

Advent Lessons and Carols in Procession

Sunday, November 27, 2022
at 5:00 pm



Detail of an Initial from a Flemish illuminated manuscript, c. 1290
Hainaut Museum, Belgium

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Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

Officiant: Fr. Humphrey
Attendant: Fr. Shire
Interim Organist & Director of Music: Elizabeth Anderson
Guest Organist: David Simon

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Rorate Coeli, *Jeanne Demessieux*

At the sound of the bell, the People stand and turn to face the west end of the church:

INTROIT: Matin Responory, *Palestrina*

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. 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?

*Music adapted from G.P. da Palestrina, (c. 1525-1594)
From the First Repository for Advent Sunday*

ENTRANCE HYMN - Come, thou Redeemer of the Earth

Choir only 1 Come, thou Redeemer of the earth,
 And manifest thy virgin-birth:
 Let ev'ry age adoring fall;
 Such birth befits the God of all.

Choir only 2 Forth from his chamber goeth he,
 That royal home of purity,
 A giant in twofold substance one,
 Rejoicing now his course to run.

All 3 From God the Father he proceeds,
 To God the Father back he speeds;
 His course he runs to death and hell,
 Returning on God's throne to dwell.

- All* 4 O Equal to thy Father, thou!
 Gird on thy fleshly mantle now;
 The weakness of our mortal state-
 With deathless might invigorate.
- All* 5 Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,
 And darkness breathe a newer light,
 Where endless faith shall shine serene,
 And twilight never intervene.
- All* 6 All laud, eternal Son, to thee
 Whose advent sets thy people free,
 Whom with the Father we adore,
 And Holy Ghost, for evermore. Amen.

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR
Adapted by Michael Prætorius 1571-1621

St Ambrose 340-397
Tr. J.M. Neale 1818-66 and others

THE BIDDING PRAYER

Beloved in Christ, in this season of Advent, let it be our care and delight to prepare ourselves to hear again the message of the Angels, and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem, to see the Babe lying in a manger. Let us read and mark in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God from the first days of our disobedience unto the glorious Redemption brought us by this holy Child; and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise. But first, let us pray for the needs of the whole world; for peace and goodwill over all the earth; for the mission and unity of the Church for which he died, and especially in this country and within this city. And because this of all things would rejoice his heart, let us at this time remember in his name the poor and the helpless; the hungry and the oppressed; the sick and those who mourn; the lonely and the unloved; the aged and the little children; and all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love. Lastly, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother, and all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and whom, in this Lord Jesus, we for evermore are one.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

These prayers and praises let us humbly offer to God, in the words which Christ himself taught us: 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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

The Almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and unto the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. **Amen.**

The People sit.

FIRST LESSON - Genesis 3.1-15

Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden. And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou? And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat? And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

CAROL: The truth from above

This is the truth sent from above,
The truth of God, the God of love,
Therefore don't turn me from your door,
But hearken all both rich and poor.

The first thing which I do relate
Is that God did man create;
The next thing which to you I'll tell
Woman was made with man to dwell.

Thus we were heirs to endless woes,
Till God the Lord did interpose;
And so a promise soon did run
That he would redeem us by his Son.

And at that season of the year
Our blest Redeemer did appear;
He here did live, and here did preach,
And many thousands he did teach.

Thus he in love to us behaved,
To show us how we must be saved;
And if you want to know the way,
Be pleased to hear what he did say.

ENGLISH TRADITIONAL

Arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

SECOND LESSON - Jeremiah 31.31-34

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the Lord: But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

The People stand.

THE PROCESSION

During the singing of this hymn the Choir moves in procession to the Baptistry.

HYMN - Hark! a herald voice is sounding

Vox clara ecce intonat

- 1 Hark! a herald voice is sounding;
‘Christ is nigh,’ it seems to say;
‘Cast away the dreams of darkness,
O ye children of the day!’
- 2 Wakened by the solemn warning,
Let the earth-bound soul arise;
Christ, her Sun, all sloth dispelling,
Shines upon the morning skies.
- 3 Lo! The Lamb, so long expected,
Comes with pardon down from heaven;
Let us all, with tears of sorrow,
Pray that we may be forgiven;
- 4 That when next he comes with glory,
And the world is wrapped in fear,
With his mercy he may shield us,
And with words of love draw near.

5 Honour, glory, might, and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
With the Everlasting Spirit,
While eternal ages run.

MERTON
W.H. Monk 1823-89

From the 6th cent. Latin
Tr. E. Caswall 1814-78

The People sit for the reading and the carol that follows.

