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SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

CHRISTMAS DAY

THE HOLY EUCHARIST *with* CAROLS

December 25, 2025

10:00 AM





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LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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 all the Coast Salish tribes.

WELCOME

On this happy feast of Christmas, we welcome you to Saint Mark's Cathedral. We are glad you have joined us to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord. Thank you for sharing your Christmas hopes and joy with us. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here!

QUESTIONS?

Ushers (wearing purple Welcome laynards) are available during the liturgy should you have any questions or concerns, or if you need a hearing assist device.

All-gender restrooms are in the northwest stairwell and on level 5 of Cathedral House, accessible by elevator or via the southwest stairwell.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT SAINT MARK'S

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

- PRELUDE** *Noël No. 10:* Louis Claude Daquin
A French carol with variations for duets of solo stops and choruses of the full organ
- Meditation on *Greensleeves* (Tune of “What child is this?”) Richard Purvis
- In dulci jubilo* (Tune of “Good Christian friends, rejoice!”), BWV 608 J. S. Bach

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT & WELCOME

All stand, as able.

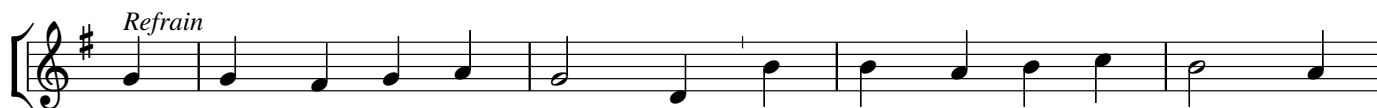
- HYMN IN PROCESSION** *O come, all ye faithful* TUNE: *Adeste fideles*



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O come ye, O come ye, to
2. ♪ God from God, Light from Light e - ter - nal, ♪ lo! he ab - hors not the
3. ♪ Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion; ♪ sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of
6. ♪ Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing, ♪ Je - sus, to thee be



- Beth - le - hem; come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
Vir - gin's womb; on - ly be - got - ten Son of the Fa - ther;
heav'n a - bove; glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;
glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;



- O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,



- O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 355

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

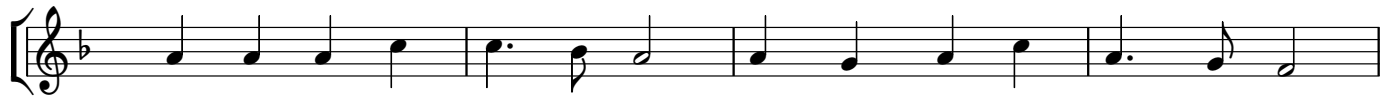
COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider **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.

All Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE *Angels we have heard on high*

TUNE: *Gloria*



1. An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;



and the moun - tains in re - ply e - cho - ing their brave de - light.
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.

Refrain



Glo - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!



Glo - - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

COLLECT OF THE DAY *The Nativity of our Lord*

The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 212

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O GOD, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings.

READING *Isaiah 52:7-10*

How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of the messenger who announces peace,
who brings good news,
who announces salvation,
who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."
Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices,
together they sing for joy;
for in plain sight they see
the return of the LORD to Zion.
Break forth together into singing,
you ruins of Jerusalem;
for the LORD has comforted his people,
he has redeemed Jerusalem.
The LORD has bared his holy arm
before the eyes of all the nations;
and all the ends of the earth shall see
the salvation of our God.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

The cantor will introduce the Antiphon, all repeat it.

The cantor will chant the verses, all repeating the Antiphon as indicated.



Cantate Domino

SING a new song to God, *
who has done marvelous things.

With your right hand, O God, and your holy arm *
you have won for yourself the victory. **ANTIPHON**

You have made known your victory; *
your righteousness have you openly shown in the sight of the nations.

You remember your mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. **ANTIPHON**

Shout with joy to God, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to God with the harp, *
with the harp and voice of song. **ANTIPHON**

With trumpets and the sound of the horn, *
shout with joy before God who reigns in majesty.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein. **ANTIPHON**

Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before God,
who will come to judge the earth.

God shall judge the world in righteousness *
and the peoples with equity. **ANTIPHON**

READING*Hebrews 1:1-12*

LONG ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say,

“You are my Son;
today I have begotten you”?

Or again,

“I will be his Father,
and he will be my Son”?

