

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

In the Year of Salvation Two Thousand Twenty-Three



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THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2023

❁ INTRODUCTORY RITES ❁

PRELUDE

5:00

Calm the Tempests of My Heart

Elizabeth Alexander (b.1962)

Text adapted from a prayer by Søren Kierkegaard

Lumina Women's Ensemble

5:00; 7:30; 9:30

Nun sei willkommen, Jesus, lieber Herr

Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

from Zehn Orgelchoräle, Op. 39

INTROIT

Populus Sion, ecce Dominus veniet ad salvandas gentes:
et auditam faciet Dominus gloriam vocis suae,
in laetitia cordis vestri.*

Qui regis Israel, intende: qui deducis velut ovem Ioseph.

People of Zion behold, the Lord is coming to save all nations;
and the Lord shall cause you to hear his majestic voice
for the joy of your heart.

O Shepherd of Israel hear us, you who lead Joseph like a flock!

-cf. Is 30:19, 30; Ps 79



PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Take Comfort, My People

Please turn toward the crossing of the church at the beginning of the procession.



1. Take com - fort, my peo - ple, make straight the crook - ed
2. Take com - fort, my peo - ple, and heed the proph - et's
3. Take com - fort, my peo - ple, and cast a - side all
4. Take com - fort, my peo - ple, take heed, Je - ru - sa -
5. Take com - fort, my peo - ple, and climb the moun - tain



way. Pre - pare with - in your hearts a place to
cry. To those who live in dark - ness let them
fear. Re - joice a - midst your wait - ing for the
lem! Your time of debt is o - ver and your
high. A - wake from sleep, make loud your voice, the



hold the light of day. Bring a word of
know the light is nigh. Bring a word of
Prince of Peace is near. Bring a word of
ser - vice at an end! Bring a word of
bride - groom's time is nigh! Bring a word of



light re - sil - ient, let our love in - crease;
light re - sil - ient, let our hope in - crease;
light re - splend - ent, let our faith in - crease;
light re - kin - dled, let our joy in - crease;
light re - mem - bered, let our trust in - crease;



Take com - fort, my peo - ple, and sing a song of peace.

Text: Based on Isaiah 40 and *O, Come Emmanuel*, text based on "O" *Antiphons*, Latin, 9th c. Tr. by John M. Neale, 1818-1866, and others.
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SIGN OF THE CROSS

BLESSING OF LIGHT

GREETING

Priest: Brothers and sisters:
Let us pray we may always be ready to welcome him.

Priest: You came as herald of the good tidings of God's salvation:
Lord, come and save us.

Assembly: Lord, come and save us.

Priest: You come to bring forth in us a rich harvest of justice and peace:
Lord, come and save us.

Assembly: Lord, come and save us.

Priest: You will come to bring to completion
the good work you have begun in us:
Lord, come and save us.

Assembly: Lord, come and save us.

Priest: Ever-Living God...through the same Christ our Lord.

Assembly: Amen.

PROCESSIONAL

Please return to the opening hymn on page 4, and join in singing the remaining verses.

COLLECT


After responding "Amen" to the collect, please be seated.

❁ LITURGY OF THE WORD ❁

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH

40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her service is at an end, her guilt is expiated; indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD double for all her sins. A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. Go up on to a high mountain, Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news! Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord GOD, who rules by his strong arm; here is his reward with him, his recompense before him. Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.

Cantor / Choir:	<i>Assembly:</i>
	
Ver - bum Do - mi - ni.	De - o gra - ti - as.
The word of the Lord.	Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (5:00, 7:30, 9:30)

PSALM 85



Lord, let us see your kind-ness and grant us your sal - va-tion.

I will listen for what God, the Lord, has to say;
surely he will speak of peace to his people and to his faithful, and those who turn to him in their heart.
Near indeed is his salvation for those who fear him; and glory will dwell in our land. **Refrain**

Love and truth will meet; justice and peace will kiss. Truth will spring from the earth;
justice will look down from heaven. **Refrain**

Yes, the Lord will grant his bounty; our land will yield its produce.
Justice will march before him, and peace will follow his footsteps. **Refrain**

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Lord, let us see your kind - ness, and
grant us your sal - va - tion.

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A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF SAINT PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

1:3-9

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day. The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard “delay,” but he is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out. Since everything is to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be, conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames and the elements melted by fire. But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you await these things, be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace.

Cantor / Choir: Ver - bum Do - mi - ni. De - o gra - ti - as.
Assembly: The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(Please stand.)*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:
all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

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A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK

13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: “Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch. Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: ‘Watch!’”

Priest / Cantor: *Assembly:*

Ver-bum Do - mi-ni. Laus ti-bi, Chri-ste.

The word of the Lord Praise to you, Chirst.

