

# Advent Festival of Lessons and Carols

December 2, 2018

5:00pm

RECITATIVE

*For behold, darkness shall cover the earth*

G. F. Handel

For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people;  
but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee.  
And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. *Isaiah 60:2-3*

AIR

*The people that walked in darkness*

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light;  
and they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined. *Isaiah 9:2*

Micah Parker, bass



*All stand as able at the sound of the tower bells.*

CAROL (sung by all)

*Savior of the nations, come*

(HYMNAL 54)



1 Sa - vior of the na - tions, come! Vir - gin's  
2 Won - drous birth! Oh, won - drous child of the  
3 Thus on earth the Word ap - pears, grac - ing  
4 Come, O Fa - ther's sav - ing Son, who o'er



Son, make here your home. Mar - vel now, both  
Vir - gin un - de - filed! Might - y God and  
his cre - a - ted spheres; hence to death and  
sin the vic - tory won. Bound - less shall your



heaven and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.  
Ma - ry's son, ea - ger now his race to run!  
hell de - scends, then the heaven - ly throne a - scends.  
king - dom be; grant that we its glo - ries see.

Words: Martin Luther (1483-1546) after Ambrose of Milan (340-397); tr. William M. Reynolds (1812-1876) and James Waring McCrady (b. 1938)  
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*Erfurt Enchiridia*, 1524; harm. Melchoir Vulpius (1560?-1616)

## A BIDDING PRAYER

Beloved in Christ, in this season of Advent, let it be our care and delight to prepare ourselves to hear again the message of the Angels, and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem, to see the Babe lying in a manger. Let us read and mark in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God from the first days of our disobedience unto the glorious Redemption brought us by his holy Child; and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise. But first, let us pray for the needs of his whole world; for peace and goodwill over all the earth; for the mission and unity of the Church for which he died, and especially in this country and within this community. And because this of all things would rejoice his heart, let us at this time remember in his name the poor and the helpless; the hungry and the oppressed; the sick and those who mourn; the lonely and the unloved; the aged and the little children; and all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love. Lastly, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother, and all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we for evermore are one. These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the throne of heaven, in the words which Christ himself hath taught us:

*People and Officiant*

**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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Officiant*

The Almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and unto the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. **Amen.**



*The people are seated.*

## FIRST LESSON

Genesis 3:1-15

Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden. And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou? And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself. And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat? And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat. And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Adam lay ybounden bounden in a bond: Four thousand winter Thought he not too long.  
 And all was for an apple, an apple that he took, As clerkes finden written in their book.  
 Nay had the apple taken been, the apple taken been. Nay had never our lady been heaven a queen.  
 Blessed be the time that the apple taken was; Therefore we moun singen: *Deo Gracias!*

 Please remain seated. The people are invited to join in the singing of the carols as indicated.

CAROL

*What Adam's disobedience cost*

TUNE: Detroit

stanza 1 - all; stanza 2 - high voices; stanza 3 - all; stanza 4 - low voices; stanza 5 - all



1 What A - dam's dis - o - bed - ience cost,  
 2 An ark of mer - cy rode the flood,  
 3 A lit - tle child is A - dam's heir,  
 4 Re - gained is A - dam's bless - ed - ness:  
 5 Re - newed, re - stored, we look a - head



let Ho - ly Scrip - ture say:  
 but we, where wa - ters swirled,  
 is A - dam's hope and Lord,  
 the an - gels sheathe their swords;  
 to glimpse that glo - rious day



our - selves es - tranged, an E - den lost,  
 re - built, im - pa - tient of the good,  
 sing joy - ful car - ols ev - ery - where,  
 in joy - ful car - ols all con - fess  
 when in the new Je - ru - sa - lem



and then a judgment day: each day a judgment day.  
 an - oth - er fal - len world: an un - repen - tant world.  
 that E - den is re - stored: in Je - sus is re - stored.  
 the king - dom is the Lord's: the glo - ry is the Lord's!  
 all griefs will pass a - way. "A - men. Hal - le - lu - jah!"

SECOND LESSON

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the Lord: But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

ANTHEM

*There is no Rose of such virtue*

anon.

There is no rose of such virtue As is the rose that bare Jesu. Alleluia.

For in this rose contained was Heaven and earth in little space; Res miranda.

By that rose we may well see That he is god in persons three, Pari forma.

The angels sungen, the shepherds too: Gloria in excelsis deo, Gaudeamus.

Leave we all this worldly mirth And follow we this joyful birth; Transeamus.

