



ADVENT

LESSONS AND CAROLS

*celebrating the season of
expectation in word and song
with music sung by*

*the Cathedral Choir
Cathedral Youth Schola
Cathedral Children's Choir
and Cathedral Choral Scholars
with the Cathedral Congregation*



CATHEDRAL OF SAINT RAYMOND NONNATUS + JOLIET, ILLINOIS

4:00pm Sunday 6 December 2015

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INTRODUCTION

In the Middle Ages, the Church kept Advent as a season of great solemnity — a time in which to meditate upon the ultimate issues of death, judgement, hell, and heaven.

But Advent was also a time of great rejoicing. For Christ would come, not only as Judge, but also as Savior, and would usher in the Kingdom of God. Advent, therefore, provided a vivid preparation for Christmas. Processions from west to east, and the use of lights, spoke of the Church's hope in the coming of Christ — the Light of the world — to banish sin and darkness. Antiphons were sung, calling upon God to deliver his people, and readings from the Old Testament were seen as pointing to the fulfillment of God's purposes in Jesus Christ.

This service aims to recapture something of that Advent longing and hope. It begins quietly with the Advent Responsory, in which Christ's coming is announced, "Rise up, O Jerusalem!" The Blessing of Light follows, and, as the service unfolds, the light is carried forward in the ancient procession from west to east.

The remainder of the service is structured around the Advent "O" antiphons, known as the Great "Os." These were originally sung as antiphons to the Magnificat during Vespers from December 17 to 23, and have provided a rich source of devotional imagery in Advent. The readings and music serve to complement the antiphons, and help us to reflect on the theme of Christ who comes to judge and save his people. The musical settings of the "O" antiphons sung this afternoon were composed in 1989 by Peter Hallock for the Compline Choir of Saint Mark's Cathedral in Seattle. The antiphons are gathered together in the final hymn, "O come, O come, Emmanuel," which is sung by all as the service concludes with confident hope in the One who is to come.

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REPARATION

ORGAN PRELUDE

Savior of the nations, come BWV 659
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

GATHERING

The ministers and choir move to the West End of the Cathedral.

ADVENT RESPONSORY *Sung by the Cathedral Choral Scholars.* **PLEASE STAND** *Rise up, O Jerusalem*
chant • Richard Proulx, 1982

Cantor Rise up, O Jerusalem, stand upon the heights:
Choir You shall see the salvation of our God.
Cantor Judah and Jerusalem, fear not nor be dismayed:
Choir Today you go forth, and the Lord will be with you.
Cantor Let us go forth in peace.
Choir In the name of Christ. Amen.

THE BLESSING OF LIGHT

Cantor You, O Lord are my lamp: chant
Choir You turn our darkness into light.
Cantor With you, O Lord, is the well of life:
Choir In your light shall we see light.
Cantor Your word is a lantern to my feet:
Choir And a light upon our path.

The processional candles are lit.

Cantor Jesus Christ is the Light of the world:
Choir A light no darkness can quench.

Presider Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe, eternal creator of day and night. Now, as darkness is falling, hear the prayer of your faithful people. Wash away our transgressions, cleanse us by your refining fire, and make us temples of your Holy Spirit. May we live in watchfulness as we wait for the coming of your Son Jesus Christ, who shall judge the world and all its works. Rouse us from the sleep of sin and make us ready to enter your Kingdom where songs of praise forever sound. For you are the true light, who lightens everyone, and the new heavens and the new earth join to sing your praise now and for evermore.



All A - men.

PLEASE REMAIN STANDING

PROCESSIONAL CHANT *Sung by the Cathedral Choir.**Creator of the Stars of Night*

CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM ♦ arranged by Richard Proulx, 1982

During the chant the light moves in procession to the Advent wreath.

Creator of the stars of night, your people's everlasting light,
O Christ, Redeemer of us all, we pray you hear us when we call.

