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**ORDER OF SERVICE**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: *Hail to the Lord's anointed*

Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!  
Hail in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;  
to take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;  
love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth.  
Before him on the mountains, shall peace, the herald, go,  
and righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.

Kings shall fall down before Him, And gold and incense bring;  
All nations shall adore Him, His praise all people sing;  
To him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend  
His kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.

O'er every foe victorious He on His throne shall rest,  
From age to age more glorious, All-blessing and all-blest.  
The tide of time shall never His covenant remove;  
His Name shall stand forever, That name to us is Love.

*Remain standing for*

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

**Prayer while lighting the Advent Candle:**

Holy and Gracious God, we pray that this new candle, alongside the first, will kindle the hope of Peace. May we reflect this season on moments when we have known Peace, however light, however brief. May we prepare to receive new visions of Peace. And may the Peace which passes all understanding keep our hearts and minds in knowledge and love of God and of the coming of the Prince of Peace in unexpected form and ways. Amen.

**THE BLESSING**

*Celebrant:* May Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one all things earthly and Heavenly fill you with his joy and peace and make you partakers in the divine nature; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always.

*All* **Amen**

**THE RECESSIONAL CAROL**

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

***Refrain:***

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
shall come to you, O Israel.

O come, O Bright and Morning Star,  
and bring us comfort from afar!  
Dispel the shadows of the night  
and turn our darkness into light. ***Refrain***

O come, O King of nations, bind  
in one the hearts of all mankind.  
Bid all our sad divisions cease  
and be yourself our King of Peace. ***Refrain***

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord!

*All* **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

*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.**

**All Baptized Christians of any denomination are welcome to  
receive Holy Communion. If you do not wish to receive,  
please come up to the communion rail for a blessing.**

### The Communion

*The celebrant invites the people to share in communion and  
may say,*

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

### Anthems at the Communion:

O Lamb of God—*Sung to “What Child is this?”*

*From St. James Christmas Service*

O Lamb of God, O Holy Child, who takes the sin of  
the world away. Have mercy on us lamb so mild, the  
babe, the son of Mary. This is your body giv’n, your  
precious blood, your gift from heav’n. Take, eat, for  
we are one in the babe, the son of Mary.

CHOIR What Sweeter Music *John Rutter*

*All stand for*

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant:* Faithful God, We thank you for feeding us with this  
heavenly banquet. Help us always to hear the  
prophet’s call to turn our hearts to you; in the name  
of Jesus Christ the Lord.

*All* **Amen**

*Please sit for*

CHOIR INVITATORY: *Kindle a Light*

*Richard Lloyd*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE BIDDING PRAYER *led by the Reverend Jean Austin*

*Followed by...*

*All* Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy Name; thy  
kingdom come; they will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespass-  
es, 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.

CHOIR CAROL *A Tender Shoot*

*Otto Goldschmidt*

*Remain seated for*

THE FIRST LESSON—Genesis 3:8-15

*Reader* This is the word of the Lord

*All* **Thanks be to God**

*Remain seated for*

CHOIR CAROL *Adam lay ybounden*

*Peter Warlock*

*Remain seated for*

THE SECOND LESSON—Isaiah 9.2,6-7

*Reader* This is the word of the Lord

*All* **Thanks be to God**

*Stand to sing*

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL *Lo! How a rose*

*Michael Praetorius*

Lo, how a Rose e’er blooming from tender stem hath sprung, of  
Jesse’s lineage coming as seers of old have sung. It came a blossom  
bright amid the cold of winter, when half spent was the night.

Isaiah ‘twas foretold it, the Rose I have in mind; with Mary we behold  
it, the virgin mother kind. To show God’s love aright, she bore to us a  
Saviour, when half spent was the night.

O Flower, whose fragrance tender with sweetness fills the air, dispel in  
glorious splendour the darkness everywhere; true man, yet very God,  
from sin and death now save us, and share our every load.

