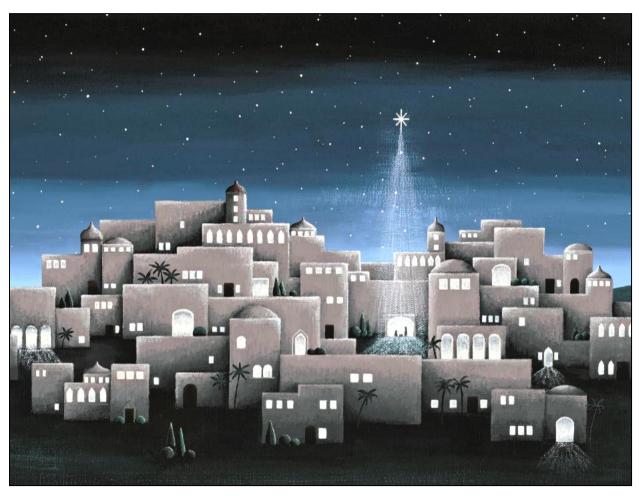


# St James Cathedral

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"Bethlehem Night" by Hannah Pickering

## A Procession with Lessons and Carols First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2024 at 4 p.m.

### Welcome to St. James Cathedral

Whether you are visiting or are a regular worshipper, you are welcome at St. James without conditions or expectations. This booklet contains everything you need to worship with us today. If you would like to learn about the mission and ministry of the cathedral, please complete one of the visitor cards available in the pews and hand it to an usher.

Please join us for a festive reception in Kyle's Place following the service.

For 1,500 years, a time of preparation, prayer, and fasting has preceded the celebration of Christ's birth. Advent is not merely related to the birth of a baby in Bethlehem. It is also associated with the Christian expectation of the Second Coming of Christ, when he will come in glory to judge the world.

Thus, tonight's service offers a grand view of the need of the world's redemption, and the ultimate consummation of that promise from the Hebrew Scriptures and the New Testament. In an age when the cry of justice seems as urgent as ever, we rejoice in the gift of Christ as both a baby in a manger and a king enthroned in glory.

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The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James,

Lisa Hackney-James

Provost of the Cathedral

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**VOLUNTARIES** 

Conditor alme siderum

Stephen Buzard (b. 1989)

Passacaglia in C minor, BWV 582

J. S. Bach (1695–1750)

The congregation's candles are lit during the final voluntary.

Rorate Caeli

Jeanne Demessieux (1921–1968)

Please stand as the Cathedral lights are dimmed.

#### INTROIT

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)

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, are 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.

- First Responsory at Matins, Advent Sunday

The procession moves to the back of the cathedral. A Minister prays

#### THE BIDDING PRAYER

In the name of God, who has delivered us from the dominion of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, we welcome you: grace to you and peace. We are gathered together to proclaim and receive in our hearts the good news of the coming of God's kingdom, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate with confidence and joy the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We pray that we may respond in penitence and faith to the glory of his kingdom, its works of justice and its promise of peace, its blessing and its hope. And as we seek to renew our allegiance to God's loving purpose, we pray for all who at this time especially need his pity and protection: the sick in body, mind or spirit; those who suffer from loss of dignity or loss of hope; those who face the future with fear, or walk in the shadow of death. May God, of his grace and mercy, grant to all his people a new trust in his good providence and a new obedience to his sovereign word, for to him is most justly due all glory, honor, worship and praise, world without end. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8

Reader God seeks for a prophet to announce his everlasting love.

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said, "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said, "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Reader Thanks be to God.

