

Second Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER 5, 2021



A voice of one crying out in the desert:

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.” -*Luke 3:1-6*

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ENTRANCE HYMN

Sing Out, Earth and Skies!

Verses



1. Come, O God of all the earth: Come to us, O
2. Come, O God of wind and flame: Fill the earth with
3. Come, O God of flash-ing light: Twin - kling star and
4. Come, O God of snow and rain: Show - er down up -
5. Come, O Jus - tice, Come, O Peace: Come and shape our



Right - eous One; Come, and bring our love to birth:
right - eous - ness; Teach us all to sing your name:
burn - ing sun; God of day and God of night:
on the earth; Come, O God of joy and pain:
hearts a - new; Come and make op - pres - sion cease:



In the glo - ry of your Son.
May our lives your love con - fess.
In your light we all are one.
God of sor - row, God of mirth.
Bring us all to life in you.

Refrain



Sing out, earth and skies! Sing of the God who



loves you! Raise your joy - ful cries!



Dance to the life a - round you!

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Tune: SING OUT, 7 7 7 7 with refrain; Marty Haugen, b.1950
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PENITENTIAL ACT

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. ~or~
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Baruch (BAR 5:1-9)

Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on the splendor of glory from God forever: wrapped in the cloak of justice from God, bear on your head the mitre that displays the glory of the eternal name. For God will show all the earth your splendor: you will be named by God forever the peace of justice, the glory of God's worship. Up, Jerusalem! stand upon the heights; look to the east and see your children gathered from the east and the west at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that they are remembered by God. Led away on foot by their enemies they left you: but God will bring them back to you borne aloft in glory as on royal thrones. For God has commanded that every lofty mountain be made low, and that the age-old depths and gorges be filled to level ground, that Israel may advance secure in the glory of God. The forests and every fragrant kind of tree have overshadowed Israel at God's command; for God is leading Israel in joy by the light of his glory, with his mercy and justice for company.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

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When the LORD brought back the captives of Zion, we were like men dreaming.
Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with rejoicing. **R/.**

Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."
The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad indeed. **R/.**

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the torrents in the southern desert.
Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing. **R/.**

Although they go forth weeping, carrying the seed to be sown,
They shall come back rejoicing, carrying their sheaves. **R/.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians (PHIL 1:4-6, 8-11)

Brothers and sisters: I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus. God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

R. Alleluia, alleluia

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:
all flesh shall see the salvation of God. **R.**

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (LK 3:1-6)

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert. John went throughout the whole region of 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:

A voice of one crying out in the desert:

“Prepare the way of the Lord,

make straight his paths.

Every valley shall be filled

and every mountain and hill shall be made low.

The winding roads shall be made straight,

and the rough ways made smooth,

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

~or~

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

General Intercessions

WAITING IN SILENCE

Carey Landry



1-5. Wait-ing in si - lence, wait-ing in hope; we are your



1. peo-ple, we long for you, Lord. God ev - er with us, Em - man - u -
2. peo-ple, we trust in your love. O Sun of Jus - tice, true Prince of
3. peo-ple, Lord, we seek your truth. Wis - dom In - car - nate, teach us your
4. peo-ple, we long for new life. O Key of Da - vid, o - pen our
5. peo-ple, our hearts thirst for you. Flow - er of Jes - se, bloom in our



1. el, Come, Lord Je - sus,
2. Peace, Come with your jus - tice, Lord,
3. way; Show us the path of life,
4. hearts. Give us new vi - sion, Lord,
5. midst. Make us your gar - den, Lord,

} Ma-ra-na - tha!

† Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R/. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

