



**St Peter
Le Poer**



Parish Communion

Sunday 6th December 2020
2nd Sunday of Advent

This is the service order for the said service of Holy Communion led by Revd Philip Sudell at 9am in the church building which will be available online at 11am on the St Peter's [YouTube channel here](#)

O come, O come Emmanuel,
redeem thy captive Israel,
that into exile drear is gone,
far from the face of God's dear son.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou branch of Jesse, draw
the quarry from the lion's claw;
from the dread caverns of the grave,
from nether hell, thy people save.

Refrain

O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright.
Pour on our souls thy healing light;
dispel the long night's lingering gloom,
and pierce the shadows of the tomb.

Refrain

O Come, thou Lord of David's Key.
The royal door fling wide and free;
safeguard for us the heavenward road,
and bar the way to death's abode.

Refrain

O come, O come, Adonai,
who in thy glorious majesty
from that high mountain clothed in awe,
gavest thy folk the elder Law.

Refrain

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Gathering and Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of
the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you



Welcome

Revd Philip Sudell

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

People of God: be glad! Your God delights
in you, giving you joy for sadness and
turning the dark to light. Be strong in
hope therefore; for your God comes to
save. You are God's children.

**Lord, make us one in the love of Christ
today and for ever. Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence

When the Lord comes, he will bring to
light the things now hidden in darkness,
and will disclose the purposes of the
heart. Therefore in the light of Christ let
us confess our sins.

Confession

God, through Jesus Christ,
will judge the secret thoughts of all:
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord,
Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven:
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Let anyone who has an ear listen to what
the Spirit is saying to the churches:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of forgiveness

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has
given us a kingdom that cannot be
destroyed, forgive you your sins, open
your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you

to do God's will and give you the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect

A moment of silence is kept. The minister says the opening prayer set for the day.

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 40.1-11

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.

² Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

³ A voice cries out:

'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

⁴ Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.

⁵ Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.'

⁶ A voice says, 'Cry out!'

And I said, 'What shall I cry?'

All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field.

⁷ The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon

it; surely the people are grass.

⁸ The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever.

⁹ Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, 'Here is your God!'

¹⁰ See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.

¹¹ He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85

Show us O Lord, your mercy

¹ Lord, you were gracious to your land; • you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

² You forgave the offence of your people • and covered all their sins.

³ You laid aside all your fury • and turned from your wrathful indignation

Show us O Lord, your mercy

⁸ I will listen to what the Lord God will say, • for he shall speak peace to his people and to the faithful, that they turn not again to folly.

⁹ Truly, his salvation is near to those who fear him, • that his glory may dwell in our land.

¹⁰ Mercy and truth are met together, • righteousness and peace have kissed each other;

Show us O Lord, your mercy

¹¹ Truth shall spring up from the earth • and righteousness look down from heaven

¹² The Lord will indeed give all that is good, • and our land will yield its increase.

¹³ Righteousness shall go before him • and direct his steps in the way.

Show us O Lord, your mercy

New Testament Reading

2 Peter 3.8-15

⁸ But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. ⁹ The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. ¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

¹¹ Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, ¹² waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? ¹³ But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home.

¹⁴ Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; ¹⁵ and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation. So also our beloved brother Paul wrote to you according to the wisdom given to him,

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 1.1-8

¹ The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

² As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way;

³ the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight" ',

⁴ John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

⁵ And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶ Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸ I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Profession of Faith

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, was incarnate from
the Holy Spirit and 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,
who with the Father and the Son is
worshipped and glorified,
who 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.

Prayers of Intercession

This response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.
And at the end:

Merciful Father,
Accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

May the God of peace make you
completely holy, ready for the coming of
our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the
Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

The bread and wine are brought to the
Lord's Table

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks
to the Lord our God

All: It is right to give
thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good to give you
thanks and praise, almighty God and
everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ
your Son. For when he humbled himself
to come among us in human flesh, he
fulfilled the plan you formed before the
foundation of the world to open for us
the way of salvation. Confident that your
promise will be fulfilled, we now watch for
the day when Christ our Lord will come
again in glory. And so we join our voices
with angels and archangels and with all
the company of heaven to proclaim your
glory for ever praising you and saying:

**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.**

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father,
who, in your tender mercy, gave your only
Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer
death upon the cross for our redemption;
who made there by his one oblation of
himself once offered a full, perfect and
sufficient sacrifice, oblation and
satisfaction for the sins of the whole
world; he instituted, and in his holy gospel
commanded us to continue, a perpetual
memory of his precious death until he
comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, in remembrance of the precious death and passion, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension of your dear Son Jesus Christ, we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his blood, we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins and all other benefits of his passion. Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this the duty and service that we owe. Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences, and fill us all who share in this holy communion with your grace and heavenly blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all

honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All: Though we are many, we are one
body, because we all share in one
bread.**

We say the

Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of
the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of
the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of
the world, grant us peace.**

The Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Prayer after Communion

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

May God himself, the God of peace, make you perfect and holy, and keep you safe and blameless, in spirit, soul and body, for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen

Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
come then and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings from the King of kings!

Then cleansed be every Christian breast,
and furnished for so great a guest.
Yea, let us each our hearts prepare
for Christ to come and enter there.

For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge, and our great reward;
without thy grace our souls must fade
and wither like a flower decayed.

Stretch forth thine hand, to heal our sore,
and make us rise to fall no more;
once more upon thy people shine,
and fill the world with love divine.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee
whose advent sets thy people free,
whom, with the Father, we adore,
and Spirit bless, for evermore.

Jordanis oras praevia Charles Coffin (1676-1749)

Translated John Chandler (1806-1876)

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Online at 12 noon

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Meeting ID: 872 5945 4331

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Services in the building next Sunday 13th Dec

We are in the building for the said service of Holy Communion at 9am (streamed later to YouTube at 11am)

The readings

for next Sunday 13th Dec – Advent 3

Isaiah 61.1-4,8-11

Psalms 126

1 Thessalonians 5.16-24

John 1.6-8,19-28

Nine Lessons and Carols

There will be a service of nine lessons and carols streamed from the building at 4pm next Sunday 13th December. The carols will be pre-recorded as we are still not able to sing as a congregation but the readings and address and prayers will be led live. Please do email Philip at office@saintpeterlepoer.org.uk if you would like to reserve a place in the building for this service

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Hall hire:

For enquiries about hiring the Church Hall please call Lynne Punchard - 07815 523660

Craft and Chat Group

The Craft and Chat Group will run again on THURSDAY, 10th December in the church hall, from 1pm – 3.30pm. **Focus on Christmas table decorations**

Tables will be 2 metres apart with one person at each end. Please wear a mask and sanitise your hands on entering. Please bring your own refreshments and your own craft project.

For further details or to arrange a lift, call Lynne Punchard on 07815 523660

Regular Giving

Many of you will have been unable to make your weekly offering in the plate during the service.

If you are able to make an offering directly online then this would be greatly appreciated.

The details of the Church Account are:

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for more information do speak to Mick Wright, Honorary Treasurer

Online resources



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CHRISTMAS SERVICES

SUNDAY 13TH @4PM **NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS**
TRADITIONAL CAROL SERVICE

SUNDAY 20TH @6PM **CAROLS FOR CHRISTMAS**
CONTEMPORARY AND TRAD CAROLS

CHRISTMAS EVE @11PM **MIDNIGHT COMMUNION**

CHRISTMAS DAY @9AM **CHRISTMAS COMMUNION**
SHORT SAID COMMUNION

@10.30AM **CHRISTMAS FAMILY CELEBRATION**

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