

# Washington National Cathedral

The First Sunday after Christmas

The Holy Eucharist

December 29, 2013

11:15 am

## THE ENTRANCE RITE

### CARILLON PRELUDE

*In Dulci Jubilo BWV 751*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750); arr. Edward M. Nassor (b.1957)

### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Chorale Prelude "All glory be to God on high"*

J. S. Bach

### INTROIT

*Rocking*

arr. David Willcocks (b. 1919)

Little Jesus, sweetly sleep, do not stir; we will lend a coat of fur, we will rock you, rock you, rock you, we will rock you, rock you, rock you: see the fur to keep you warm, snugly round your tiny form. Mary's little baby sleep, sweetly sleep, sleep in comfort, slumber deep; we will rock you, rock you, rock you, we will rock you, rock you, rock you: we will serve you all we can, Darling, darling little man.

—Czech carol

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN 93

*Angels, from the realms of glory*

*Sung by all, standing.*

*Regent Square*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Glory to God for ever and ever.

### 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.

### SONG OF PRAISE

*Glory to God*

William Mathias (1934-1992)



Glo-ry to God in the high- est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heaven-ly King, al- might- y God and Fa- ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je- sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa- ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



## THE WORD OF GOD

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The people are seated for the readings and psalm.*

### THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 61: 10-62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

### PSALM 147: 13-21

Chant: Joseph Barnby

*The choir introduces the antiphon, then all repeat.*



Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Zion; for he has strengthened the bars of your gates; he has blessed your children within you. He has established peace on your borders; he satisfies you with the finest wheat. He sends out his command to the earth, and his word runs very swiftly. He gives snow like wool; he scatters hoarfrost like ashes. He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; who can stand against his cold? He sends forth his word and melts them; he blows with his wind, and the waters flow. He declares his word to Jacob, his statutes and his judgments to Israel. He has not done so to any other nation; to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah!

*All sing the antiphon.*

## THE SECOND READING

Galatians 3:23-25, 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian; but when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

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

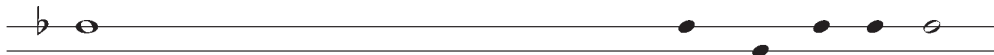
## HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE 86

*O Savior of our fallen race*

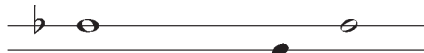
*Gonfalon Royal*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:1-18



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

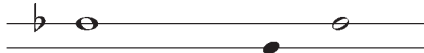


Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.



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.

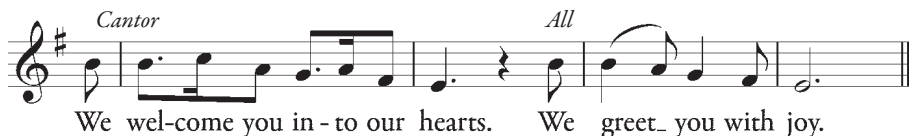
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

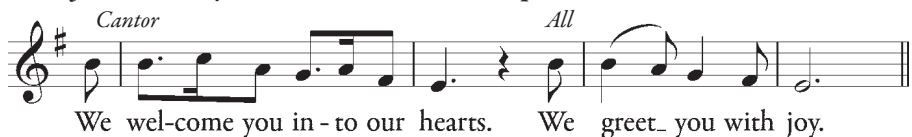
*Holy God:* You join heaven and earth through the birth of the holy child.



*Intimate God:* You send your Son to draw us ever closer to yourself.



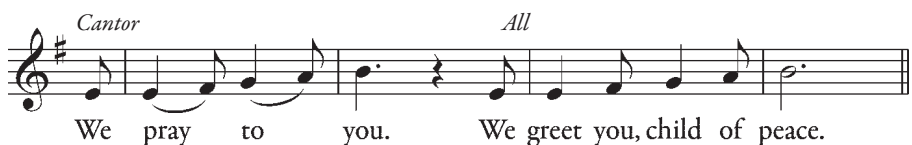
*Merciful God:* In you we have life full of hope, abundant and new.



