



Washington National Cathedral

The Second Sunday of Advent

The Holy Eucharist

December 8, 2013

11:15 am

THE ENTRANCE RITE

CARILLON PRELUDE

Prepare the way, O Zion, from Three Carillon Preludes for Advent

Geert D'hollander (b.1965)

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Psalm Prelude, Set 1, No. 1

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

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 continue our Advent pilgrimage 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.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 59

Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding

Merton

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed are you, holy and living One.

You come to your people and set them free.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

TRISAGION

Cantor sings first, then all repeat twice.

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One,
have mer - cy up - on us.

THE WORD OF GOD

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; 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 11: 1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 72:1-7, 18-19

plainchant

Give the King your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the King's Son; that he may rule your people righteously and the poor with justice; that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, and the little hills bring righteousness. He shall defend the needy among the people; he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor. He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, from one generation to another. He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, like showers that water the earth. In his time shall the righteous flourish; there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more. Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous deeds! And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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

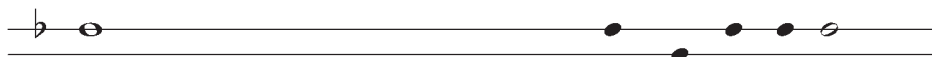
HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE 75

There's a voice in the wilderness crying

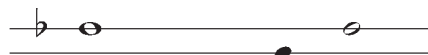
Ascension

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 3:1-12



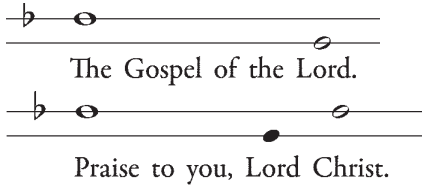
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ ac - cord - ing to Matthew



Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume 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. I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing

fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”



The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

Canon Cope

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 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

Almighty God, we have sinned against you and against our neighbor in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your name. Amen.

The presider offers absolution and the people respond 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

A spotless rose

Herbert Howells (1882-1983)

A spotless Rose is blowing, sprung from a tender root, of ancient seers' foreshowing, of Jesse promised fruit; its fairest bud unfolds to light amid the cold, cold winter, and in the dark midnight. The Rose which I am singing, whereof Isaiah said, is from its sweet root springing in Mary, purest Maid; for, through our God's great love and might, the blessed Babe she bare us in a cold, cold winter's night.

—15th Century German, translated by C. Winkworth

The people stand for the presentation hymn and remain standing.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 597

O day of peace that dimly shines

Jerusalem

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.

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly— Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. 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.

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

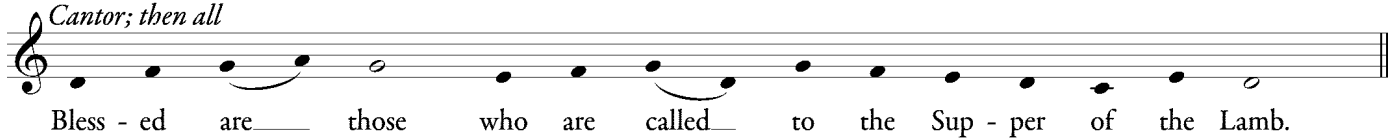
As we join our prayers with those of the Church Universal, so we say, each in our own language, the prayer that Jesus Christ has taught us,
Notre Père..., Padre nuestro..., Vater unser...,

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.

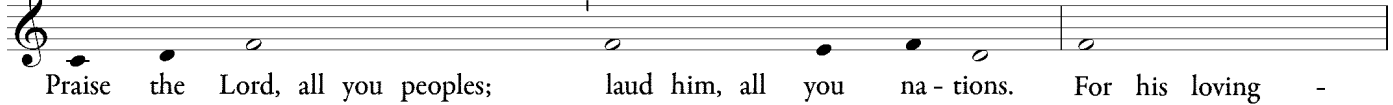
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Antiphon

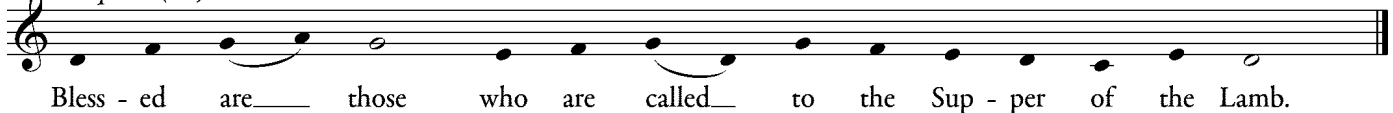
Cantor; then all



Cantor



Antiphon (all)



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

Virga Jesse

Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

Virga Jesse floruit: Virgo Deum et hominem genuit: Pacem Deus reddidit, in se reconcilians ima sumis.
Alleluia.

The rod of Jesse hath blossomed: a virgin hath brought forth one who was both God and man: God hath given back peace to man, reconciling the lowest with the highest to himself. Alleluia.

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 the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Gospeller

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING HYMN - 76 *Sung by all.*
On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Winchester New

ORGAN VOLUNTARY
Tocatta in D minor "Dorian"

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 _____

I 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 nave.



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, Rev. Preston B. Hannibal, Cathedral Singers

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; Advent wreath in Bethlehem Chapel: in memory of Joan Sager Vandemark.

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