THIRD LESSON - Baruch 4.36 - 5:9

O Jerusalem, look about thee toward the east, and behold the joy that cometh unto thee from God. Lo, thy sons come, whom thou sentest away, they come gathered together from the east to the west by the word of the Holy One, rejoicing in the glory of God. Put off, O Jerusalem, the garment of mourning and affliction, and put on the comeliness of the glory that cometh from God for ever. Cast about thee a double garment of the righteousness which cometh from God; and set a diadem on thine head of the glory of the Everlasting. For God will shew thy brightness unto every country under heaven. For thy name shall be called of God for ever The peace of righteousness, and The glory of God's worship. Arise, O Jerusalem, and stand on high, and look about toward the east, and behold thy children gathered from the west unto the east by the word of the Holy One, rejoicing in the remembrance of God.

For they departed from thee on foot, and were led away of their enemies: but God bringeth them unto thee exalted with glory, as children of the kingdom. For God hath appointed that every high hill, and banks of long continuance, should be cast down, and valleys filled up, to make even the ground, that Israel may go safely in the glory of God, Moreover even the woods and every sweet smelling tree shall overshadow Israel by the commandment of God. For God shall lead Israel with joy in the light of his glory with the mercy and righteousness that cometh from him.

CAROL - Tomorrow shall be my dancing day

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day
I would my true love did so chance
To see the legend of my play,
To call my true love to my dance:
Sing, O! my love, O! my love, my love, my love;
This have I done for my true love.

Then was I born of a virgin pure,
Of her I took fleshly substance;
Thus was I knit to man's nature,
To call my true love to my dance:

In a manger laid and wrapp'd I was,
So very poor, this was my chance,
Betwixt an ox and a silly poor ass,
To call my true love to my dance:

Then afterwards baptized I was;
The Holy Ghost on me did glance,
My Father's voice heard from above,
To call my true love to my dance:

ENGLISH TRADITIONAL CAROL

Ar. Martin Shaw (1875-1958)

The People stand to sing the hymn as the choir moves in procession to the Lady Chapel.

HYMN 67 - On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry
Jordanis oras prævia

- 1 On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry
Announces that the Lord is nigh;
Awake, and hearken, for he brings
Glad tidings of the King of kings.
- 2 Then cleansed be every breast from sin;
Make straight the way for God within;
Prepare we in our hearts a home,
Where such a mighty Guest may come.

- 3 For thou art our Salvation, Lord,
Our Refuge, and our great Reward;
Without thy grace we waste away,
Like flowers that wither and decay.
- 4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
And bid the fallen sinner stand;
Shine forth, and let thy light restore
Earth's own true loveliness once more.
- 5 All praise, Eternal Son, to thee
Whose Advent doth thy people free,
Whom with the Father we adore
And Holy Ghost for evermore.

WINCHESTER NEW
Adapted from a chorale in
Musicalisches Handbuch Hamburg 1690

Charles Coffin 1676-1749
Tr. John Chandler 1808-76

The People sit for the reading and the carol that follows.

FOURTH LESSON - Isaiah 40.1-11

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field: The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever. O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God! Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.

CAROL: Hymn to the Virgin

Of one that is so fair and bright

Velut maris stella,

Brighter than the day is light,

Parens et puella:

I cry to thee, thou see to me,

Lady, pray thy Son for me,

Tam pia,

That I may come to thee.

Maria!

All this world was forlorn

Eva peccatrice,

Till our Lord was y-born

De te genetrice.

With *ave* it went away

Darkest night, and comes the day

Salutis;

The well springeth out of thee.

Virtutis.

Lady, flow'r of everything,

Rosa sine spina,

Thou bare Jesu, Heaven's King,

Gratia divina:

Of all thou bear'st the prize,

Lady, queen of paradise

Electa:

Maid mild, mother

Es Effecta.

Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

anonymous author, circa 1300

The People stand as the choir moves in procession to the choir steps.

HYMN – Thy Kingdom Come

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 in 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.

IRISH
Rev. L.G. Hayne, 1863

Hymns and Sacred Poems, Dublin 1749

The People sit for the reading and the carol that follows.

FIFTH LESSON – Zephaniah 3.14-18

Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem. The Lord hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: the king of Israel, even the Lord, is in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more. In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: and to Zion, Let not thine hands be slack. The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing. I will gather them that are sorrowful for the solemn assembly, who are of thee, to whom the reproach of it was a burden.

CAROL: There is no Rose

There is no rose of such virtue
As is the rose that bare Jesu:
Alleluia.

For in this rose contained was
Heaven and earth in little space:
Res Miranda.

By that rose we may well see
There be one God in persons three,
Pares forma.

The angels sungen the shepherds to:
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gaudeamus.

Leave we all this worldly mirth,
And follow we this joyful birth:
Transeamus.

Philip Stopford (b. 1977)

Anon, 15th Century

The People stand as the choir returns to the stalls.

HYMN - Sleepers, wake!

