



SAINT MARK'S  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT: GAUDETE SUNDAY

December 12, 2021 ♦ 11:00 AM

*Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of the Duwamish Tribe.*

*Welcome to Saint Mark's Cathedral. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, and whether you are joining in the nave or via the livestream, you are welcome here!*

*Per the governor's current requirement, all are asked to wear masks during the service (except when leading worship).*

*Signs in the nave indicate the distanced and undistanced sections. Ushers are available during the liturgy should you have any questions or concerns, or if you need a hearing assist device.*

*If you are new to Saint Mark's and would like to learn more, please consider completing a newcomer form, visit [saintmarks.org/newcomers](https://saintmarks.org/newcomers) or simply contact one of the clergy. Grace and peace to you!*

*The Third Sunday of Advent is known as Gaudete Sunday, or Rose Sunday. It marks roughly the halfway point of Advent, and "Gaudete" is Latin for "rejoice" intended as a boost to press on toward Christmas. In some churches, rose color vestments are worn to mark the occasion. Our tradition here is for the third candle lighted on the Advent Wreath to be rose (pink) rather than purple (violet) or Sarum blue.*

*The Assembly speaks aloud the **text in boldface**.*



*A brief organ voluntary offered a few minutes before the hour invites all into quiet prayer and preparation.*

**PRELUDE** *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 659*  
(Tune of Hymn 54, "Savior of the nations, come")

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

# THE ENTRANCE RITE

*All stand, as able.*

**HYMN 76**

*On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry ♦ The Hymnal 1982*

**TUNE: Winchester New**

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an -  
2 Then cleansed be ev - ery breast from sin; make  
3 For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, our  
4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand, and  
5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee, whose

1 noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,  
2 straight the way for God with - in, and let each heart pre -  
3 re - fuge, and our great re - ward; with - out thy grace we  
4 bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; shine forth, and let thy  
5 ad - vent doth thy peo - ple free; whom with the Fa - ther

1 for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings.  
2 pare a home where such a might - y guest may come.  
3 waste a - way like flowers that with - er and de - cay.  
4 light re - store earth's own true love - li - ness once more.  
5 we a - dore and Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more.

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

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the Cherubim;  
stir up your strength and come to help us.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355*

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

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

**A**Lmighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**TRISAGION** ♦ *sung three times; all sing the words "Have mercy upon us," as indicated* Peter R. Hallock (1924–2014)

4 *Choir:*

Ho - ly, ho-ly God, Ho - ly and might - y

*Bells:* *Everyone:*

Ho - ly im - mor - tal one, Have mer - cy up - on us.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY *Third Sunday of Advent*

*The Book of Common Prayer, p. 212*

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

**S**TIR up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the readings.*



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## READING *Zephaniah 3:14-20*

**S**ING aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal

with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the LORD.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CANTICLE *The First Song of Isaiah ♦ Isaiah 12:2-6*

Hallock

*The choir introduces the Antiphon; all repeat it. The choir chants the verses, all repeating the Antiphon as indicated.*

Organ: Everyone:  
Ring out your joy, in-hab - i-tants of  
Zi-on; the Ho - ly One of Is - ra-el is in the midst of you.

*Benedictus Dominus Deus*

**S**URELY, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the LORD is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior. **ANTIPHON**

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation. And on that day you shall say, Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; **ANTIPHON**

Make his deeds known among the peoples; see that they remember that his Name is exalted. Sing the praises of the LORD, for he has done great things, and this is known in all the world. **ANTIPHON**

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel. **ANTIPHON**

## READING *Philippians 4:4-7*

**R**EJOICE in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

*All stand, as able.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mel Butler

*The choir introduces the alleluias; all repeat them. The choir chants the verse, and all respond with the alleluias.*



*Verse:* : I baptize you with water, but One who is more powerful than I is coming. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 3:7-18

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**J**OHAN said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. 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; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is 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 thong 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."

So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## HOMILY

The Very Reverend Steven L. Thomason

*All stand, as able.*

## THE NICENE CREED

*The Book of Common Prayer, p. 358*

**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**    *The Assembly speaks aloud the text in boldface.*

*After each petition:*

We look to you in hope,  
**Come, Lord Jesus, come.**

*The Presider concludes the prayers with a collect; all respond: Amen.*

**CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

*The Book of Common Prayer, p. 359*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is kept. You are invited to stand or kneel for the confession.*

Most merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Presider pronounces God's forgiveness of our sins. All respond: Amen.*

**THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

*All exchange a sign of peace, respecting others' desires for distance to be maintained.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

**OFFERTORY**

*An offering of money is received. Everyone participating in Saint Mark's Cathedral's worship at this time in any way is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Together, our gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service. All worshipping in person are invited to place their offering in baskets as they are passed through through the rows.*

