

# Washington National Cathedral

The First Sunday of Advent

The Holy Eucharist December 1, 2013 11:15 am

## THE ENTRANCE RITE

#### **CARILLON PRELUDE**

Wachet auf from 111 Danziger Chorale fur Carillon, 1784

Johann Ephraim Eggert (1766-1803)

## **ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

The people stand as the choir sings.

#### **INTROIT**

Advent 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 and face the Advent wreath.

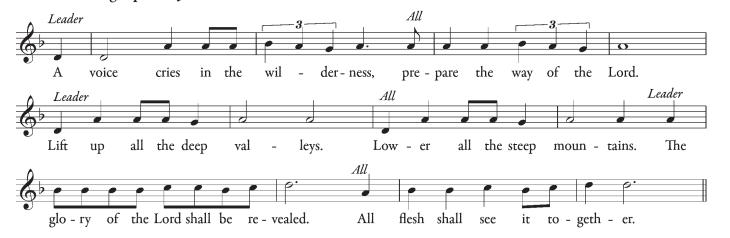
## THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

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



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!

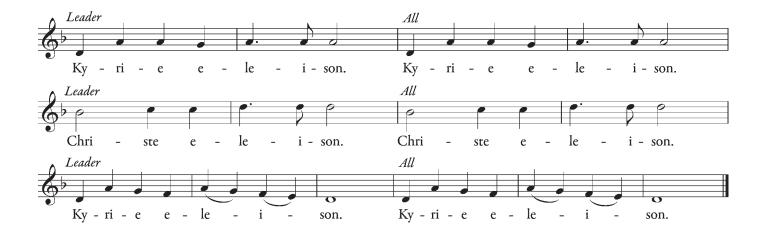
Incarnate of the Virgin Mary, care for our flesh, heal our diseases, strengthen our weakness, and enfold us at last in your peace, and may what is done in us be according to your will, for we look to you in hope.

## 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 WORD OF GOD

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

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The people are seated for the readings and psalm.

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 2: 1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 122 plainchant

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." Now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself; To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord. For there are the thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you. Peace be within your walls and quietness within your towers. For my brethren and companions' sake, I pray for your prosperity. Because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek to do you good."

THE SECOND READING

Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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

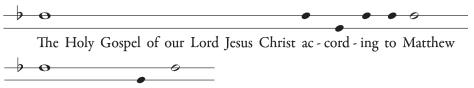
## HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE 53

Once he came in blessing

Gottes Sohn ist kommen

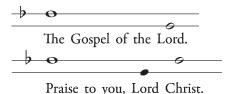
Matthew 24:36-44

THE HOLY GOSPEL



Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the Mount of Olives, Jesus said to the disciples privately about his coming, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."



*The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.* 

THE SERMON Dean Hall

The people stand.

#### THE NICENE CREED

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 of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped 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.

#### THE PEACE

The peace of Christ 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 ministry of sharing God's love with the world.

## ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

I was glad

Leo Sowerby (1895-1968)

I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity in itself. For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord, to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the Lord. For there is the seat of judgment, even the seat of the house of David. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces. For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will wish thee prosperity. Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek to do thee good.

—Psalm 122

The people stand for the presentation hymn and remain standing.

#### HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 73

The King shall come when morning dawns

St. Stephen

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Lord be with you.

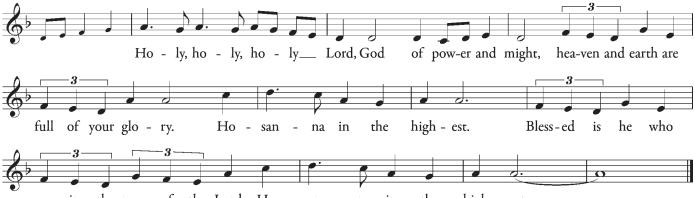
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. 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 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.