HOMILY *(Please be seated.)*

DISMISSAL OF THE CATECHUMENS (9:30)

Go in the peace of Christ to be

nour-ished by the Word of God. God. God.

1. 2.

May the path of the Lord enter all your hearts.

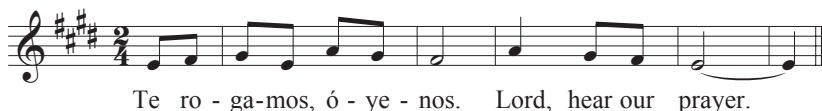
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APOSTLES' CREED *(Please stand.)*

I BELIEVE IN GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS



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COLLECTION *(Please be seated.)*

SECOND COLLECTION FOR SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL MINISTRIES

✻ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ✻

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

Please stand at the bidding of the priest.

5:00

Lumen
Abbie Betinis (b.1980)
Lumina Women's Ensemble

7:30

Chorale-Prelude on 'Freu Dich Sehr'
Gerald Near (b.1943)
from *Choraleworks, Set II*

9:30

Comfort, Comfort
arr. John Ferguson (b.1941)
The Basilica Cathedral Choir

“Comfort, comfort now my people; Tell of peace!” so says our God.

Comfort those who sit in darkness
Mourning under sorrow’s load.
To God’s people now proclaim
That God’s pardon waits for them!
Tell them that their war is over;
God will reign in peace forever!

*(For the herald’s voice is crying
In the desert far and near,
Calling us to true repentance,
Since the Kingdom now is here.)*

Oh, that warning cry obey!
Now prepare for God a way!
Let the valleys rise to meet him,
And the hills bow down to greet him!

Straight shall be what long was crooked
And the rougher places plain!
Let your hearts be true and humble,
As befits his holy reign!
For the glory of the Lord
Now on earth is shed abroad,
And all flesh shall see the token
That God’s word is never broken.

11:30

I Hear the Prophet
Pepper Choplin (b.1957)
Mundus

I hear the prophet callin’, “Prepare the way of the Lord.”
Come and make straight the way in the desert, a highway for our God.
Prepare the way of the Lord.

I hear Isaiah callin’, “Fear not, your God has come.”
I hear Isaiah callin’, “Fear not, your God will come.”
Then will the eyes of the blind be opened. The ears of the deaf will hear.
And then the mute will shout for joy. They’ll be shouting for joy.

And the desert will be joyful and blossom as a rose.
We shall rejoice with joy and singing and see the glory of God.

I hear the prophet callin’, “Prepare the way of the Lord.”

A B

Pre - pare the way of the Lord. Pre - pare the way of the Lord, and

C D

all peo-ple will see the sal - va - tion of our God. Pre -

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PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

Assembly: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

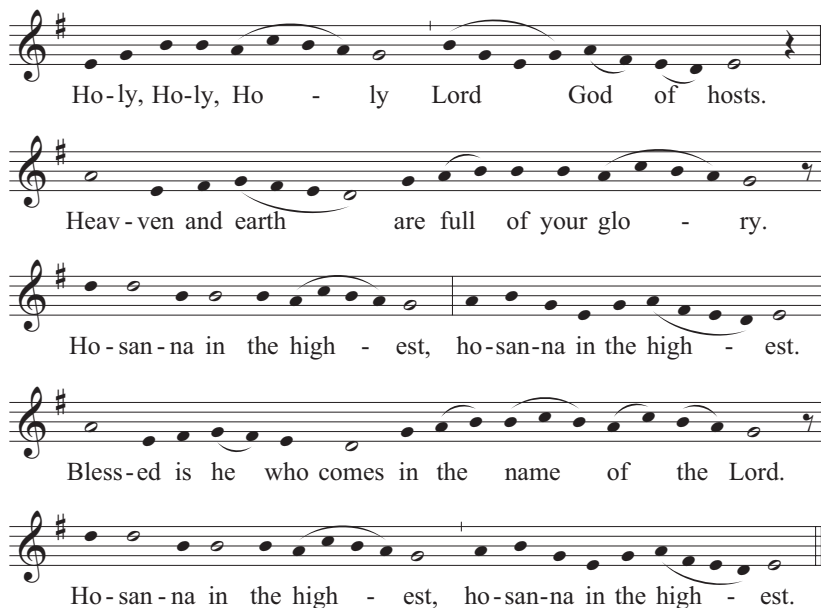
Assembly: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly: **It is right and just.**



PREFACE ACCLAMATION

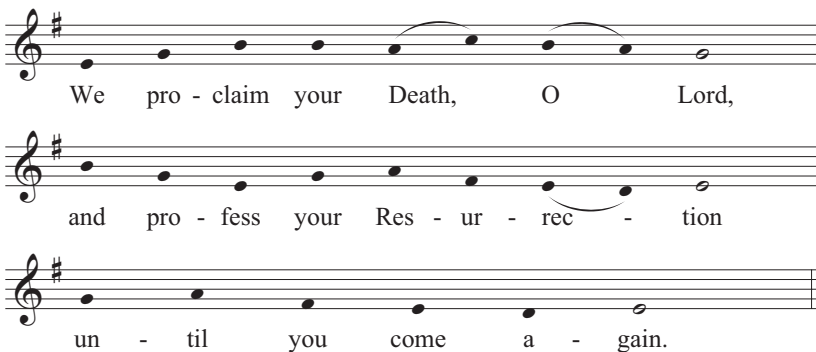


Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Please kneel.

