



Deus
in adiuto
rium meū
intende.

Dne
ad adiu
uandum
me festina

Gloria

patris et filio et spiritui sancto

Sicut erat in principio
et nunc et semper et in secu
la seculorum Amen Alla.

Anty. Ecce tu: psalmus d.

Dominus regnauit
decorem indutus est
indutus est dominus forti
tudinem et precinxit se:

St enim firmauit orbem
terre qui non commouebitur

THIS SERVICE, composed by The Very Reverend Eric Milner-White for use at King's College Chapel, Cambridge, proclaims in word and song the promise of God to redeem the world through the Advent of His Son.

The metaphorical procession through the liturgy – from darkness into light – is intended to prepare the worshipper for the coming of the true Light, Jesus Christ.

A Candlelight Service of Advent Lessons and Carols

December 5, 2021 at 5:00 PM

¶ The Congregation gathers in silence. Throughout the service the Congregation is seated for the reading of Scripture and the singing of Carols, and stands for the singing of Hymns and for Prayers

¶ At the sound of the chime, all stand for the Advent Responsory sung from the west nave

Advent Responsory *Aspiciens a longe*

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 ledest Joseph like a sheep,

Tell us, art thou he?

Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come,

Come to reign over thy people Israel.

Glory be to God.

Glory to the Son.

Glory to the Spirit.

Words: Medieval Responsory at Matins of Advent Sunday

Music: Janette Fishell (2010)

Hymn

¶ Verses 1 & 2 are sung by the Choir alone; all join in singing on verse 3



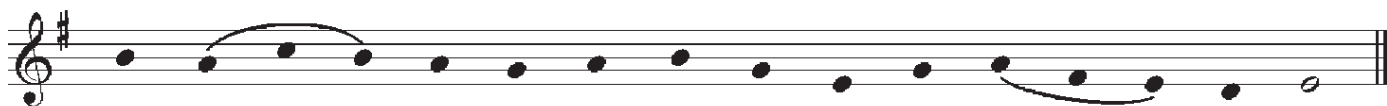
1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from
5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen
6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us
7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the
8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som



1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge
3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the
4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to
5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on
6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of
7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions
8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.
3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.
4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!
5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.
6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.
8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Words: Latin, 9th-century

Music: VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL: 15th-century, Mode I

¶ *At the conclusion of the Hymn, all remain standing as the Officiant says*

The Bidding

BELOVED IN CHRIST, in this season of Advent, let us hear, in lessons from Holy Scripture, the promise that God will visit and redeem the whole creation. Let us rejoice, in our carols and hymns, that the good purpose of God is being mightily fulfilled. And as we rejoice in all that God has done, let us stand strong in hope, confident that in Christ Jesus, all things will be brought to their eternal and glorious purpose.

But first, let us pray for the world which God so loves, for those who have not heard the good news of Jesus, or who do not believe it; for those who walk in darkness and the shadow of death; and for the Church in this place and everywhere, that it may be freed from all evil and fear, and may in pure joy lift up the light of the love of God.

These prayers and praises let us humbly offer to God, in the words which Christ himself taught us:

¶ *Officiant and People*

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.

¶ *Officiant*

May we have grace to cast away the works of darkness, and to live in the light of Christ, in whom is the light that enlightens all, and whose coming among us is our hope and confidence, now and unto the day of eternity. ¶ *People* Amen.

¶ *All are then seated*



Invitatory Carol

Adam lay ye bounden, bounden in a bond;
Four thousand winter thought he not too long.
And all was for an apple, an apple that he took.
As clerkes finden written in their book.
Ne had the apple taken been, ne had never our ladie a been heav'ne queen.
Blessed be the time that apple taken was, Therefore wemoun singe.
Deo gratias.

