

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

NOVEMBER 27, 2011

ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

The Reverend Canon Samuel Van Culin, celebrant The Reverend Canon Jan Naylor Cope, gospeller Cathedral Seminarian Elizabeth Gardner, assistant The Reverend Canon Mary Sulerud, preacher The Cathedral Choir of Men and Girls

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

The people stand as the choir sings.

INTROIT

Matin Responsory

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.

Matin Responsory for Advent I

The people turn to face the Advent wreath.

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

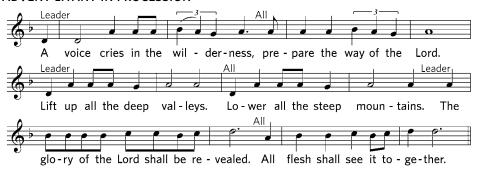
May the grace and peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

As we begin 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.

ADVENT LITANY IN PROCESSION



Ruler of all things in heaven and earth, may the desert blossom like a rose and may we, passing through what you have made good, guide each other to your holy mountain, where wolf and lamb can lie down together in peace, for we look to you in hope.

People

Come, Lord_ Je-sus! Come!

Judge of the Nations, may we not put you to the test in our arrogance, but find wisdom, restraint, and courage to beat our swords into ploughshares and no longer to study the ways of war, for we look to you in hope.

Come, Lord Jesus! Come!

Foretold by John on the banks of the Jordan, immerse us into a baptism of repentance, so that we may rise from water, reaching out our hands to people of all faiths who long for your goodness, for we look to you in hope. Come, Lord Jesus! Come!

Lamb of God, enlighten and strengthen your Church, so that we may be stewards of your abundance and joyful heralds of the banquet to which all are invited, for we look to you in hope.

Come, Lord Jesus! Come!

Herald of Good News, may all our words and deeds loosen the yoke of the troubled and lighten the burden of the poor, so that what we proclaim becomes what we spend ourselves to accomplish, for we look to you in hope. Come, Lord Jesus! Come!

Heir of David's Throne, empower us to establish justice in our cities and communities and to honor the covenant into which we have entered, so that all homes may be lively and joyful and all children may flourish, for we look to you in hope.

Come, Lord Jesus! Come!

Head of the Household, may what you have entrusted to us, our homes, families, friends, and possessions, be ready always for your arrival, and keep us alert to the signs of your presence, for we look to you in hope.

Come, Lord Jesus! Come!

Bridegroom of our Soul, draw us beyond selfish desire and fear, so that we may give ourselves fully to you, for we look to you in hope.

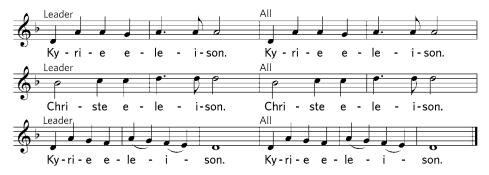
Come, Lord Jesus! Come!

Incarnate of the Virgin Mary, care for our flesh, heal our diseases, strengthen our weakness, and enfold us at last in your peace, and may what is done in us be according to your will, for we look to you in hope.

Come, Lord Jesus! Come!

Child of Bethlehem, make us your children, simplify and soften our hearts so that we may enter the realm of God with gratitude and joy, for we look to you in hope.

Come, Lord Jesus! Come!



Gracious God, Eternal Light, come among us! Enter our darkness and guide us in those paths of justice and peace that fulfill your purposes for us. Lift us up to rejoice forever in the life of the Holy Trinity, for we look to you in hope, and praise you, with the Father, and the Spirit, one God, from before time and through all eternity.

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 Isaiah 64:1-9

The lesson is read.

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.

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 SECOND READING

I Corinthians 1:3-9

The lesson is read.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE - 61

"Sleepers wake!" a voice astounds us

Wachet auf

THE GOSPEL Mark 13:24–37

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

The Gospel is proclaimed.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

Canon Sulerud

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 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

Viailate

William Bvrd (c. 1540-1623)

Vigilate, nescitis enim quando dominus domus veniat, sero, an media nocte, an galli cantu, an mane. Vigilate ergo, ne cum venerit repente, inveniat vos dormientes. Quod autem dico vobis; Vigilate.

Be ye watchful, for ye know not when the Lord to his house shall come again, evening, or in the deep midnight, or at the cock crowing, or in the morning. Be ye therefore watchful, lest, when suddenly he cometh, he findeth you all sleeping. And what I say unto you, say I to all men; Be ye watchful.

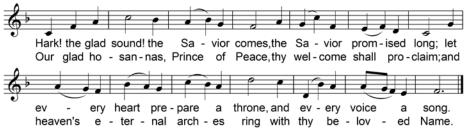
Matthew 25: 13

The people stand for the presentation acclamation and remain standing.

PRESENTATION ACCLAMATION

Hark! the glad sound!

Richmond



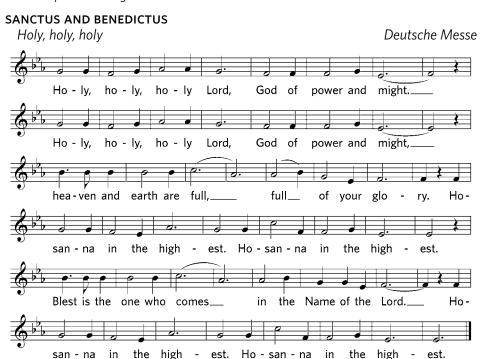
THE HOLY COMMUNION

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:



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 Father,

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

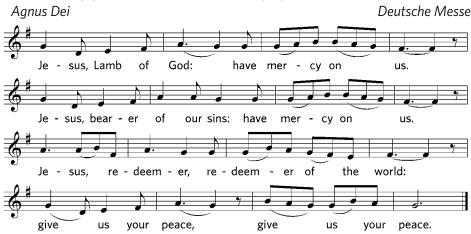
And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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



INVITATION

The people are seated.

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

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

Christus Maris

Francis Shaw

The people stand.

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION - 68

Rejoice! rejoice, believers

Llangloffan

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 - 57 Sung by all. Lo! he comes with clouds descending

Helmsley

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Rhapsody on 'Helmsley'

William Lloyd Webber (1914-1982)

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