



## THE WORD OF GOD

### Entrance Rite

#### Voluntary

J.S. Bach

Wachet Auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645

### Entrance Hymn

Lo! He comes, with clouds descending

Hymnal 1982 – 57

*Helmsley*

1 Lo! he comes, with clouds descending, once for our salvation slain;  
thousand thousand saints attending swell the triumph of his train:  
Alleluia! Christ the Lord returns to reign.

2 Every eye shall now behold him, robed in dreadful majesty;  
those who set at nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the tree,

deeply wailing, shall the true Messiah see.

3 Those dear tokens of his passion still his dazzling body bears,  
cause of endless exultation to his ransomed worshipers;  
with what rapture gaze we on those glorious scars!

4 Yea, amen! let all adore thee, high on thine eternal throne;  
Savior, take the power and glory; claim the kingdom for thine own:  
Alleluia! Thou shalt reign, and thou alone.

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### Opening Acclamation

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*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

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

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

### Collect for Purity

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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.**

### Trisagion

*See pew card.*

*The following is sung three times, all standing*

**Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty One,  
Holy Immortal One, Have mercy on us.**

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your 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 living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

*The people sit.*

### The First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come  
the mountain of the Lord's house  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be raised above the hills;  
all the nations shall stream to it.  
Many peoples shall come and say,  
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,  
to the house of the God of Jacob;  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.'



- 3 Jerusalem is built as a city \*  
that is at unity with itself; **Antiphon**
- 4 To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, \*  
the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord.
- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, \*  
the thrones of the house of David. **Antiphon**
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: \*  
“May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls \*  
and quietness within your towers. **Antiphon**
- 8 For my brethren and companions’ sake, \*  
I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the Lord our God, \*  
I will seek to do you good.” **Antiphon**

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## The Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

*Remain seated.*

A Reading from Paul’s letter to the Romans.

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

*All stand.*

Hymnal 1982 – 11

Awake, my soul, and with the sun

*Morning Hymn*

1 Awake, my soul, and with the sun  
thy daily stage of duty run;  
shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise  
to pay thy morning sacrifice:

2 Lord, I my vows to thee renew;  
disperse my sins as morning dew;  
guard my first springs of thought and will,  
and with thyself my spirit fill.

3 Direct, control, suggest, this day,  
all I design, or do, or say;  
that all my powers, with all their might,  
in thy sole glory may unite.

4 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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## The Gospel

*All remain standing.*

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

### Matthew 24:36-44

Jesus said to the disciples, “But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Sermon

Emily Badgett

## The Nicene Creed

*All stand.*

**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.**

## The Prayers of the People

*All remain standing.*

*From Praying the Scriptures, by Jeremiah D. Williamson*

Intercessor: People of God, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord. Let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Teach us your ways, O God, *that we may walk in your paths.*”

Wake from sleep, O God, your Church. Let us lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us live honorably as salvation draws ever nearer.

*Silence.*

Teach us your ways, O God,

People: **That we may walk in your paths.**

Intercessor: Wake from sleep, O God, this nation. May we beat our swords into plowshares, and our spears into pruning hooks. May we learn war no more. *Silence.*

Teach us your ways, O God,

People: **That we may walk in your paths.**

Intercessor: Wake from sleep, O God, your creation. May the mountains rise to meet you and the crops of the fields burst forth in praise. *Silence.*

Teach us your ways, O God,

People: **That we may walk in your paths.**

Intercessor: Wake from sleep, O God, this city. May there be peace and prosperity within our walls. Make clear our paths that we may walk in your light. *Silence.*

Teach us your ways, O God,

People: **That we may walk in your paths.**

Intercessor: Wake from sleep, O God, those in pain and sadness. Deliver them from their darkness that they may rejoice in your light. May all those waiting for healing find your salvation is near. *The people are invited to add their petitions and thanksgivings, followed by silence.*

Teach us your ways, O God,

People: **That we may walk in your paths.**

Intercessor: Wake all your people from sleep, O God. Prepare your saints for that day when the Son of Man will return, with the saints at rest, to reign with us forever and ever. *Silence.*

Teach us your ways, O God,

People: **That we may walk in your paths.**

*Silence. Then, the Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

## Confession of Sin

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*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and 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.**

*The Priest stands and says*

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

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*All stand*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

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*The Celebrant says*

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

Offertory Anthem

Johann Walther/Mark Schweizer

Zion hears the watchmen singing

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 blessèd One, God's own belovèd Son:

Alleluia! We follow till the hills we see  
Where Thou hast bid us sup with Thee.