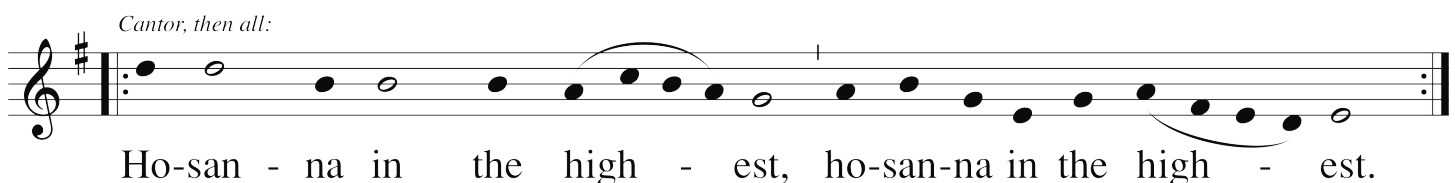
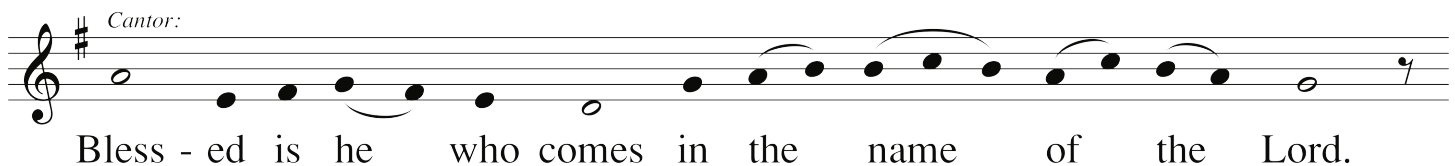
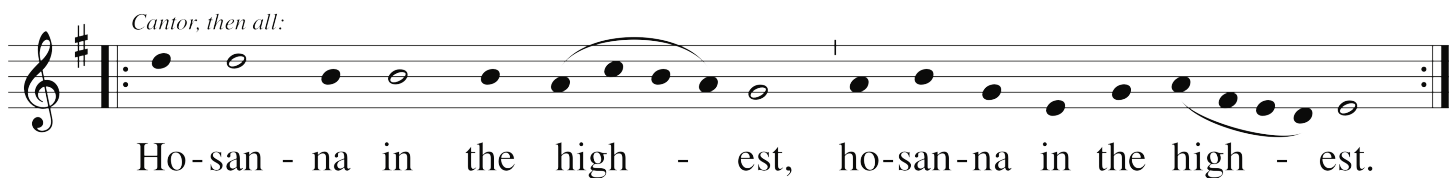
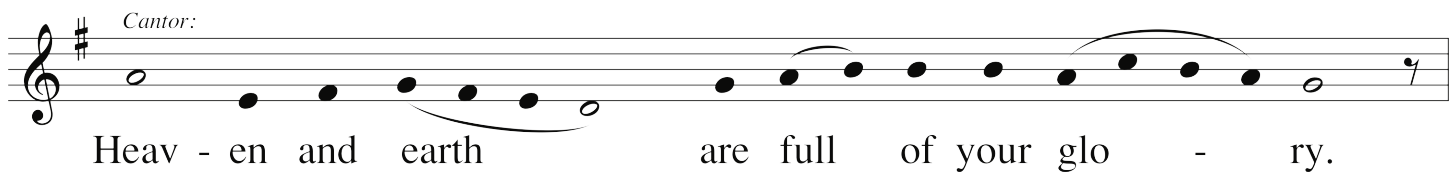
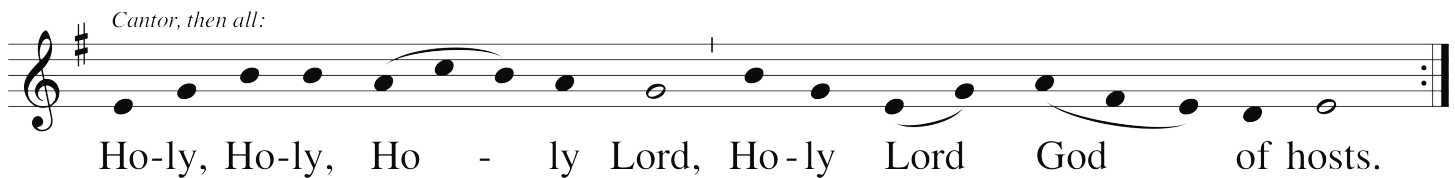
PREFACE

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right and just.**

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY–MISSA EMMANUEL



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION A

Cantor, then all:

We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your

Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

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AMEN

Cantor, then all:

A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.

