



SAINT MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 4, 2022 ♦ 9:00 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 all the Coast Salish tribes.

Welcome to Saint Mark's Cathedral. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here!

Signs in the nave indicate the distanced and undistanced sections. Please note that masks are required only in the distanced sections on the south side of the nave. In all other areas, masks are optional.

All-gender restrooms are available on the 5th floor of Cathedral House, accessible via the elevator or southwest stairwell. Ushers can direct you. 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 or simply contact one of the clergy. Grace and peace to you!

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



A brief organ voluntary offered a few minutes before the hour bids all to keep silence for prayer and preparation.

PRELUDE Variations on *Freu dich sehr, o meine Seele*
(Tune of Hymn 67, "Comfort, comfort ye my people")

Georg Böhm (1661–1733)

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

THE ENTRANCE RITE

All stand, as able.

PROCESSION

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

The crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth;
and all flesh shall see the Salvation of God.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Enriching Our Worship 1, p. 50

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God. **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

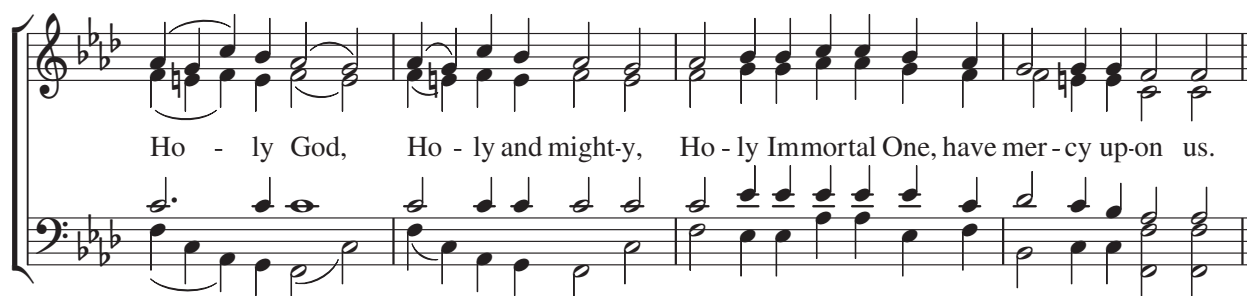
COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

ALmighty 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 by all, three times*

Alexander Arkhangelsky (1846–1924)



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COLLECT OF THE DAY *Second Sunday of Advent: Year A*

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, adapt.

God be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

INCISIVE GOD, who roots out arrogant power:
you raise voices of promise in the deserts of our lives;
prepare us to receive the Spirit of love, wild and fierce and free;
through Jesus Christ, the one who is to come. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING *Isaiah 11:1-10*

ASHOOT shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His

delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and

with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They

will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19 ♦ Deus, judicium*

Plainchant

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



He shall have pit - y on the low - ly and poor, and shall re-deem their lives from op-pres-sion.

GIVE the King your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the King's Son; That he may rule your people righteously and the poor with justice; That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, and the little hills bring righteousness. **ANTIPHON**

He shall defend the needy among the people; he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor. He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, from one generation to another. **ANTIPHON**

He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, like showers that water the earth. In his time shall the righteous flourish; there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more. **ANTIPHON**

Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous deeds! And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen. **ANTIPHON**

READING *Romans 15:4-13*

WHATEVER was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope.

May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and

in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope."

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

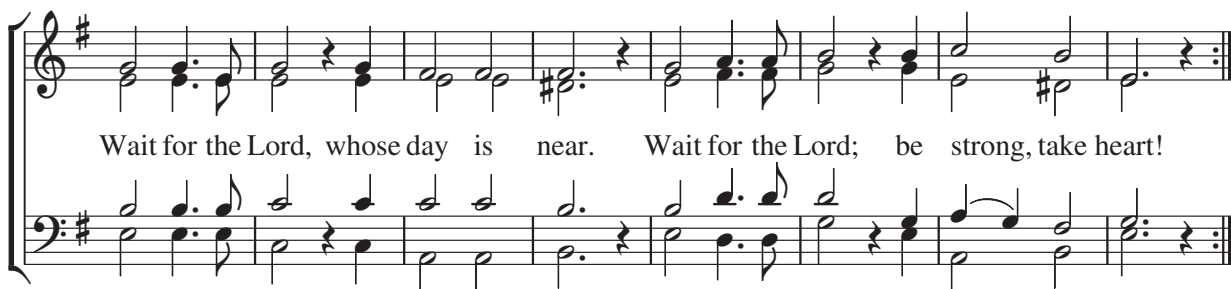
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

All stand, as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *sung by all, three times*

music from the Taizé Community



Wait for the Lord, whose day is near. Wait for the Lord; be strong, take heart!

