

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2024

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

10:30 a.m.

Prelude: "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Franklin Ritter

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Holy Days and Various Occasions

1 Come, ye thank-ful peo-ple, come, raise the song of har-vest-home:
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un-to his praise to yield;
 3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his har-vest home;
 4 E-ven so, Lord, quick-ly come to thy fi-nal har-vest-home;

all is safe-ly gath-ered in, ere the win-ter storms be-gin;
 wheat and tares to- geth-er sown, un-to joy or sor-row grown:
 from his field shall in that day all of-fens-es purge a-way;
 gath-er thou thy peo-ple in, free from sor-row, free from sin;

Descant

4 there, for ev-er pur-i-fied, in thy pres-ence

1 God, our Ma-ker, doth pro-vide for our wants to
 2 first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn
 3 give his an-gels charge at last in the fire the
 4 there, for ev-er pur-i-fied, in thy pres-ence

to a-bide; come, with all thine an-gels
 be sup-plied; come to God's own tem-ple,
 shall ap-pear; grant, O har-vest Lord, that
 tares to cast, but the fruit-ful ears to
 to a-bide; come, with all thine an-gels

come, raise the glo-ri-ous har-vest-home.

come, raise the song of har-vest-home.
 we whole-some grain and pure may be.
 store in his gar-ner ev-er-more.
 come, raise the glo-ri-ous har-vest-home.

Thanksgiving Day.

Words: Henry Alford (1810-1871), alt.

Music: *St. George's, Windsor*, George Job Elvey (1816-1893); desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

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THE ACCLAMATION: p. 355

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY: p.323

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

Trisagion: p.324 (s102)

first, choir; second-third, congregation

**Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy 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 quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader The word of the Lord.

Response **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM: Psalm 25:1-9

1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you;*
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame;*
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O Lord,*
and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me,*
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,*
for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;*
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

7 Gracious and upright is the Lord;*
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right*
and teaches his way to the lowly.

9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness*
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

The Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

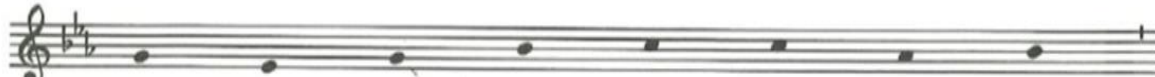
Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader The word of the Lord.


Response ***Thanks be to God.***

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1 Cre - a - tor of the stars of night,
2 In sor - row that the an - cient curse
3 When this old world drew on toward night,
4 At your great Name, O Je - sus, now
5 Come in your ho - ly might, we pray,
*6 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son,



1 your peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light,
2 should doom to death a u - ni - verse,
3 you came; but not in splen - dor bright,
4 all knees must bend, all hearts must bow:
5 re - deem us for e - ter - nal day;
6 and God the Spi - rit, Three in One,



1 O Christ, Re - deem - er of us all,
2 you came, O Sa - vior, to set free
3 not as a mon - arch, but the child
4 all things on earth with one ac - cord,
5 de - fend us while we dwell be - low
6 praise, hon - or, might, and glo - ry be



1 we pray you hear us when we call.
2 your own in glo - rious li - ber - ty.
3 of Ma - ry, blame - less mo - ther mild.
4 like those in heaven, shall call you Lord.
5 from all as - saults of our dread foe.
6 from age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

Words: Latin, 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal 1940*, alt.
Music: *Conditor alme siderum*, plainsong, Mode 4

LM

The Gospel: Luke 21:25-36

Response **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Priest The Gospel of The Lord.
Response **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON The Rev. Brad Mullis

THE NICENE CREED: p.326

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 THE PEOPLE: p.328

The person appointed says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Sean, our presiding Bishop, Samuel and Jennifer, our Bishops, and Brad our priest, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially Joe, our President, Donald, our President-elect, the Congress and the courts, Roy, our governor, Josh, our governor-elect, and Costi, our mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor
[and] all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [especially _____], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of [_____ and of] all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN: p. 330

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Minister and people

***Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned
against thee in thought, word, and
deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.***

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY MUSIC: "Prepare the Royal Highway"
Parish Choir

arr. James H. Laster

DOXOLOGY: Hymn 380, Stanza 3

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer I: p. 333

The people remain standing

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them up unto the Lord.***

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People ***It is meet and right so to do.***

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People (S114)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER: p.336

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

***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: (S156)

***Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast.***

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. The first chalice is a common cup. The second chalice is for intinction, or dipping only. To receive a blessing instead of Communion, simply cross your arms over your chest.

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I LOOKED UP

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Alleluia, He Is Coming

Martha Butler, alt.

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1. I looked up, and I saw my Lord a - com - ing, I looked up, and I
 2. I looked up, and I saw my Lord a - com - ing, I looked up, and I
 3. I looked up, and I saw my Lord a - com - ing, I looked up, and I
 4. I looked up, and I saw my Lord a - com - ing, I looked up, and I
 5. I looked up, and I saw my Lord a - com - ing, I looked up, and I

D A Bmin G D

saw my Lord a - com - ing down the road, down the road.
 saw my Lord a - com - ing with the clouds, with the clouds.
 saw my Lord a - com - ing, pro - phet's Word, pro - phet's Word.
 saw my Lord a - com - ing, an - gel's Song, an - gel's Song.
 saw my Lord a - com - ing, Ma - ry's Son, Ma - ry's Son.

Bmin F#min G D A/C# Bmin F#min G D A/C#

Al - le - lu - ia, he is com - ing, al - le - lu - ia, he is near.

Bmin F#min G D A/C# Bmin F#min G A7 D

Al - le - lu - ia, he is com - ing, al - le - lu - ia, he is here.

SENDING OF THE LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

If home communion is being sent, the following commission is said

The Celebrant says

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER: p. 339

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People pray together

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

1 Watch-man, tell us of the night, what its signs of prom-ise
 2 Watch-man, tell us of the night; high-er yet that star a -
 3 Watch-man, tell us of the night, for the morn-ing seems to

are. Trav - eler, o'er yon moun-tain's height, see that glo - ry-
 scends. Trav - eler, bless - ed - ness and light, peace and truth its
 dawn. Trav - eler, dark-ness takes its flight, doubt and ter - ror

beam - ing star. Watch-man, does its beau - teous ray
 course por - tends. Watch-man, will its beams a - lone
 are with - drawn. Watch-man, let thy wan - derings cease;

aught of joy - or hope fore - tell? Trav - eler, yes; it
 gild the spot that gave them birth? Trav - eler, a - ges
 hie thee to thy qui - et home. Trav - eler, lo! the

brings the day, prom - ised day of Is - ra - el.
 are its own; see, it bursts o'er all the earth.
 Prince of Peace, lo! the Son of God is come!

Two groups may sing antiphonally, alternating by sentences.

Words: John Bowring (1792-1872)

Music: Aberystwyth, Joseph Parry (1841-1903)

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THE DISMISSAL

Response ***Thanks be to God!***

Postlude: “Bachiana”

Gordon Young

*The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Lewis, Donald, Hayden,
and Roy Renwick, by Natalie Marsh and Angie Miller.*