

December 3, 2023
First Sunday of Advent
& Memorial of the late Leon Jacobs
10:30 AM
Holy Eucharist, Rite II



**St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church
Wheaton Parish**

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Welcome, everyone, to St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church. Today is the First Sunday of Advent. We are so glad you have chosen to join us today here online and in person as we worship the Lord together. Please join us in worship by following the liturgy in the bulletin. We welcome the Reverend Canon Kortright Davis as our guest preacher and leader of the Memorial Service for Folor Jacobs.

Today, we light the first Advent Candle-Blue, symbolizes hope. It is sometimes called the “Prophecy Candle” in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Messiah

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The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

The Word of God

PRELUDE

ENTRANCE HYMN *Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding (Merton)*
(H 59)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

The Advent Candle of Hope is lit by Ralph Felix Daniel Pemba as well as people at their respective homes who worship online. Raph and Sidonie then prays...

Loving God, as we light the first Advent candle of hope, we ask for your presence to fill our hearts and homes. May the hope of Christ's coming bring light to our darkness and renew our spirits. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

**SONG OF PRAISE S 96 Lord, have mercy upon us
(Schubert/Proulx)**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord 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.**

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Isaiah 64:1-9

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—
²as 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!
³When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
⁴From 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.
⁵You 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.
⁶We 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.
⁷There 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.
⁸Yet, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
⁹Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD,

and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

Read responsively by half-verse

¹Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

²In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.

³Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

⁴O LORD God of hosts, *
**how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?**

⁵You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

⁶You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

⁷Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

¹⁶Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

¹⁷And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

¹⁸Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Corinth.

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN O day of God, draw nigh (St. Michael) (H 601)

GOSPEL: Mark 13:24-37

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to Mark.

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

[Jesus said,] ²⁴“In those days, after that suffering,
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,
²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

²⁶Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with
great power and glory. ²⁷Then 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.

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

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

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

THE SERMON BY THE REV. FR. KORTRIGHT DAVIS

THE 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 man.**

**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 he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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 (BCP p. 359)

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Aspen Hill, Wheaton, Silver Spring, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air [or through outer space], let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of St. Mary Magdalene and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with
you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S TIME

IN MEMORY OF LEON AMBROSE (FOLOR) JACOBS

1. Remembrance of Folor Jacobs (speech by Irene Jacobs)
2. Prayers by The Rev. Fr. Kortright Davis
3. Walk Up Offering in honor of Folor Jacobs

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

OFFERTORY HYMN – The Doxology (Old 100th)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

SURSUM CORDA

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.**

PROPER PREFACE

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore, we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS S 130 Holy, holy, holy (Schubert/Proulx) (BCP p. 371)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

***We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.***

EPICLESIS (BCP p. 372)

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

**FRACTION ANTHEM S 164 *Jesus, Lamb of God*
(Schubert/Proulx) (BCP p. 364)**

INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [Amen.]

COMMUNION HYMN *God the sculptor of the mountains*

1 God the sculp-tor of the moun-tains, God the mill-er
2 God the nui-sance to the Phar-aoh, God the cleav-er
3 God the dress-er of the vine-yard, God the plant-er
4 God the un-ex-pect-ed in-fant, God the calm, de-

of the sand, God the jewel-er of the heav-ens,
of the sea, God the pil-lar in the dark-ness,
of the wheat, God the reap-er of the har-vest,
ter-mined youth, God the ta-ble-turn-ing proph-et,

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 12/8. The lyrics are arranged in two columns, with the first column on the left and the second column on the right. The lyrics are: 1 God the sculp-tor of the moun-tains, God the mill-er; 2 God the nui-sance to the Phar-aoh, God the cleav-er; 3 God the dress-er of the vine-yard, God the plant-er; 4 God the un-ex-pect-ed in-fant, God the calm, de-; of the sand, God the jewel-er of the heav-ens,; of the sea, God the pil-lar in the dark-ness,; of the wheat, God the reap-er of the har-vest,; ter-mined youth, God the ta-ble-turn-ing proph-et,.

God the pot - ter of the land: you are
 God the bea - con of the free: you are
 God the source of all we eat: you are
 God the res - ur - rect - ed truth: you are

womb of all cre - a - tion, we are form - less; shape us now.
 fount of all de - liv - 'rance, we are sight - less; lead us now.
 host at ev - ery ta - ble, we are hun - gry; feed us now.
 pres - ent ev - ery mo - ment, we are search - ing; meet us now.

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Loving God,
 we give you thanks
 for restoring us in your image
 and nourishing us with spiritual food
 in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
 Now send us forth
 a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
 that we may proclaim your love to the world
 and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN *Lo! he comes, with clouds descending (Helmsley) (H 57)*

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Upcoming Events

1. **December 3, 2023** Advent I
Memorial Service for Leon Ambrose (Folor) Jacobs during
10:30 a.m. Service with Canon Kortright Davis, guest preacher
2. **December 9, 2023**, 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Episcopal Church Women-Diocese of Washington Event
19th Annual Advent Prayer Breakfast
Theme: "Empowering Women of Faith"
Martin's Crosswinds, Greenbelt, MD
Guest Speaker, the Rev. Carolyne Adhola
3. **December 10, 2023** Advent II 8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.
Guest Preacher, Dr. Annemarie Jeffrey
4. **December 17, 2023** Advent III 8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.

5. **December 24, 2023** Advent IV 8:30a.m.; 10:30 a.m.
Christmas Eve Family Service 4:00 p.m.
6. **Christmas Day** – Service in the Church at 10:00 a.m.
7. **December 31** – Christmas II 8:00 a.m.
Christmas II with Lessons and Carols 10:00 a.m.
New Year's Eve Watch Night Service 11:00 p.m.