



# The Holy Eucharist

The First Sunday of Advent  
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WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

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## THE ENTRANCE RITE

### INTROIT

*Advent Responsory*

Michael McCarthy (b. 1966)

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 leadest Joseph like a sheep, tell us, art thou he that should come? Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

—*Matin Responsory for Advent I*

*The people turn and face the Advent wreath.*

### THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

May the grace and peace of God be with you.

**And also with you.**

As we begin our Advent pilgrimage, looking forward to the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, let us in prayer and praise, thanksgiving and song, give voice to the hope set forth in the Scriptures, that Christ's reign of love and light will indeed come among us. Let us offer ourselves anew as witnesses to the advent of Christ's glory, seeking to bring Christ's light and love to those who sit in darkness.

**Come, O long expected Jesus, come.**

*Cantor*

A voice cries in the wil - der - ness, pre - pare the way of the Lord.

*Cantor*

Lift up all the deep val - leys. Low - er all the steep moun - tains. The

*All*

glo - ry of the Lord shall be re - vealed. All flesh shall see it to - geth - er.

## THE ADVENT LITANY IN PROCESSION

Ruler of all things in heaven and earth, may the desert blossom like a rose and may we, passing through what you have made good, guide each other to your holy mountain, where wolf and lamb can lie down together in peace, for we look to you in hope.



Come, Lord Je - sus! Come!

Judge of the Nations, may we not put you to the test in our arrogance, but find wisdom, restraint, and courage to beat our swords into ploughshares and no longer to study the ways of war, for we look to you in hope.

**Come, Lord Jesus! Come!**

Foretold by John on the banks of the Jordan, immerse us into a baptism of repentance, so that we may rise from water, reaching out our hands to people of all faiths who long for your goodness, for we look to you in hope.

**Come, Lord Jesus! Come!**

Lamb of God, enlighten and strengthen your Church, so that we may be stewards of your abundance and joyful heralds of the banquet to which all are invited, for we look to you in hope.

**Come, Lord Jesus! Come!**

Herald of Good News, may all our words and deeds loosen the yoke of the troubled and lighten the burden of the poor, so that what we proclaim becomes what we spend ourselves to accomplish, for we look to you in hope.

**Come, Lord Jesus! Come!**

Heir of David's Throne, empower us to establish justice in our cities and communities and to honor the covenant into which we have entered, so that all homes may be lively and joyful and all children may flourish, for we look to you in hope.

**Come, Lord Jesus! Come!**

Head of the Household, may what you have entrusted to us, our homes, families, friends, and possessions, be ready always for your arrival, and keep us alert to the signs of your presence, for we look to you in hope.

**Come, Lord Jesus! Come!**

Bridegroom of our Soul, draw us beyond selfish desire and fear, so that we may give ourselves fully to you, for we look to you in hope.

**Come, Lord Jesus! Come!**

Incarnate of the Virgin Mary, care for our flesh, heal our diseases, strengthen our weakness, and enfold us at last in your peace, and may what is done in us be according to your will, for we look to you in hope.

**Come, Lord Jesus! Come!**

Child of Bethlehem, make us your children, simplify and soften our hearts so that we may enter the realm of God with gratitude and joy, for we look to you in hope.

**Come, Lord Jesus! Come!**

Gracious God, Eternal Light, come among us! Enter our darkness and guide us in those paths of justice and peace that fulfill your purposes for us. Lift us up to rejoice forever in the life of the Holy Trinity, for we look to you in hope, and praise you, with the Father, and the Spirit, one God, from before time and through all eternity.

*Cantor* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. *All* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

*Cantor* Chri - ste e - le - i - son. *All* Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

*Cantor* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. *All* Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

## THE WORD OF GOD

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
 Let us pray.

*The presider prays the collect and the people respond, Amen.*

*The people are seated for the readings and psalm.*

### THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 80:1-7, 16-18

plainsong

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;  
 shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.  
 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,  
 stir up your strength and come to help us.  
 Restore us, O God of hosts;  
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.  
 O Lord God of hosts,  
 how long will you be angered  
 despite the prayers of your people?  
 You have fed them with the bread of tears;  
 you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

You have made us the derision of our neighbors,  
 and our enemies laugh us to scorn.  
 Restore us, O God of hosts;  
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.  
 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand,  
 the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.  
 And so will we never turn away from you;  
 give us life, that we may call upon your Name.  
 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;  
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.  
 Thanks be to God.