Words: 15th-century

Music: James Kennerly (b.1984)



THE FIRST LESSON

GENESIS 3:1-15

GOD ANNOUNCES IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN THAT THE SEED
OF WOMAN SHALL BRUISE THE SERPENT'S HEAD

Reader: An Acolyte

NOW THE SERPENT WAS MORE SUBTILE than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her: and he did eat. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden. And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou? And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself. And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat? And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because

thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Carol

Say to them that are of a fearful heart:
Be strong, fear not.
Behold your God will come and save you.

Words: Isaiah 35:4

Music: Everett Titcomb (1884-1968)



THE SECOND LESSON

BARUCH 4:36–5:9

THE PROPHET DECLARES SALVATION IS AT HAND

Reader: An Usher

O JERUSALEM, LOOK ABOUT THEE toward the east, and behold the joy that cometh unto thee from God. Lo, thy sons come, whom thou sentest away, they come gathered together from the east to the west by the word of the Holy One, rejoicing in the glory of God. Put off, O Jerusalem, the garment of mourning and affliction, and put on the comeliness of the glory that cometh from God for ever. Cast about thee a double garment of the righteousness which cometh from God; and set a diadem on thine head of the glory of the Everlasting. For God will shew thy brightness unto every country under heaven. For thy name shall be called of God for ever The peace of righteousness, and The glory of God's worship. Arise, O Jerusalem, and stand on high, and look about toward the east, and behold thy children gathered from the west unto the east by the word of the Holy One, rejoicing in the remembrance of God. For they departed from thee on foot, and were led away of their enemies: but God bringeth them unto thee exalted with glory, as children of the kingdom. For God hath appointed that every high hill, and banks of long continuance, should be cast down, and valleys filled up, to make even the ground, that Israel may go safely in the glory of God, Moreover even the woods and every sweet smelling tree shall overshadow Israel by the commandment of God. For God shall lead Israel with joy in the light of his glory with the mercy and righteousness that cometh from him.

Carol

Little lamb, who made thee?

Dost thou know who made thee,
Gave thee life, and bid thee feed
By the stream and o'er the mead;
Gave thee clothing of delight,
Softest clothing, wooly, bright;
Gave thee such a tender voice,
Making all the vales rejoice.

Little lamb, who made thee?

Dost thou know who made thee?

Little lamb, I'll tell thee;
He is called by thy name,
For he calls Himself a Lamb.
He is meek and he is mild,
He became a little child.
I a child, and thou a lamb,
We are called by His name.

Little lamb, God bless thee.

Words: William Blake (1757-1827)

Music: Andrew Pester (2017)

♩ All stand and join in singing

1 Re - joice! re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear!
2 See that your lamps are burn - ing, re - ple-nish them with oil;
3 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;

The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
look now for your sal - va - tion, the end of sin and toil.
a - rise, thou Sun so longed for, a - bove this dark - ened sphere!

The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing, and soon he will draw nigh;
The mar - riage - feast is wait - ing, the gates wide o - pen stand;
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see

up, watch in ex - pec - ta - tion! at mid - night comes the cry.
rise up, ye heirs of glo - ry, the Bride - groom is at hand!
the day of earth's re - demp - tion, and ev - er be with thee!

Words: *Laurentius Laurenti* (1660-1772)

Music: LLANGLOFFAN



THE THIRD LESSON

ISAIAH 11:1-9

THE PEACE OF CHRIST IS FORESHOWN

Reader: The Master of the St. Paul's Guild

AND THERE SHALL COME FORTH A ROD out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord; And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked. And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins. The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.

Carol

Veritas mea, et misericordia cum ipso,
et in nomine meo exaltabitur cornu ejus.