Erin English, soprano    Kathryn Houchen, alto    Andrew Etherington, tenor

THIRD LESSON

Isaiah 35:1-10

The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the Lord, and the excellency of our God. Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompence; he will come and save you. Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert. And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes. And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein. No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there: And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

stanza 1 - all; stanza 2 - high voices; stanza 3 - low voices; stanza 4 - all

1 When the King shall come a - gain, all his power re - veal - ing;  
 2 In the de - sert trees take root fresh from God's cre - a - tion;  
 3 Streng - then fee - ble hands and knees; faint - ing hearts, be cheer - ful!  
 4 There God's high - way shall be seen where no roar - ing li - on,

splen - dor shall an - nounce his reign, life and joy and heal - ing:  
 plants and flowers and sweet - est fruit join the ce - le - bra - tion.  
 God who comes for such as these, seeks and saves the fear - ful.  
 noth - ing e - vil or un - clean walks the road to Zi - ion:

earth no lon - ger in de - cay, hope no more frus - tra - ted;  
 Ri - vers spring up from the earth, bar - ren lands a - dor - ning;  
 Deaf ears hear the si - lent tongues sing a - way their weep - ing;  
 ran - somed peo - ple, home - ward bound, all your prai - ses voic - ing,

this is God's re - demp - tion day long - ing - ly a - wait - ed.  
 val - leys, this is your new birth; moun - tains, greet the mor - ning!  
 blind eyes see the life - less ones wal - king, run - ning, leap - ing.  
 see your Lord with glo - ry crowned, share in his re - joic - ing!

*Words: Christopher Idle (1938 - )*

## FOURTH LESSON

Micah 5:2-5

But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting. Therefore will he give them up, until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel. And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth. And this man shall be the peace, when the Assyrian shall come into our land: and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight principal men.

## ANTHEM

*E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come*

Paul Manz

Peace be to you and grace from him  
Who freed us from our sins,  
Who loved us all and shed his blood  
That we might saved be.

Sing holy, holy to our Lord,  
The Lord, Almighty God,  
Who was and is and is to come;  
Sing holy, holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,  
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,  
For Chirst is coming, is coming soon!

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,  
And night shall be no more;  
they need no light nor lamp nor sun,  
For Christ will be their all.

TEXT: *Revelation 22*

## FIFTH LESSON

Zephaniah 3:14-19

Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem. The Lord hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: the king of Israel, even the Lord, is in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more. In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: and to Zion, Let not thine hands be slack. The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing. I will gather them that are sorrowful for the solemn assembly, who are of thee, to whom the reproach of it was a burden. Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth, and gather her that was driven out; and I will get them praise and fame in every land where they have been put to shame.

## ANTHEM

*People, look East*

arr. James E. Clemens

People, look east. The time is near  
Of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able,  
Trim the hearth and set the table.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the guest, is on the way.

Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,  
One more seed is planted there:  
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,  
That in course the flower may flourish.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the rose, is on the way.

Birds, though you long have ceased to build,  
Guard the nest that must be filled.  
Even the hour when wings are frozen  
God for fledging time has chosen.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the bird, is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim  
One more light the bowl shall brim,  
Shining beyond the frosty weather,  
Bright as sun and moon together.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the star, is on the way.

Angels, announce with shouts of mirth  
Christ who brings new life to earth.  
Set every peak and valley humming  
With the word, the Lord is coming.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love, the Lord, is on the way.

TEXT: *Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965)*

## SIXTH LESSON

Luke 1:26-38

And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgins name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the angel, how shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren. For with God nothing shall be impossible. And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.  
 For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.  
 For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.  
 For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name.  
 And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.  
 He hath showed strength with his arm; he that scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
 He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.  
 He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.  
 He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,  
 as he promised to our forefathers Abraham and his seed forever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

*Words: St. Luke 1, vv. 46-55*



*The people stand as able.*

#### COLLECT

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armor 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 the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping, but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Leader: Judah and Jerusalem, fear not, nor be dismayed;

**People: Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord will be with you.**

Leader: Stand ye still, and ye shall see the salvation of the Lord.

**People: Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord will be with you.**

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

**People: Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord will be with you.**

Leader: We wait for thy loving-kindness, O Lord.

**People: In the midst of thy temple.**

#### BLESSING

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CAROL (sung by all)

*Lo! He comes, with clouds descending*

(HYMNAL 57)



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for  
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in  
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his  
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand  
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at  
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less  
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his  
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the  
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -  
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,  
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,  
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.  
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Helmsley*, melody Augustine Arne (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

PROCESSION

ORGAN & TRUMPET

*"Sleepers, wake!" A voice astounds us*

arr. J. S. Bach

## MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Officiant	The Rev. Karen Haig
Organist & Choirmaster	Paul Roy
Song Leaders	The Parish Choir & Guest Singers
Trumpeter	Rick Baty
Readers	Brian Oldham, Su Beecham, Stu Case, George Robertson, Kathleen Jennings & Roger Clairmont
Acolyte	Joan Collins
Ushers	George Brooker, Ed Ellis
Members of the Altar Guild	Altar Guild Volunteers