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Lamb of God

Cantor:

Lamb of God, Lamb of God: you take a-way the sins of the

Assembly:

world, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

Cantor:

Lamb of God, Lamb of God: you take a-way the sins of the

Assembly:

world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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SATURDAY'S COMMUNION

A MORNING STAR DRAWS NEAR THE EARTH

Mary Louise Bringle

MORNING SONG
Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, 1813



1. A morn - ing star draws near the earth to
2. All you, bap - tized in cleans - ing streams, re -
3. We shall not sow our fields in vain, nor
4. On all the ho - ly mount of God, no
5. "Pre - pare a path - way for our God!" pro -



hail the ris - ing dawn. "Pre -
pent and turn from sin. A
tend, that oth - ers reap. Our
e - vil shall de - stroy. Our
claims the ser - vant John. Our



pare a path - way for our God!" pro -
Liv - ing Foun - tain - head now springs; new
vines shall bloom, Je - ru - sa - lem. Our
mouths shall fill with laugh - ter's grace; our
long - a - wait - ed Day - star breaks, and

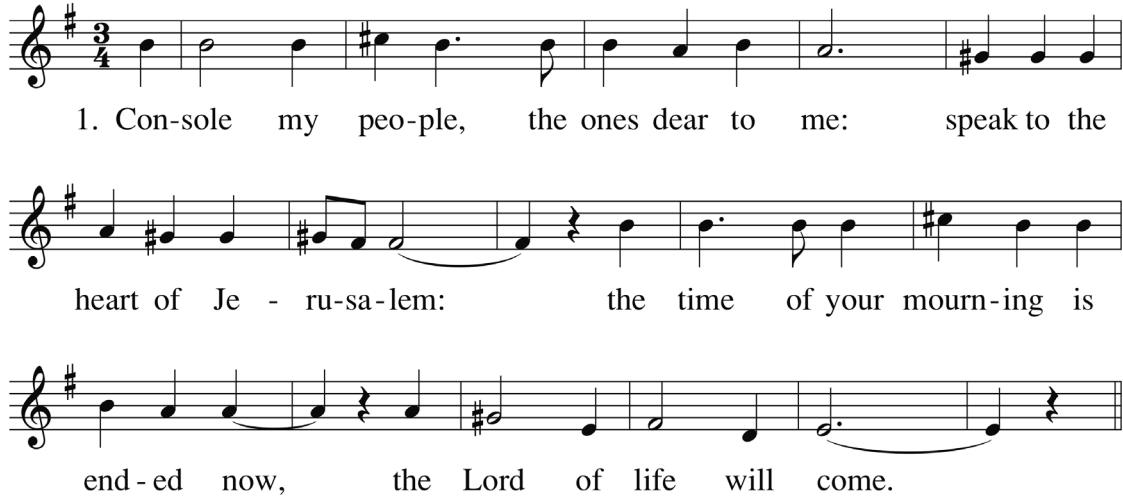


claims the ser - vant John.
heav'n and earth be - gin!
hearts, no long - er weep!
tongues, with songs of joy!
soon shall come the dawn!