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 th' 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.

WACHET AUF
Melody by Hans Sach; arr. and harmonized by J.S. Bach

Text by Philip Nicolai, 1599
Tr. Carl P. Daw

The People sit.

SIXTH LESSON - Isaiah 7.10-15

Moreover the Lord spake again unto Ahaz, saying, Ask thee a sign of the Lord thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the Lord. And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

The People stand.

HYMN 66 – Creator of the starry height

- All* 1 Creator of the starry height,
Thy people's everlasting Light,
Jesu, Redeemer of us all,
Hear thou thy servants when they call.
- Lower* 2 Thou, sorrowing at the helpless cry
Voices Of all creation doomed to die,
Didst save our lost and guilty race
By healing gifts of heavenly grace.
- Upper* 3 Thou cam'st, the Bridegroom of the bride,
Voices As drew the world to eventide;
Proceeding from a virgin-shrine,
The spotless Victim all divine.
- Lower* 4 At thy great Name, exalted now,
Voices All knees in lowly homage bow;
All things in heaven and earth adore,
And own thee King for evermore.
- Upper* 5 To thee, O Holy One, we pray,
Voices Our Judge in that tremendous day,
Ward off, while yet we dwell below,
The weapons of our crafty foe.
- All* 6 To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
Praise, honour, might, and glory be
From age to age eternally. Amen.

CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM
Sarum Plainsong, 7th cent.

From the Latin (c 6th cent.)
Tr. Rev. J.M. Neale 1818-66

The People sit.

SEVENTH LESSON - Micah 5.2-4

But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting. Therefore will he give them up, until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel. And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth.

The People stand.

HYMN - O Come, O come, Emmanuel

Veni, veni, Emmanuel

All 1 O Come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

Upper 2 O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free
Voices Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
From depths of hell thy people save,
And give them victory o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

All 3 O come, thou Day-spring, come and cheer
Our spirits by thine Advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

Lower 4 O come, thou Key of David, come,
Voices And open wide our heavenly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

All 5 O come, O come, thou Lord of might,
Who to thy tribes, from Sinai's height,
In ancient time didst give the law
In cloud, and majesty, and awe.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

*VENI EMMANUEL
Melody adapted from a French Missal
by Thomas Helmore 1811-90*

*From the 12th cent. Latin
Tr. J.M. Neale 1818-66*

The People sit.

EIGHTH LESSON – Luke 1.26-38

And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren. For with God nothing shall be impossible. And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

The People stand as the Choir sings.

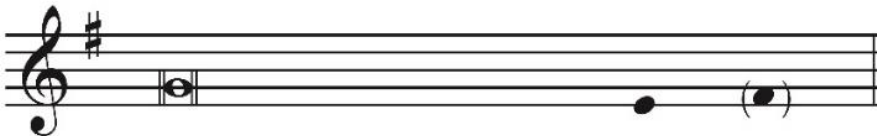
THE MAGNIFICAT

The Edington Service, *Grayston Ives* (b. 1948)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, / and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded / the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth / all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me; / and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him / throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; /
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, /
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things; /
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy / hath holpen his servant Israel;
As he promised to our forefathers, / Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end. Amen.

The People remain standing.



We wait for thy loving-kindness, O Lord;
In the midst of thy tem-ple.

Let us pray:

O God, who makest us glad with the yearly expectation of thy coming: grant that we, who with joy receive thy only-begotten Son as our Redeemer, may without fear behold him when he shall come to be our Judge, even thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen**

THE ADVENT COLLECT

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour 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 Spirit, one God, now and ever.

Amen.

BLESSING

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The People remain standing as the Choir alone sings.

VESPER RESPONSORY - Palestrina

Judah and Jerusalem, fear not, nor be dismayed; Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you. Stand ye still, and ye shall see the salvation of the Lord. Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.

Music adapted from G.P. da Palestrina

CLOSING HYMN 60 - Lo! he comes with clouds descending

- 1 Lo! he comes with clouds descending,
Once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending
Swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluia!
Christ appears on earth again.
- 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 worshippers:
With what rapture
Gaze we on those glorious scars!
- 4 Now redemption, long expected,
See in solemn pomp appear;
All his saints, by man rejected,
Now shall meet him in the air:
Alleluia!
See the day of God appear.
- 5 Yea, amen, let all adore thee,
High on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory,
Claim the kingdom for thine own:
Alleluia!
Thou shalt reign, and thou alone.

HELMSLEY
T. Olivers, 1765, and M. Madan, 1769

Rev. John Cennick and Rev. Charles Wesley,
altd. Rev M. Madan, 1760

The People may be seated. Please maintain an atmosphere of reverent silence during and after the Postlude.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Nun komm' der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661, *J.S. Bach*