First Sunday of Advent



Liturgy of the Advent Wreath
&
Holy Eucharist at 10:00am

29 November 2026

Trinity Episcopal Church
Wilmington, Delaware
in
The Episcopal Diocese of Delaware

Welcome!!!
We are Glad you are Here

Nursery

For those with small children, we have staff available for the 10.00am and 12.00noon Services in the Nursery Room.

Lectionary Cartoon Inserts for Children

(available on the low table at the rear of the nave)

The Sunday Paper Junior, an 8½ x 14" double-sided sheet, folded into a leaflet form serves as a children's bulletin for preschool through third or fourth grade, features one lesson (usually the Holy Gospel) in big, bold artwork, with a simple story line, a note to parents, and an activity page designed to stir children's imagination requiring a pencil or crayon.

The Sunday Paper, a single side, 8½ x 14" sheet that appeals to intermediate through junior high school students, presents one lesson (usually the Holy Gospel) as a two-line cartoon. The Old Testament Reading, the Epistle and the Psalm are presented as single vignettes.

"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me." *……Mark 9.37*

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INTRODUCTIONS TO TODAY'S LESSONS

Isaiah 64.1-9

Our reading is from a psalm written shortly after return from Exile – to a desolate parcel of land. Long ago, during the Exodus, God cared for his people, but now they feel deserted by him.

1 Corinthians 1.3-9

Paul has just begun his letter to the Christians at Corinth. He writes to those "called to be saints", reminding them of the grace that has been given to them as they await the return of Christ.

Mark 13.24-37

After predicting the destruction of the Temple, Jesus is asked by Peter, James, John and Andrew when the end of the era will come and what will show that the end of the era is near. Our reading is the concluding part of his answer.

OREMUS

Week of Sunday, November 29th to Saturday, December 5th, 2026

This list combines all the prayer and thanksgiving requests we have received for this week, along with "cycles" of prayer for the Anglican Communion, the Episcopal Church, and the Diocese of Delaware (The Episcopal Church in Delaware). We invite you to have your prayer requests and thanksgivings listed by calling the Parish Office at 302.652.8605 or sending an email to office@TrinityParishDE.org or contacting Fr Kirtley at FrKirtley@TrinityParishDE.org. Names will remain on the list for a period of two weeks. Should you wish for a name to be renewed, please contact the Parish Office with a status update.

In addition to being listed here, those who are sick or have special needs will be mentioned by Christian name in the Prayers of the People at each liturgical service. Anyone who has died this week will be remembered by using their full name.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui.

For the Church: Kevin our Bishop Diocesan, Sean our Presiding Bishop and Primate, Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Primates of the Anglican Communion and the Anglican Consultative Council, Diocese of Lund (Church of Sweden).

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: All Clergy and their families.

Rector Search Committee, Trinity Forward: Greg, Rachel, Betsy, Steve, Brian, Doug, Angelica, Toni.

Spiritual Relationship: Our Future Christian Childcare Center at Old Swedes.

Ministry Partners: Old Swedes Foundation, First State National Historical Park, Eastside Thrive.

For Government Leaders: Donald our President; Matt our Governor; John our Mayor.

For Health and Healing: Jim, Andy, Phil, Tristina, Jack, Vanessa, Mercedes, Diane, Serena, Greg, Florence, Chuck, Ruth, Wayne, Luciana, Stephanie, Sue, Gabriela, Sean, Marilyn, Antonio de Jesús, Magdalena, John, Ruby, Charlie, Calvin, Chris, Camila Sarahi, Paul, Marilyn S., Paul, Barbara, Bob E.,

For Safe and Healthy Pregnancy:

For Anniversary of their Birth: Deborah, Angelina, Douglas, Trini, Rosa, Ranferis, Alexandra, Lio

For those preparing for Marriage: Michael & Victoria

For those celebrating the Anniversary of their Marriage:

For the Repose of the Soul on the Anniversary of their Year's Mind:

For those who have Died:

Altar Flowers

The Nave Altar flowers today are given to the Greater Glory of God by Joanne Barton with grateful thanks for the kindness and fellowship enjoyed at Trinity Parish.

Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Parish (Trinity Church and Old Swedes Church). *We are glad you are here! We are a congregation of the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware. The Episcopal Church welcomes all who worship Jesus Christ, in 106 dioceses and one mission area in 22 nations or territories. The Episcopal Church is one of 42 autonomous Member Churches, also known as Provinces, of the Anglican Communion, a global family of churches serving communities and proclaiming the Good News in more than 165 countries.*

This leaflet is your guide to the liturgy and contains all the material needed for this service.

Please turn off all electronic paging devices and cellular telephones and observe silence before the start of the liturgy. Thank You.

Please join in saying together the congregational responses printed in ***bold*** *type.*

The Gathering of the Community

Please observe **silence.**

Please observe silence.

Handbells Prelude Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel Tune: *Veni Emmanuel*
15th Century French Processional, Plainsong, Mode I
Setting: John H. Behnke

Please remain seated.

Welcome to Trinity Parish and Introduction

The Celebrant welcomes the congregation and introduces the service with these words.

Dear Friends, the time of Advent is once more upon us. In the coming days and weeks we will recall God's plan of salvation when he prepared his chosen people to receive his Son; we shall recall that we today are called to bring Christ to birth in our world and that we must renew our commitment during these weeks to being his disciples; we shall remind ourselves that he shall come again at the end of time, judging the living and the dead.