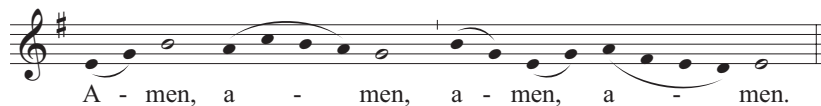
MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord,
and pro - fess your Res - ur - rec - tion
un - til you come a - gain.

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GREAT AMEN



A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.

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❁ COMMUNION RITE ❁

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Please stand.)*

GREETING OF PEACE

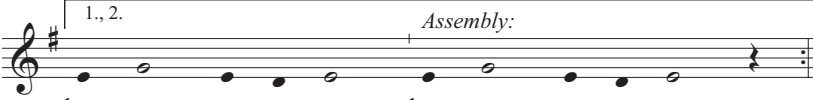
THE BREAKING OF BREAD

Cantor:



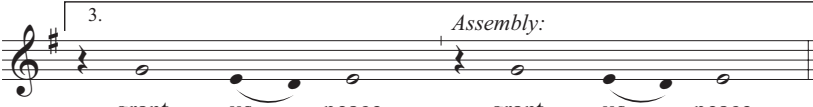
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world:

1., 2. *Assembly:*



have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

3. *Assembly:*



grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Please kneel.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the Supper of the Lord.

Assembly: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION PROCESSION

There Is a Longing



There is a long-ing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to re-veal your - self to us. There is a long-ing in our hearts for love we on - ly find in you our God.

MEDITATION

5:00

In Natali Domini
Anon.
Lumina Women's Ensemble

9:30

The Lamb
John Tavener (1944-2013)
The Basilica Cathedral Choir

Little Lamb, who made thee?
Dost thou know who made thee?
Gave thee life, & bid thee feed
By the stream & o'er the mead;
Gave thee clothing of delight,
Softest clothing, woolly, bright;
Gave thee such a tender voice,
Making all the vales rejoice?
Little Lamb, who made thee?
Dost thou know who made thee?

Little Lamb, I'll tell thee,
Little Lamb, I'll tell thee:
He is called by thy name,
For He calls himself a Lamb,
He is meek, & He is mild;
He became a little child.
I, a child, & thou a lamb,
We are called by his name.
Little Lamb, God bless thee!
Little, Lamb, God bless thee!

-Words by William Blake (1757-1827)

11:30

Come Now, Savior
Michael Burkhardt (b.1957)
Mundus

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*Please stand.*)

❁ CONCLUDING RITE ❁

BLESSING AND SENDING

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Comfort, Comfort, O My People



1. Com - fort, com - fort, O my peo - ple,
2. Hark, the voice of one who's cry - ing
3. O make straight what long was crook - ed,



Speak of peace, now says our God.
In the des - ert far and near,
Make the rough - er plac - es plain.



Com - fort those who sit in dark - ness,
Bid - ding all to full re - pent - ance
Let your hearts be true and hum - ble,



Mourn - ing un - der sor - row's load.
Since the king - dom now is here.
As be - fits his ho - ly reign.



Speak un - to Je - ru - sa - lem
Oh, that warn - ing cry o - bey!
For the glo - ry of the Lord



Of the peace that waits for them.
Now pre - pare for God a way!
Now o'er earth is shed a - broad.

Tell of all the sins I cov - er,
 Let the val - leys rise to meet him
 And all flesh shall see the to - ken

And that war - fare now is o - ver.
 And the hills bow down to greet him.
 That his word is nev - er bro - ken.

Text: Isaiah 40:1-8; *Tröstet, tröstet, meine Lieben*; Johann Olearius, 1611-1684; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.
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POSTLUDE

5:00

Beati
 Jacques Berthier (1923-1994), arr. Kim Sueoka
 Lumina Women's Ensemble

7:30; 9:30

Prelude on 'Halton Holgate'
 Philip Moore (b.1943)
 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"



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COME CELEBRATE WITH US AGAIN

SATURDAY 5:00PM MASS OF ANTICIPATION

SUNDAY 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM, 5:00PM