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 3:1-12*

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

IN THOSE DAYS John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’” Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not

presume 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. “I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

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

HOMILY

The Reverend Canon Jennifer King Daugherty

Following the homily, the assembly is invited into a period of silence, reflecting on the scriptures and sermon.

Please stand, as able, when the Presider stands to introduce the Creed.

All stand, as able.

THE 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in

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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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 among us, O Christ.

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

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our brokenness to God.

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

Christ, Lover of all who struggle, we confess that we have fallen short of your goodness and love: we have not loved one another or creation, we have not loved you, Holy One; we have not loved ourselves. We cannot avoid what we are not; our faults and failures are before us, and we are sorry for our sins. You see us for who we are and yet still stand by us, offering us mercy and hope and forgiveness. Grant us the courage to receive these gifts that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways. This is our solemn prayer. Amen.

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

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

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

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this month or last month are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. The Assembly stands as able and joins the Presider in saying the prayers.

Birthdays:

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace, which passes understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Anniversaries:

Loving God, in the mystery of the Holy Trinity, you reveal yourself as a community of self-giving love. We thank you for bringing us together into families. Bless we pray these couples who celebrate the anniversaries of their commitments to one another, and grant that they may grow in grace, fidelity and mutual affection all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

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, or use the Venmo mobile app (@SaintMarksCathedralSeattle, or scan the code at right), or visit this link on your mobile device: <https://venmo.com/saintmarkscathedalseattle>. 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*A shoot shall come forth*

WORDS & MUSIC: Richard Horn (1938-2004), based on Isaiah 11 and 32:18

A shoot shall come forth out of Jesse, and a bud shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of life shall be with him, the spirit of wisdom and truth.

Then the lamb shall lie down with the leopard, and the lion eat straw with the ox, for the hand of a Child shall lead them to the peaceable kingdom of God.

From out of the wells of salvation will he draw us the water of life; his waist shall be girdled with justice, the heart of his heart shall be Love. *Refrain*

He'll come from the end of his heaven, and the earth shall be torn from its place; our lives shall be filled with his radiance as floodwaters cover the sea. *Refrain*

All stand, as able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING*Prayers for an Inclusive Church, adapt.*

God be with you. **And also 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.**

Eternal God, Mystery of winter skies, we thank you in the darkening hour for opening our eyes to your starlit beauty; for parting the wide heavens with your persistent light; for offering your Word to take our mortal flesh.

In the fullness of time, a child was promised by those who shared your dream of peace; John the Baptist cleared his way with words

of desert fire; Mary and Joseph welcomed his coming with tenderness and faith; we trust that he draws near again to show us our true selves.

Now we take up the song of hope, with angels and saints and all the company of heaven, that the world might awaken to his coming and be touched by his glory:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

David Hurd (b. 1950)

Holy, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna

in the high - est. Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the high - est.

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We ask that your Holy Spirit fall upon us and upon these gifts, that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our Lord and brother, Jesus Christ.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus gathered with his faltering friends. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way after supper, he took the cup of wine, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all that words can hold. And so we proclaim the great mystery of faith, saying:

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

With these gifts we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ; we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty with his generous love.