*For Love:* That knows no bounds.



*For Peace:* That transcends conflict and deepens truth.



*For Joy:* That gladdens the hearts of those who know only tears.



*For Grace:* Abundant and free, to be received and shared.



*For Health:* Ease those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit.



*For Light:* Free all who live under the shadow of oppression.



*For Witness:* Summon your people to courage, truth, and reconciliation.



*For Faith:* Incarnate God, be present to those who do not know your love.



*Christ Child:* Purify our hearts and forgive our every failing.



*Christ Among Us:* Guide our lives after your example of obedience and service.



*Christ in Glory:* Create us anew to love and serve only you.



## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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 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

*Angelus ad virginum*

Andrew Carter (b. 1939)

*The people stand for the presentation hymn and remain standing.*

## HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 82

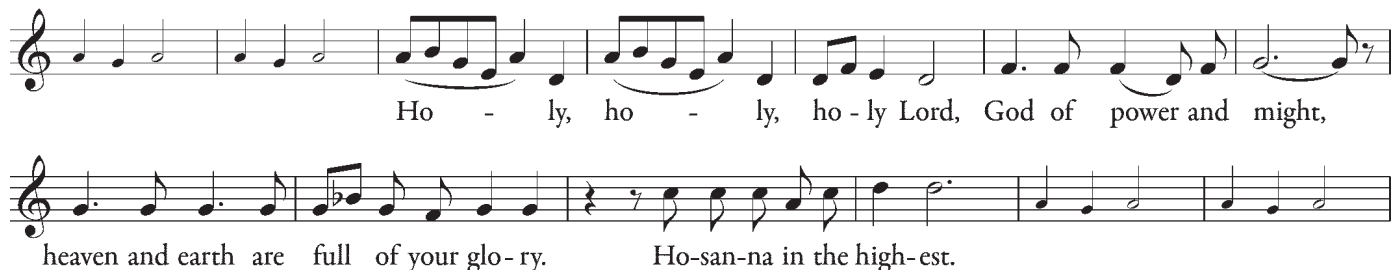
*Of the Father's love begotten*

*Divinum mysterium*

## 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:*





*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.

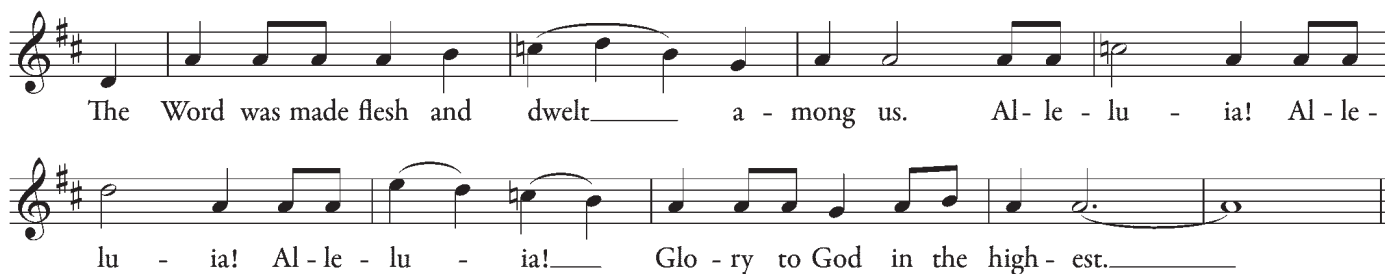
**Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.**

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



## 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, please proceed to War Memorial Chapel after receiving Holy Communion.*

## THE ANTHEM DURING THE COMMUNION

*Glory to the Christ Child*

Alan Bullard (b.1948)

*The people stand.*

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Radiant God, with our eyes we have seen your salvation, and in this meal we have feasted on your grace. May your Word take flesh in us, that we may be your holy people, revealing your glory made known to us in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