## Personal Rites for Advent – A Take Home Sheet for Your Refrigerator Door

*Pay attention. That is the Advent message. Attentiveness to the mystery of the Coming One is not easily practiced in the midst of crowded calendars and unrelenting din of December. It is important to make time for paying attention, for silence, for waiting.*

Here are some suggestions:

1. **Attend Sunday church service on all four Sundays.** Throughout Advent, the liturgies tell us more and more about the future God is making... don't miss a single chapter of the unfolding drama as we wait for God together!
2. **Follow the daily readings found in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP),** or on line at <http://satucket.com/lectionary/>. You may want to use the forms provided in the BCP for home prayers. Compline is a lovely way to end the day – you'll find it on page 127.
3. **Create an Advent wreath on the first Sunday of Advent.** Light the Advent candle when you say your prayers and sit down to supper. Use an Advent Calendar. Talk with family or friends about the season and the feelings it brings. Listen to the promise of God in each other.
4. **Meditate on the [O Antiphons](#).** You may want to do this by candlelight, or in front of a fire.
5. **Break habitual patterns.** Cultivate surprise. See all things as new! Take an unusual route to work or use an alternative form of transportation. Do something you have never done before, or see something you have never seen before. Take a walk, letting colors, patterns and movements surprise you. Wear your watch on the wrong wrist, or don't wear it at all. Every time you look in the wrong place for "the time", pray God to make you ready for the unexpected.
6. **Practice waiting.** Sit or lie by a window where you can see only the sky. Wait for something to pass by – a cloud, a plane, a sparrow, an angel....
7. **Climb a hill and watch for the moon to rise.** Watch for the sunrise after the longest night (December 21). Watch for the first star on Christmas Eve. "Wait without thought."
8. **Keep the prayer "Maranatha, come Lord Jesus" in your mind and heart.** Say it in various places. Empty your mind as you pray it. Watch for signs.
9. **Make at least one conscious act of being a sign of God's future to others.** Look to [Matthew 25: 35-40](#) for guidelines.
10. **Make room for silence and inactivity.** Schedule it. Put the television in a closet. Set aside one evening and do nothing – not even books or music. Turn off the lights. Stop talking. Listen. Who is knocking at the door of your heart?

Waiting is really a period of learning. The longer we wait, the more we hear about Him for whom we are waiting. As the advent weeks progress, we hear more and more about the beauty and splendor of the One who is to come. There is a stark beauty about it all... Advent invites us into a growing inner stillness and joy allowing us to realize that He for whom we are waiting has already arrived and speaks to us in the silence of our hearts. Just as a mother feels her growing child in her womb, and is not surprised on the day of the birth and joyfully receives the one she learned to know during her waiting, so Jesus can be born in our lives – slowly and steadily – and be received as the one we learned to know while waiting.

*Adapted from [The Genesee Diary](#) by Henri J. M. Nouwen*

# ST. BARNABAS ADVENT & CHRISTMAS EVENTS

## **SOLEMN HIGH MASS FOR THE FEAST OF THOMAS MERTON | MONDAY, DECEMBER 10TH, 7PM**

Join us on Monday, December 10th at 7pm to commemorate Thomas Merton. Trappist monk, mystic, theologian, writer, social activist and interfaith pioneer, Merton was one of the most influential Christians of the 20th century. The story of his conversion, monastic vocation and social witness, cut short by an untimely end, left an indelible mark on the world. His writings continue to have an impact, inspiring successive generations of contemplatives, activists and seekers. On the 50th anniversary of his death, we will celebrate a solemn high mass with incense and plainsong, weaving many of Merton's eloquent texts into a beautifully contemplative liturgy.

## **ADVENT CONTEMPLATIVE HOLY EUCHARIST | SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH, 5PM**

Do you long for more silence in your worship? Would you like to sink more deeply into music, reflection, Word and Sacrament? Join us on Sunday Evening, 12/16 at 5pm for our monthly Contemplative Holy Eucharist. This month we will enter in to the Advent theme of holy waiting. We'll gather in the church for Eucharist and in the parlor after the service for conversation and refreshment. We hope you will join us. This service is a wonderful way to steep ourselves in the Holy in preparation for the week ahead.

## **A QUIET CHRISTMAS HOLY EUCHARIST | TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18TH, 7PM**

At St. Barnabas, we offer a special worship service - A Quiet Christmas Holy Eucharist - for those who find themselves in tender places - sad, grieving, or in need of any sort of healing during this Christmas season. This service is open to everyone and is especially meaningful for those who are experiencing loss.

## **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT | MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, 4PM**

## **FESTIVE CHRISTMAS SERVICE | MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH, 7PM**

**CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE WITH INCENSE | MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH**  
CAROLS AT 9:30 | SERVICE AT 10PM

## **CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE | TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH, 10AM**

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