#### CAROL

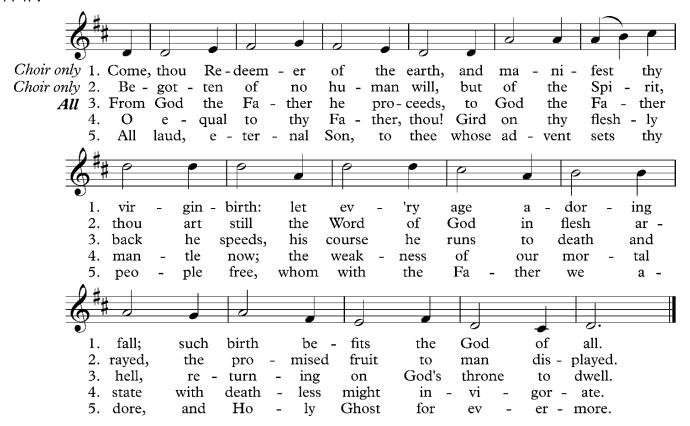
Hildegard von Bingen (1098-1179)

arr. Buzard

O virtus Sapientiae, quae circuiens circuisti comprehendendo omnia in una via, quae habet vitam, tres alas habens, quarum una in altum volat, et altera de terra sudat, et tertia undique volat. Laus tibi sit, sicut te decet, O Sapientia. O strength of Wisdom who, circling, circled, enclosing all in one lifegiving path, three wings you have: one soars to the heights, one distils its essence upon the earth, and the third is everywhere. Praise to you, as is fitting, O Wisdom.

Please stand as the procession moves forward.

#### **HYMN**



Words: Ambrose (340-697); trans. J. M. Neale (1818-1866)

Music: Puer nobis, melody from Trier MS., 15th cent.; adapt. Michael Praetorius (1571–1621); harm. Cowley Carol Book, 1902; desc. David Willcocks (1919–2015)

SECOND LESSON Isaiah 40:1-8

Reader The prophet proclaims comfort to the children of Israel.

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken." A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?"

All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever.

Reader Thanks be to God.

**CAROL** 

Thomas Ravenscroft (1592-1635)

Remember, O thou man, thy time is spent. Remember, O thou man, how thou camest to me then, and I did what I can. Therefore repent.

Remember God's goodness, O thou man, and promise made. Remember God's goodness, how his only son he sent our sins for to redress. Be not afraid.

In Bethlehem was he born, O thou Man, for mankind dear. In Bethlehem was he born for us that were forlorn, and therefore took no scorn our sins to bear.

Please stand as the procession moves to the front of the cathedral. **HYMN** Hymnal 67 ye peace, thus 1 Com fort, comfort peo ple, speak ye my 2 Hark, the voice of one that cri eth in the des - ert 3 Make what long was crook - ed, the rough - er ve straight make saith God; fort those who sit dark our comin ness call far and near, ing us to new re - pent ance pla - ces plain; let your hearts be true and hum - ble, their sor mourn ing 'neath rows' load. Speak Ie ve the king dom now here. Oh, that warn ing since is be - fits ho his ly reign. For the glo as ry O 0 sa - lem of the that waits peace for them; ru o - bey! pre - pare  $\operatorname{God}$ Now for way; cry a of the Lord o'er earth shed a - broad; now is tell her that I her sins cov er, let the val levs rise him to meet all flesh shall and the to ken see

Words: Johann G. Olearius (1611-1684); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: Psalm 42, melody and bass Claude Goudimel (1514-1572); harm. Hymnal 1982

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THIRD LESSON Malachi 3:1-4

Reader The Prophet Malachi foresees the forerunner of Christ.

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight-indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Reader Thanks be to God.

CAROL

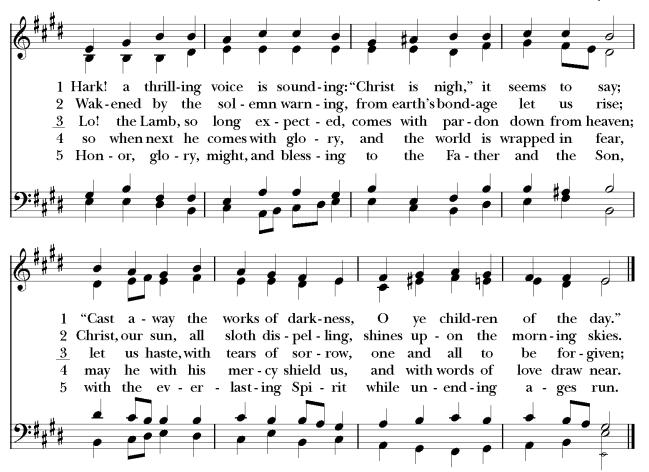
Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623)

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord. Thou that sittest in the highest heavens. Hosanna in excelsis Deo.