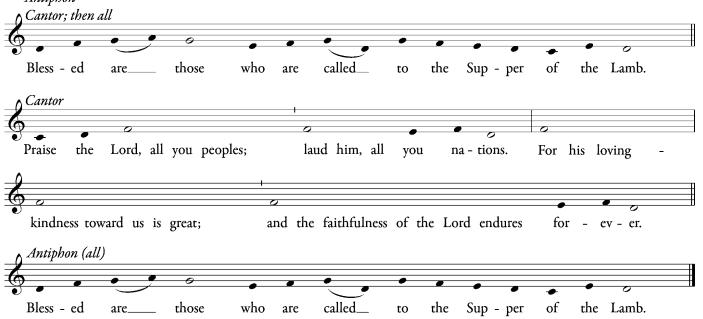
In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, the mother of Jesus, Peter and Paul, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of 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 God, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

As we join our prayers with those of the Church Universal, so we say, each in our own language, the prayer that Jesus Christ has taught us,

Notre Père..., Padre nuestro..., Our Father...,

# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE FRACTION ANTHEM Antiphon



#### 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 War Memorial Chapel after receiving Holy Communion.

## THE ANTHEM DURING THE COMMUNION

William Byrd (1543-1623)

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.

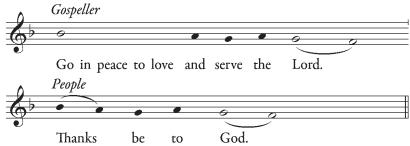
#### **POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

We give you thanks, Almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### BLESSING

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you this day and remain with you always. Amen.

## **DISMISSAL**



Sung by all.

**CLOSING HYMN - 57** Lo! he comes, with clouds descending

Helmsley

#### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

# JOIN THE CATHEDRAL CONGREGATION

The Cathedral congregation is a community of faith growing into the fullness of Christian life. We grow through regular worship, spiritual formation, and stewardship. In our practice of welcome and hospitality, we seek to embrace Jesus' radical message of inclusion and, in service and advocacy beyond the walls of the Cathedral, we seek to honor the image of God in all persons.

We don't do it all at once and we don't do it by ourselves.

That is the blessing of exploring faith in community. We invite you to explore the Christian life with our community. Please fill out the form below and we will be in contact with you. A valid mailing address is necessary to receive this information.

Name
Email
Phone
Address
am interested in:
joining the Cathedral congregation.
receiving congregation event information.
learning about the Cathedral 20s and 30s group.
learning about the LGBT group.

Please return the completed form to the congregation table. Look for the purple banners at the west end.



**NURSERY CARE** is available Sunday mornings from 8:30 am to 12:45 pm. The nursery is able to accommodate infants and children up to four years of age and is located on the lower level. Please ask an usher for assistance.



**ELECTRONIC DEVICES** should be silenced. Please do not take photographs, video or still, during the prelude or service.



**HEARING DEVICES** are available from the ushers at no charge and may be used anywhere on the main floor of the Cathedral.



**RESTROOMS** are located at the west end of the Cathedral. Drinking fountains are located in the northwest cloister.



WHEELCHAIRS are available in the west end of the Cathedral. A handicapped-accessible restroom is located near the Lincoln statue at the northwest corner of the



**SUDDEN ILLNESS OR INJURY**, should be brought to the attention of an usher for assistance.

**WORSHIP LEADERS** Rev. Canon Kim Turner Baker, Rev. Canon Gina Gilland Campbell, Rev. Canon Jan Naylor Cope, The Very Reverend Gary Hall, Cathedral Choir of Men and Girls

**ADVENT GREENS GIFTS** Greens throughout the Cathedral are given to the glory of God. Advent wreath in the mid-Nave: in loving memory of Sarah Stewart Scarborough; Advent wreath in St. Mary's Chapel: in thanksgiving; Greens on the altar in Holy Spirit Chapel: in memory of Everett G. Fuller; Advent wreath in Bethlehem Chapel: in memory of Joan Sager Vandemark. *Those wishing to make flower gifts for Christmas are invited to submit their gifts before December 6 to the Altar Guild*.

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