*The people stand to sing and remain standing for the Gospel.*

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE

*My Lord, what a morning*

*African American Spiritual*

*Harmony*

My Lord, what a morn-ing, My Lord, what a morn-ing, O my Lord, what a morn-ing, when the

**Fine** *Unison*  
 stars be-gin to fall. 1. You'll hear the trum-pet sound,  
 2. You'll hear the sin-ner mourn, To wake the na-tions un-der-  
 3. You'll hear the Chris-tian shout,

*D.C.*  
 ground, Look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

*Gospeller*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ ac - cord - ing to Mark.

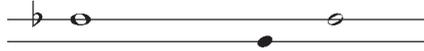
*People*

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, “In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

*Gospeller*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

## THE SERMON

Dean Hall

*The people stand.*

## THE NICENE CREED

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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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.

## THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.*

## THE OFFERTORY

*The people remain seated while an offering is received to support the Cathedral's ministry of sharing God's love with the world.*

## ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

*Drop down, ye heavens*

Richard Lloyd (b. 1933)

*The people stand for the presentation hymn and remain standing.*

## HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION • 53

*Once he came in blessing*

*Gottes Sohn ist kommen*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The presider offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response we sing:*

## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might. — Hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is the  
one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. —

*The presider gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.*

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.  
**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.  
**By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.**

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

AMEN.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

As we join our prayers with those of the Church Universal, so we say, each in our own language, the prayer that Jesus Christ has taught us,

**Notre Père..., Padre nuestro..., Our Father...**

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE FRACTION ANTHEM

*Agnus Dei*

Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

*Cantor*

1. Je - sus, wis - dom and might - y Lord:  
 2. Je - sus, true branch of Jes - se's tree: you take a - way the sins of the world,  
 3. De - sire of na - tions, our Em - man - u - el:  
 have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us. grant us peace, grant us peace.

### INVITATION *The people are seated.*

*All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. If you desire to receive prayers for healing, you are invited to proceed to War Memorial Chapel after receiving Holy Communion.*

### ANTHEM DURING THE COMMUNION

*Rorate caeli desuper*

William Byrd (1540-1623)

*The people stand.*

### POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### BLESSING

*The presider offers a blessing and the people respond, Amen.*

### DISMISSAL

*Gospeller*

As we await our coming Savior, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING HYMN *Sung by all.*

*Signs of endings all around us*

*Ton-y-Botel*



1. Signs of end-ings all a - round us dark - ness, death, and win - ter days  
2. Can it be that from our end - ings, new be - gin - nings you cre - ate?  
3. Speak, O God, your Word a - mong us. Bar - ren lives your pres - ence fill.



shroud our lives in fear and sad - ness, numb - ing mouths that long to praise.  
Life from death, and from our rend - ings, realms of whole - ness gen - er - ate?  
Swell our hearts with songs of glad - ness, ter - rors calm fore - bod - ings still.



Come, O<sup>3</sup> Christ, and dwell a - mong us! Hear our cries, come set us free.  
Take our fears, then, Lord, and turn them in - to hopes for life a - new:  
Let your prom - ised realm of jus - tice blos - som now through - out the earth;



Give us hope and faith and glad - ness. Show us<sup>3</sup> what there yet can be.  
Fad - ing light and dy - ing sea - son sing their Glo - ri - as to you.  
your do - min - ion bring now near us; we a - wait the sav - ing birth.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Canon Gina Gilland Campbell, Rev. Canon Jan Naylor Cope, The Very Reverend Gary Hall, Rev. Canon Samuel Van Culin, Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys

ADVENT GREENS GIFTS

Greens throughout the Cathedral are given to the glory of God. Advent wreath at the mid-nave: in loving memory of Sarah Stewart Scarborough; Advent wreath in St. Mary's Chapel: in thanksgiving: greens at the altar in Holy Spirit Chapel: in memory of Everett G. Fuller; Advent wreath in Bethlehem Chapel: in memory of Joan Sager Vandemark; *Those wishing to make flower gifts for Christmas are invited to submit their gifts before December 6 to the Altar Guild.*

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