



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE HOLY EUCHARIST
DECEMBER 19, 2010
ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

The Reverend Jan Naylor Cope, president
The Reverend Canon Preston Hannibal, gospeller
The Reverend Gwendolyn W. Tobias, assistant
The Reverend Dr. Frank Wade, preacher
Cathedral Singers

CARILLON PRELUDE

Paraphrase on "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Albert Gerken (b. 1938)

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Fantasia on 'Veni Emmanuel'

Heathcote Statham (1889-1973)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

The people stand as the choir sings.

INTROIT

Advent Prose

Michael McCarthy (b. 1966)

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.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION - 56 *Sung by all, standing.*
O come, O come, Emmanuel

Veni, veni, Emmanuel

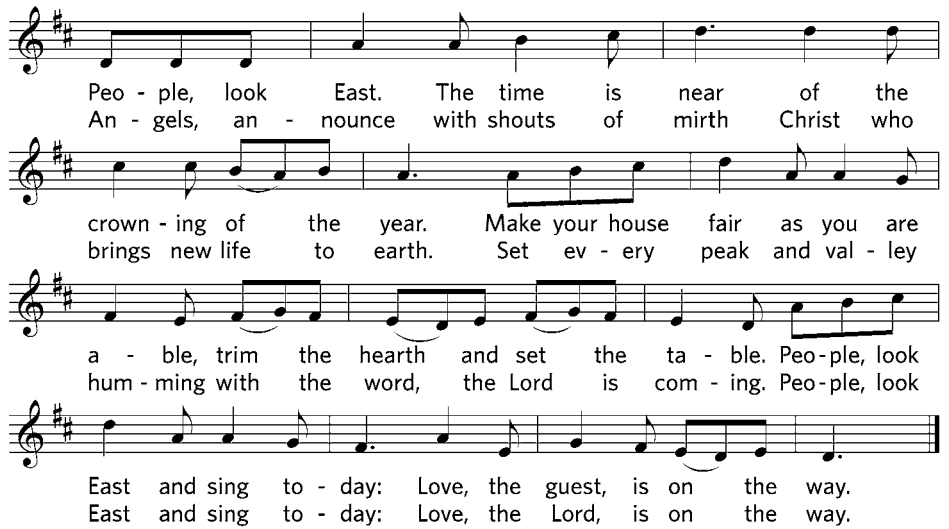
OPENING ACCLAMATION

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 for the reading and psalm.

THE READING

Isaiah 7:10-16

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 80:1-7, 16-18

plainsong

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,
stir up your strength and come to help us.
Restore us, O God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
O Lord God of hosts,
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?

You have fed them with the bread of tears;
 you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
 You have made us the derision of our neighbors,
 and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
 Restore us, O God of hosts;
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand,
 the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
 And so will we never turn away from you;
 give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

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

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE - 66

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Stuttgart

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 1:18-25

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

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

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

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

Dr. 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

After each intercession,
We look to you in hope.
Come, Lord Jesus! Come!

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

CONFESSION

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.

The presider offers 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

Hymn to the Virgin

Benjamin Britten (1913–1976)

Of one that is so fair and bright *Velut maris stella*, brighter than the day is light, *Parens et puella*: I cry to thee, thou see to me, Lady pray thy Son for me, *Tampia*, that I may come to thee. Maria! All this world was forlorn *Eva peccatrice*, till our Lord was y-born *de te genetrice* with ave it went away darkest night, and comes the day *Salutis*; the well springeth out of thee. *Virtutis*. Lady, flow'r of ev'rything, *Rosa sine spina*, thou bare Jesu, Heaven's King *gratia divina*: of all thou bear'st the prize, Lady, queen of paradise *Electa* Maid mild, mother es *Effecta*.

Anonymous, c. 1300

The people stand for the presentation hymn 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. **Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.**

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

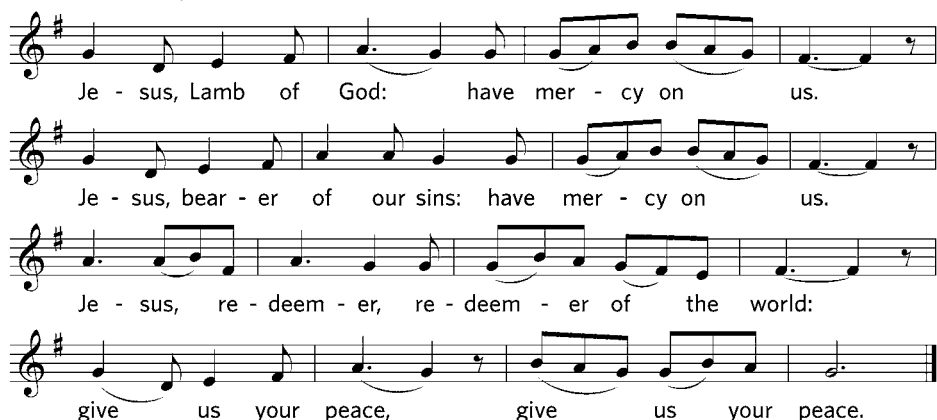
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

INVITATION

The people are seated.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. 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 Memorial Chapel after receiving Holy Communion or immediately following the service.

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

Ave Maria

Robert Parsons (c. 1535-1571)

Ave Maria, gratia plena; Dominus tecum: benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui. Amen.

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. Amen.

The people stand.

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION - 265

The angel Gabriel from heaven came

Gabriel's Message

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER *Said by all.*

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The presider offers a blessing and the people respond Amen.

HYMN AT THE CLOSING - 73 *Sung by all.*

The King shall come when morning dawns

St. Stephen

THE DISMISSAL

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

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Praeludium in g, BuxWV 148

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

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