

The First Sunday of Advent

1 December 2024

10:30 am The Holy Eucharist



The Cathedral
Church of **Saint John**
the Divine

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Very Reverend Patrick Malloy, *Celebrant*
The Reverend Canon Arlette D. Benoit Joseph, *Preacher*
The Cathedral Choir

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, Johann Sebastian Bach
BWV 645 (1685-1750)

INTROIT

Sung by the Choir.

Gregorian chant

AD te levavi animam meam:
Deus meus in te confido, non erubescam:
neque irrideant me inimici mei:
etenim universi qui te exspectant, non
confundentur.

V. Vias tuas, Domine, demonstra mihi:
et semitas tuas edoce me.

*To you I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.
V. Make your ways known unto me, O Lord,
and teach me your paths.*

Psalm 25:1-3

HYMN IN PROCESSION

Sung by All, standing as able.

1 "Sleep - ers, wake!" A voice as - tounds us, the shout of ram - part -
 2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing; her heart with joy - ful
 3 Lamb of God, the heavens a - dore you; let saints and an - gels

guards sur - rounds us: "A - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!"
 hope is spring - ing, she wakes and hur - ries through the night.
 sing be - fore you, as harps and cym - bals swell the sound.

Mid - night's peace their cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons
 Forth he comes, her Bride - groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in
 Twelve great pearls, the ci - ty's por - tals: through them we stream to

clear - ly spo - ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!
 truth vic - to - rious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.
 join the im - mor - tals as we with joy your throne sur - round.

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

lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and has - ten there, that you the wed - ding feast may share."
 lu - ia! We fol - low all and heed your call to come in - to the ban - quet hall.
 lu - ia! There - fore we sing to greet our King; for ev - er let our prais - es ring.

Words: Philipp Nicolai (1556–1608); tr. Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944)

Music: *Wachet auf*, melody Hans Sachs (1494–1576); adapt. Philipp Nicolai (1556–1608); arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

WELCOME

The presider welcomes the People, orients them to the service,
and calls them to prayer.

THE ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant ✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

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.

People Amen.

TRISAGION

Sung by All, standing as able.

The musical score for the Trisagion consists of two systems of vocal lines. Each system has a soprano line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: "Ho - - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on us." The first system covers the first two phrases, and the second system covers the final phrase. The music is written in a simple, homophonic style with block chords and moving bass lines.

Text: Trisagion (Early Church)

Music: Aleksandr Amdreevich Arkhangel'skii

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant prays the collect, and the People respond, "Amen."

The People are seated.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET JEREMIAH

(33:14–16)

After the reading is said:

Here endeth the Reading.

PSALM 25:1–9

Sung by the Choir.

Ad te, Domine, levavi

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.
 Let none who look to you be put to shame;
 let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
 Show me your ways, O Lord,
 and teach me your paths.
 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.
 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,
 for they are from everlasting.
 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.
 Gracious and upright is the Lord;
 therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
 He guides the humble in doing right
 and teaches his way to the lowly.
 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness
 to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Chant: Edward Cuthbert Bairstow (1874–1946)

SEQUENCE HYMN

Sung by All, standing as able.

1 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and light tri - um - phant breaks;
 2 Not, as of old, a lit - tle child, to bear, and fight, and die,
 3 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and earth's dark night is past;
 4 and let the end - les bliss be - gin, by wear - y saints fore - told.
 5 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns, and light and beau - ty brings:



when beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills and life to joy a - wakes.
 but crowned with glo - ry like the sun that lights the morn - ing sky.
 O haste the ris - ing of that morn, the day that e'er shall last;
 when right shall tri - umph o - ver wrong, and truth shall be ex - tolled.
 Hail, Christ the Lord! thy peo - ple pray, come quick - ly, King of kings.

Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859–1925), alt.

Music: *Morning Song*, Elkanah Kelsay Dare; *Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music*, Part Second, 1813; *Sixteen Tune Settings*, 1812; *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL OF LUKE

(21:25–36)

Preacher The ✝ Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

The Preacher reads the gospel, followed by the words:

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Canon Arlette D. Benoit Joseph

*Executive Vice President and Chief Church Relations Officer,
The Church Pension Group*

*A time of silence is observed after the sermon, then the Celebrant
leads the assembly in the Creed, standing as able.*

THE NICENE CREED

Sung by All.

All:

We be-lieve in one God, the Fa-ther, the Al-might-y,
 the mak-er of heav-en and earth, of all that is, seen and un-seen.
 We be-lieve in one Lord, Je-sus Christ, the on-ly Son of God, e-ter-nal-ly be-
 got-ten of the Fa-ther, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
 be-got-ten, not made, of one Be-ing with the Fa-ther. Through him all things were made.

The Choir sings

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.