*Links to donate to Saint Mark's online are located on the livestream page. Visit [saintmarks.org/give](https://saintmarks.org/give), or use the Venmo mobile app (@SaintMarksCathedralSeattle, or scan the code at right), or visit this link on your mobile device: <https://venmo.com/saintmarkscathedralseattle>. If Venmo asks you for a four-digit code, enter **2076**.*



*You may also mail your gift to the cathedral: 1245 10th Ave. E, Seattle, WA 98102.*

**ANTHEM**

*Ecstatic Expectancy*

WORDS: Psalm 85:10, and *Veni Emmanuel*, trans. J. M. Neale;  
MUSIC: Zanaida Stewart Robles

Rejoice!  
*Mercy and truth have met together;  
Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.*  
Wisdom from on high...  
Lord of might...  
Branch of Jesse's tree...

Key of David...  
Dayspring from on high...  
Desire of nations...  
*Mercy and truth have met together;  
Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.*  
Rejoice!

*All stand, as able.*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** *Eucharistic Prayer B*

*The Book of Common Prayer, p. 367*

The Lord be with you. **And al - so with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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**

*Traditional Russian Orthodox, adapt. Richard Proulx*

Holy, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Hosan-na in the high-est.

Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosan - na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.

*from Missa Oecumenica, ©1999 Oregon Catholic Press.*

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:

**We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;**

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 Mary, Mark 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.

**A - MEN.**



# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov (1844-1908),  
adapt. George Black

Our Fa-ther in heav'n, hal-lowed be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav'n.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin a- gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,

and de-li-ver us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the pow'r, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev-er. A-men.

Enriching Our Music #138, ©2004 George Black.

*In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.*

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *A Simple Missa Brevis*

Hallock

*Organ:* O Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world; \_\_\_\_\_ have mer - cy on us.  
*Everyone:*  
O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world; *rit.* grant us your peace. \_\_\_\_\_ *a tempo*



## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All may be seated for the time of Communion. All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.*

*Please follow the directions of the Liturgical Ministers. Bread is distributed by priests at standing stations at the head of three aisles. Before receiving the bread, please sanitize your hands. The priest will place the bread into your outstretched palm taking care not to touch your hand. Communion is currently being offered in one kind. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply ask the priest for one at the time of Communion.*

*Those worshipping at home are invited to pray:*

## PRAYER AT THE TIME OF COMMUNION

from *Saint Augustine's Prayer Book* (Forward Movement, 2014)

O Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

## HYMN 71

*Hark! the glad sound! ♦ The Hymnal 1982*

TUNE: *Bristol*

1. Hark! the glad sound! the Sa - vior comes, the Sa - vior pro - mised long;  
2. He comes, the pris - oners to re - lease in Sa - tan's bon - dage held;  
3. He comes, the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed - ing soul to cure;  
4. Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, thy wel - come shall pro - claim;  
let ev - ery heart pre - pare a throne, and ev - ery voice a song.  
the gates of brass be - fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.  
and with the trea - sures of his grace to en - rich the hum - ble poor.  
and heaven's e - ter - nal arch - es ring with thy be - lov - ed Name.

*All stand, as able.*

## SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

*On some Sundays, ministers take Holy Communion to sick or housebound members of the community.*

One body are we. **For though many, we share one bread and one cup.**

Go in peace, bearing holy gifts for holy people.

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*The Book of Common Prayer, p. 365*

Let us pray. **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**BLESSING**     *The Presider asks God's blessing on the Assembly. All respond: Amen.*

**HYMN 54**     *Savior of the nations, come! ♦ The Hymnal 1982*

TUNE: *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*

1 Sa - vior of the na - tions, come! Vir - gin's  
2 Won - drous birth! Oh, won - drous child of the  
3 Thus on earth the Word ap - pears, grac - ing  
4 Come, O Fa - ther's sav - ing Son, who o'er

Son, make here your home. Mar - vel now, both  
Vir - gin un - de - filed! Might - y God and  
his cre - a - ted spheres; hence to death and  
sin the vic - tory won. Bound - less shall your

heaven and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.  
Ma - ry's son, ea - ger now his race to run!  
hell de - scends, then the heaven - ly throne a - scends.  
king - dom be; grant that we its glo - ries see.

Words: Martin Luther (1483-1546) after Ambrose of Milan (340-397); tr. William M. Reynolds (1812-1876) and James Waring McCrady (b. 1938)  
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*Erfurt Enchiridia*, 1524; harm. Melchoir Vulpius (1560?-1616)

**DISMISSAL**     *The Deacon dismisses the Assembly. The Assembly responds: Thanks be to God.*

**VOLUNTARY**     *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*, BWV 661  
(Tune of Hymn 54, "Savior of the nations, come")

Bach



## MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

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