In sorrow that the ancient curse should doom to death a universe,
You came, O Savior, to set free your own in glorious liberty.

When this old world drew on toward night you came, but not in splendor bright,
Not as a monarch but the child of Mary, Virgin Mother mild.

At your great name of Jesus now all knees must bend, all hearts must bow,
All things on earth with one accord, like those in heaven, shall call you Lord.

Come in your holy might, we pray, redeem us for eternal day;
Defend us while we live below from all assaults of our dread foe.

To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One,
Praise, honor, might, and glory be from age to age eternally. Amen.

OPENING HYMN *Sung by all.***Come, O Long-Expected Jesus**

STUTT GART



1. Come, O long ex - pect - ed Je - sus,
2. Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion,
3. Born your peo - ple to de - liv - er;
4. By your own e - ter - nal Spir - it



Born to set your peo - ple free; From our fears and
You, the hope of all the earth, Dear de - sire of
Born a child and yet a king! Born to reign in
Rule in all our hearts a - lone; By your all suf -



sins re - lease us; Free us from cap - tiv - i - ty.
ev - 'ry na - tion, Come, and save us by your birth.
us for ev - er, Now your grac - ious king - dom bring.
fi - cient mer - it Raise us to your glo - rious throne.



SAPIENTIA

PLEASE BE SEATED

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WISDOM

O Sapientia, quæ ex ore Altissimi prodisti, attingens a fine usque ad finem, fortiter suaviter disponensque omnia: veni ad docendum nos viam prudentiæ.

O Wisdom, you came forth from the mouth of the Most High, and reach from one end of the earth to another, mightily and sweetly ordering all things: come and teach us the way of prudence.

FIRST LESSON

Sirach 24:1–9

THE PRAISE OF WISDOM

*Silence is kept.*CAROL *Sung by the Cathedral Choir, Cathedral Youth Schola, and Cathedral Children's Choir – Senior Level.**The Call of Wisdom*
Will Todd, 2012

Lord of wisdom, Lord of truth, Lord of justice, Lord of mercy: walk beside us down the years till we see you in your glory. Striving to attain the heights, turning in a new direction, entering a lonely place, welcoming a friend or stranger. I am here, I am with you. I have called: do you hear me? Silver is of passing worth, gold is not of constant value, jewels sparkle for a while; what you long for is not lasting. Rulers govern under me with my insight and my wisdom. Those who know me know my love, those who seek me find their answer. God the Father and the Son, Holy Spirit coeternal: glory be ascribed to you, now and to the end of ages.

— Michael Hampel (based on Proverbs 8)



ADONAI

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LORD OF MIGHT

O Adonai, et Dux domus Israel, qui Moysi in igne flammæ rubi apparuisti, et ei in Sina legem dedisti: veni ad redimendum nos in brachio extento.

O Adonai, Ruler of the House of Israel, you appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush; on Mount Sinai you gave him your law: with outstretched arm come and redeem us.

SECOND LESSON

Exodus 3:1–6

MOSES AT THE BURNING BUSH

Silence is kept.

CAROL *Sung by the Cathedral Choir.*

Never weather-beaten sail
Thomas Campion (1567–1620)

Never weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore,
never tired pilgrims' limbs affected slumber more,
then my weary sprite now longs to fly out of my troubled breast:
O come quickly, O come quickly, O come quickly sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest.

Ever blooming are the joys of heaven's high paradise.
Cold age deafs not there our ears, nor vapor dims our eyes.
Glory there the sun outshines, whose beams the blessed only see:
O come quickly, O come quickly, O come quickly glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to thee.

