

# GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL

## *A Servant Church in the Heart of the City*

### The Second Sunday in Advent

December 9, 2018 • 8 a.m.

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## Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

### SERVICE NOTES

Please rise, as able, for portions of the service marked with an asterisk (\*).

*Thank you for observing silence.*

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VOLUNTARY: Nun komm der heiden Heiland, BWV 659

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

**Presider** Today we light the first and second candles of the Advent wreath. ☩ The first candle symbolizes HOPE; the second candle, PEACE.

**People** Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace.

*—Colossians 3:15*

**Presider** Let us pray.

**All** Almighty God, you offer rest for our hearts, and peace for our souls. Give us grace to seek peace in our lives, peace in this community and peace in the world. Through Jesus Christ, the prince of peace. Amen.

## The Word of God

### \* OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

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

**All** Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### \* KYRIE ELEISON

**Presider** Kyrie Eleison.

**People** Christe Eleison.

**Presider** Kyrie Eleison.

### \* COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Presider** The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

**Presider** Let us pray. Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS *All are seated. Meditative silence follows the readings.*

First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4

Lector See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 16 *spoken in unison*

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \*  
he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \*  
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old,  
that he would save us from our enemies, \*  
from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers \*  
and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \*  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear, \*  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \*  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation \*  
by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God \*  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, \*  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:3-11

Lector I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer,

that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

The Word of the Lord.

**People**            **Thanks be to God.**

\* THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 3:1-6

Gospeller        The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**People**            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Gospeller        In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Iturea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.

Every valley shall be filled,  
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,

and the crooked shall be made straight,  
and the rough ways made smooth;

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**People**            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

\* NICENE CREED

**All**                **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:**  
**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.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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.

#### \* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lector: O come, Emmanuel,

People: Hear our prayer.

#### CONFESSON AND ABSOLUTION

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins  
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all  
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in  
eternal life. Amen.

#### \* THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CELEBRATION PRAYER

*Those celebrating anniversaries of birth, marriage, and other joyous occasions are invited to come forward for prayer.*

All O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Holy Communion

## \* OFFERTORY HYMN #59: "Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding"

1 Hark! a thrill-ing voice is sound-ing: "Christ is nigh," it seems to say;  
 2 Wak-ened by the sol- emn 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.

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## \* PRESENTATION HYMN #56: "O come, O come, Emmanuel" verses 3 & 4

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

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

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!

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

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. Hymnal 1940, alt. Music: *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*, plainsong, Mode 1, Processionale, 15th cent.; adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890); acc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright: Music: Both accompaniments copyright © 1975, G.I.A. Publications, Inc. All Rights Reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-710278.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

Presider And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

### The Lord's Prayer

All 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

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### COMMUNION

- *All are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.*
- *For gluten-free bread, cross your hands palms down.*
- *For a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.*
- *Prayer for healing is offered at the prayer desk until the close of worship.*

### \* POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

All Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### \* BLESSING

\* Sending Hymn #65: "Prepare the way O Zion"



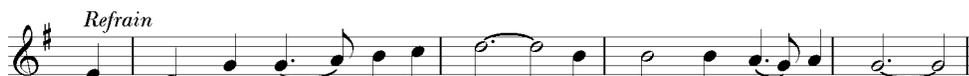
1 Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!  
 2 He brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heaven a - bove.  
 3 Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sa - vior's rule em - brace.



Let ev - ery hill and val - ley a lev - el way ap - pear.  
 His rule is peace and free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love.  
 His tid - ings of sal - va - tion pro - claim in ev - ery place.



Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry.  
 Lift high your praise re - sound - ing, for grace and joy a - bound - ing.  
 All lands will bow be - fore him, their voic - es will a - dore him.



*Refrain*  
 Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

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\* DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.  
 People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY: Lob sei den allmächtigen Gott, BWV 704

Johann Sebastian Bach

Please join us in Founders' Hall for coffee and refreshments.

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