- Matthew 21:9

Please stand as the procession moves to into the chancel.

HYMN Hymnal 59



Words: Latin, ca. 6th cent.; tr. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1861, alt.

Music: Merton, William Henry Monk (1823-1889); desc. Alan Gray (1855-1935)

FOURTH LESSON Luke 1:26–38

Reader The birth of Jesus is foretold.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Reader Thanks be to God.

#### CAROL

Salve Regina, Mater Misericordiae,
Vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, Salve!
Ad te clamamus, exsules filii [H]evae,
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes,
In hac lacrimarum valle.
Eja ergo, Advocata nostra,
Illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte
Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,
Nobis, post hoc exilium, ostende,
O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

Francis Poulenc (1899-1963)

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of mercy,
Our life, our sweetness and our hope!
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve,
to thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn, then, most gracious advocate,
thine eyes of mercy toward us,
and after this, our exile,
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

FIFTH LESSON Luke 3:1–17

Reader John the Baptist proclaims the coming of Christ.

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

around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah:

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

John said to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Therefore, bear fruits worthy of repentance, and do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

And the crowds asked him, "What, then, should we do?" In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none, and whoever has food must do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages."

As the people were filled with expectation and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water, but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Reader Thanks be to God.

#### **CAROL**

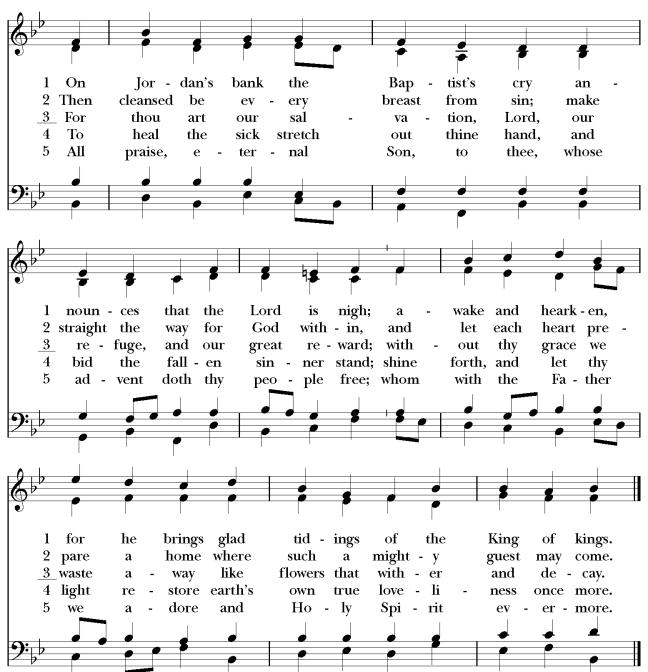
Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who art thou?" And he confessed and denied not, and said plainly, "I am not the Christ." And they asked him, "What art thou then? Art thou Elias?" And he said, "I am not." "Art thou the prophet?" And he answered, "No."

Then said they unto him, "What art thou? that we may give an answer unto them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself?" And he said, "I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord."

- John 1:19-23

HYMN Hymnal 76



Words: Charles Coffin (1676–1749); tr. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867–1944), after John Chandler (1806–1876); alt. Music: Winchester New, melody from Musicalishes Hand-Buch, 1690; harm. William Henry Monk (1823–1889), alt.; desc. John Scott (1956–2015)

#### SIXTH LESSON 1 Thessalonians 5:1–11

Reader The coming of the Son of Man.

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader Thanks be to God.