SUNDAY'S COMMUNION

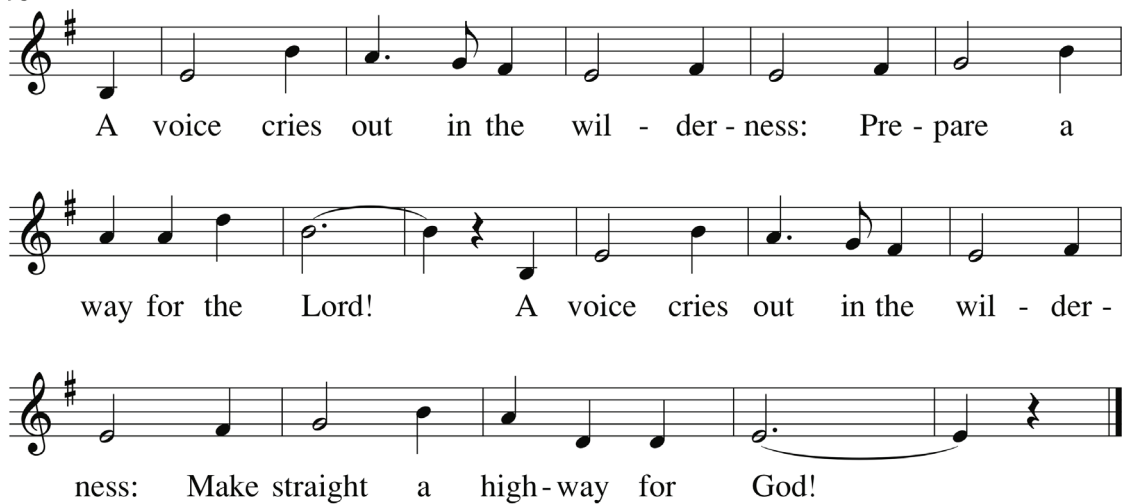
A Voice Cries Out

Verse 1



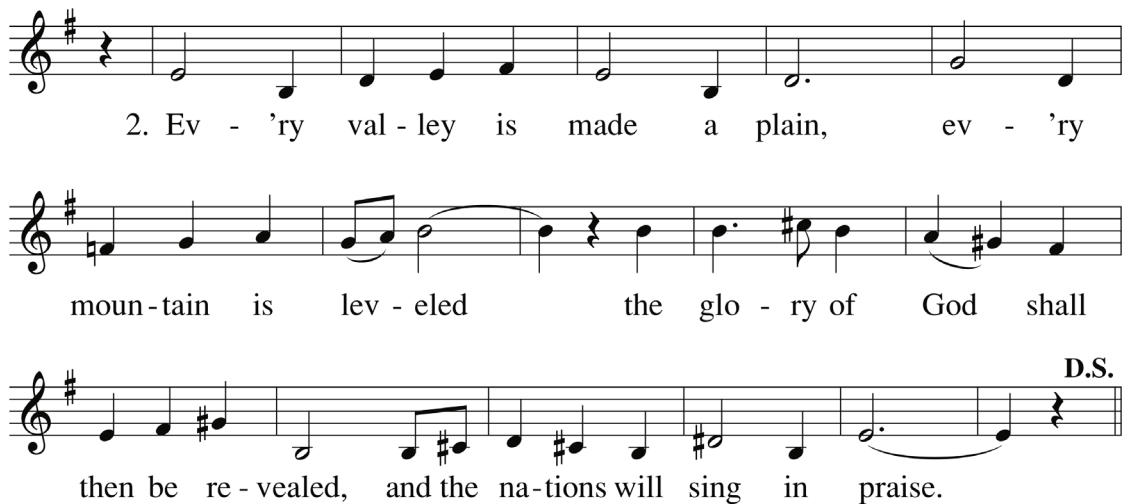
1. Con-sole my peo-ple, the ones dear to me: speak to the
heart of Je - ru-sa-lem: the time of your mourn-ing is
end-ed now, the Lord of life will come.

Refrain



A voice cries out in the wil - der - ness: Pre - pare a
way for the Lord! A voice cries out in the wil - der -
ness: Make straight a high-way for God!

Verse 2



2. Ev - 'ry val - ley is made a plain, ev - 'ry
moun-tain is lev - eled the glo - ry of God shall
then be re - vealed, and the na-tions will sing in praise. **D.S.**

SUNDAY'S COMMUNION CONT.

Verse 3



3. A voice shouts: "Cry!" O what shall I cry? All flesh is like



grass and its flow - ers: the grass may with - er, the



D.S.

flow - er may fade, but the Word of the Lord is for - ev - er.

Verse 4



4. Zi - on, shout from the moun - tain top, lift up your



voice O Je - ru - sa - lem, and say to the peo - ple of



D.S.

God's own land, "Be - hold, be - hold your God!"

Verse 5



5. The Lord will ap - pear as a shep - herd, hold - ing his



lambs in his arms, keep - ing his flock so



D.S.

close to his heart lead - ing them all, old and young.

CLOSING SONG

COME, THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS

STUTTGART



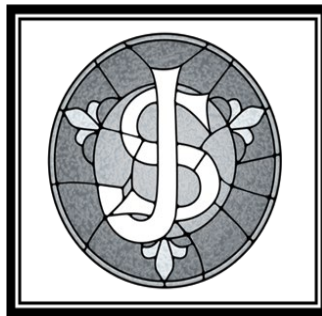
1. Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je-sus, Born to set thy peo - ple free!
2. Is - rael's strength and con-so - la-tion, Hope of all the earth thou art;
3. Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, Born a child, and yet a king:
4. By thine own e - ter-nal Spir-it Rule in all our hearts a-lone;



1. From our fears and sins re-lease us, Let us find our rest in thee.
2. Dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, Joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
3. Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now thy gra-cious king-dom bring.
4. By thine all - suf - fi-cient mer - it Raise us to thy glo-rious throne.

Text: 87 87; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788.

Music: Christian F. Witt's *Psalmodia Sacra*, 1715; adapt. by Henry J. Gauntlett, 1805–1876.



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