



# St James Cathedral

CHICAGO



*"The Fig Tree" by Spencer Gore*

## Holy Eucharist

# First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2020 at 11 a.m.

# Gathering

VOLUNTARY

*Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme*, BWV 645

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

The choir sings

INTROIT HYMN

Hymnal 56



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som  
2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest  
3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy  
4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from  
5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen  
6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us  
7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the



1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile  
2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge  
3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the  
4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to  
5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on  
6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of  
7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.  
3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.  
4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!  
5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.  
6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.  
7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal* 1940, alt.

Music: *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*, plainsong, Mode 1, Processionale, 15th cent.; adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890); acc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*All* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The presider welcomes the people to the service.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. **Amen.**

*The choir sings*

**KYRIE** from *Isolation Requiem*

Stephen Buzard (b. 1989)

<i>Kyrie, eleison</i>	Lord, have mercy
<i>Christe, eleison</i>	Christ, have mercy
<i>Kyrie, eleison</i>	Lord, have mercy

*The presider pronounces God's forgiveness.*

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider* The Lord be with you.  
*All* **And also with you.**  
*Presider* Let us pray.

God of majesty and power, amid the clamor of our violence your word of truth resounds; upon a world made dark by sin the Sun of Justice casts his drawing rays. Keep your household watchful and aware of the hour in which we live. Hasten the advent of that day when the sounds of war will be for ever stilled, the darkness of evil scattered, and all your children gathered into one. We ask this through him whose coming is certain, whose day draws near: your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

# Liturgy of the Word

## FIRST READING

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah. (64:1-9)

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.

The Word of the Lord.

All

**Thanks be to God.**

*The choir sings*

**PSALM 80:1-7, 16-18**

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;  
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,  
stir up your strength and come to help us.

Restore us, O God of hosts;  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

O Lord God of hosts,  
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?

You have fed them with the bread of tears;  
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

You have made us the derision of our neighbors,  
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

Restore us, O God of hosts;  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand,  
and son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

And so will we never turn away from you;  
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Gospeller*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. (13:24–36)  
*All*              **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.”

*All*              The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

The Rev. Canon Lisa Hackney-James  
*Sub-Dean of the Cathedral*

*Please stand.*

## NICENE CREED

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

*After each prayer, the response is*

*Reader*            Lord, in your mercy,

*All*                 **Hear our prayer.**

*The presider concludes, praying*

Almighty God, as your blessed Son Jesus Christ first came to seek and to save the lost; so may he come again to find in us the completion of his redeeming work; for he is now alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## PEACE

*The presider says*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All*                 **And also with you.**

*The people greet each other in the name of the Lord.*

# Holy Communion

## OFFERTORY

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## OFFERTORY HYMN

Hymnal 57



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for  
2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in  
3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his  
4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand  
dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at  
daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less  
thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his  
nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the  
ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -  
power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,  
ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,  
own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.  
with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: Helmsley, Thomas Arne (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son. For when he humbled himself to come among us in human flesh, he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the world to open for us the way of salvation. Confident that your promise will be fulfilled, we now watch for the day when Christ our Lord will come again in glory. And so we join our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven to proclaim your glory for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

*The presider introduces the Lord's Prayer.*

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

**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.**

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*All* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*The presider says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## COMMUNION ANTHEM

Thomas Ravenscroft (1582–1633)

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.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Please stand. The presider says*

Let us pray.

**Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

1 "Sleep - ers, wake!"      A    voice    a - stounds      us,      the  
 2 Zi - on hears      the    watch - men    sing - ing;      her  
 3 Lamb of God,      the    heavens    a - dore      you;      let

shout of ram - part - guards sur - rounds us: "A -  
 heart with joy - ful hope is spring - ing, she  
 saints and an - gels sing be - fore you, as

wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night's peace their  
 wakes and hur - ries through the night. Forth he comes, her  
 harps and cym - bals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the

cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons clear - ly spo -  
 Bride-groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in truth vic - to -  
 ci - ty's por - tals: through them we stream to join the im - mor -

ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!  
 rious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.  
 tals as we with joy your throne sur - round.

Rise up, and give us light; the Bride - groom is in  
 Now come, most wor - thy Lord, God's Son, In - car - nate  
 No eye has known the sight, no ear heard such de -

sight. Al - le - lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and  
 Word, Al - le - lu - ia! We fol - low all and  
 light: Al - le - lu - ia! There - fore we sing to

has - ten there, that you the wed - ding feast may share."  
 heed your call to come in - to the ban - quet hall.  
 greet our King; for ev - er let our prais - es ring.

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. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

## BLESSING

*The presider prays for God's blessing on the gathered people, saying*

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, and scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

*Presider*            Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All*                    **Thanks be to God.**

## VOLUNTARY

Postlude on "Helmsley"

James Vivian (b. 1974)

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## PRAYER LIST

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**FOR THOSE COMMENDED TO THE PRAYERS OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY:** Annie, Kay, D. Maria, Jane, Don, Nicole, James, Mary, Chris, Ingolf, Bob, Susie, Betty, Sadie, Sherry, Maureen, Sandra, Ken, Nancy, Patricia, Emily, Helen, Steve, Frances, Jerry, Rosemary, Errol, Patty, Sue and Pamela.

**FOR THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE DIED BY GUN VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO IN THE PAST WEEK:** Justin Joseph, Neal, Keith, Ryan, Hoston, Richard, Jim, Tristan, Ricardo, Daniel, Timothy, Fausto, Victor, and February.

**CANDIDATES FOR XIII BISHOP OF CHICAGO:** Paula, Edwin, Fulton, and Winnie.

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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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<b>MONDAY-FRIDAY</b>	10 a.m.	Zoom Morning Prayer ( <i>see website for link</i> )
<b>SUNDAY</b>	11 a.m.	Live-Stream Service ( <i>see enews, YouTube, Facebook</i> )

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