Greeting *Please stand, as able.*

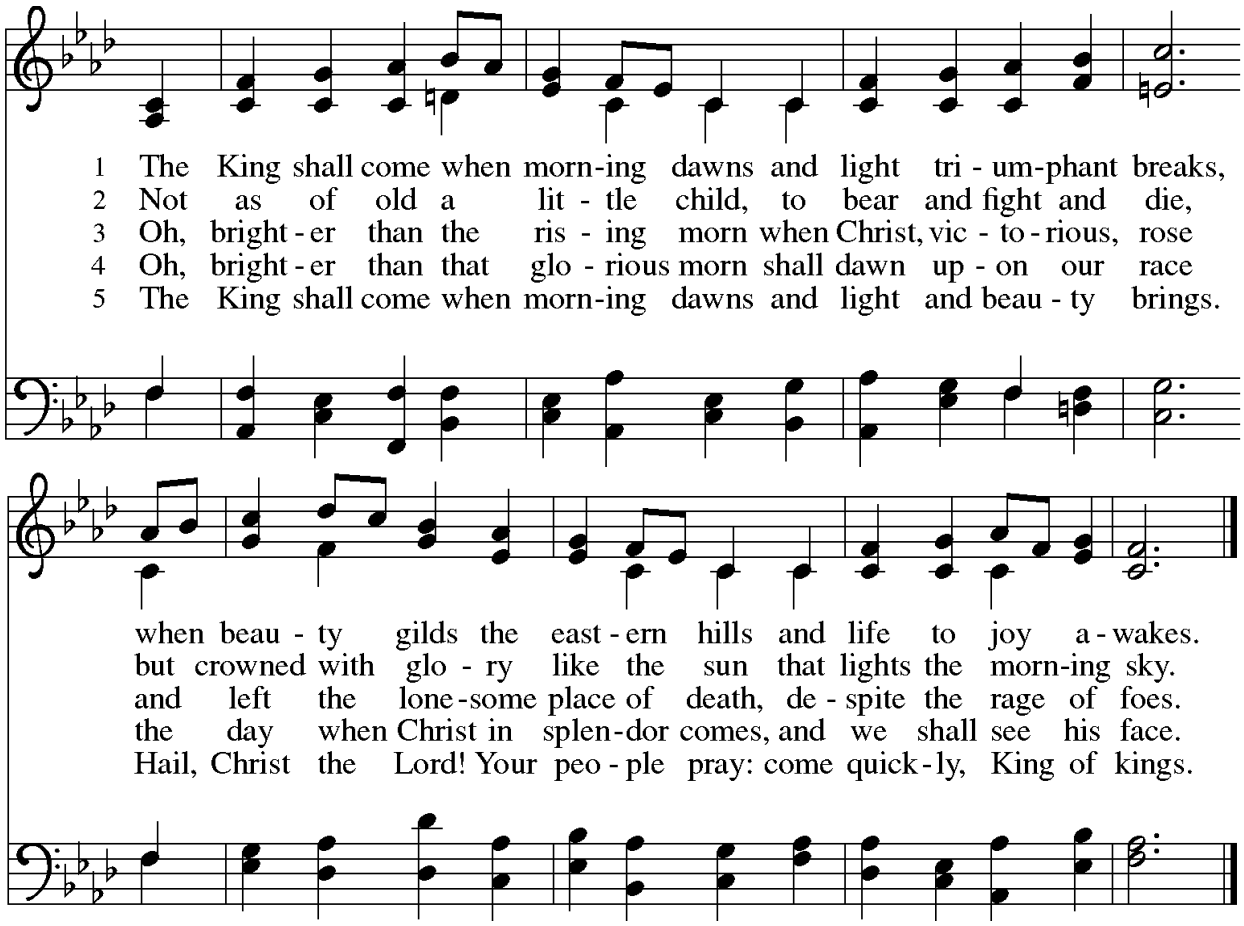
The Celebrant proclaims

† Blessed be the one, holy and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN The King Shall Come

remain standing, as able; sung by all



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Music: CONSOLATION, A. Davisson, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816;
arr. Theodore A. Beck (1929-2003)

THE LITURGY OF THE ADVENT WREATH

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

All pray in silence for a space.

ALMIGHTY GOD, we pray you to bless ✝ this Advent Wreath and make it holy. Today we begin to recall how your Son's coming was proclaimed by all the prophets; how the virgin mother bore him in her womb with love beyond all telling; and how John the Baptist was his herald and made him known when at last he came. Grant that this time of preparation will increase our holiness and give us new strength to follow in your Son's way. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please remain standing, as able.

The custom of lighting candles on a decorated wreath comes to us from the Lutheran Church in Scandinavia. Like the Christmas tree, the Advent wreath has its origins in pre-Christian festivals of light which celebrated the winter solstice. In recent years its use has become widespread in most Christian churches in the West as a reminder of our time of preparation for the coming of Christ, both at Bethlehem and at the end of the world.

The Advent Wreath has four red or blue candles in a ring around a white or gold candle. Alternatively, there may be three purple candles, reflecting the liturgical color for Advent, with a pink candle for the Third Sunday, when rose-pink vestments are traditionally worn. The royal colors of purple and blue are in honor of Christ's kingship.

Each Sunday of Advent a new candle is lit with prayer, until all four are lit on the Sunday before Christmas. A fifth candle in the center of the wreath is lit for Christmas. This Christ candle is lit until the Epiphany, when the wreath is put away.

ADVENT'S HOLY LIGHT – HOPE

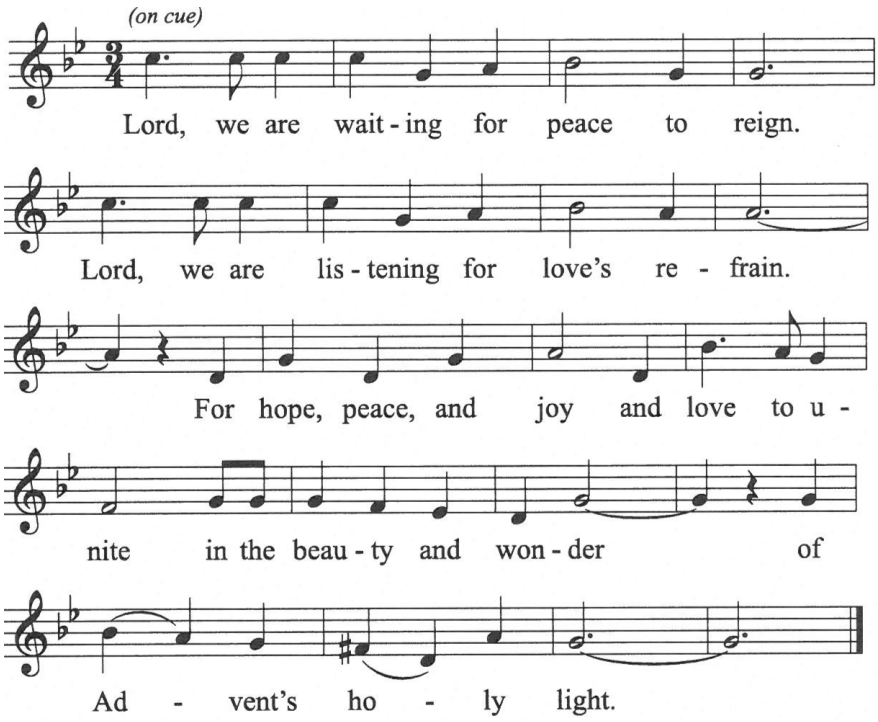
Joel Raney

The Choir sings

As we watch for the dawn of a brighter day,
A candle of hope lights the way.

As we look for the signs of the promised birth,
Of a Savior who brings heaven to earth.

Choir and Congregation sing REFRAIN



The first candle is lit.

