



DECEMBER 14, 2025
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
GAUDETE SUNDAY

5:30 PM
CATHEDRAL ENSEMBLE

Advent ✨
at Christ the King

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Introit Advent 3 [Phil 4:4-5]

*Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say rejoice.
Let your forbearance be known to all men. The Lord is at hand.
Do not be anxious over anything; but in all manner of prayer,
let your requests be made known unto God.
Ps. Lord, you have blessed your land;
you have put an end to Jacob's captivity*

Ken Macek and Paul Tate



Gau - de - te in Do - mi - no sem - per. _____

i - te - rum di - co, gau - de - te, _____

i - te - rum di - co gau - de - te. _____

*Always, always rejoice in the Lord!
Again, I say, rejoice!*

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Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done
and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking your chest, say:

through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;

Then continue:

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest:

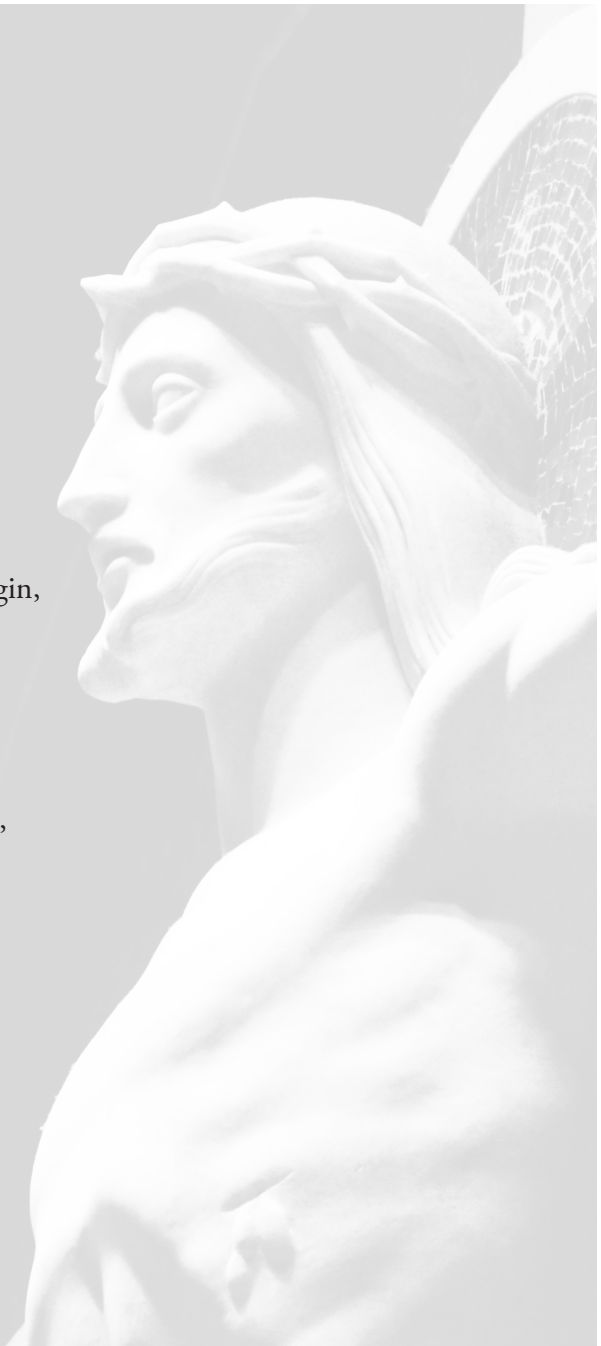
May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

People: Amen.

Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy

or

Kyrie eleison
Christe eleison
Kyrie eleison



LITURGY *of the* WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

The desert and the parched land will exult;
the steppe will rejoice and bloom.
They will bloom with abundant flowers,
and rejoice with joyful song.
The glory of Lebanon will be given to them,
the splendor of Carmel and Sharon;
they will see the glory of the LORD,
the splendor of our God.
Strengthen the hands that are feeble,
make firm the knees that are weak,
say to those whose hearts are frightened:
Be strong, fear not!
Here is your God,
he comes with vindication;
with divine recompense
he comes to save you.
Then will the eyes of the blind be opened,
the ears of the deaf be cleared;
then will the lame leap like a stag,
then the tongue of the mute will sing.

Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return
and enter Zion singing,
crowned with everlasting joy;
they will meet with joy and gladness,
sorrow and mourning will flee.

Psalm 146



Lord,—come and save us. Lord,—come and save us.