*My truth and my mercy shall be with him,
and in my name shall his horn be exalted.*

Words: Psalm 88:25

Music: George Malcolm (1917-1997)

¶ *All stand and join in singing*

1 God is work - ing his pur - pose out as
 2 From ut - most east to ut - most west, wher -
 3 March we forth in the strength of God, with the
 4 All we can do is noth - ing worth un -

May be sung in a canon

1 God is work - ing his
 2 From ut - most east to
 3 March we forth in the
 4 All we can do is

year suc - ceeds to year: God is work - ing his
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 ban - ner of Christ un - furled, that the light of the glo - rious
 less God bless - es the deed; vain - ly we hope for the

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 strength of God, with the ban - ner of Christ un - furled, that the
 noth - ing worth un - less God bless - es the deed;

pur - pose out, and the time is draw - ing near;
 mes - sen - gers goes forth the voice of God;
 gos - pel of truth may shine through - out the world;
 har - vest - tide till God gives life to the seed; yet

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 give ear to me, ye con - ti - nents, ye isles, give ear to
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near; — near - er and near - er draws the time, the time that shall
 God; — give ear to me, ye con - ti - nents, ye isles, give —
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 seed; yet near - er and near - er draws the time, the time that shall

be, when the earth shall be filled with the glo - ry of God as the
 me, that the earth may be filled with the glo - ry of God as the
 free, that the earth may be filled with the glo - ry of God as the
 be, when the earth shall be filled with the glo - ry of God as the

sure - ly be, when the earth shall be filled with the glo - ry of
 ear to me, that the earth may be filled with the glo - ry of
 cap - tives free, that the earth may be filled with the glo - ry of
 sure - ly be, when the earth shall be filled with the glo - ry of

wa - ters cov - er the sea.
 wa - ters cov - er the sea.
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 wa - ters cov - er the (sea.) sea. _____

1-3 Final Ending

God as the wa - ters cov - er the sea.
 God as the wa - ters cov - er the sea.
 God as the wa - ters cov - er the sea.
 God as the wa - ters (cov - er the sea.) cov - er the sea. _____

Words: Arthur Campbell Ainger (1841-1919), alt.
 Music: PURPOSE: Martin Fallas Shaw (1875-1958)



THE FOURTH LESSON

MATTHEW 3:1-7, 11

GOD'S MESSENGER PREPARES FOR THE COMING OF THE MESSIAH

Reader: A Verger

IN THOSE DAYS CAME JOHN THE BAPTIST, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea, and saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his meat was locusts and wild honey. Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judaea, and all the region round about Jordan, and were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come? I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire.