Reader Our Advent journey begins today with the lighting of the first candle, the candle of Hope. Like the flame of a candle, may hope be ignited in our hearts, reminding us that brighter days are ahead.

For those of us facing difficult challenges

People **Ignite our hearts with hope.**

Reader For the end of wars wreaking havoc and pain in our world

People **Ignite our hearts with hope.**

Reader For safety for those fleeing the tyranny of oppression

People **Ignite our hearts with hope.**

Reader For the light of forgiveness to shine in our hearts

People **Ignite our hearts with hope.**

Celebrant Gracious Creator, in moments of uncertainty, we turn to you with hearts heavy but hopeful. Grant us the strength to navigate challenges, the wisdom to see possibilities, and the courage to embrace the journey ahead. May hope be our guiding light, leading us to a future filled with grace, love, and possibilities beyond our imagining. **Amen.**

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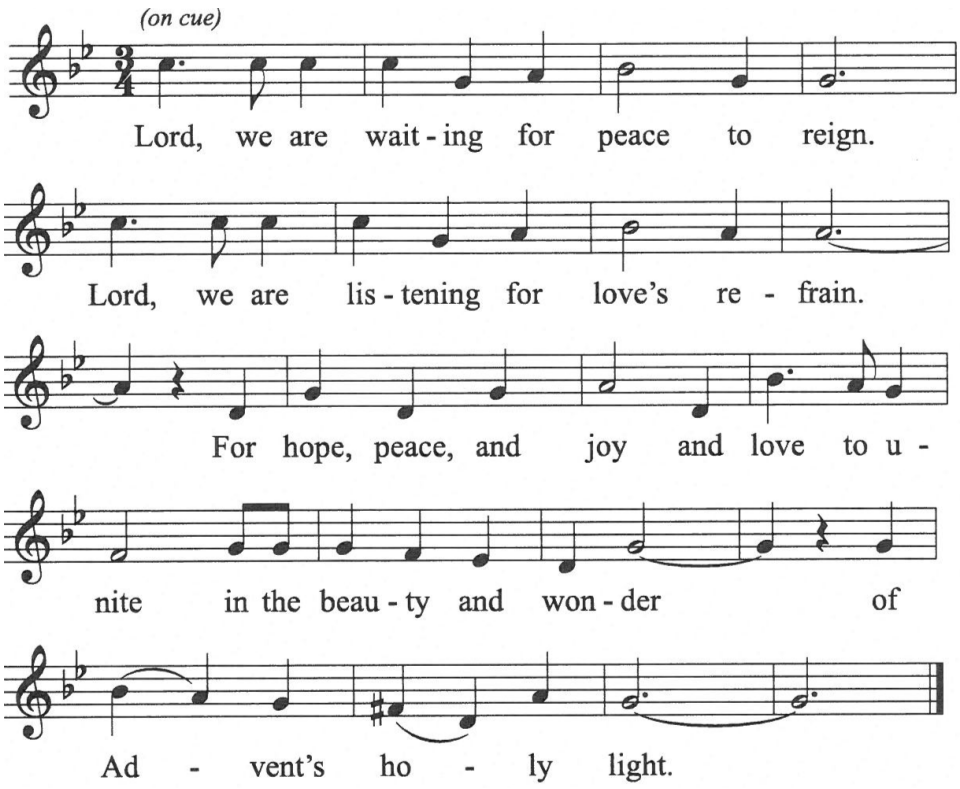


The Choir sings

Advent's holy light.

COLLECT OF THE DAY *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

All pray in silence for a space.

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.**

Please be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

HEBREW SCRIPTURE Isaiah 64.1-9

The Lector first says
A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

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.

After the Lesson, the Lector says
The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

A period of silence is kept.

GRADUAL PSALM 80.1-7,16-18 *Qui regis Israel*

The Congregation remains seated. The psalm is recited in unison.

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
2 **In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, ***
stir up your strength and come to help us.

3 **Restore us, O God of hosts; ***
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
4 **O LORD God of hosts, ***
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?
5 **You have fed them with the bread of tears; ***
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
6 **You have made us the derision of our neighbors, ***
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
7 **Restore us, O God of hosts; ***
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
16 **Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, ***
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
17 **And so will we never turn away from you; ***
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
18 **Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; ***
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Please remain seated. A period of silence is kept.

THE EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 1.3-9

The Lector first says
A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

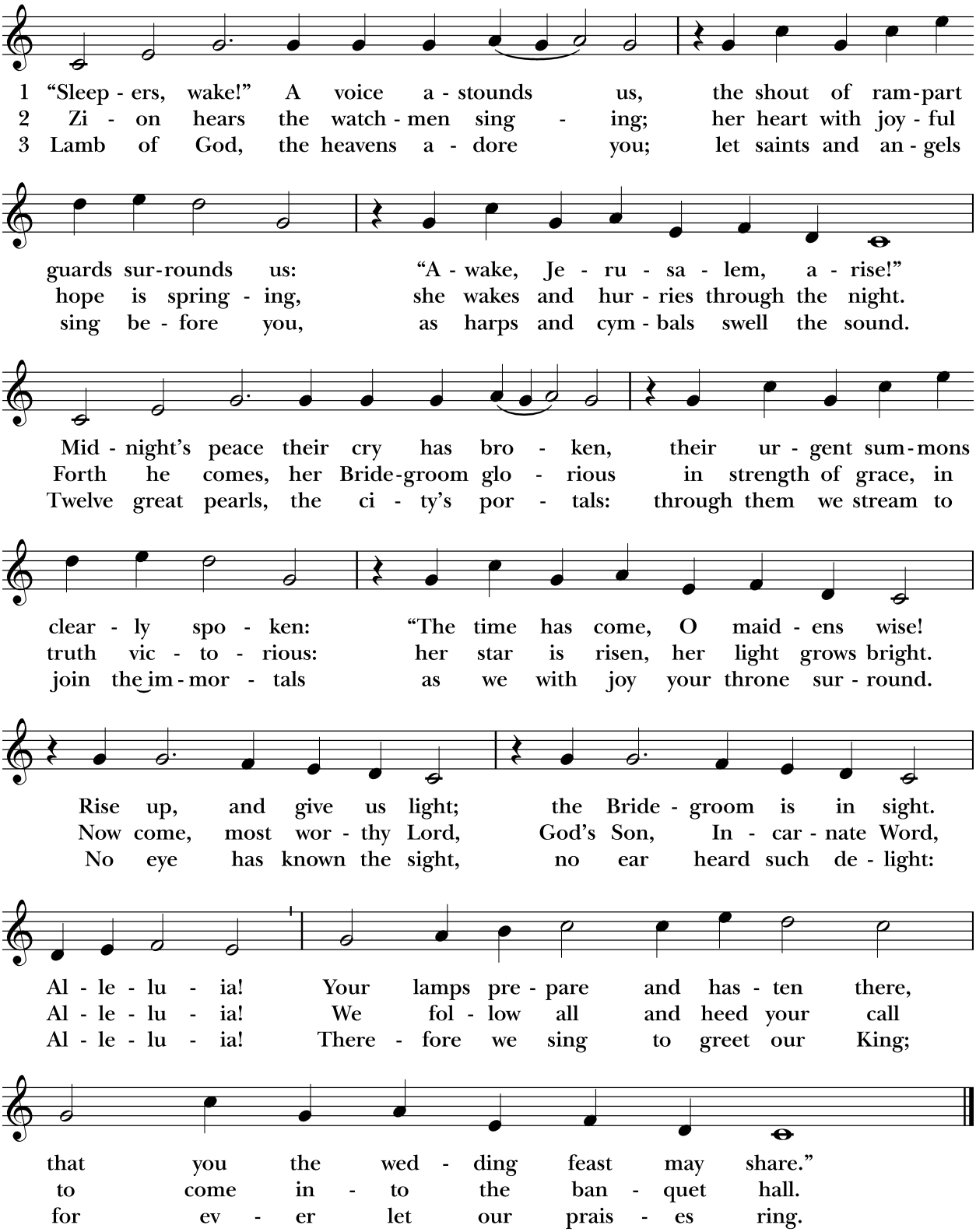
GRACE TO YOU AND PEACE from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has 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.

