

# The First Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2023

## Hymn at the Sequence 68

*Llangloffan*

Hymnau a Thonau er Gwasanaeth yr Eglwys yng Nghymru (1865)

1 Re - jice! re - jice, 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!

# Hymn at the Communion 63

*Verbum Supernum Prodiens*

Howard Don Small (1932-2007)

The image shows the musical notation for the hymn 'Verbum Supernum Prodiens'. It consists of four systems of music, each with a single treble clef staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system has five lines of lyrics. The second system has five lines. The third system has five lines. The fourth system has five lines. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with a single melodic line.

1 O heaven - ly Word, e - ter - nal Light,  
2 pour light up - on us from a - bove,  
3 and when, as judge, thou draw - est nigh  
4 O let us not, for e - vil past,  
\*5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son,

1 be - got - ten of the Fa - ther's might,  
2 and fire our hearts with ar - dent love,  
3 the se - crets of our hearts to try,  
4 be driv - en from thy face at last,  
5 and God the Spi - rit, ev - er One,

1 who in these lat - ter days wast born  
2 that, as we hear thy truth to - day,  
3 to rec - om - pense each hid - den sin  
4 but with thy saints for ev - er - more  
5 praise, hon - or, might, and glo - ry be

1 for bless - ing to a world for - lorn;  
2 all wrong de - sires may burn a - way;  
3 and bid the saints their reign be - gin;  
4 be - hold thee, love thee, and a - dore.  
5 from age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

# Hymn at the Retiring Procession 61

*Wachet Auf*

arr. Johann Sebastian Bach

1 "Sleep - ers, wake!" A voice a - stounds us, the  
2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing; her  
3 Lamb of God, the heavens a - dore you; let

shout of ram - part - guards sur - rounds us: "A -  
heart with joy - ful hope is spring - ing, she  
saints and an - gels sing be - fore you, as

wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night's peace their  
wakes and hur - ries through the night. Forth he comes, her  
harps and cym - bals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the

cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons clear - ly spo -  
Bride-groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in truth vic - to -  
ci - ty's por - tals: through them we stream to join the im - mor -

ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!  
 rious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.  
 tals as we with joy your throne sur - round.

Rise up, and give us light; the Bride - groom is in  
 Now come, most wor - thy Lord, God's Son, In - car - nate  
 No eye has known the sight, no ear heard such de -

sight. Al - le - lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and  
 Word, Al - le - lu - ia! We fol - low all and  
 light: Al - le - lu - ia! There - fore we sing to

has - ten there, that you the wed - ding feast may share."  
 heed your call to come in - to the ban - quet hall.  
 greet our King; for ev - er let our prais - es ring.