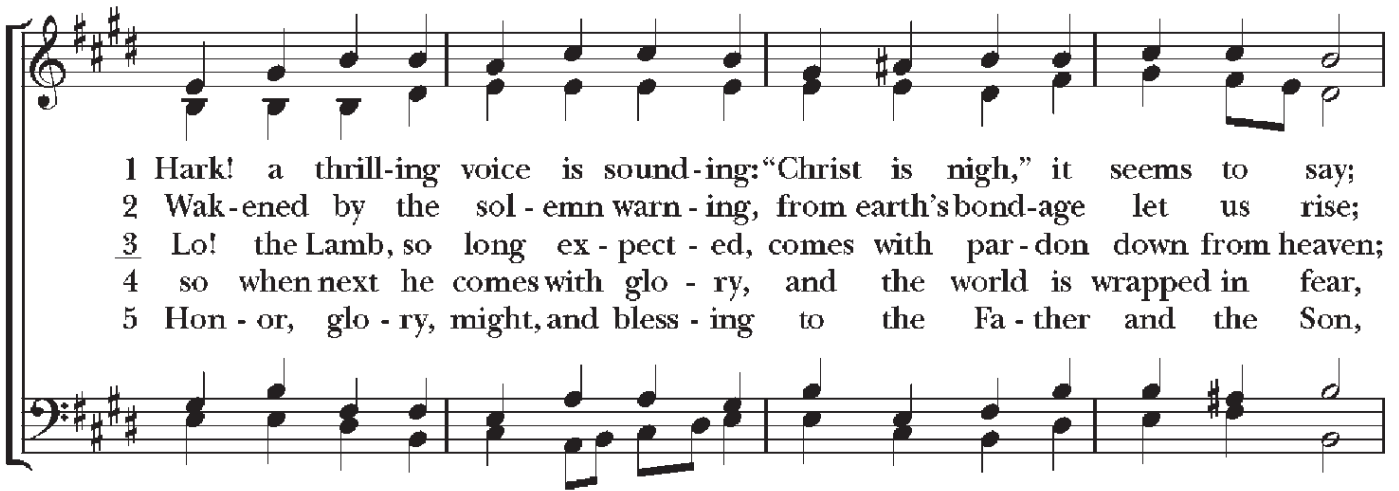
Carol

This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who art thou?' And he confessed and denied not; and said plainly, 'I am not the Christ'. And they asked him, 'What art thou then? art thou Elias?' And he said, 'I am not'. And they asked him 'Art thou the prophet?' And he answered, 'No'. Then said they unto him, 'What art thou, that we may give an answer unto them that sent us? What say'st thou of thyself?' And he said, 'I am the voice, of him that crieth in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord'.

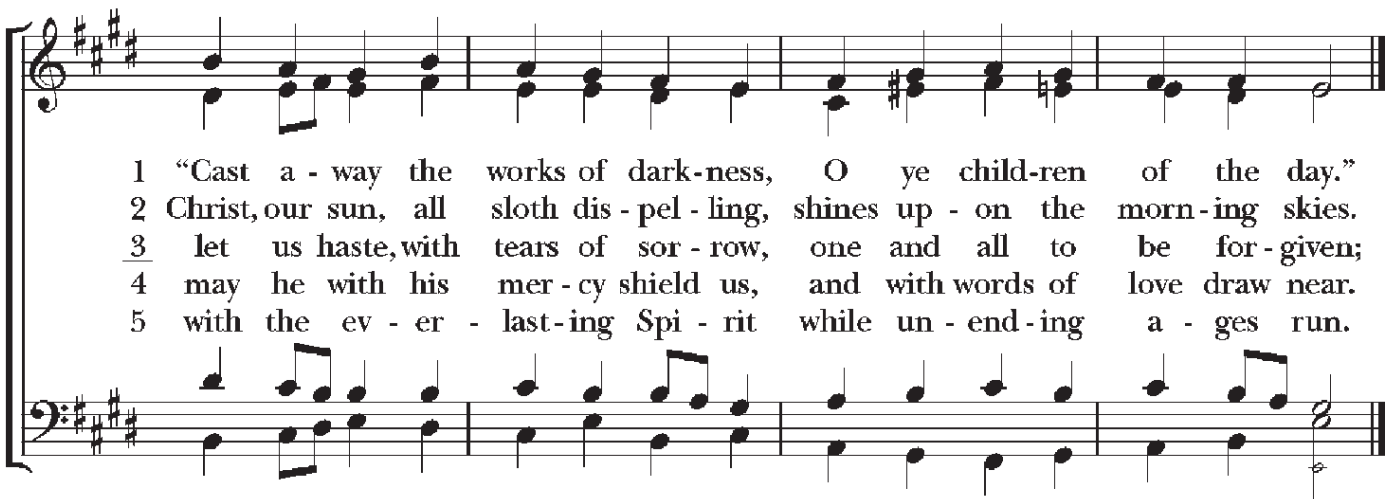
Words: John 1:19

Music: Grayston Ives (b.1948)

♩ All stand and join in singing



1 Hark! a thrill-ing voice is sound-ing: "Christ is nigh," it seems to say;
2 Wak-ened by the sol-lemn warn-ing, from earth's bond-age let us rise;
3 Lo! the Lamb, so long ex-pect-ed, comes with par-don down from heaven;
4 so when next he comes with glo-ry, and the world is wrapped in fear,
5 Hon-or, glo-ry, might, and bless-ing to the Fa-ther and the Son,



1 "Cast a-way the works of dark-ness, O ye child-ren of the day."
2 Christ, our sun, all sloth dis-pel-ling, shines up-on the morn-ing skies.
3 let us haste, with tears of sor-row, one and all to be for-given;
4 may he with his mer-cy shield us, and with words of love draw near.
5 with the ev-er-last-ing Spi-rit while un-end-ing a-ges run.

