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A Church Family in the Heart of the City



December 3, 2023, 10:00 AM

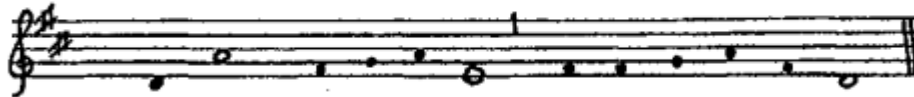
First Sunday of Advent
The Holy Eucharist
December 3, 2023

Prelude

Andreas Gateman

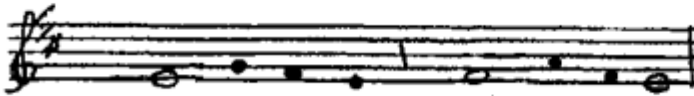
Advent Responsory Psalm 130:1, 3, 5-6

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.
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Processional Hymn: #88 Come, Thou Long-expected Jesus

Announcements

The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge

Children's Focus

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 with thy spirit**

All **Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison *#678 (all kneeling)*
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray

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 forever. Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

At the conclusion of the reading, the reader shall say:
And the people shall respond:

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

First Reading: Isaiah 64:1-9 (p. 531)

Rachel Robinson

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 (p. 806)

Jacky Hall Buckland

Gradual Hymn: #94 Wait for the Lord

Gospel: Mark 13:24-37 (p. 719)

Linda Bateman

Reader The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

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

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Steve Bateman

Anthem

Prepare the Way!

Michael Barrett

The Nicene Creed (*all standing*)

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

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the
Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God;
begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through
whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down
from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and
was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He
suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the
scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the
Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the
dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth
from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is
worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one,
holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the
remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of
the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People (*all kneeling*)

Sylvia Besplug

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for The Church of North India.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for St. Cyprian, Lacombe and The Rev. Dr. Robert
Sears; Church of the Epiphany, Rimbey and The Wardens. We pray for the Companion
Diocese Committee.

In our companion diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for St. Patrick, Barrouallie with St. David, Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, All saints, and Mary Magdalene, on St. Vincent and The Rev. Alison Samuel, Priest-in-Charge.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for those involved in the ministry of leadership: especially members of Corporation, Parish Council and Management Committee.

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God.

Silence is kept. The celebrant and people say together,

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things and judge of all people: we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit**

Offertory: #89 O Come, O Come Emmanuel

The Celebration of the Eucharist

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. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving (*all kneeling*) #682

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. 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 with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

All **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

All **We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.**

Celebrant And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **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 #685

All **O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:
grant us thy peace.**

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his blood, That we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.
All **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Eucharist.
All (baptized or not) are invited to come forward for a blessing.
If you require a gluten free wafer, please inform the person administering the bread.*

Communion Music: Come, Thou Almighty King arr. V. Labenske
Helena Golinowski and Mary Lee Voort, piano duet

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.**

The Doxology *(all standing)*

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

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: #114 Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

Dismissal

Minister Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude Somewhere in your Silent Night by M. West
Keith Griffioen, baritone

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In loving memory of Ruby and Cecil Gordon, Mary Atkinson, William Lester and Hugh and
Joy Cameron by Phyllis Cameron and family.

In loving memory of my brother Charles McFarlane by Jennifer and family.

In loving memory of our husband and papa Jim Monti by Wendy and Aletheia.

In loving memory of Gordon Henley and mother Shirley Henley
by Sherris Henley and family.

SHARING IN MINISTRY TODAY

GOSPELLER: Linda Bateman

INTERCESSOR: Sylvia Besplug

LAY ASSISTANTS: Allan Besplug, Sylvia Besplug, Brenda Boéré, Janet Efunbajo, Michael Larsen, Gary Moore, Jay Penner

LITURGICAL ASSISTANT: The Rev. Olufemi Ogundimu

LECTORS: Jacky Hall-Buckland, Rachel Robinson

MUSICIANS: Andreas Gateman, Helena Golinowski, Keith Griffioen, Erinn Roberts, Tim Scott and St. Augustine's Senior Choir

SANCTUARY GUILD: Annette Bright and family, Barb EG, Ruth Kereliuk, Peggy McLaughlin, Joan Smith

SERVER: Nicole MacDonald

SIDESPEOPLE: Bob Seaman, Lori Westerson


COUNT SUPERVISOR: Conrad Westerson

TECHNICAL CREW: Sound: David Hignell, Rachel Robinson; Videography:, Ayo Aramide, David Olubiyi

WELCOME MINISTRY: Bill and Debra Glaister

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Associate Priest
Rector Emeritus
Rector Emeritus
Children & Family Ministries
Nursery & Special Events
Music Director
Organist
Administrative Assistant
Vergers
Rector's Warden
Acolyte
Assistant Rector's Warden
People's Warden
Assistant People's Warden
Deputy Warden (Worship)
Deputy Warden (Caring)
Deputy Warden (Fellowship)
Deputy Warden (Missional Outreach)
Deputy Warden (Facilities)
Deputy Warden (Financial Stewardship)
Deputy Warden (Communications)

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