HYMN *Sung by all.* **PLEASE STAND**

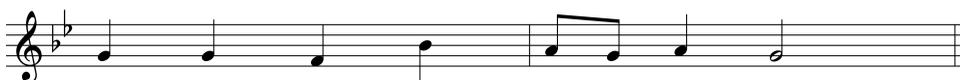
Savior of the Nations, Come
NUN KOMM DER HEIDEN HEILAND



1. Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; Vir - gin's Son, make
2. Not by hu - man flesh and blood, But the Spir - it
3. Won - drous birth! O won - drous child Of the Vir - gin
4. From God's heart the Sav - ior speeds, Back to God his
5. Bright - ly does Christ's man - ger shine, Glo - rious is its



here your home. Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,
of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh,
un - de - filed! Ver - y God, and Mar - y's son,
path - way leads; Out to van - quish death's com - mand,
light di - vine. Night can - not this light sub - due;



That the Lord chose such a birth.
Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.
Ea - ger now his race to run!
Back to reign at God's right hand.
Let our faith shine ev - er new.

Text: *Veni, Redemptor gentium*; ascribed to Saint Ambrose of Milan, 340–398
Tune: NUN KOMM DER HEIDEN HEILAND; *Geistliche Gesangbüchlein*, Wittenberg, 1524

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RADIX JESSE

ROOT OF JESSE

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O Radix Jesse, qui stas in signum populorum, super quen continebunt reges os suum, quem gentes deprecabuntur: veni ad liberandum nos, jam noli tardare.

O Root of Jesse, you stand as an ensign to the peoples; before you kings shall keep silence, all nations bow in worship: come and save us, and do not delay.

THIRD LESSON

Isaiah 11:1–4a, 10
THE PEACEFUL KINGDOM

Silence is kept.

CAROL *Sung by the Cathedral Children's Choir – Junior and Intermediate Levels.*

Come, Come, Emmanuel
Lynn Shaw Bailey and Becky Slagle Mayo, 2005

Come, come Messiah, come. Come, Emmanuel. Come, come, O Promised One. Come, Emmanuel.

Prophets of old have told of your coming; long we have waited, long we have prayed.
Kingdoms and kings will bow down before you. Come, Emmanuel, today.

We are your children, you are our Savior. Lovingly guide us, guide us, we pray.
Help us to follow, help us to listen. Come, Emmanuel, today.

CAROL *Sung by the Cathedral Children's Choir – all levels.*

Let every heart prepare a throne
Mark Patterson, 2013

Let every heart prepare a throne for soon the Child of Light will come. Let every voice prepare a song to welcome Christ the Promised One.

Let every hand reach out with love to greet this gift from God above. Make ready now, the Savior comes, the Prince of Peace, the Promised One.

So let the flame of Advent glow, each candle shines that all may know the hope we need, so long foretold, will soon be here for us to hold.





CLAVIS DAVID

KEY OF DAVID

IV

O clavis David, et sceptrum domus Israel, qui aperis et nemo claudit; claudis et nemo aperit: veni et educ vinctum de domo carceris, sedentem in tenebris et umbra mortis.

O Key of David, scepter of the house of Israel, you open and no one closes; you close and no one opens: come and deliver us from the chains of prison, we who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

FOURTH LESSON

Jeremiah 23:5–6

THE RIGHTEOUS BRANCH OF DAVID

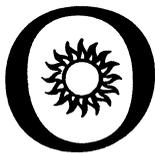
Silence is kept.

CAROL *Sung by the Cathedral Choir.*

Lift up your heads, O ye gates
William Mathias, 1973

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

— Psalm 24: 7-10



ORIENTIS

RISING DAWN

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O Oriens, splendor lucis aeternae, et sol justitiae: veni et illumina sedentes in tenebris et umbra mortis.

O Rising Dawn, brightness of the light eternal, sun of righteousness: come and enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

FIFTH LESSON

John 1:19–28

THE TESTIMONY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Silence is kept.

CAROL *Sung by the Cathedral Youth Schola and Cathedral Choral Scholars.**Lost in the Night*

Finnish folk tune ♦ arranged by Kyle Haugen, 2000

Lost in the night do the people yet languish, longing for morning the darkness to vanquish,
plaintively heaving a sigh full of anguish. Will not day come soon? Will not day come soon?