Words: Latin, 6th-century

Music: MERTON: William Henry Monk (1823-1889)



THE ANGEL GABRIEL SALUTES THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Reader: A Member of the Altar Guild

AND IN THE SIXTH MONTH THE ANGEL GABRIEL was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren. For with God nothing shall be impossible. And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

Carol

Angelus ad virginem, Subintrans in conclave,
Virginis formidinem Demulcens, inquit "Ave!
Ave, regina virginum: Coeli terraeque dominum
Concipies et paries intacta Salutem hominum;
Tu porta coeli facta, Medela criminum."

"Quomodo conciperem, Quae virum non cognovi?
Qualiter infringerem, Quae firma mente vovi?"
"Spiritus sancti gratia Perficiet haec omnia.
Ne timeas, sed gaudeas Secura, quod castimonia

Manebit in te pura Dei potentia.”
Ad haec, virgo nobilis Respondens inquit ei,
“Ancilla sum humilis Omnipotentis Dei.
Tibi coelesti nuntio, Tanti secreti conscio,
Consentiens et cupiens videre Factum quod audio,
Parata sum parere Dei consilio.”

Eia Mater Domini, Quae pacem reddidisti
Angelis et homini Cum Christum genuisti!
Tuum exora filium Ut se nobis propitium
Exhibeat, et debeat peccata, Praestans auxilium
Vita frui beata Post hoc exsilium.

Words: 14th-century Irish Carol

Music: David Willcocks (1919-2015)



THE SIXTH LESSON

LUKE 1:39-56

THE VIRGIN MARY SALUTES HER KINSWOMAN ELISABETH

Reader: The Assistant Choirmaster

AND MARY AROSE IN THOSE DAYS, and went into the hill country with haste, into a city of Juda; And entered into the house of Zacharias, and saluted Elisabeth. And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost: And she spake out with a loud voice, and said, Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. And whence is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. And blessed is she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord. And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord, And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is his name. And his mercy is on them that fear him from generation to generation. He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away. He hath holpen his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy; As he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever. And Mary abode with her about three months, and returned to her own house.

Carol

There is no rose of such virtue
As is the rose that bare Jesu:
Alleluya

For in this rose contained was
Heaven and earth in little space:
Res miranda

By that rose we may well see
That he is God in person three:
Pari forma

The angels sung the shepherds to:
“Gloria in excelsis Deo”
Gaudeamus

Leave we all this worldly mirth
And follow we this joyful birth:
Transeamus

Words: Anonymous, ca. 1420

Music: Stephen Caracciolo (b.1962)

¶ *All stand and join in singing*

1 Hark! the glad sound! the Sa - vior comes, the Sa - vior
 2 He comes, the pri - soners to re - lease in Sa - tan's
 3 He comes, the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed - ing
 4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, thy wel - come

prom - ised long: let ev - ery heart pre -
 bond - age held; the gates of brass be -
 soul to cure; and with the trea - sures
 shall pro - claim; and heaven's e - ter - nal

pare a throne, and ev - ery voice a song.
 fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.
 of his grace to en - rich the hum - ble poor.
 arch - es ring with thy be - lov - ed Name.

Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751)

Music: RICHMOND: Thomas Haweis (1734-1820); adapt. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816)



THE SEVENTH LESSON

MATTHEW 1:18-25

SAINT MATTHEW TELLS OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS

Reader: The Assistant Rector

NOW THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins. Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: And knew her not till she had brought forth her first-born son: and he called his name Jesus.

Carol

O Radiant Dawn,
Splendour of eternal Light,
Sun of Justice:
come, shine on those who dwell in darkness
and the shadow of death.
Isaiah had prophesied
‘The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shown.’ Amen.