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## Presentation of Gifts

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord.

People: **And of thine own have we given thee.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

### Sursum Corda

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*The People remain standing.*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds.*

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:

Sanctus

Russian Orthodox

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

*The People stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

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,

Memorial Acclamation

Russian Orthodox

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

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 [\_\_\_\_\_ and] 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.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

The Great Amen

Russian Orthodox

## The Lord's Prayer

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

*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.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Angus Dei

Russian Orthodox

Jesus, Lamb of God, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, redeemer of the world, **give us your peace.**

## Invitation

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## Spiritual Communion Prayer

*A prayer for those joining online to be unified in Communion with Christ.*

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and

thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

### Communion Hymn

Hymnal 1982 – 615

“Thy kingdom come!” On bended knee

*St. Flavian*

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

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## The Post-Communion Prayer

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*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Blessing

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## Announcements

## Closing Hymn

Hymnal 1982 – 61

“Sleepers, wake!” A voice astounds us

*Wachet auf*

- 1 “Sleepers, wake!” A voice astounds us, the shout of rampart guards surrounds us:  
“Awake, Jerusalem, arise!” Midnight’s peace their cry has broken,  
their urgent summons clearly spoken: “The time has come, O maidens wise!  
Rise up, and give us light; the Bridegroom is in sight. Alleluia!  
Your lamps prepare and hasten there, that you the wedding feast may share.”
- 2 Zion hears the watchmen singing; her heart with joyful hope is springing,

she wakes and hurries through the night. Forth he comes, her Bridegroom glorious  
in strength of grace, in truth victorious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.

Now come, most worthy Lord, God's Son, Incarnate Word, Alleluia!

We follow all and heed your call to come into the banquet hall.

3 Lamb of God, the heavens adore you; let saints and angels sing before you,  
as harps and cymbals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the city's portals:  
through them we stream to join the immortals as we with joy your throne surround.

No eye has known the sight, no ear heard such delight: Alleluia!

Therefore we sing to greet our King; for ever let our praises ring.

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Dismissal

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Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary

arr. A.D. Miller

Wachet Auf, ruft uns die Stimme

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## Note on Today's Readings | *The First Sunday in Advent – Year A*

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**Welcome to All Saints' Episcopal Church.** On this Advent Sunday, the liturgy is centered on the second Advent of Christ, when he will return as judge and establish the Kingdom of God. In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells his followers that his return will be sudden and with no warning. Therefore, we are to live at all times as though his return is imminent.

In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah foresees that Kingdom as God's reign over a united and peaceful humanity. All people will know themselves to be the children of God and brothers and sisters to all other people.

The second reading from Romans exhorts us to live as though we were in the last days. We are to live as though the Kingdom has come; shunning darkness and living in the light of God's presence.

The Advent theme that points to Jesus' first coming in his birth becomes the sign for us of the Advent yet to come. As we gather in the Eucharist, we find in our liturgical action a foretaste of the unity and peace of God's Kingdom. We recognize that in this in-between time (between Jesus' first coming and his second) we ourselves are caught up in the Eucharist into the Kingdom.

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*You are Invited! All are Welcome!*

November 27 – First Sunday of Advent  
*Advent Wreath Making at 10 AM*

December 4 – Second Sunday of Advent  
*St. Nicholas Activities at 10 AM*

December 11 – Third Sunday of Advent  
*Family Advent Lesson: Joy at 10 AM*

December 11 – Advent Lessons and Carols – 5 PM

December 18 – Fourth Sunday of Advent  
*Bishop's Visitation*

December 21 – Service of Light – 7 PM  
*Christine Van Arsdale, Harpist*

December 23 – Hanging of the Greens – 10 AM

December 24 – Christmas Eve Family Service – 4 PM

December 24 – Nativity of our Lord – 9 PM

December 25 – Christmas Day  
*Christmas Lessons & Carols – Holy Eucharist – 10 AM*

January 1 – New Year's Day  
*First Sunday after Christmas – Holy Eucharist – 10 AM*

January 6 – Epiphany  
*Activities TBA*

January 8 – First Sunday after the Epiphany – 9 & 11:10 AM



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