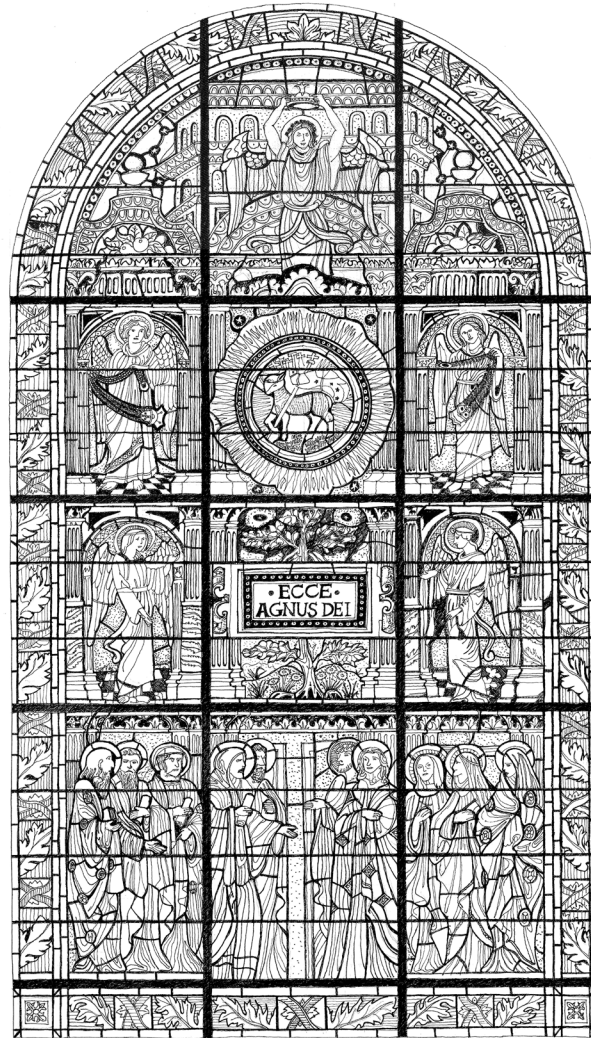


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THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HOLY COMMUNION: RITE I

NOVEMBER 29, 2020 • 10:30 AM



WELCOME

To all who are spiritually weary *and seek rest,*
to all who mourn *and long for comfort,*
to all who struggle *and desire victory,*
to all who sin *and need a Savior,*
to all who are strangers *and want fellowship,*
to all who hunger *and thirst after righteousness,*
to all who have been blessed *and wish to give thanks,*
and to whoever will come—*this church opens wide her doors*
and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

HOLY COMMUNION: RITE I

10:30 A.M.

THE PRELUDE

Adagio in E major
Eric Pickford, *organ*

Frank Bridge (1879-1941)

THE INTROIT

Matin Responsory

Richard Marlow (1939-2013)

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.

Words: translated from the First Responsory of Advent Sunday in the Office of Matins (early Medieval Roman rite)

Music: Robert Marlow, based freely on *Wachet Auf*; edited by Chris Walchesky and Patricia Gould

THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING HYMN 5

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

Helmsley

Lo! He comes with clouds descending, once for our salvation slain;

Thousand thousand saints attending swell the triumph of his train.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Christ the Lord returns to reign.

Ev'ry eye shall now behold him, robed in dreadful majesty;

Those who set at naught and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the tree,

Deeply wailing, deeply wailing, deeply wailing, shall the true Messiah see.

Those dear tokens of his passion still his dazzling body bears,

Cause of endless exultation to his ransomed worshippers;

With what rapture, with what rapture, with what rapture gaze we on those glorious scars!

Yea, Amen! Let all adore thee, high on thine eternal throne;

Saviour, take the power and glory; claim the kingdom for thine own;

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Thou shalt reign, and thou alone.

Words: Charles Wesley, 1758 alt. Music: *Helmsley* from *Select Hymns with Tunes Annexed*, 1765

THE ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the celebrant says

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

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The celebrant says

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.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

The celebrant continues

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

THE KYRIE

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

People **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people kneel.

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 people sit for the reading of God's word.

THE LESSON

Romans 8:18-25

¹⁸ For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³ And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people are invited to stand and sing the gradual hymn.

THE GRADUAL HYMN 3

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying

Wachet Auf

Wake, awake, for night is flying; the watchmen on the heights are crying,
Awake, Jerusalem, arise! Midnight's solemn hour is tolling,
His chariot wheels are nearer rolling, He comes; prepare, ye virgins wise.
Rise up, with willing feet, go forth, the Bridegroom meet: Alleluia!
Bear through the night your well-trimmed light, speed forth to join the marriage rite.

Zion hears the watchmen singing, her heart with deep delight is springing,
She wakes, she rises from her gloom: forth her Bridegroom comes, all glorious,
In grace arrayed, by truth victorious; her Star is risen, her Light is come!
All hail, Incarnate Lord, our crown, and our reward! Alleluia!
We haste along, in pomp of song, and gladsome join the marriage throng.

Lamb of God, the heav'ns adore Thee, and men and angels sing before Thee,
With harp and cymbal's clearest tone. By the pearly gates in wonder
We stand, and swell the voice of thunder, that echoes round Thy dazzling throne.
No vision ever brought, no ear hath ever caught such rejoicing:
We raise the song, we swell the throng, to praise Thee ages all along.

Words: Philip Nicolai (1556-1608). Tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878). Music: *Wachet Auf*, Philip Nicolai. Arr. and harm. J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

THE GOSPEL

Mark 13:24-37

The people remain standing. The priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.