*All sit for*

THE THIRD LESSON—Isaiah 11.1-9

*Reader* This is the word of the Lord

**All Thanks be to God**

*Stand to sing*

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL Tell out my soul

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;  
tender to me the promise of his word;  
in God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
his mercy sure, from age to age to same;  
his holy Name--the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!  
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.  
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!  
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
to children's children and for evermore!

*All sit for*

CHOIR CAROL: The Holly and The Ivy *arr. John Gardner*

*Remain seated for*

THE FOURTH LESSON—St. Luke 1.26-35,38

*Reader* This is the word of the Lord

**All Praise be to thee, O Christ**

*Remain seated for*

CHOIR CAROL: Gabriel's Message *arr. David Willcocks*

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,  
we offer you this bread and this cup,  
giving thanks that you have made us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.  
We ask you to send your Holy Spirit  
upon the offering of your holy Church.  
Gather into one  
all who share in these sacred mysteries,  
filling them with the Holy Spirit  
and confirming their faith in the truth,  
that together we may praise you  
and give you glory  
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours,  
Father and Son,  
with the Holy Spirit  
in the holy Church,  
now and for ever.

**People Amen.**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

**All 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.**

In fulfilment of your will  
he stretched out his hands in suffering,  
to bring release to those who place their hope in  
you; and so he won for you a holy people.  
He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,  
and to give up his life on the cross,  
that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,  
and banish the darkness of sin and despair.  
By his resurrection he brings us into the light of  
your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

*All* [Sung to the tune of Hark the Herald Angels Sing]

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of hosts by all adored.  
Heav'n and earth cannot contain  
all the glory of your name!  
Hail, Hosanna God most high;  
bless'd are they who now draw nigh  
in the name of God the king.  
Halleluiahs now we sing.  
Hail, hosanna praises due,  
be forever, Lord, to you.

*Celebrant* Holy and gracious God,  
accept our praise,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;  
who on the night he was handed over  
to suffering and death,  
took bread and gave you thanks,  
saying, "Take, and eat:  
this is my body which is broken for you."  
In the same way he took the cup,  
saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you.  
When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

*Stand to sing*  
OFFERTORY CAROL Joy to the World

Joy to the world! The Lord is come  
Let earth receive her King!  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven and nature sing  
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing

Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns  
Let us glad songs employ  
While fields and floods  
Rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat, repeat the sound joy

No more let wrongs and sorrows grow,  
nor thorns infest the ground;  
He comes to make his blessings flow  
far as our sin is found, far as our sin is found,  
Far as, far as our sin is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness  
And wonders of His love  
And wonders of His love  
And wonders and wonders of His love

*All sit for reading and choir carol*  
THE FIFTH LESSON—St. Luke 2.1-7  
*Reader* This is the Gospel of Christ  
*All* **Praise be to thee, O Christ**

*Remain seated for*  
CHOIR : Love Came Down at Christmas

*R.O. Morris*

*Remain seated for*

THE SIXTH LESSON—St. Luke 2.8-16

*Reader* This is the Gospel of Christ

**All Praise be to thee, O Christ**

*Stand to sing*

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL

O little town of Bethlehem,  
How still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by.  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
The everlasting Light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary,  
and gathered all above,  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep  
their watch of wondering love.  
O morning stars together,  
proclaim the holy birth,  
And praises sing to God the King,  
and peace to all the earth!

How silently, how silently  
The wondrous gift is given!  
As love imparts to human hearts  
The blessings of God's heaven.  
No ear may hear His coming;  
But in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive Him, still  
The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,  
Descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin, and enter in;  
Be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
The great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us,  
Our Lord Immanuel!

*Remain standing for*

THE CHRISTMAS GOSPEL—St. John 1.1-14 *Rev. Jean Austin*

*Remain standing for the Collect*

THE COLLECT for the Second Sunday of ADVENT

*Celebrant* Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. All flesh shall see the salvation of God.

**Collect**

Almighty God, who sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah, inspire us, the ministers and stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient hearts to you, that when the Christ shall come again to be our judge, we may stand with confidence before his glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever..

*Please be seated for preparation of the gifts*

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

*All stand*

**Eucharistic Prayer 2**

*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* We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.