Must we be vainly awaiting the morrow? Shall those who have light no light let us borrow,
giving no heed to our burden of sorrow? Will you help us soon? Will you help us soon?

Sorrowing wanderers, in darkness yet dwelling, dawned has the day of a radiance excelling,
death's dreaded darkness forever dispelling, Christ is coming soon. Christ is coming soon!

HYMN *Sung by all.* **PLEASE STAND****On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry**

WINCHESTER NEW



1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An -
2. Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make
3. For you are our sal - va - tion, Lord, Our
4. To heal the sick stretch out your hand, And
5. All praise to you, e - ter - nal Son, Whose



noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and hear - en,
straight the way for God with - in, And let each heart pre -
ref - uge and our great re - ward; With - out your grace we
bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; Shine forth and let your
ad - vent has our free - dom won, Whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings.
pare a home Where such a might - y guest may come.
waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
light re - store Earth's own true love - li - ness once more.
we a - dore, And Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er - more.

Text: *Jordanis oras praevia*; Charles Coffin, 1676–1749; translated by John Chandler, 1806–1876, alt.Tune: WINCHESTER NEW; adapted from *Musikalisches Handbuch*, Hamburg, 1690

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PLEASE BE SEATED



REX GENTIUM

VI

KING OF NATIONS

O Rex gentium, et desideratus earum, lapisque angularis, qui facis utraque unum: veni et salva hominem quem de limo formasti.

O King of nations, and their desire, you are the cornerstone that binds two into one: come and save the creature whom you have fashioned from clay.

SIXTH LESSON

Revelation 15:2–4

A VISION OF THE HEAVENLY KINGDOM

Silence is kept.

CAROL *Sung by the Cathedral Children's Choir –Senior Level, and the women of the Cathedral Choir.*

Lighting the Way
Will Todd, 2000

In the stars I see you; in a flower, you're there; in a song I hear you; you are everywhere;
You are the light that starts the day and with you I'm lighting the way.

When I'm lost you find me; when I cry you hear; when I fall you bind me and you calm my fear;
You are the path I take each day and with you I'm finding my way.

In a lighted candle; in a window fair; in an ancient building; you are everywhere;
You are the beacon of each day and for you I'm lighting the way.

In a friend I touch you; in a smile you're there; in a prayer you're near me; you are everywhere;
Help me to follow you each day, for with you I'm lighting the way.



EMMANUEL

VII

GOD WITH US

O Emmanuel, Rex et legifer noster, expectatio gentium, et Salvator earum: veni ad salvandum nos, Domine Deus noster.

O Emmanuel, our King and Lawgiver, the desire of the nations and their salvation: come and save us, O Lord our God.

SEVENTH LESSON

Matthew 1:18–23

THE BIRTH OF JESUS THE MESSIAH

*Silence is kept.*CAROL *Sung by the Cathedral Choir.**Behold a Mystical Rose*

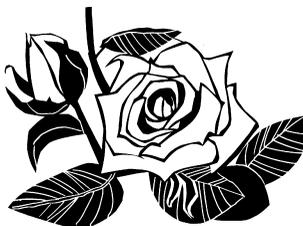
Old Breton Air • arranged by Peter Latona, 2001

Behold a Mystical Rose from thorny stem hath sprung;
 Of David's lineage God chose to give to the world his Son.
 All hail, thou House of Gold, of whom ancient prophets foretold;
 Thy royal praises we sing; thy womb was the court of our King.

Behold the Mother of God, yet lowliest daughter of men;
 At her assenting nod God gave his Son to men.
 All hail, thou Morning Star, who brought Blessed Light from afar,
 Dispel the darkness of night, illumine our path with thy light.

Behold the cause of our joy, who bore the infinite Child,
 To Satan's kingdom destroy and men to God reconcile.
 All hail, thou Gate of Heav'n, through thee all graces are giv'n;
 Through thee Salvation came; all praised and blest be thy name!

