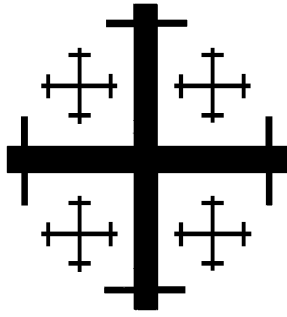


Advent II

8 December 2024

9:30 am





The Liturgy at Calvary

Forerunners and messengers advance the advent of our God. While John the baptizer's voice in the wilderness may be the principal focus of the day, Malachi's prophecy could as easily herald the coming Christ as forerunner of the LORD of hosts. Finally all the baptized are called to participate in the sharing of the gospel. In so doing we prepare the way for the coming of Jesus and assist all people in capturing a vision of the "salvation of God."

Penetential Rite

Please stand and face the Sanctuary entrance, turning in place, "following" the crucifix the crucifer carries in procession.

Emmanuel

Em - man - u - el, Em - man - u - el,

His name is called Em - man - u - el;

God with us, re - vealed in us;

His name is called Em - man - u - el.

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L "...who can endure the day of the Lord's coming? Who can stand when the Lord appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver (Malachi 3:2-3).

Silence is kept for confession and reflection

L God of compassion:

C You know my folly. My guilt is not hidden from you. But I pray to you, O LORD, in the time of your favor; in your great love, O God, answer me with your sure salvation (Psalm 69:5, 3).

L In the mercy of Almighty God your sins are forgiven. Therefore, may you "be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God" (Philippians 1:10 - 11).

Reprise *Emmanuel*

Apostolic Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, ✠ the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

Kyrie Eleison [*Greek, Lord Have Mercy*]

ALL *Capo 1* D Eb Bm Cm Em Fm A Bb Bm Cm G(maj7) A(maj7) Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son O - ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.

CANTOR Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2) D(sus4) Eb(sus4) Bm Cm

For peace in our hearts, the sal - va - tion of our souls,

Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

in peace let us pray to the Lord.

ALL D Eb Bm Cm Em Fm A Bb Bm Cm G(maj7) A(maj7) Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son O - ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.

CANTOR D Eb Fm Gm G Ab A Bb

For peace throughout the world; the well be - ing of God's church,

Em Fm A Bb Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

and the un - i - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL D Eb Bm Cm Em Fm A Bb Bm Cm G(maj7) A(maj7) Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son O - ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.

CANTOR Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2) D Eb G A

For this ho - ly house and for all who ga - ther here to

Em Fm 3 A Bb Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

lift up their hearts in wor-ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

ALL D Eb Bm Cm Em Fm A Bb Bm Cm G(maj7) A(maj7) Em Fm A(sus2) Bb(sus2)

Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son O - ky-ri - e e - le - i - son

CANTOR D Eb Fm Gm G A Bb D Eb

Help, save, com - fort and de - fend us grac - ious Lord.

ALL D Eb Em Fm A Bb D(sus4) Eb(sus4)

A men.

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Hymn Of Praise *Stir Up Your Power and Come*

1. Stir up your pow'r, O Lord, and come. A - gain we
2. Is hea- ven's mo - ment far or near? And when will
pray, "Your will be done." May Ad- vent blue to us for -
Je - sus re - ap - pear? The com - ing dawn is our de -
tell the ec - ho of Em - man u - el.
light in this, the dark - est hour of night.

3. We could in - side the church re - main, like dry ground
watch - ing for the rain. We could de - cide to sit and
wa - it, as Je - sus we an - ti - ci - pate.

4. But we must keep hands to the plow; God's time is
both not yet and now, Our faith in - forms what we shall
do. May Christ re - turn and find us
true. May Christ re - turn and find us true.

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Blessing & Lighting The Advent Wreath

*We sing the verse below before **and** after the blessing.*

Am Em/G F Dm E Am/E E

Light two can-dles to watch for Mes-si - ah; let the light ban-ish dark - ness.

Am E/B Am/C Dm Dm/F Dm E(sus4) E

He shall feed the flock like a shep- herd, gent - ly lead them home - ward.

P We praise you, O God, for this circle of light that marks our days of preparation for Christ's advent. As we light the candles on this wreath, kindle within us the fire of your Spirit that we may be light shining in the darkness. Enlighten us with your grace, that we may welcome others as you have welcomed us. Grant this through Christ our Lord, whose coming is certain and whose day draws near.

Please sit for today's readings from scripture.

First Reading Malachi 3:1-4

¹See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benedictus

Song of Zechariah [St. Luke 1:68-79]

1 Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to set us free
2 With prom-ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e - nant re - call,
3 My child, as proph-et of the Lord you will pre-pare the way,

and rais - es up new hope for us: a Branch from Da-vid's tree.
the oath once sworn to A - bra-ham, from foes to save us all;
to tell God's peo - ple they are saved from sin's e - ter - nal sway.