*It is the LORD who preserves fidelity forever,
who does justice to those who are oppressed.*

*It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the LORD who sets prisoners free.*

*The LORD who opens the eyes of the blind,
the LORD who raises up those who are bowed down.*

*It is the LORD who loves the just,
the LORD who protects the stranger.*

*The LORD upholds the orphan and the widow,
but thwarts the path of the wicked.*

*The LORD will reign forever,
the God of Sion from age to age.*

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Second Reading: James 5:7-10

Be patient, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand. Do not complain,

brothers and sisters, about one another, that you may not be judged. Behold, the Judge is standing before the gates. Take as an example of hardship and patience, brothers and sisters, the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation: Isaiah 61:1 (cited in Lk 4:18)



*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.*

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

When John the Baptist heard in prison of the works of the Christ, he sent his disciples to Jesus with this question, “Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?” Jesus said to them in reply, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them. And blessed is the one who takes no offense at me.”

As they were going off, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John, “What did you go out to the desert

to see? A reed swayed by the wind? Then what did you go out to see? =Someone dressed in fine clothing? Those who wear fine clothing are in royal palaces. Then why did you go out? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you. Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.”

Homily

Symbol of Faith (Nicene Creed)

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow up to and including and became man, all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

LITURGY *of the* EUCHARIST

Offertory Anthem: *So Do I Wait*

Delores Dufner, OSB

Ken Macek

As the pauper waits for plenty,
as the weeping waits for mirth,
As a farmer waits for harvest
and a woman waits for birth,
So do I wait for you. *So do I wait for you.*

As the blossom longs for springtime,
and the seed, a fertile place.
As an orphan longs for family
and a child, his mother's face,
So do I wait for you.

As a songbird waits for morning,
and an eaglet waits for flight,
As a flutist waits for music
and an artist waits for light,
So do I wait for you.

As the homeless long for shelter
and the weary, for a bed,
As the thirsty long for water
and the hungry long for bread,
So do I long for you.

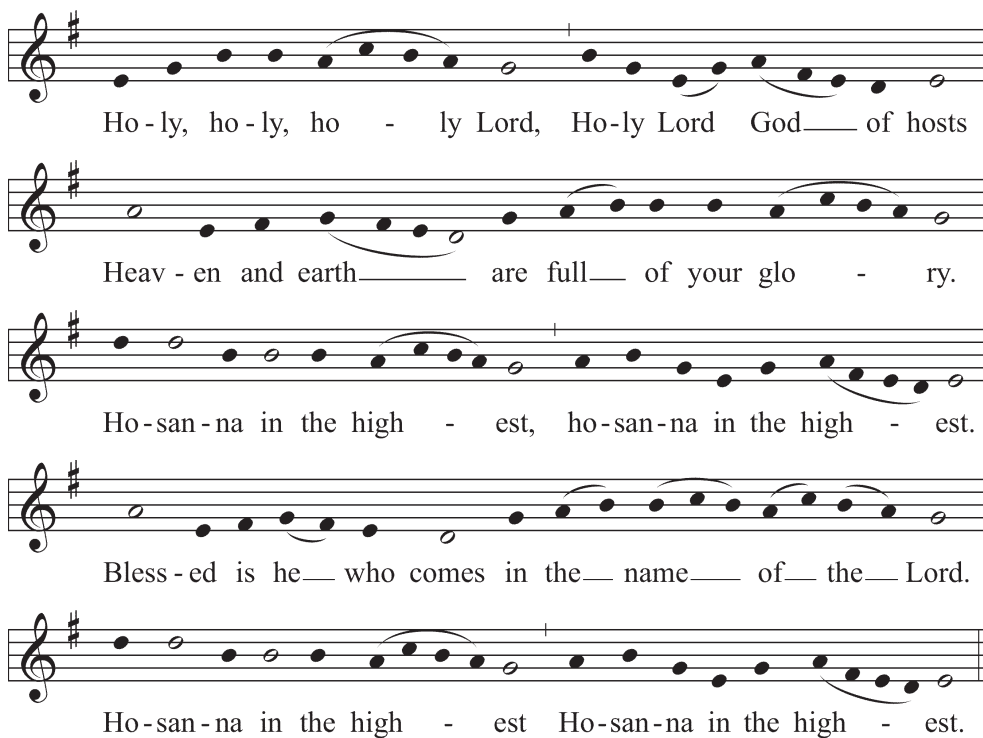
So do I long for you.

So do you long for me.

Invitation to Prayer

Preface Dialogue

Sanctus from *Missa Emmanuel*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

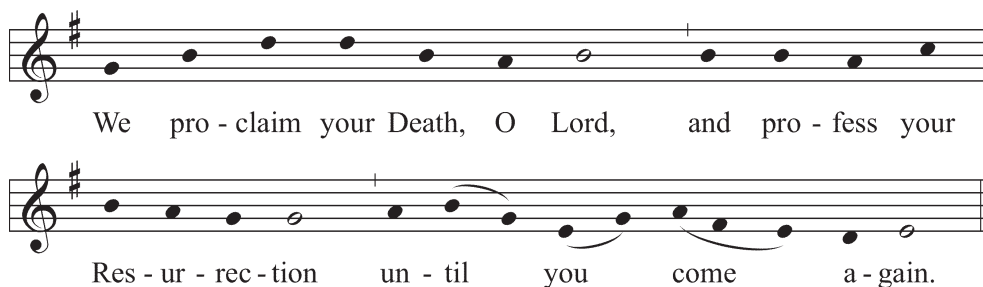
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on five staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second staff ends with a double bar line. The third staff ends with a double bar line. The fourth staff ends with a double bar line. The fifth staff ends with a double bar line.

