



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE HOLY EUCHARIST
RITE TWO
DECEMBER 13, 2009
AT ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

*The Very Reverend Samuel T. Lloyd III, presider
The Reverend Canon Stephen Huber, gospeller
The Reverend Gwendolyn W. Tobias, assistant
The Reverend Canon Carol L. Wade, preacher
The Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys*

CARILLON PRELUDE

Prepare the way, O Zion

Bereden väg för Herran; arr. Geert D'hollander

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fantasia on 'Veni Emmanuel'

Heathcote Statham (1889-1973)

The people remain seated.

WELCOME

THE ENTRANCE RITE

The people stand as the choir sings.

INTROIT

Advent Prose

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

I look from afar: and lo, I see the Power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth. Go ye out to meet him and say: Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel? High and low, rich and poor, one with another, Go ye out to meet him and say: Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep, tell us, art thou he that should come? Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Matins Responsory for Advent I

The people turn to face the Advent wreath.

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

May the grace and peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

As we continue our Advent pilgrimage, looking forward to the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, let us in prayer and praise, thanksgiving and song, give voice to the hope set forth in the Scriptures, that Christ's reign of love and light will indeed come among us. Let us offer

ourselves anew as witnesses to the advent of Christ's glory, seeking to bring Christ's light and love to those who sit in darkness.
Come, O long expected Jesus, come.

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION - 59 *Sung by all.*
Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding

Merton

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
Glory to God for ever and ever.

SONG OF PRAISE
People, look East

Besançon Carol

Peo - ple, look East. The time is near of the
An - gels, an - nounce with shouts of mirth Christ who
crown - ing of the year. Make your house fair as you are
brings new life to earth. Set ev - ery peak and val - ley
a - ble, trim the hearth and set the ta - ble. Peo - ple, look
hum - ming with the word, the Lord is com - ing. Peo - ple, look
East and sing to - day: Love, the guest, is on the way.
East and sing to - day: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

The presider prays the collect, and the people respond Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated.

THE READING

Zephaniah 3:14-20

The lesson is read.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE FIRST SONG OF ISAIAH *Sung by the choir.*

Plainsong

Surely, it is God who saves me;
I will trust in him and not be afraid.
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
and he will be my Savior.
Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing
from the springs of salvation.
And on that day you shall say,
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
Make his deeds known among the peoples;
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.
Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things,

and this is known in all the world.
Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy,
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

The people stand to sing the hymn and remain standing for the Gospel.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE - 65

Sung by all.

Prepare the way, O Zion

Bereden väg för Herran

THE GOSPEL

Luke 3:7-18

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire." And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages." As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

Canon Wade

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing.

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

Following each petition,
Come, Lord Jesus,
Renew us in your love.

The presider prays the concluding collect, and the people respond **Amen**.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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.

The presider offers the absolution, and the people respond **Amen**.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.

THE OFFERTORY

The people remain seated while an offering is collected to support the Cathedral's work of sharing God's love with the world.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Jesus Christ the Apple Tree

Anthony Piccolo (b. 1946)

The tree of life my soul hath seen, laden with fruit and always green: the tree of nature fruitless be compared with Christ the apple tree. His beauty doth all things excel: by faith I know, but ne'er can tell, the glory which I now can see in Jesus Christ the apple tree. For happiness I long have sought, and pleasure dearly I have brought: I missed of all; but now I see 'tis found in Christ the apple tree. I'm weary with my former toil, here I will sit and rest awhile: under the shadow I will be, of Jesus Christ the apple tree. This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, it keeps my dying faith alive; which makes my soul in haste to be with Jesus Christ the apple tree.

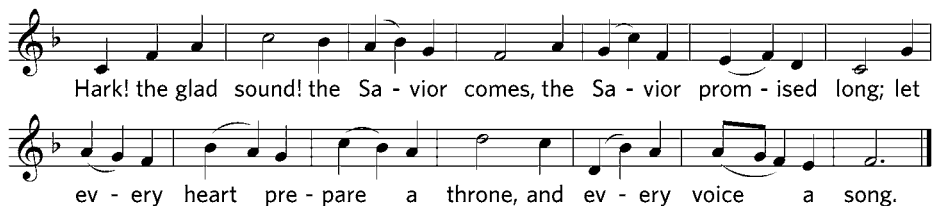
From "Divine Hymns of Spiritual Songs"

The people stand to sing and remain standing.

PRESENTATION HYMN

Hark! the glad sound

Richmond



Hark! the glad sound! the Sa - vior comes, the Sa - vior prom - ised long; let
ev - ery heart pre - pare a throne, and ev - ery voice a song.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The presider offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response we sing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy

Deutsche Messe



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might. —
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, —
hea - ven and earth are full, — full — of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blest is the one who comes — in the Name of the Lord. — Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The presider gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.

Therefore, according to his command, O God, we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

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.

The presider concludes with prayer for the coming of God's realm. The people affirm the Great Thanksgiving with AMEN.

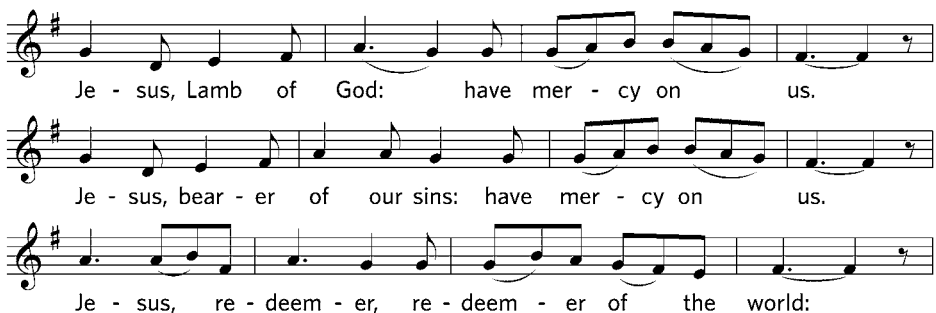
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 AND THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Jesus, Lamb of God

Deutsche Messe



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.
Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.
Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



INVITATION

The people are seated.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. If you desire to receive prayers for healing, you are invited to proceed to the high altar after receiving Holy Communion or immediately following the service.

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

Rejoice in the Lord always

Anon., sixteenth century

Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say: rejoice. Let your softness be known unto all men; the Lord is even at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in all prayer and supplication, let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks. And the peace of God which passeth all understanding keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Amen.

Philippians 4:4-7

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION - 538

Sung by all.

God of mercy, God of grace

Lucerna Laudoniae

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Said by all.

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 presider blesses the people. The people respond Amen.

HYMN AT THE CLOSING - 347

Go forth for God

Litton

THE DISMISSAL

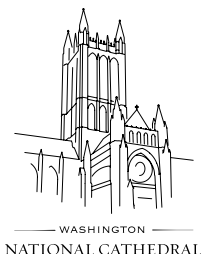
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Toccata on 'Veni Emmanuel'

Andrew Carter (b. 1939)

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