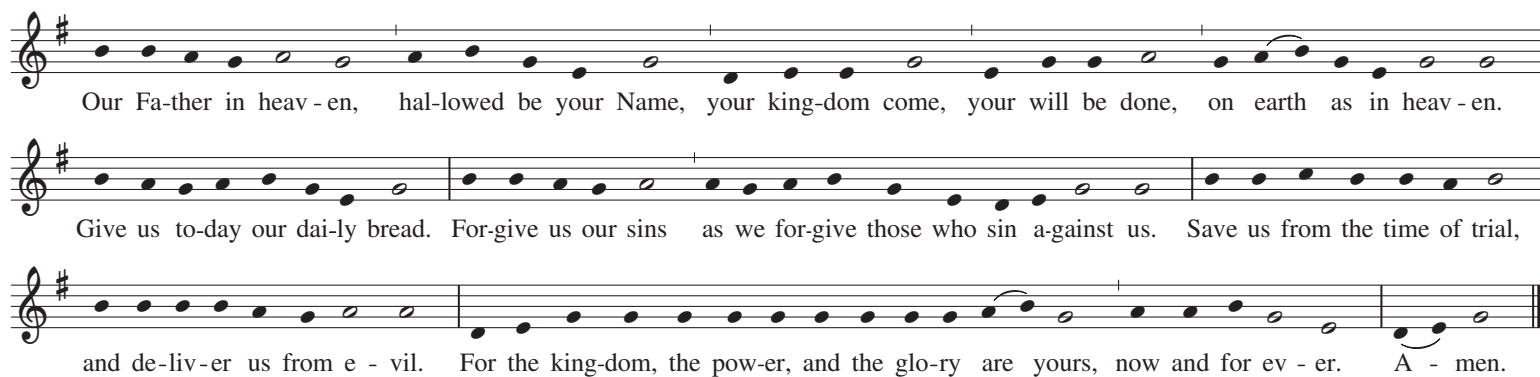
Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more, and people will come from east and west, north and south to share a feast of abundance.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Savior, by whom and with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, for ever and ever.

AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MUSIC: McNeil Robinson II (1943-2015)



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

Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-against us. Save us from the time of trial,

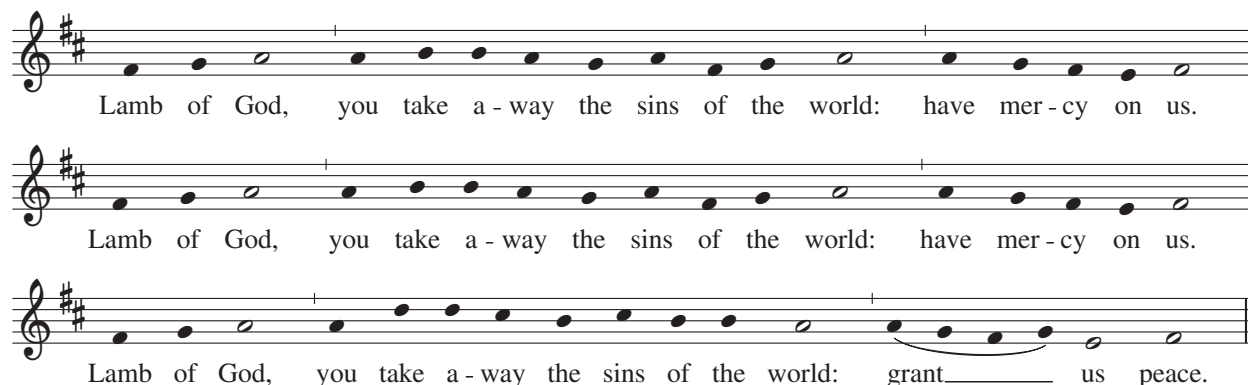
and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

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In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *Lamb of God*

Hurd



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant _____ us peace.

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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 and wine are distributed at standing stations at the head of three aisles. The bread will be placed into your outstretched palm taking care not to touch your hand. 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.

VOLUNTARY *Organ improvisation*

HYMN 67 *Comfort, comfort ye my people ♦ The Hymnal 1982*

TUNE: Psalm 42

The assembly is invited to remain seated for a period of silence, contemplating the gifts of God given and received.

Please stand, as able, when the Presider stands and returns to the Altar.

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

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, adapt.

Let us pray. **Eternal God, we thank you that in Christ you have fed us with the bread of life: may we who have tasted your bounteous gifts proclaim this good news to the ends of the earth, that all people might come to know that you dwell in our midst, eager to greet your creation with abounding love and mercy; we ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.**

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

HYMN 65 *Prepare the way, O Zion*

TUNE: *Bereden väg för Herran*

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

VOLUNTARY *Toccata on the Gregorian Hymn Conditor alme siderum, from Advent: First Religious Suite for Organ (Tune of Hymn 60, "Creator of the stars of night")*
Pietro A. Yon (1886–1943)



MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

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