After the Lesson, the Lector says
The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

A period of silence is kept.

HYMN AT THE GOSPEL "Sleepers, Wake!" A Voice Astounds Us

Please stand, as able; sung by all



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Music: *Wachet auf,* melody Hans Sachs (1494-1576);
adapt. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608); harm. Jakob Praetorius (1586-1651)

THE HOLY GOSPEL *remain standing, as able* Mark 13.24-37

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The † Holy Gospel of our † Lord Jesus Christ † according to Mark.

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

JESUS SAID, "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 slaves 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."

After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON The Rev'd Dr Kirtley Yearwood SR

A period of silent reflection is kept.

THE NICENE CREED *standing, as able; said by 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 *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant bids the Intercessions with these words

IN JOYFUL EXPECTATION of his coming to our aid we pray to Jesus.

Silence

The intercessor then leads the Prayers

COME to your Church as Lord and judge.
We pray for Kevin our Bishop Diocesan, Sean our Presiding Bishop and Primate, Sarah Archbishop of Canterbury; the Primates of the Anglican Communion and the Anglican Consultative Council; for the Diocese of Lund in the Church of Swedes; in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, for the Anglican Church in Hong Kong and Macao; in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, for All Clergy and their families; for Kirtley and Christopher our Priests; our Staff, and Wardens and Vestry of our Parish; the Our Future Christian Childcare Center at Old Swedes, Old Swedes Foundation, First State National Historical Park, and Eastside Thrive.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to your world as King of the nations.
We pray for the United Nations.
Before you rulers will stand in silence.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to the hearts of those celebrating the anniversary of their birth this week,
Deborah, Angelina, Douglas, Trini, Rosa, Ranferis, Alexandra, Lio
for those preparing for marriage,
Michael & Victoria,
that they may grow in wisdom and grace,
and be strengthened to trust in your goodness.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to the suffering as Savior and comforter.
We pray for Jim, Andy, Phil, Tristina, Jack, Vanessa, Mercedes, Diane, Serena, Greg, Florence, Chuck, Ruth, Wayne, Luciana, Stephanie, Sue, Gabriela, Sean, Marilyn, Antonio de Jesús, Magdalena, John, Ruby, Charlie, Calvin, Chris, Camila Sarahi, Paul, Marilyn S., Paul, Barbara, Bob E.
Break into our lives, where we struggle with sickness and distress, and set us free to serve you for ever.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to us as shepherd and guardian of our souls.
Give us with all the faithful departed a share in your victory over evil and death.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come from heaven, Lord Jesus, with power and great glory.
Lift us up to meet you, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints and angels we may live and reign with you in your new creation.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Silence

At the end of the Intercessions, the Celebrant adds the following concluding Collect.

COME, LORD JESUS, do not delay; give new courage to your people, who trust in your love. By your coming, raise us to share in the joy of your kingdom on earth as in heaven, where you live and reign with the Father and the Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE PEACE *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please be seated.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE *remain seated*

An Offering of money is collected for the work of mission and ministry OR you may scan the QR Code below:

If you would like to give online to Trinity Parish, please scan the QR code on the right.

The gifts of bread and wine are brought forward as the Choir sings the following:

OFFERTORY ANTHEM E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come Music: Paul Manz

Text: Revelation 22, *adapted by* Ruth Manz

Peace be to you and grace from him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood
That we might saved be.

Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
The Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
Sing holy, holy, Lord!

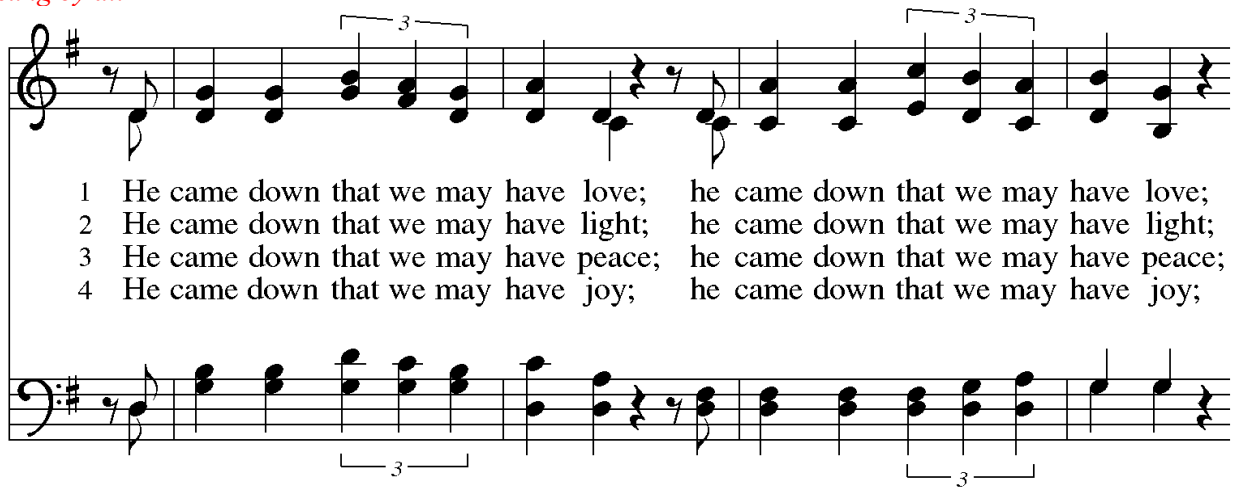
Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon,
For Christ is coming soon!