So have the proph-ets long de-clared that with a might-y arm
that we might wor - ship with-out fear and of - fer lives of praise,
Then shall God's mer - cy from on high shine forth and nev - er cease

God would turn back our en - e - mies and all who wish us harm.
in ho - li - ness and righ - teous-ness to serve God all our days.
to drive a - way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944. Music: FOREST GREEN, English folk tune; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958. Text © 1989 Hope Publishing Company.

³I thank my God every time I remember you, ⁴constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, ⁵because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. ⁹And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

C Thanks be to God.



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P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 3rd chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord!**

¹In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, ²during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, ⁴as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.

⁵Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth;

⁶and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'

P The Gospel of Our Lord

C **Praise to you, O Christ!**

Sermon *Pr Kyle Symanski*

Hymn of the Day

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an - nounc - es
2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; make straight the
3 We hail you as our Sav - ior, Lord, our ref - uge
4 Stretch forth your hand, our health re - store, and make us
5 All praise to you, e - ter - nal Son, whose ad - vent

that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,
way for God with - in, and let us all our
and our great re - ward; with - out your grace we
rise to fall no more; oh, let your face up -
has our free - dom won, whom with the Fa - ther

for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings!
hearts pre - pare for Christ to come and en - ter there.
waste a - way like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
on us shine and fill the world with love di - vine.
we a - dore, and Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er - more.

Text: Charles Coffin, 1676–1749; tr. composite

Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621

Creed

A Let us profess our faith in the Triune God

ALL 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.

Prayers of Intercession

- A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Instrumental Intro

In the si-lence Lord, Hear our prayer.

In the still-ness Lord, Hear our prayer.

Our spo-ken words, our si-lent thoughts:

these we hum-bly share.

In this mo-ment Lord, Hear our prayer.

After each petition

- A Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**

Concluding with

- A Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord **C Amen.**

Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you**

Offertory *The Call* Z. Randall Stroope (b. 1953) Words George Herbert (1633) Sanctuary Choir

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
Such a Way, as gives us breath:
Such a Truth, as ends all strife:
Such a Life, as killeth death.
Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
Such a Light, as shows a feast:
Such a Feast, as mends in length:
Such a Strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
Such a Joy, as none can move:
Such a Love, as none can part:
Such a Heart, as joys in love.



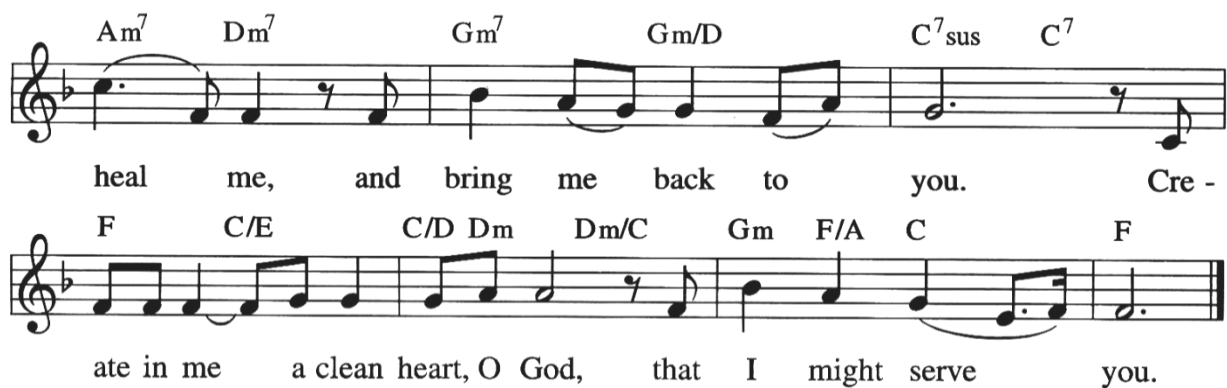
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F C/E C/D Dm Dm/C Bb Gm
Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve
C⁷_{sus} C⁷ F C/E C/D Dm Dm/C
you; cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, that
Gm F/A C F Am⁷ Dm⁷
I might be re - newed. So fill me and



Am⁷ Dm⁷ Gm⁷ Gm/D C⁷_{sus} C⁷

heal me, and bring me back to you. Cre -

F C/E C/D Dm Dm/C Gm F/A C F

ate in me a clean heart, O God, that I might serve you.

A Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Great Thanksgiving



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and good that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, Holy God mighty and immortal through Jesus Christ our Lord.

You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new, when He comes again to judge the world in righteousness.

And so with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus & Benedictus [*Latin, Holy & Blessed*]

Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry Ho -
 san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed 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.

Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation

We pro-claim your death, Lord; we cel - e-brate your ris - ing; we
 break this bread and share this cup un - til you come a - gain.

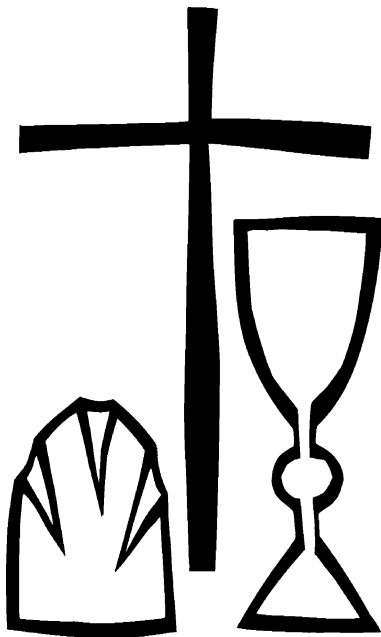
P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.

**ALL 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, forever and ever. Amen**

P Body of Christ given for you. Blood of Christ shed for you.

Agnus Dei [Latin, Lamb Of God]

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



Holy Communion

In-Person:

All are welcome to commune at the Altar.
Ushers will guide.
Wine is Red Grape Juice is White
Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

Online at Home:

If you have elements at home, commune
with those in attendance at the same time.
We encourage you to communion each
other and bless children who have not
received First Communion.

Consider giving this blessing:

"Know that the promises of Jesus's love are
for you."

One or more songs on the following pages may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:

Come Now, O Prince of Peace *Ososŏ, Ososŏ*



O - so - sŏ o - so - sŏ, pyong - hwa - ŭi - im - gŭm
 1 Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one bod - y.
 2 Come now, O God of love, make us one bod - y.
 3 Come now and set us free, O God, our Sav - ior.
 4 Come, Hope of u - ni - ty, make us one bod - y.



u - ri - ga han - mom i - ru - ge ha - so - sŏ.
 Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.
 Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.
 Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.
 Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.

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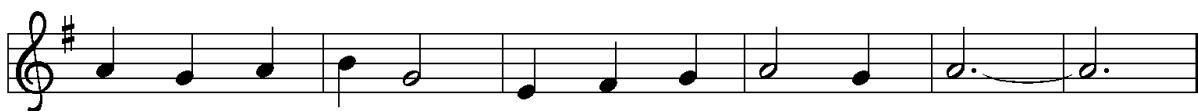
Christ, Be Our Light



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
 3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
 4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Refrain
 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

Text: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957

Music: CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT, Bernadette Farrell

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P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C Amen

Post Communion Canticle

Inspired by an Easter homily
of St. Augustine

The monks of Weston Priory
Vermont

With bro- ken bread in our hands, your
word a fire in our hearts, we now pro - claim our own
myst- 'ry: in this jour- ney from death in -
to your new life, we are your bread, we your bo - dy.

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A Let us pray... Holy One, we give you thanks that in this bread and cup we have feasted again on your endless love. Let that love overflow more and more in our lives, that we may be messengers to prepare your way, harvesters of justice and righteousness, and bearers of your eternal Word, our Savior Jesus Christ.

C Amen

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen

Recessional

Prepare the Royal Highway



1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; the King of kings is near!
2 God's peo - ple, see him com - ing: your own e - ter - nal king!
3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen to greet your prom - ised king!
4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; it comes from heav'n a - bove.



Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley a lev - el road ap - pear!
Palm branch - es strew be - fore him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!
Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion its trib - ute too may bring.
His rule is peace and free - dom and jus - tice, truth, and love.



Then greet the King of glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
All lands will bow be - fore him; their voic - es join your sing - ing:
So let your praise be sound - ing for kind - ness so a - bound - ing:



Ho - san - na to the Lord, for he ful - fills God's word!

Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772–1847; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN, Swedish folk tune, 17th cent.
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A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord
C **Thanks be to God!**

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| Altar Guild | Leslie Herd |

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Toni Tharp, *flute & vocals* Jacob Groening, *trumpet, vocals*

Karen Moxley, *violin, vocals* David Lakota, *bass*

Christy Gibson, Pete Moxley, *vocals*

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Robert Morris, Paul Slezak, *trombone, vocals*

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percussion, vocals

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Commemorations This Week

Lucy, martyr, died 304

Friday, December 13, 2024

Lucy was a young Christian of Sicily who was martyred during the persecutions under Emperor Diocletian. Her celebration became particularly important in Sweden and Norway, perhaps because the feast of Lucia (whose name means "light") originally fell on the shortest day of the year.

John of the Cross, renewer of the church, died 1591

Saturday, December 14, 2024

John was a member of the Carmelite monastic order, and worked to reform it. His writings reflect a deep interest in mystical thought and meditation.

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