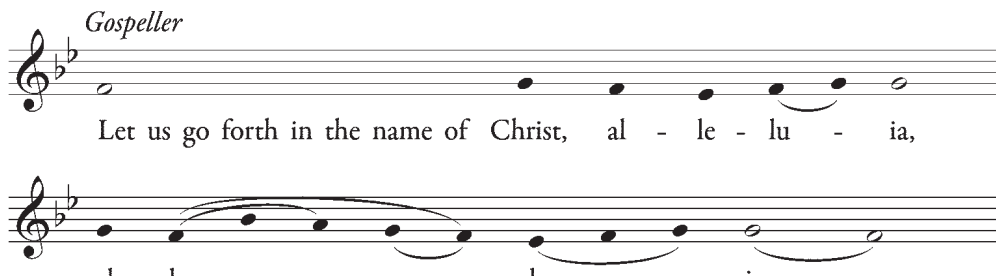


## BLESSING

*The presider offers a blessing, and the people respond, Amen.*

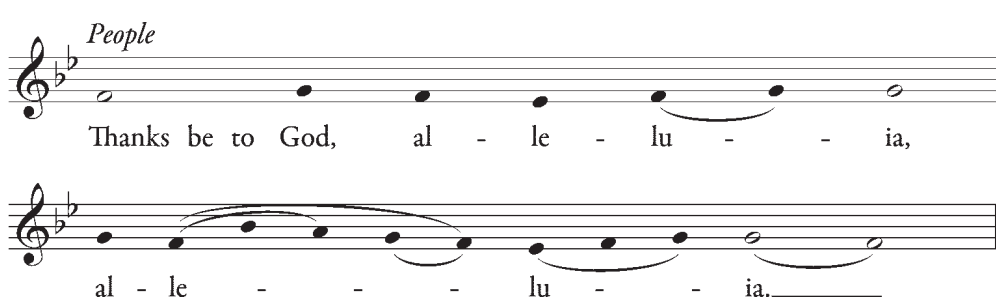
## DISMISSAL

*Gospeller*



Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia,

*People*



Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia.

**CLOSING HYMN - 100** *Sung by all.*  
*Joy to the world!*

*Antioch*

**ORGAN VOLUNTARY**  
*Improvisation on 'Antioch'*

**WORSHIP LEADERS** Rev. Canon Kim Turner Baker, Rev. Canon Jan Naylor Cope, Rev. Kelly Douglas, Rev. Olivia Hilton, Cathedral Singers

**FLOWER GIFTS** Flowers throughout the Cathedral are given to the glory of God. High Altar: in memory of Hibbard G. James; the candelabra in the High Altar sanctuary: in loving memory of Mary Russell and Charles Bounds; altar in St. Mary's Chapel: in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Larz Anderson and in loving memory of Robert Marsden Goodchild and the Reverend and Mrs. Norman Egerton; the altar in Holy Spirit Chapel: in memory of Ann Wilson; the altar in St. John's Chapel: in thanksgiving for the Charles Ray Long family and friends; the altar in Children's Chapel: in memory of Wayne Evan Matejik; the Christ Child tree: in honor of Andrew, Kurt, and Stefan Moss; Jennifer and Robert Vettori Jr.; and Lydia Hynson, and in honor of The Great Mystery of the Incarnation; altar in War Memorial Chapel: in memory of Margaret H. Howard; National Cathedral Association Bay: in honor and celebration of Lynn Laun Lindert's 90th birthday December 25, 2013 and in thanksgiving for her friendship; Dulin Bay: given in memory of and thanksgiving for Blanche Scott Dulin, Edward Milton Dulin Sr., and Dr. William C. Dulin; Folger Bay: given in memory of J. Clifford Folger; Woodrow Wilson tomb: in thanksgiving and in honor of President Woodrow Wilson; the altar in Bethlehem Chapel: in honor of David, Michael and Peter Lee; Angus Dun Font: in honor of Helen Barnard and in thanksgiving for her service to the Cathedral; altar in Resurrection Chapel: in thanksgiving for the Charles Ray Long family and friends; the columbarium gates in St. Joseph's Chapel: in memory of Marion and Constantine Seferlis and in thanksgiving for Lee and Charlie Tidball; ushers' carnations: in memory of Lieutenant James Norbert Matthews.

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