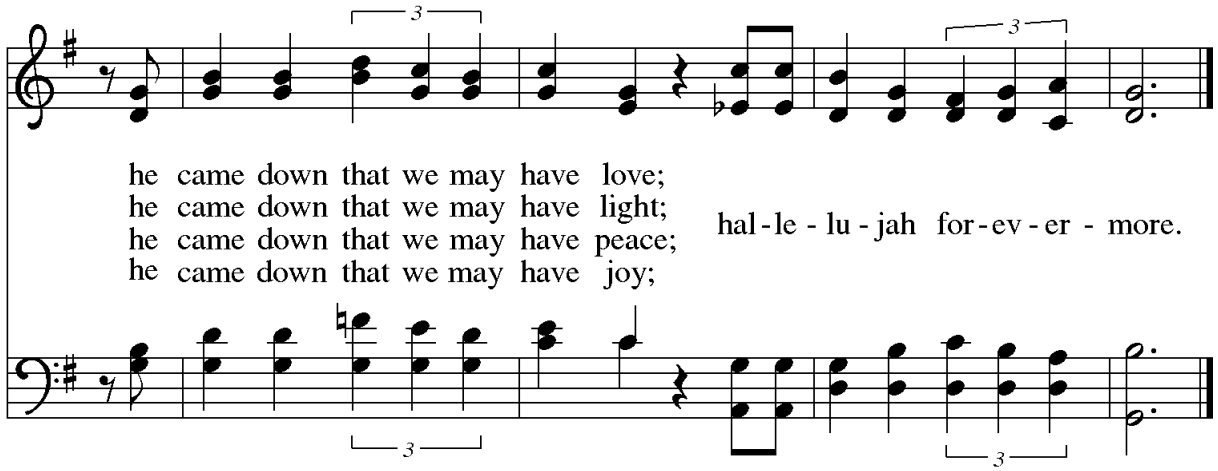
E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!

Please stand, as able, as the alms are brought forward.

HYMN AT PRESENTATION OF GIFTS He Came Down

sung by all





Words: Cameroon traditional
Music: *He Came Down*, Cameroon traditional, arr. John L. Bell (b. 1949)

Sursum Corda

The people standing, as able. The Celebrant says,

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 our thanks and praise.**

Preface of Advent

Then, the Celebrant proceeds

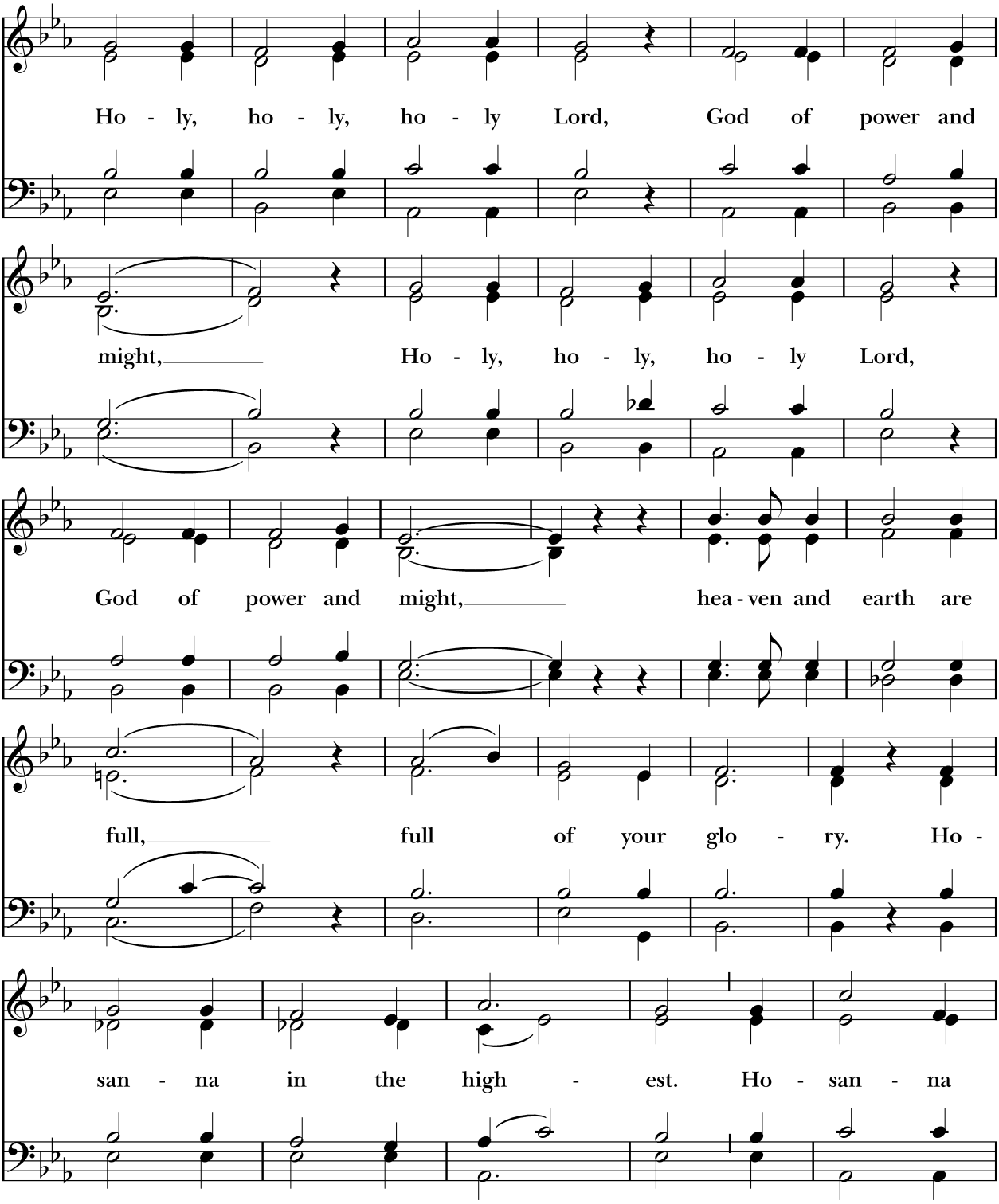
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

