

A lit pink candle in a brass holder is the central focus of the image. The candle is lit, with a small flame at the top. The holder is a simple, cylindrical brass cup. In the background, three tall, narrow stained glass windows are visible, each filled with a vibrant, abstract pattern of blue, purple, and yellow light. The overall scene is dimly lit, with the candle and the stained glass windows providing the primary light sources.

Advent ✨ at Christ the King

December 14, 2025 • 4:00 PM
3rd SUNDAY IN ADVENT

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song

EVEN SO COME

All of creation all of the earth
Make straight a highway a path for the Lord
Jesus is coming soon

Call back the sinner wake up the saint
Let ev'ry nation shout of Your fame
Jesus is coming soon

Like a bride waiting for her groom
We'll be a Church ready for You
Ev'ry heart longing for our King we sing
Even so come Lord Jesus come
Even so come Lord Jesus come

There will be justice all will be new
Your name forever faithful and true
Jesus is coming soon

So we wait we wait for You
God we wait You're coming soon
So we wait we wait for You
God we wait You're coming soon

God we wait we wait for You
God we wait You're coming soon
God we wait we wait for You
Yes we wait You're coming soon
God we wait You're coming soon oh

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do.

-all strike their breast at the next line -

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous
fault; therefore I ask Blessed Mary, ever-Virgin, all the Angels and
Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Kyrie

Cantor

Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy

Lord have mercy

Congregation

Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy

Lord have mercy

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

The desert and the parched land will exult;
the steppe will rejoice and bloom.

They will bloom with abundant flowers,
and rejoice with joyful song.

The glory of Lebanon will be given to them,
the splendor of Carmel and Sharon;
they will see the glory of the LORD,
the splendor of our God.

Strengthen the hands that are feeble,
make firm the knees that are weak,
say to those whose hearts are frightened:

Be strong, fear not!

Here is your God,
he comes with vindication;
with divine recompense
he comes to save you.

Then will the eyes of the blind be opened,
the ears of the deaf be cleared;
then will the lame leap like a stag,
then the tongue of the mute will sing.

Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return
and enter Zion singing,
crowned with everlasting joy;
they will meet with joy and gladness,
sorrow and mourning will flee.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10.

R. Lord, come and save us

The LORD God keeps faith forever,
secures justice for the oppressed,
gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets captives free. **R.**

The LORD gives sight to the blind;
the LORD raises up those who were bowed down.
The LORD loves the just;
the LORD protects strangers. **R.**

The fatherless and the widow he sustains,
but the way of the wicked he thwarts.
The LORD shall reign forever;
your God, O Zion, through all generations. **R.**

Second Reading

James 5:7-10

Be patient, brothers and sisters,
until the coming of the Lord.

See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth,
being patient with it
until it receives the early and the late rains.

You too must be patient.

Make your hearts firm,
because the coming of the Lord is at hand.

Do not complain, brothers and sisters, about one another,
that you may not be judged.

Behold, the Judge is standing before the gates.

Take as an example of hardship and patience, brothers and sisters,
the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

R. Allelulia, Alleluia, Allelu-, Allelu-, Alleluia

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.

Gospel

Matthew 11:2-11

When John the Baptist heard in prison of the works of the Christ,
he sent his disciples to Jesus with this question,

"Are you the one who is to come,
or should we look for another?"

Jesus said to them in reply,

"Go and tell John what you hear and see:

the blind regain their sight,

the lame walk,

lepers are cleansed,

the deaf hear,

the dead are raised,

and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them.

And blessed is the one who takes no offense at me."

As they were going off,

Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John,

"What did you go out to the desert to see?

A reed swayed by the wind?

Then what did you go out to see?

Someone dressed in fine clothing?

Those who wear fine clothing are in royal palaces.

Then why did you go out? To see a prophet?

Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet.

This is the one about whom it is written:

Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;

he will prepare your way before you.

Amen, I say to you,

among those born of women

there has been none greater than John the Baptist;

yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

Homily

Symbol of Faith | Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
-all bow during the next line-

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day
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.

I 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 adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer



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Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts

REVIVAL

You're teaching me
With my imperfections
Reaching me
When I run the other direction
I'm undone
Unraveling my plans
Make me whole again
Rebuild me from the inside out
In a way only you know how

I need a revival
Something more than this shallow survival
God I need you
God I need you
Father bring me redemption
Renew my heart with a resurrection
God I need you
God I need you now

You're pouring out
The healing
When the bitterness
Is all that I've been feeling
Take this cup and hold it Lord
Not my will but instead let it be yours
From the inside out
In a way only you know how

Come alive
Come alive in me
Come alive
Set me free God
Set me free

Invitation to Prayer

Preface Dialogue

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts
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, hosanna in the highest

Mystery of Faith

When we eat this bread and drink this Cup
We proclaim your death
O Lord until you come again, O Lord until you come again,
O Lord until you come again

The Great Amen

Amen, amen, amen, amen
Amen, amen, amen, amen

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Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, miserere nobis
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, miserere nobis
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, dona nobis
pacem

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COMMUNION SONGS

MORNING BY MORNING

Daily daily I surrender
Grace for today is all that I need
Surprised by Your mercy
It's new every morning
Awaken my soul to sing
Awaken my soul to sing

I will trust where You lead
I will trust when I can't see
Morning by morning
Great is Your faithfulness to me

Breath by breath overtaken by wonder
One step at a time when I'm overwhelmed
Strength for today
Bright hope for tomorrow

All fear be reminded
My future is secure
Oh my Father has spoken
And He keeps His every word

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WAY MAKER

You are here moving in our midst
I worship You I worship You
You are here working in this place
I worship You I worship You

(You are) Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are here touching ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You
You are here healing ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You

You are here turning lives around
I worship You I worship You
You are here mending ev'ry heart
I worship You yeah I worship You Lord

That is who You are (4x)
Even when I don't see it You're working
Even when I don't feel it You're working
You never stop You never stop working
You never stop You never stop working

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Prayer After Communion

O Sacrament most Holy, O Sacrament Divine,
All praise and all thanksgiving, Be every moment Thine.

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known
that anyone who fled to thy protection,
implored thy help or sought thy intercession, was left unaided.
Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee,
O Virgin of virgins my Mother;
to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful;
O Mother of thy Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions,
but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

O Sacrament most Holy, O Sacrament Divine,
All praise and all thanksgiving, Be every moment Thine.

Sending Forth Song

O COME O COME EMMANUEL (VENI EMMANUEL)

O come O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel

O come Thou Dayspring come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine advent here
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadows put to flight

O come Thou Wisdom from on high
And order all things far and nigh
To us the path of knowledge show
And cause us in her ways to go

O come Desire of nations bind
All peoples in one heart and mind
Bid envy strife and quarrels cease
Fill the whole world with heaven's peace

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