



## CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

JANUARY 24, 2021

9:15 a.m.

### VOLUNTARY & OPENING SENTENCES

### 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;  
His reign on earth begun!*

1. He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free,  
To take away transgression, and rule in equity.
  
2. He comes with comfort speedy to those who suffer wrong,  
To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong. (*Chorus*)
  
3. To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,  
Whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in his sight.
  
4. He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;  
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth. (*Chorus*)
  
5. The tide of time shall never his covenant remove;  
His Name shall stand forever, that Name to us is Love. (*Chorus*)

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### CONFSSION OF SIN

**Almighty and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

### THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

## A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MARK.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God,<sup>15</sup>and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”<sup>16</sup>Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen.<sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.”<sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him.<sup>19</sup>And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets.<sup>20</sup>And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him. (1:14-20)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

### SUFFRAGES

Officiant: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

People: **And grant us thy salvation.**

Officiant: Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

People: **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Officiant: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People: **For only in thee can we live in safety.**

Officiant: Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

People: **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Officiant: Let thy way be known upon earth;

People: **Thy saving health among all nations.**

Officiant: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People: **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Officiant: Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People: **And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**

## COLLECT AND PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## THE GRACE AND THE WELCOME

### HYMN

1. What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer,  
There is no more for heaven now to give,  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom,  
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace.

*To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus,  
For my life is wholly bound to his.  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing, all is mine,  
Yet not I but through Christ in me.*

2. The night is dark but I am not forsaken,  
For by my side the Savior, he will stay,  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,  
For in my need his power is displayed.

*To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me,  
Through the deepest valley he will lead.  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome.  
Yet not I but through Christ in me.*

3. No fate I dread; I know I am forgiven,  
The future sure the price it has been paid.  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,  
And he was raised to overthrow the grave.

*To this I hold, my sin has been defeated,  
Jesus now and ever is my plea;  
Oh the chains are released, I can sing, I am free;  
Yet not I but through Christ in me.*

4. With every breath, I long to follow Jesus,  
For he has said that he will bring me home;  
And day by day I know he will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne.

*To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus,  
All the glory evermore to him;  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat,  
Yet not I but through Christ in me.*

*Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me*

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## THE SERMON

Canon Hicks

## AT THE OFFERTORY

*O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines*

O day of peace that dimly shines  
Through all our hopes and prayers and dreams;  
Guide us to justice, truth, and love,  
Delivered from our selfish schemes.

May the swords of hate fall from our hands,  
Our hearts from envy find release;  
Till by God's grace our warring world  
Shall see Christ's promised reign of peace.

Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb,  
Nor shall the fierce devour the small;  
As beasts and cattle calmly graze,  
A little child shall lead them all.

Then enemies shall learn to love,  
All creatures find their true accord;  
The hope of peace shall be fulfilled,  
For all the earth shall know the Lord.

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## THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## THE CLOSING PRAYERS AND BLESSING

### HYMN

*In Christ Alone*

1. In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song.  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My comforter, my all in all;  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones he came to save.  
Till on that cross, as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied,  
For every sin on him was laid,  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

3. There in the ground, his body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave he rose again!  
And as he stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am his, and he is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry, to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from his hand;  
Till he returns, or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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## THE DISMISSAL AND VOLUNTARY

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**