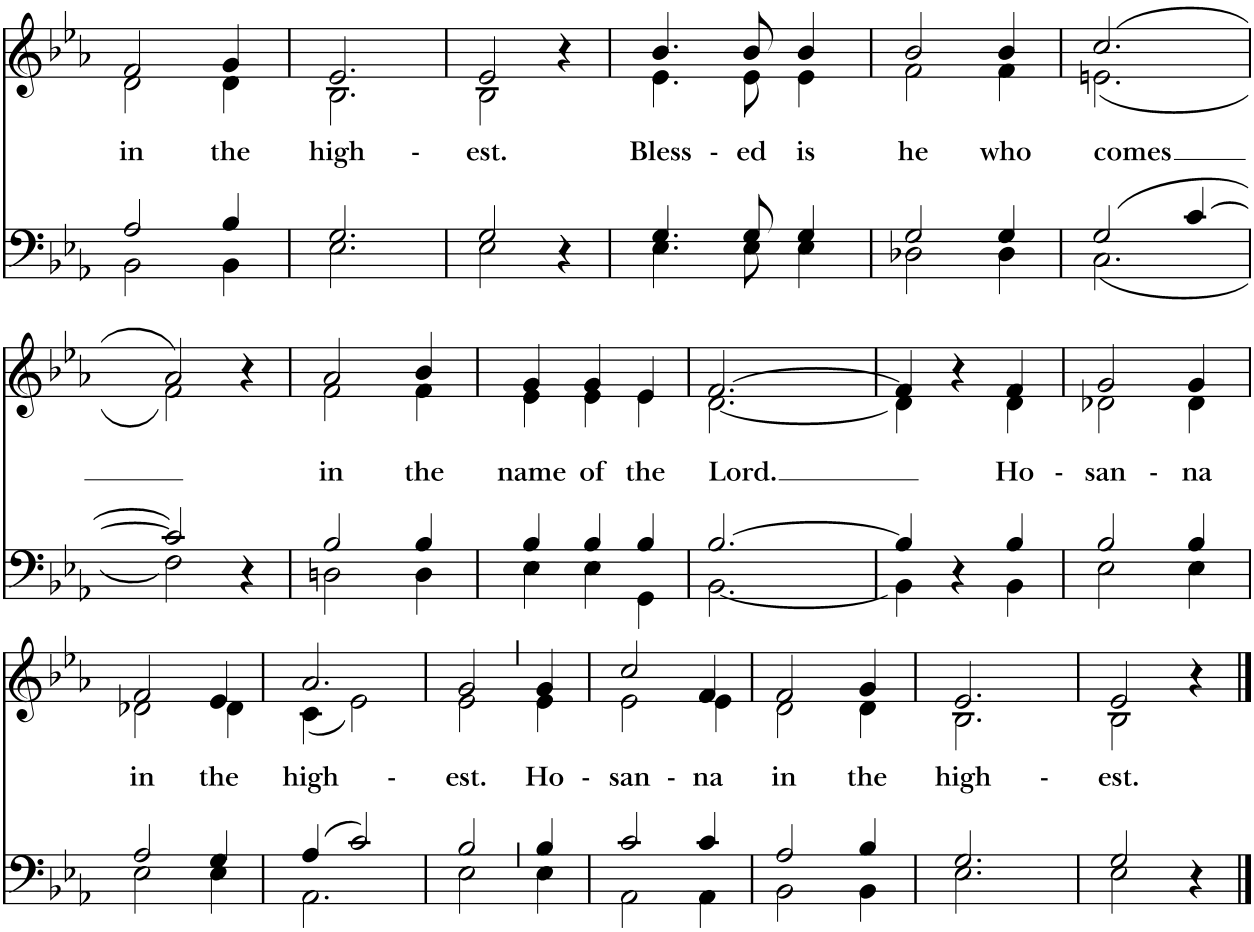
Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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 & Benedictus qui venit *remain standing, if able; sung by all*

Setting from Franz Peter Schubert's *Deutsche Messe;*
arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)





EUCHARISTIC PRAYER *remain standing, as able*

Then 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,

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 the ever-blessed Virgin Mary 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.

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.**

A period of silence is kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *remain standing, as able; said by all*

The Celebrant says

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

People and Celebrant

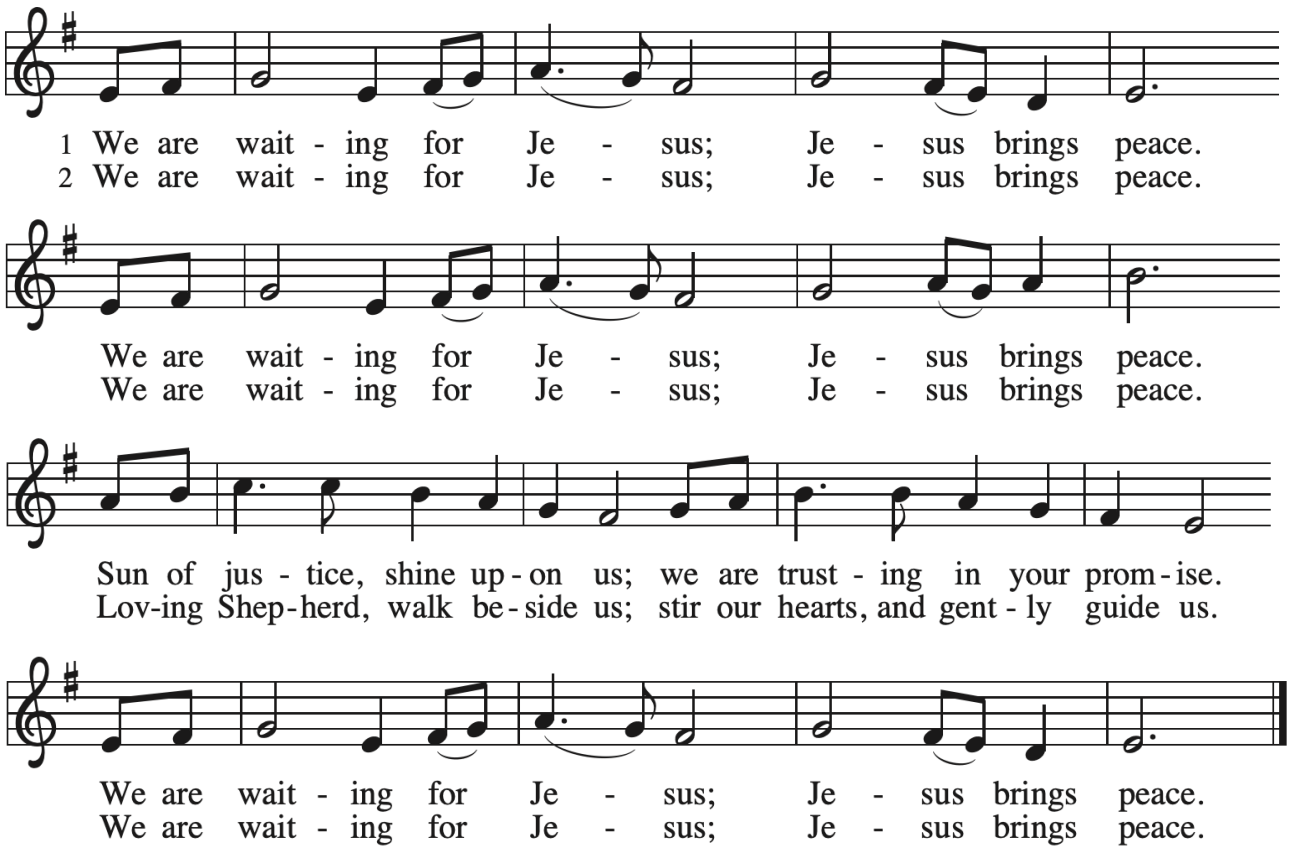
OUR FATHER, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM *remain standing, as able; sung by all*