And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says,

“Let all God's angels worship him.”

Of the angels he says,

“He makes his angels winds,
and his servants flames of fire.”

But of the Son he says,

“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever,
and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom.
You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.”

And,

“In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth,
and the heavens are the work of your hands;
they will perish, but you remain;
they will all wear out like clothing;
like a cloak you will roll them up,
and like clothing they will be changed.
But you are the same,
and your years will never end.”

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand, as able.

SEQUENCE HYMN *Hark! the herald angels sing*

TUNE: Mendelssohn

Hark! the her - ald - an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King! Peace on earth and
mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners re - con-ciled! Joy - ful, all ye na-tions, rise,
join the tri-umph of the skies; with th'an - ge - lic host pro-claim: Christ is born in
Beth - le - hem! Hark! the he - rald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!

THE HOLY GOSPEL *John 1:1-14*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

IN THE BEGINNING was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOMILY

The Reverend Adam Conley

All stand, as able.

THE NICENE CREED

The Book of Common Prayer (1979), 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

After each petition:

Intercessor Incarnate God,
People hear our prayer.

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

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY

An offering of money is received. Everyone participating in worship is invited to make an offering in gratitude for God's generosity. Together, these gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service. Those worshiping in person may place their offering in baskets as they are passed through through the rows.

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ANTHEM

Gloria in excelsis

WORDS: Luke 2:14
MUSIC: Antonio Vivaldi

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Glory to God in the highest.

All stand, as able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer B, adapt.*

The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 367

Presider The Lord be with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, the Maker of heaven and earth. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect in the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. 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 *sung by all*

William Mathias

The musical score is written on three staves. The first staff is labeled 'Organ:' and contains a series of chords. The second and third staves are labeled 'Everyone:' and contain a vocal melody. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might, heav'n and earth are full_ of your glo-ry. Ho san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.'

Presider 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. Through Mary's Holy Child, you have delivered us from evil and made us worthy to stand before you. 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, Jesus 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, Jesus 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O God:

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

Presider And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Dear One; 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, gather all things into the circle of Christ's love, and bring us to that heavenly country where with Mary, Mark, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of all your children; through Jesus Christ, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Most Blessed One, now and forever.

All AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *We who are many*

Plainsong, Mode 6

The cantor introduces the antiphon, all repeat. The cantor sings the verses; all repeat the antiphon as indicated.



Verse: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ. **ANTIPHON**

Verse: Happy are they who come to the Supper of the Lamb. **ANTIPHON**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider 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 and wine are distributed at a standing station at the head of the center aisle. The bread will be placed into your outstretched palm. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply ask for one at the time of Communion. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please cross your arms in front of your chest.

Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not available at this time. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your arms in front of your chest as you pass by the chalice. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.

ANTHEM

In the bleak midwinter

WORDS: Christina Rossetti

MUSIC: Harold Darke

In the bleak mid-winter
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter
Long ago.
Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him
Nor earth sustain;
Heaven and earth shall flee away
When He comes to reign:
In the bleak mid-winter
A stable-place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty,
Jesus Christ.

Enough for Him, whom cherubim
Worship night and day,
A breastful of milk
And a mangerful of hay;
Enough for Him, whom angels
Fall down before,
The ox and ass and camel
Which adore.
What can I give Him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb,
If I were a wise man
I would do my part,
Yet what I can I give Him,
Give my heart.



1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing?
 2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate where ox and ass are feed - ing?
 3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, come, peas - ant, king, to own him;



Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet, while shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
 Good Chris - tian, fear: for sin - ners here the si - lent Word is plead - ing.
 the King of kings sal - va - tion brings, let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.



Refrain
 This, this is Christ the King, whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;



haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Ma - ry.

All stand, as able.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 365

Presider Eternal God, heavenly Father,

All 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.*

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her King;
 2. Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let us our songs em - ploy,
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow nor thorns in - fest the ground;
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions prove

let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him room,
 while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,
 he comes to make his bless - ings flow
 the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and
 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re -
 far as the curse is found, far
 and won - ders of his love, and

sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heav'n and na - ture sing,
 peat the sound - ing joy,
 as the curse is found,
 won - ders of his love,

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

VOLUNTARY *Nun lob, mein Seel', den Herren* ("My soul, now praise thy Maker")

Michael Praetorius

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