

St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



November 28, 2021
10:00 AM

The First Sunday of Advent
The Holy Eucharist
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Prelude

Mary Lee Voort

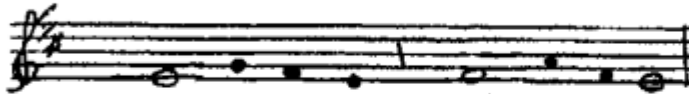
Advent Responsory: Psalm 130:1,3,5-6

An Advent Responsory



My soul waits for the Lord; in his word is my hope.

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Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
Lord, *hear* my voice.

In his word is my hope.

There is for-giveness with you;
therefore you *shall* be feared.

In his word is my hope.

My soul *waits* for the Lord,
more than watchmen *for* the morning.

In his word is my hope.

O Israel, *wait* for the Lord,
for with the Lord *there* is mercy.

In his word is my hope.

Glory to the Father, *and* to the Son,
and to the Ho-ly Spirit.

My soul waits for the Lord; in his word is my hope.

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Processional Hymn: #89 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (v. 1, 2, 3, 4, 7)

O, come, o come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel. *Chorus*

**O come, O Wisdom from on high, who orders all things mightily,
to us the path of knowledge show, and teach us in her ways to go. *C***

**O come, o come, great Lord of might, who to your tribes on Sinai's height,
in ancient times once gave the law, in cloud and majesty and awe. *C***

**O come, o Rod of Jesse's stem, from every foe delivery them that trust
your mighty power to save, and give them victory o'er the grave. *C***

**O come, Desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of humankind;
O bid our bitter conflict cease, and be for us our Prince of Peace. *C***

Welcome and Announcements

Children's Focus

(All Stand)

The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge

Wendy Doherty

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Almighty God,

People **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are
hidden. 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.**

Kyrie Eleison (All kneel)

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray. *(All kneel)*

All **Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on
the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son
Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on 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

The Proclamation of the Word

At the conclusion of each reading, the reader shall say: **The Word of the Lord.**

And the people shall respond: **Thanks be to God.**

First Reading Jeremiah 33:14-16 Jacky Hall Buckland

‘The days are coming,’ declares the Lord, ‘when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah.

¹⁵ “In those days and at that time

I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David’s line;

he will do what is just and right in the land.

¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved

and Jerusalem will live in safety.

This is the name by which it will be called:

The Lord Our Righteous Savior.’

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Ken Dorchak

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you? ¹⁰ Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith.

¹¹ Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you. ¹² May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. ¹³ May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

Gradual Hymn: #632 “The King of Glory Comes”

Refrain: **The King of glory comes, the nation rejoices.
Open the gates before him, lift up your voices.**

**Who is the King of glory? What shall we call him?
He is Emmanuel, the promised of ages. Refrain**

**In all of Galilee, in city or village,
He goes among his people, curing their illness. Refrain**

**He gave his life for us, the pledge of salvation,
He took upon himself the sin of the nations. Refrain**

**He conquered sin and death; he truly has risen.
And he will share with us his heavenly vision. *Refrain***

Gospel Reading Luke 21:25-36

René Boéré

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

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

There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. ²⁶ People will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. ²⁷ At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸ When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

²⁹ He told them this parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees. ³⁰ When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. ³¹ Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.

³² "Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. ³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

³⁴ "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵ For it will come on all those who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."

Reader Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon

The Rev. Steve Bateman

Anthem "Silence to Song" - Joseph P. Martin
 Brandon DeGorter, alto sax

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant Let us confess our faith as we say,

All **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. With the father and the Son he is worshipped 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.

(all kneeling)

Prayers of the People

Bev Dorchak

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for The Diocese of Idoani – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: In our diocese we pray for St, John, Olds and The Rev. Dr. Ropbert Sears, The Rev. Inez Hannett, and The Rev. Jeanne Hunter. We also pray for Vocational Deacons and Lay Ministers.

In the Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for St. Matthew, Biabou with St. Sylvan, Stubbs and St. Mark, Greggs, on St. Vincent and The Rev. Panela Daniel, and The Rev. Deacon Kenwick Lewis.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for our parish staff: Greg Young Joanne Collier, Mary Lee Voort, Michael Larsen, Rachele Wiebe, Stef Collins and Wendy Doherty.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept. The celebrant and the people say together,

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 neighbours 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.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand, and one of the ministers addresses the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you**

Offertory Hymn: Hymn # 100 "Comfort, Comfort Ye My People"

**Comfort, comfort ye my people,
speak ye peace, thus saith our God;
comfort those who sit in darkness,
mourning 'neath their sorrows' load;
Speak ye to Jerusalem
of the peace that waits for them,
Tell her that her sins I cover,
and her warfare now is over.**

**Hark! The herald's voice is calling
in the desert far and near,
calling us to new repentance
since the reign of God is here.
Oh, the warning call obey!
Now prepare for Christ a way;
let the valleys rise to meet him
and the hills bow down to greet him.**

**Make ye straight what long was crooked,
make the rougher places plain,
Let your hearts be true and humble,
as befits His holy reign;
For the glory of the Lord
now o'er earth is shed abroad,
and all flesh shall see the token
That His Word is never broken**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

(All Stand)

Prayer over the Gifts

The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge

All **God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

(Please remain standing)

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh, and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world, that we, without shame or fear, may 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.

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name, who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted. 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, Father, according to his command,

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

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (*all kneeling*)

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.
All **Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.**

The Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrant Those joining from home may say the following prayer.

All **Gracious God, I repent of my sins, and steadfastly believe that Jesus Christ has suffered death upon the cross for me, and that he shed his blood for my redemption. I earnestly remember the benefits I have because of his death and give him my heartfelt thanks. I eat and drink the body and blood of our Saviour Christ profitably to my soul's health, although I do not receive the sacrament with my mouth.** *Adapted from the Book of Common Prayer p584*

The celebrant and people then receive communion. The sacrament is given with the following words.

The body of Christ (given for you).

The blood of Christ (shed for you).

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray. (All kneeling)

All **God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. Amen**

(all stand)

Celebrant Glory to God

All **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, forever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Closing Hymn: #114 "Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending"

**Lo, he comes with clouds descending, once for favoured sinners slain;
thousand thousand saints attending swell the triumph of his train:
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!
God appears on earth to reign.**

**Every eye shall now behold him, robed in dreadful majesty;
all who set at nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the tree,
deeply grieving, deeply grieving,
deeply grieving, shall the true Messiah see.**

**Now redemption, long expected, see in solemn pomp appear;
all his saints, on earth rejected, thrill the trumpet sound to hear:
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
Hallelujah! See the day of God appear!**

**Yea, amen, let all adore thee, high on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory; claim the kingdom for thine own:
O come quickly! O come quickly!
O come quickly! Hallelujah! Come, Lord, come!**

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Mary Lee Voort

Flowers at the altar are in loving memory of:
Jim, Norm, Bob, Mary, Rosa and Harry, Norma, Jean, Ethel, Alice, Mary, Betty, Avis,
parents and other family members of Pete and family, Norma, Irene and George.

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