First Sunday of Advent

Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the first 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.

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in Isaiah 2:1-5 the light of the Lord!

Psalm

Refrain I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." Now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. R Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself; To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord. R For there are the thrones of judgement, the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you. R Peace be within your walls and quietness within your towers. For my brethren and companions' sake, I pray for your prosperity. Because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek to do you good." R Psalm 122

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Romans 13:11-14

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken

into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour. MATTHEW 24:36–44

Prayer over the Gifts

God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer after Communion

God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. Amen.

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降臨節 (アドベント) 第一主日

とくとう

全能の神よ、み字イエス・キリストは、報達を解め、 議議なみ姿でこの世に来られました。どうか今、やみの業を捨てて、光のよろいを着る菌みを与え、終わりの日に生きる人と死んだ人を響くために栄光をもって 質び来られるとき、永遠の命によみがえらせて下さい。 交と聖霊と共に一体であって世々に生き、支配しておられる主ィエス・キリストによってお願いいたします。アーメン

第一日課 イザヤ書 2:1-5

第二日課 ローマの信徒への手縦 13:11-14

量に、あなたがたは学がどんないであるかを知っています。あなたがたが能りから覚めるべき時が配ったころとりも、特別であるがです。 では近づいているからです。 では近づいた。だから、闇の行いを脱ぎむなり、自は近づいた。だから、闇の行いを脱ぎむなり、自は近づいた。だから、闇の行いを脱ぎむなり、自は近からではありませんか。 諸位をもって歩もうではありませんか。 満足されたみをからにまといなさい。 欲望を満して、あに心を聞いてはなりません。

福音響 マタイによる福音響 24:36-44

「その日、その詩は、だれも知らない。天使たちも 子も知らない。ただ、交だけがご存じである。 たの字が来るのは、ノアの蒔と筒じだからである。 大々は食べたり飲んだり、めとったり嫁いだりして いた。 そして、洪水が襲って来て一人残らずさらうまで、荷も気がつかなかった。人の子が来る場合も、 このようである。 そのとき、「猫」にご人の質がいれ ば、一人は連れて行かれ、もう一人は残される。 ニ人の女が臼をひいていれば、一人は連れて行かれ、 もう一人は残される。 だから、曽を覚ましていなさ い。いつの日、自分の主が帰って来られるのか、あ なたがたには分からないからである。 このことをわ きまえていなさい。家の主人は、泥棒が夜のいつご ろやって来るかを知っていたら、賞を覚ましていて、 みすみす首分の家に押し入らせはしないだろう。 だから、あなたがたも用意していなさい。人の子は 顎いがけない 静に来るからである。」

奉献蔵謝の祈り

愛と方に満ちた禅よ、あなたのみことばは私達の内に働き、キリストの再臨の希望を抱かせます。今日あなたに献げる全てをお受け取り下さい。そして永遠の命の約束をもって私達を養って下さい。 宝イエス・キリストの名によってお祈り致します。アーメン。