Mysterium Fidei from *Missa Emmanuel*



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

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

The musical score is written on two staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second staff ends with a double bar line.

Great Amen from *Missa Emmanuel*



Sign of Peace

Agnus Dei from *Missa de Angelis*

Five staves of music in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is written across five staves, with lyrics underneath. The music features a mix of eighth, quarter, and half notes, with some beaming and rests. The lyrics are in Latin and include a central asterisk.

A - gnus De - i * qui tol - lis pec-ca-ta mun - di:
mi-se - re-re no - bis. A-gnus De - i qui tol - lis
pec-ca-ta mun - di: mi-se - re-re no - bis.
A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec-ca-ta
mun - di: do-na no-bis pa - cem.


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Receiving Communion

We invite members of the Catholic Church to receive the Body and Blood of Holy Communion. For non-Catholic visitors and others not receiving Communion, we invite you to receive a blessing. Signal this to our ministers by crossing your arms over your chest when you reach the front of the line.

Communion Song: *Jesus, hope of the world*

Deanna Light & Paul A. Tate



The musical score is written on four staves in 3/4 time, using a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words spanning across bar lines. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, hope of the world, Je - sus, light in our dark-ness, here we a - wait you, O Mas - ter Di - vine. Here we re - ceive you in bread and in wine: Je - sus, hope of the world."

Je - sus, hope of the world, Je - sus,
light in our dark-ness, here we a - wait you, O
Mas - ter Di - vine. Here we re - ceive you in
bread and in wine: Je - sus, hope of the world.

Come to us, O Son of God! **Come, Lord Jesus!**

Come to us, O Son of Man! **Come, Lord Jesus!**

Come Son of God, Come Son of man, **Shepherd your people in love.**

Come to us, O Promised King! **Come, Lord Jesus!**

Come to us, O Promised Peace ! **Come, Lord Jesus!**

Come Promised King, Come Promised Peace,

Come and be Lord of our hearts.

Come to us, O Rising Sun! **Come, Lord Jesus!**
Come to us, O Endless Light! **Come, Lord Jesus!**
Come Rising Sun, Come Endless Light, **Shatter the darkness of death!**

Come to us, O Heart's Desire! **Come, Lord Jesus!**
Come to us, O Saving Love! **Come, Lord Jesus!**
Come Heart's Desire, Come Saving Love,
Banish our doubt and our fear.

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Communion Antiphon

Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 4

Ken Macek

Say to the faint of heart: be strong, do not fear. Be -

hold your God will come and he will save us.____

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PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

O Sacrament Most Holy

O Sacrament most Holy,
O Sacrament Divine,
All praise and all thanksgiving,
Be every moment Thine!

Memorare

Remember, O most
gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known
that anyone who fled
to thy protection,
implored thy help,
or sought thy intercession,
was left unaided.
Inspired by this confidence
I fly unto thee,

O Virgin of virgins, my Mother.
To thee do I come,
before thee I stand,
sinful and sorrowful.
O Mother of the Word Incarnate,
despise not my petitions,
but in thy mercy hear
and answer me.
Amen.

O Sacrament Most Holy

O Sacrament most Holy,
O Sacrament Divine,
All praise and all thanksgiving,
Be every moment Thine!

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Closing Procession: *Come, Emmanuel*

Deanna Light & Paul A. Tate

1. To a world awaiting the break of day, **Come, Emmanuel!**
To a wand'ring people who've lost their way, **Come, Emmanuel!**
Lord of Heaven, yet Virgin's child, King by prophets foretold,
To shepherds and wise men, to a manger of hay, **Come, Emmanuel!**



Come, Em-man-u - el_____ and ran-som cap-tive Is - ra - el!_____



Wis-dom a-wake us, rouse us and shake us! Come, Em-man-u - el!_____

2. Only you can soften our hearts of stone! **Come, Emmanuel!**
You are here among us and yet unknown! **Come, Emmanuel!**
In our desolate and weary land, come and bloom like a rose.
As light in the darkness for the lost and alone, **Come, Emmanuel!**
3. All the deaf shall hear and the blind shall see! **Come, Emmanuel!**
And the mute shall speak and the lame run free! **Come, Emmanuel!**
Sun of Justice and Prince of Peace, you are light of the world,
who was and who is, and who ever shall be! **Come, Emmanuel!**
4. You are promise spoken from ages past. **Come, Emmanuel!**
At the Baptist's cry and the trumpet's blast, **Come, Emmanuel!**
When creation has passed away, robed in glory you come,
as ruler of all things, as the first and the last, **Come, Emmanuel!**

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