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

Jesus said, ²⁴ "In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵ and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶ And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷ And 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. ²⁸ From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰ Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³¹ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³² But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³ Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴ 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 stay awake.
³⁵Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning—³⁶lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

After the Gospel, the priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

Night Is Flying

The Rev. Brian K. McGreevy

THE NICENE CREED

All stand and say in unison

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The leader and people kneel and pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; **that we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **that your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; **that they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; **that there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; **that our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; **that they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest; **let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; **may we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

The celebrant continues

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The celebrant and people say in unison

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

The celebrant 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 COMFORTABLE WORDS

The celebrant reads several sentences from Scripture.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. (*Matthew 11:28*) God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (*John 3:16*) This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (*1 Timothy 1:15*) If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. (*1 John 2:1-2*)

THE PEACE

All stand.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

CHORAL OFFERING

Zion Hears the Watchmen Singing
from Cantata 140
Sarah Lawrence, *violin*

J. S. Bach (1685-1750),
arr. John Shannon

Zion hears the watchmen singing, and all her heart with joy is springing,
She wakes, she rises from her gloom.
For her Lord comes down all glorious, the strong in grace, in truth victorious.
Her star is risen, her Light is come.

Ah come, Thou blessed One, God's own beloved Son;
Alleluia! We follow till the halls we see
Where Thou hast bid us sup with Thee.

Words: Phillip Nicolai, 1599, translated by Catherine Winkworth
Music: J. S. Bach (1685-1750), arr. John Shannon ©2010 St. James Music Press – www.sjmp.org – licensed permission to copy

All are invited to stand and sing

THE DOXOLOGY, HYMN 1 (S. 1)

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

Stuttgart

Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.

Text: Charles Wesley. Music: *Stuttgart* adapted from a melody by Christian Friedrich Witt

Continuing with ...

America

Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing.
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
Protect us by thy might, Great God, our King. Amen.

Music: *America*, in *Thesaurus Musicus*, 1740. Words: Samuel Francis Smith, 1832.

The celebrant faces the people and 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.**

All remain standing as the celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer. The people are invited to sing

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS, HYMN 797

Healey Willan

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.

All kneel. The celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, concluding with

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

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.

Remaining kneeling, all are invited to sing

THE AGNUS DEI, HYMN 712

Healey Willan

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

People and Celebrant

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.

Those worshiping from home may participate in the Eucharist by speaking the following words of the Prayer for Spiritual Communion.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

THE COMMUNION MUSIC

ANTHEM Never Weather-Beaten Sail

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

Never weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore,
Never tired pilgrim's limbs affected slumber more;
Than my weary sprite now longs to fly out of my troubled breast.
O come quickly, come quickly, sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest!
Ever blooming are the joys of Heav'n's high Paradise,
Cold age deaf's not there our ears, nor vapor dims our eyes;
Glory there the sun outshines; whose beams the blessed only see.
O come quickly, come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to thee!

Words: Charles Wood
Music: Thomas Campion (1567-1620)

The congregation is invited to sing the following hymns.

HYMN 391 Thy Kingdom Come on Bended Knee

St. Flavian

"Thy kingdom come!" on bended knee the passing ages pray;
And faithful souls have yearned to see on earth that kingdom's day.
But the slow watches of the night not less to God belong;
And for the everlasting right the silent stars are strong.
And lo, already on the hills the flags of dawn appear;
Gird up your loins, ye prophet souls, proclaim the day is near:
The day to whose clear shining light all wrong shall stand revealed,
When justice shall be throned in might, and every hurt be healed;
When knowledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth abroad;
The day of perfect righteousness, the promised day of God.

Text: Frederick Lucian Hosmer (1840-1929)
Music: *St. Flavian*, melody from Day's Psalter, 1562; adapt. and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

By faith we see the hand of God
 In the light of creation's grand design,
 In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
 Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
 With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts
 Of a holy city built by God's own hand,
 A place where peace and justice reign.

Refrain: We will stand as children of the promise; we will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
 Till the race is finished and the work is done, we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day
 When the longed for Messiah would appear
 With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death,
 And rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the Church was called to go
 In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost,
 To deliver captives and to preach good news
 In ev'ry corner of the earth. *Refrain*

By faith this mountain shall be moved
 And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail,
 For we know in Christ all things are possible
 For all who call upon His Name. *Refrain*

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O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
 Consider all the worlds thy hand hath made,
 I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
 Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,
 How great thou art! How great thou art!
 Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,
 How great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
 And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
 When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
 And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. *Refrain*

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
 Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
 That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
 He bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain*

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,
 And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
 Then I shall bow in humble adoration
 And there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" *Refrain*

Text: Carl G. Boberg, 1859-1940 (Swedish); trans. Stuart K. Hine, b. 1899
 Music: *O Store Gud*, Swedish folk melody, arr. ©1955 Manna Music, Inc.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people join in saying this prayer

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

All are invited to stand and sing the closing hymn.

THE CLOSING HYMN 484

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

Truro

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates; behold the King of glory waits!

The King of kings is drawing near; the Saviour of the world is here.

O blest the land, the city blest, where Christ the ruler is confessed!

O happy hearts and happy homes to whom this King of triumph comes!

Fling wide the portals of your heart; make it a temple, set apart
From earthly use for heaven's employ, adorned with prayer and love and joy.

Redeemer come! I open wide my heart to thee: here, Lord, abide!

Let me thy inner presence feel: thy grace and love in me reveal.

So come, my Sovereign; enter in! Let new and nobler life begin;

Thy Holy Spirit guide us on, until the glorious crown be won.

Text: Georg Weisell (1590-1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

Music: *Truro*, melody from Psalmodia Evangelica, Part II, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), alt.

THE DISMISSAL

The priest dismisses the people, and the people respond:

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

Fanfare

John Cook (1918-1984)



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