Words: John Helgen (b. 1957)
Music: *Jesus Brings Peace*, John Helgen

THE INVITATION *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy Things for Holy People.

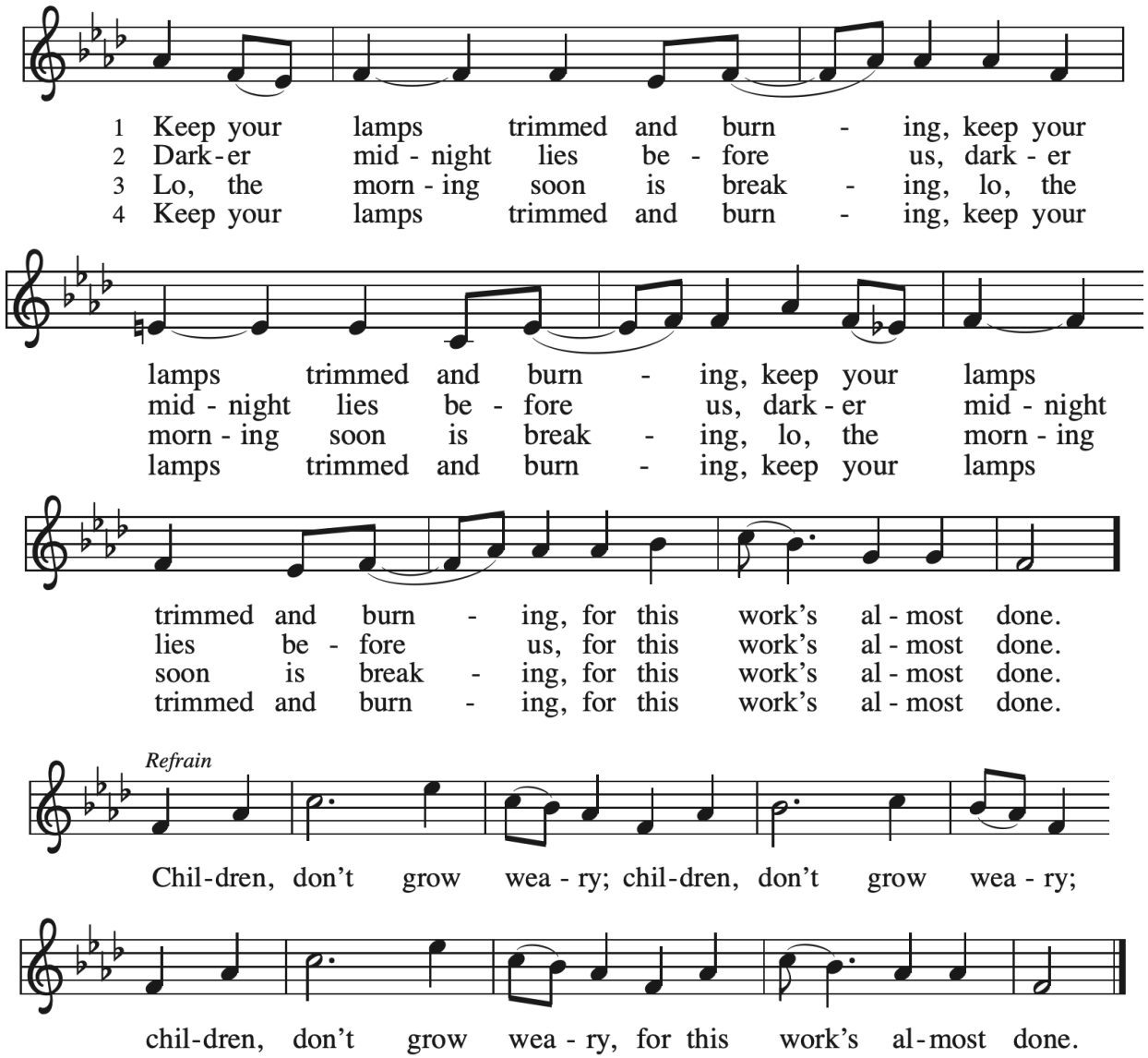
THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The Episcopal Church invites all Christians of any age to the Lord's Table. To receive the consecrated Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the consecrated Wine, please assist the chalice as it is offered, by gently guiding the base with your hand to allow the rim to reach your lips; or, having consumed the Bread, you may return to your seat. We believe Christ fully present in either element. If you are not baptized, or if you prefer not to receive the Sacrament, you may ask for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms).

Gluten-free wafers are available at the Altar rail. Please speak to the priest when you come forward for Communion.

COMMUNION HYMN Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning

sung by all



Words: African American spiritual
Music: *Keep Your Lamps*, African American spiritual

A period of silent prayer is kept.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *standing, as able; said by all*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

GOD OF ABUNDANCE, **you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

PRAYER FOR THE CALLING OF A RECTOR *remain standing, as able; said by all*

Celebrant and People

ALMIGHTY GOD, **giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and so guide the mind of the Discernment Team, Trinity Forward, who shall recommend to the Vestry of Trinity Parish, a Rector for this congregation, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE SENDING FORTH

ADVENT BLESSING *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant gives the blessing

MAY ALMIGHTY GOD, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. **Amen.**

