISTERS

This Sunday

Next Sunday

First lesson

Psalm

Second Lesson

Prayers of the People

*As we reconvene in person worship,  
readers will be determined  
before the service begins.*

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## PRAYERS

Brian, Rangell family, Enrique, Francisco,  
Elisa, Maude, Alex & Cathy,  
Joyce, Doris, Walter

## TRANSITION PRAYER

Ever-present God,  
You call us on a journey  
to a place we do not know.  
We are not where we started.  
We have not reached our destination.  
We are not sure where we are or who we are.  
This is not a comfortable place.  
Be among us, we pray.  
Calm our fears, save us from discouragement,  
And help us to stay on course.  
Open our hearts to your guidance  
so that our journey to this  
Unknown place continue as a journey of trust.  
**Amen.**

- The Rev. Canan Kristi Philip

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Every Sunday in Advent @ 6pm -  
Children's Advent Book Reading and Wreath Lighting:**

Join friends and family for a children's book reading with Rev. Jennifer and light our Advent wreaths together as we wait for baby Jesus! Click [here](#) to join.

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**Tuesday, December 14 @ 7pm - Blue Christmas:**

For all who seek a quiet reflective time of Christmas worship in this Season of Advent waiting. Come if you are feeling blue. Come to celebrate Christ's calm and peace in the midst of this sometimes chaotic season. Come for music, candlelight, prayer and healing. Click [here](#) to join.

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**Pledging for 2022** - This time of year we prayerfully consider the gifts we've been given, and how we can give to do God's sacred work in our community. Please pledge support for Holy Faith for our fiscal year 2022. You can [pledge online](#) or, call the office to receive one by mail.

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**Holy Faith seeks a new Parish Administrator to begin December 1:**

Please direct applicants to [Rev. Jennifer](#) or contact Gisselle in the office for more information.

## WEEKLY GATHERINGS

**Midday Prayer - Tuesdays 12pm:** [Click here](#) to join.

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**Arts in Advent - Wednesdays 7pm:** Prayer before rest at day's end. [Click here](#) to join.

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**Lectino Divino Bible Study & Reflection -  
Thursdays 3pm:** [Click here](#) for the reading.  
[Click here](#) to join.

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**Weekly Updates:** [Click here](#) to read and/or sign up

# DECEMBER 2021

| Sunday  | Monday | Tuesday  | Wednesday                          | Thursday   | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--------|--|------------------------------------|--|--------|----------|
| 28<br><u>In Person Service</u><br>8am & 10am<br><u>Wreath Lighting</u><br>6pm | 29     | 30<br><u>Midday Prayer</u><br>12pm                                 | 1<br><u>Arts in Advent</u><br>7pm  | 2<br><u>Lectino Divino Bible Study &amp; Reading</u><br>3pm  | 3      | 4        |
| 5<br><u>In Person Service</u><br>8am & 10am<br><u>Wreath Lighting</u><br>6pm  | 6      | 7<br><u>Midday Prayer</u><br>12pm                                  | 8<br><u>Arts in Advent</u><br>7pm  | 9<br><u>Lectino Divino Bible Study &amp; Reading</u><br>3pm  | 10     | 11       |
| 12<br><u>In Person Service</u><br>8am & 10am<br><u>Wreath Lighting</u><br>6pm | 13     | 14<br><u>Midday Prayer</u><br>12pm<br><u>Blue Christmas</u><br>7pm | 15<br><u>Arts in Advent</u><br>7pm | 16<br><u>Lectino Divino Bible Study &amp; Reading</u><br>3pm | 17     | 18       |
| 19<br><u>In Person Service</u><br>8am & 10am<br><u>Wreath Lighting</u><br>6pm | 20     | 21<br><u>Midday Prayer</u><br>12pm                                 | 22<br><u>Arts in Advent</u><br>7pm | 23<br><u>Lectino Divino Bible Study &amp; Reading</u><br>3pm | 24     | 25       |
| 26  | 27     | 28<br><u>Midday Prayer</u><br>12pm                                 | 29<br><u>Arts in Advent</u><br>7pm | 30   | 31     |          |

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS / CUMPLEAÑOS DE DICIEMBRE

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|--------------------|----|
| M. Doris Rose-Ross | 2  |
| Roman Caraway      | 2  |
| Carol Hurst        | 7  |
| Alex Walker        | 9  |
| Oluchi Ike         | 23 |
| Brian Samuel       | 28 |







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## Inglewood

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