All sing

All:

We be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spir - it, the Lord, the giv - er of life,
 who pro - ceeds from the Fa - ther. With the Fa - ther and the Son he is
 wor - shiped and glor-i - fied. He has spo - ken through the Proph - ets.
 We be - lieve in one ho - ly ca - tho - lic and ap - os - tol - ic Church. We ac - knowl - edge one
 bap - tism for the for - give - ness of sins. We look for the res - ur -
 rec - tion of the dead, and the life of the world to come. A - men.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The People are asked to pray for the Church, the nations and their leaders, those in need, and the dead.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Celebrant 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 COMFORTABLE WORDS

The Celebrant says

Hear what comfortable words our Savior Christ says, to all that truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.



A collection is taken. The People may place their offerings in the basket as it is passed or use the QR code.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sung by the Choir.

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning African-American Spiritual,
arr. André Thomas (b. 1952)

KEEP your lamps trimmed and burning,
the time is drawing nigh.
Children, don't get weary
'til your work is done.

Christian journey soon be over,
the time is drawing nigh.

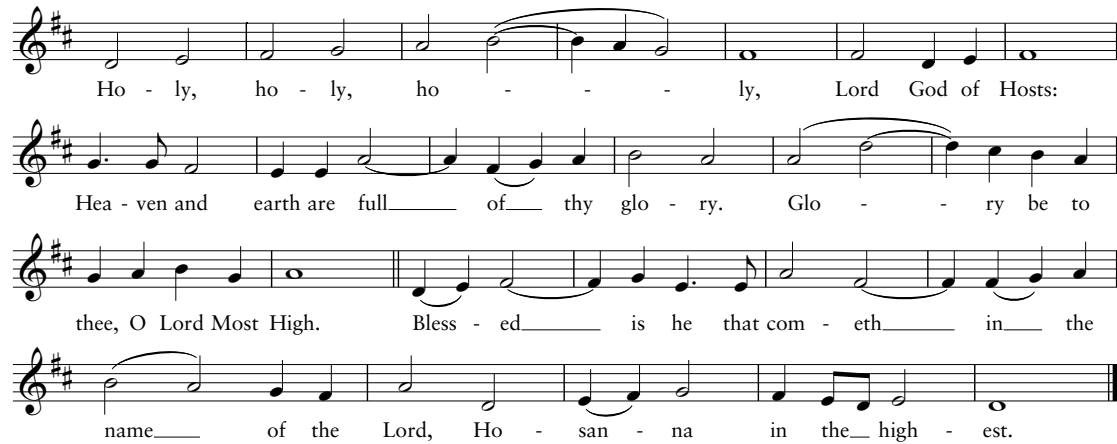
Keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
the time is drawing nigh.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The People remain standing.

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
The Lord be with you.	And with thy spi - rit.
<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
Lift up your hearts.	We lift them up un - to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	
Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.	
<i>People</i>	
It is meet and right so to do.	

The Celebrant prays in the name of the assembly. In the course of the Eucharistic Prayer, these acclamations are sung.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS*Sung by All.*


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly, Lord God of Hosts:
Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo - - ry be to
thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the
name of the Lord, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: Healey Willan (1880-1968)

People Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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


Celebrant 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD


The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence is kept. Then is sung

Cantor, then All




Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor



Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

All



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Music: *New Plainsong*,
David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Celebrant invites the People to Holy Communion. As the ministers receive the Sacrament, the People come forward.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O
merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in thy manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up
the crumbs under thy Table.
But thou art the same Lord
whose property is always to have mercy.

Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him,
and he in us.

Amen.

THE COMMUNION

The Holy Communion is distributed under the forms of both Bread and Wine. In the interest of public health, the Cathedral does not practice intinction, that is, the dipping of the Bread into the Wine. It is the faith of the Church that Jesus gives himself in the Sacrament whether it is received in only one kind or both. Gluten-free Wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Lo, in the time appointed

Healey Willan

LO, in the time appointed the Lord will come;
the mountains and the hills
shall break forth into singing,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands:
for the Lord God shall come into his everlasting kingdom:
and upon the throne of David shall he reign forever. Alleluia.

Sarum Antiphon

A time of silence is observed after the Holy Communion, then the hymn is sung by all, standing as able.

POST COMMUNION HYMN



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds descend - ing, once for
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
 3 Those dear tokens 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*, melody Thomas Augustine Arne (1710–1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958), alt.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All say 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

The Celebrant says

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and
love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and
the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you
always.

People Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Herr Christ, der ein'ge Gottes Sohn, Johann Sebastian Bach
BWV 601

UPCOMING EVENTS**SUNDAY, 1 DECEMBER**

4 PM

Choral Evensong

The Cathedral Choir sings works by Robert Lehman, Herbert
Howells and Healey Willan.

The Great Organ is back!

*As our curator Douglas Hunt works through the organ
to put it into tune, the organ will be a kind of Advent
calendar for us! Each day a new door opens with new
sounds becoming available. Today we are hearing the
Diapasons (unique tone to the organ) along with the
flutes in five different divisions of the organ. As time
progresses we will begin to hear the trumpets and their
cousins, the clarinet, the oboe, the bassoon!*

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