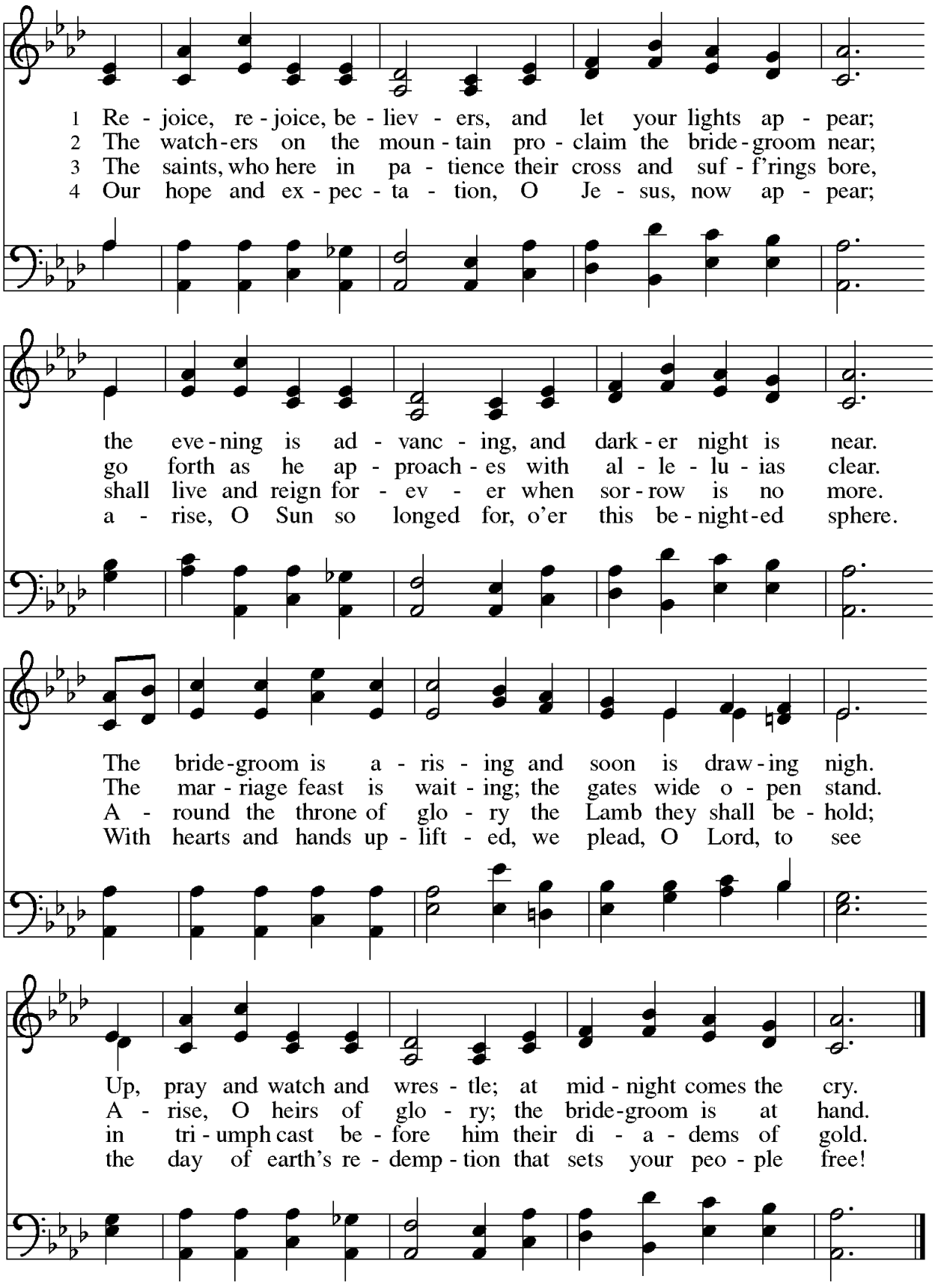
May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. **Amen.**

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, ✝ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers

remain standing, as able; sung by all



Words: Laurentius Laurenti (1600-1722); tr. Sarah B. Findlater (1823-1907), alt.
Music: HAF TRONES LAMPA FARDIG. Swedish folk tune

DISMISSAL *remain standing, as able*

The Celebrant dismisses the people

As we await the coming Savior,
Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please observe silence *as the following is played:*

HANDBELLS POSTLUDE The King Shall Come

Tune: *Consolation,* attributed to Elkaneh Kelsay Dare
Setting: John A. Behnke

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Thank you for worshiping with us today.

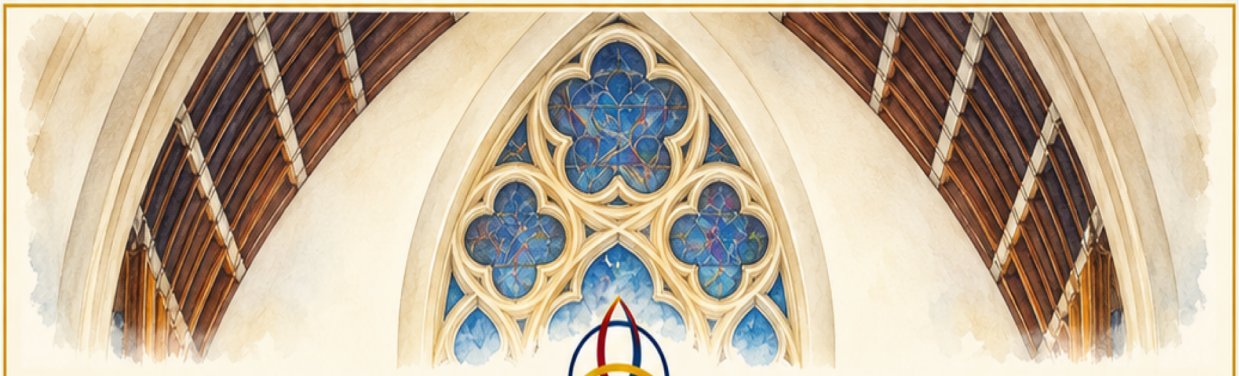
Come, See…Go and Tell

Liturgical Participants

Fr Kirtley Yearwood SR — Presider
David Simmons — Organist and Choir Director
Sarah Berninger, Isabel Zuniga Sandoval — Eucharistic Ministers
Kenia Ortega Bernabe — Acolyte
Eleanor McQuirter, Oliver Ashe— Advent Wreath Candle Leaders
Breanne Staley-Ashe, Niki Ingram — Lectors
Tom Hopper — Intercessor
Doug McQuirter — Audiovisual
Jim & Ashlin Bray — Ushers
Ron Stach — Flower Arrangers Guild
Team 4: Amelia Welch-Wierzbicki, Cecilia Ashe — Altar Guild
Cathleen Peipher — Fellowship Hour Host

Virtual Trinity

Maureen Lyons — Greeter



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Viviana Mondragon, Juan Rodriguez, Isabel Zúñiga Sandoval — 2028 Class
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