— Richard Cross



CONCLUSION

FINAL LESSON

Revelation 22:12–13, 16–17, 20

THE ADVENT OF CHRIST THE LORD

PRAYERS **PLEASE STAND***Presider* Let us pray.*Silence is kept.*

Presider In joyful expectation of his coming to our aid, we pray to Jesus.

Cantor Come, Lord Jesus.

chant • Richard Proulx, 2000



All Come, Lord Je - sus.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord:

Come, Lord Jesus.

Come and save us, Lord God of hosts:

Come, Lord Jesus.

Show us the light of your countenance and we shall be saved:

Come, Lord Jesus.

Show us your mercy, O Lord, and grant us your salvation:

Come, Lord Jesus.

Those who await your appearing cry out:

Come, Lord Jesus.

The Spirit and the Church of God cry out:

Come, Lord Jesus.

All creation cries out in longing:

Come, Lord Jesus.

We await your coming again in power and great glory:

Come, Lord Jesus.

O Emmanuel, King and Savior, come quickly to save us:

Come, Lord Jesus.

LORD'S PRAYER

Presider Let us pray for the coming of the Kingdom in the words our Savior gave us.

**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. Amen.**

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Come, Lord Jesus, do not delay,
give new courage to your people who trust in your love.
By your coming, raise us to share in the joy of your kingdom
on earth as in heaven,
where you live and reign
with the Father and the Spirit,
one God for ever and ever.

Amen.

BLESSING

May God the Father,
who loved the world so much that he sent his only Son,
give you grace to prepare for life eternal.

Amen.

May God the Son,
who comes to us as Redeemer and Judge,
reveal to you the path from darkness to light.

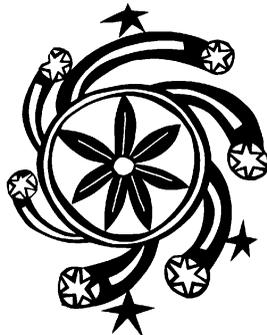
Amen.

May God the Holy Spirit,
by whose working the Virgin Mary conceived the Christ,
help you bear the fruits of holiness.

Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.



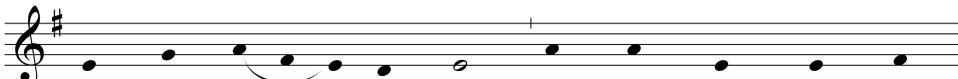
CLOSING HYMN *Sung by all, as indicated.*

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL



All 1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
All 2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high, who or - ders
Women 3. O come, O come, great Lord of might, who to your
All 4. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's stem, from ev - 'ry
Men 5. O come, O Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen
All 6. O come, O Day - spring from on high, and cheer us
All 7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the



cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly
 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of
 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times once
 foe de - liv - er them that trust your might - y
 wide our heav'n - ly home; make safe the way that
 by your draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y
 hearts of hu - man - kind; O bid our sad di -



ex - ile here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 knowl - edge show, and teach us in her ways to go.
 gave the law, in cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.
 power to save, and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
 leads on high, and close the path to mis - er - y.
 clouds of night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
 vi - sions cease, and be for us our King of Peace.

REFRAIN *Sung by all after every verse.*


Re-joyce! Re-joyce! Em-man - u-el shall come to you, O Is - ra-el.

DISMISSAL

Presider O Lord Jesus Christ, come at evening time with light,
and in the morning with your glory

All to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Presider He who receives our prayers says: Surely I come quickly.
I am the root and offspring of David, I am the bright and morning star.

All Amen. Even so, come Lord Jesus.

PLEASE REMAIN SILENTLY UNTIL THE PRESIDER AND CHOIRS HAVE EXITED THE CATHEDRAL.

ALL WHO WISH MAY BE SEATED QUIETLY DURING THE POSTLUDE OR DEPART IN SILENCE.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Pièce d'orgue BWV 572
Johann Sebastian Bach

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