#### **CAROL**

Sive vigilem, sive dormiam, sive edam aut bibam, semper videor mihi audire sonum tubae et voce angeli clamantis et dicentis: Surgite mortui, et venite ad iudicium. Vigilemus et oremus, quia nescimus diem neque horam quando Dominus veniet.

William Mundy (c. 1529-1591)

Whether I keep watch or sleep, whether I eat or drink, always I seem to hear the sound of the trumpet and the voice of an angel calling out and saying: Rise up, ye dead, and come to the judgement. Let us watch and pray, for we do not know

the day nor the hour when the Lord will come.

Please stand as the procession moves to the altar.

**HYMN** Hymnal 61 1 "Sleep-ers, wake!" Α voice a - stounds the us, Zi - on hears the watch - men sing ing; her God, 3 Lamb of the heavens let dore you; a "A shout of ram part guards sur - rounds us: heart with ful hope spring ing, she joy is saints and gels sing be fore you, an as wake, lem, a - rise!" Mid - night's peace their Je ru sa the night. hur - ries wakes and through Forth he comes, her the sound. Twelve great pearls, the harps and cym - bals swell their has bro ken, ur - gent sum - mons clear - ly cry spo Bride-groom glo in strength of grace, vic - to rious truth in join the im - mor - ty's tals: through them we stream to



Words: Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608); tr. Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944)

Music: Wachet auf, melody Hans Sachs (1494–1576); adapt. Philipp Nicolai (1556–1608); arr. and harm. Bach

#### SEVENTH LESSON

Revelation 21:22-27

Reader A vision of the new Jerusalem.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day — and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Reader Thanks be to God.

#### CAROL

Elizabeth Poston (1905-1987)

The tree of life my soul hath seen, laden with fruit and always green: The trees of Nature fruitless be compared with Christ, the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel: By faith I know, but ne'er can tell the glory which I now can see in Jesus Christ, the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought, and pleasure dearly I have bought; I missed of all, but now I see, 'tis found in Christ, the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil, here I will sit and rest awhile: Under the shadow I will be of Jesus Christ, the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, it keeps my dying faith alive; Which makes my soul in haste to be with Jesus Christ, the apple tree.

- anon. from Collection of Joshua Smith, 1784

#### **COLLECT & BLESSING**

Please stand. The Provost prays

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.** 

May 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.** 

#### VESPER RESPONSORY

Palestrina arr. Scott

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.

HYMN Hymnal 57



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: Helmsley, melody Thomas Augustine Arne (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.; desc. Scott

**VOLUNTARY** 

Overture to St. Paul Sean Knudson, guest organist Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847) arr. W. T. Best (1826-1897)

All are invited to attend a reception in Kyle's Place immediately following the service.

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# CHRISTMAS

AT THE

### CATHEDRAL

NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

Thursday, Dec. 19 at 7:30 p.m.

FAMILY EUCHARIST & CHILDREN'S PAGEANT

Tuesday, Dec. 24 at 4 p.m.

LESSONS & CAROLS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

Tuesday, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m.

SOLEMN EUCHARIST

Tuesday, Dec. 24 at 10 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday, Dec. 25 at 10 a.m.

1st SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Sunday, Dec. 29 at 8 a.m., 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

2nd SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Sunday, Jan. 5 at 8 a.m., 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

**EPIPHANY LESSONS & CAROLS** 

Sunday, Jan. 5 at 4 p.m.





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SUNDAYS	8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (Spoken)	Chapel
	9 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (Family)	Cathedral
	11 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (Choral)	Cathedral
		Live-Stream Service (see enews, website, or YouTube)	
FIRST SUNDAYS	4 p.m.	Choral Evensong (Oct-June)	Cathedral
WEEKDAYS	9 a.m.	Morning Prayer (see enews, or website)	Zoom
	12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist	Cathedral
	5:45 p.m.	Choral Evensong (Wednesdays, Sept-June	) Cathedral
	7:30 p.m.	Compline (Wednesdays)	Cathedral

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