Words: Antiphon on the Magnificat: December 21, Isaiah 9:2

Music: James MacMillan (2008)



Greeting and Announcements

Carol

O Thou, the central orb of righteous love,
Pure beam of the most High, eternal Light
Of this our wintry world, Thy radiance bright
Awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above.

Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine,
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays Divine.

Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move,
As stars about thy throne, set in the height
Of God's ordaining counsel, as Thy sight
Gives measured grace to each, Thy power to prove.

Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin,
Our nature all shall feel eternal day
In fellowship with thee, transforming day
To souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

Words: Henry Ramsden Bramley

Music: Charles Wood (1866-1926)



¶ *All stand*

Vesper Responsory

Judae et Hierusalem

¶ *Officiant* Judah and Jerusalem, fear not, nor be dismayed;

¶ *People* Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.

¶ *Officiant* Stand ye still, and ye shall see the salvation of the Lord.

¶ *People* Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.

¶ *Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

¶ *People* Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.

Closing Prayers

¶ *Officiant* We wait for thy loving kindness, O Lord;

¶ *People* In the midst of thy temple.

¶ *Officiant*

O GOD, WHO MAKEST US GLAD with the yearly expectation of thy coming; grant that we, who with joy receive thy only-begotten Son as our Redeemer, may without fear behold him when he shall come to be our Judge, even thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. ¶ *People* Amen.

The Blessing

¶ *Officiant*

O PEN WIDE, O LORD, the gates of heaven and visit thy people in peace; send forth thy Spirit from on high that their hearts may be uplifted unto thee; O Lord, who for our sake was of a virgin born, make holy thy people and bless thine heritage;

AND THE BLESSING ✠ OF GOD ALMIGHTY,

THE FATHER, THE SON, AND THE HOLY GHOST,

BE AMONGST YOU AND ABIDE WITH YOU FOR EVER. ¶ *People* Amen.

¶ *All join in singing the following Hymn overleaf*



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: HELMSLEY: Augustine Arne (1719-1778)

At the conclusion of the Hymn, all remain standing as the Choir and Ministers depart

An Offering will be received at each door as the congregation departs

Please join us in the Great Hall for a festive reception at the conclusion of the service

Participants in the Service

OFFICIANT

The Rev. Andrew John Archie

READERS

Ezra Smith	First Lesson
Mattison Barickman	Second Lesson
Mark Throdahl	Third Lesson
Carl Eichenberger	Fourth Lesson
Abby Castle Miller	Fifth Lesson
Kathleen Beyers	Sixth Lesson
The Rev. Peter Speropulos	Seventh Lesson



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ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS LITURGIES

Sunday, December 12 — Advent III

8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist *Church*

10:00 AM Choral Eucharist * *Church*

Sunday, December 19 — Advent IV

8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist *Church*

10:00 AM Choral Eucharist * *Church*

5:00 PM A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols * *Church*

Friday, December 24 — Christmas Eve

4:00 PM Nativity Pageant and The Holy Eucharist * *Church*

6:30 PM Choral Eucharist * *Church*

10:30 PM Carol Service of Preparation and Praise * *Church*

11:00 PM Solemn Midnight Eucharist of the Incarnation * *Church* — *Incense will be used*

Saturday, December 25 — Christmas Day

10:00 AM Choral Eucharist * *Church*

Sunday, December 26 — The First Sunday after Christmas

8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist *Church*

10:00 AM Choral Eucharist * *Church*

** The Choir will sing at these liturgies*

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Sundays at 5:00 PM

- December 19 A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
Pre-Service Organ Recital at 4:30 PM
- January 2 Solemn Evensong *
- February 6 Evensong
Sung by the combined choirs of CSMSG and St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Ladue
- March 6 Evensong
Sung by the CSMSG Choir at the Abbey of St. Mary and St. Louis
- April 3 Evensong
- 10 Passion Vespers
- May 1 Eastertide Vespers
Sung by the monks of the Abbey of St. Mary and St. Louis

** Incense will be used*

A Candlelight Service of Advent Lessons and Carols

December 5, 2021

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