



"The 5PM" The Season of Advent Sundays at 5:00 p.m.

*Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly.
May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.
May you leave here with a heart prepared to serve.*



Welcome & Introduction

All are invited to join in the responses.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Opening Responses

Days of heavy clouds stifling the sunlight;
the world burdened by grayness and gloom
*Open our eyes, Lord, to the coming of your light
lifting the burden of darkness from our lives.*

Chillness that seeps deep into bones;
hearts and spirits rigid with frost-hardness;
souls wrapped up against coldness and loneliness.
*Open our souls, Lord, to the warmth of your coming
melting the hardness that keeps us from you and from each other.*

Trees, branches bare against the steel skies;
Stems crumpled under weight of frost, weight of snow;
Last year's leaves, blackened and slippery underfoot;
Nature oppressed by wintriness, yet resting, awaiting rebirth.
*Cherish our hearts, Lord, oppressed by wintriness -
assure us of your coming of your call to new life.*

Song of Praise

Ma - gni - fi - cat, Ma - gni - fi - cat, Ma - gni - fi - cat a - ni - ma

me - a Do - mi - num. Ma - gni - fi - cat, Ma - gni - fi - cat, Ma - gni - fi - cat a - ni - ma me - a!

Collect of the Day

Prayer for Evening (from *Daily Prayer for All Seasons*)

Holy One, whose coming we await, we lift our hearts to you: Remind us of your faithfulness, that we may trust ever more deeply in your grace. We set down the tasks of the day so that we may arise renewed, to love and serve you. Amen.

First Reading (from the Old Testament or the New Testament)

Scan the QR code below for readings.



Psalm

Processional Song

Lento $\text{♩} = 48$
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Wait for the Lord, his day is near.

The first line of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp). The treble staff has a common time signature. The melody begins with a quarter rest, followed by a dotted quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note D5, a quarter note E5, a quarter note F#5, and a quarter note G5. The bass staff provides harmonic support with chords and single notes.

Wait for the Lord; be strong, take heart!

The second line of musical notation continues the melody from the first line. The treble staff melody starts with a quarter rest, followed by a dotted quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note D5, a quarter note E5, a quarter note F#5, and a quarter note G5. The bass staff continues with harmonic support.

Gospel of the Day

Conversation

Affirmation of Faith (by Nathan Nettleton)

*We believe in God,
creator and lover of the earth,
origin and destiny of us all.*

*We believe in Jesus the Christ —
God coming to us
in the fragile promise
of a baby yet unborn —
who emerges as the herald of hope,
God's laughter in the face of despair.
Plunged into death and hell,
he broke free the captives,
and is leading the way
to the land of promise
where justice and peace will flourish.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who implants the seed of truth,
brings us to birth
as the body of Christ,
and empowers us
to confront and transform
all that is corrupt, degrading and deceitful.*

*We believe in the coming reign of God.
Announced by John the Baptist,
it has drawn near to us in Jesus,
and will be consummated
in the glorious marriage of earth and heaven,
when all who have passed through
the world's deep sorrow
will be raised from the waters,*

*robed in righteousness,
and gathered into the joyous fulfillment
of God's desire.*

*For the coming of that day on this day,
we work and pray:
Come, Lord Jesus, Come!*

Prayers of the People (from *Common Worship*)

In joyful expectation of his coming to our aid we pray to Jesus. Come to your Church as Lord and judge. We pray for ...

Help us to live in the light of your coming and give us a longing for your kingdom.

Maranatha:

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to your world as King of the nations. We pray for ... Before you rulers will stand in silence.

Maranatha:

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to the suffering as Savior and comforter.

We pray for all those who are sick and suffering, especially...

Break into our lives, where we struggle with sickness and distress,
and set us free to serve you forever.

Maranatha:

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come to us as shepherd and guardian of our souls.

We remember our loved ones who have died, especially...

Give us with all the faithful departed
a share in your victory over evil and death.

Maranatha:

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Come from heaven, Lord Jesus, with power and great glory.
Lift us up to meet you, that with [N and] all your saints and angels
we may live and reign with you in your new creation.

Maranatha:

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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.

Confession (from *Daily Prayer for All Seasons*)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most Holy God,

In the midst of this season of new life, we confess:

We have resisted the light of your love;

We have not fully shared the gifts entrusted to us; and

We have not treasured the gifts of others around us.

We stand in need of your love.

Holy Father, make us holy.

Holy Jesus, make us holy.

Holy Spirit, make us holy.

Holy God, make us whole. Amen

God forgives us and loves us, and invites us to continue the journey. As a woman is
delivered from the pain of her labor to the joy of cradling her child, so are we delivered
into God's grace.

Peace

Offertory

Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now united on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving (Anglican Church of Canada Eucharistic Prayer 2)

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

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. In fulfillment 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.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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."

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 honor are yours, Father and Son with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church forever.

AMEN.

Lord's Prayer

As Christ teaches us we pray:

Breaking of the Bread

God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

Invitation

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer After Communion

All your works praise you, O Lord.

And your faithful servants bless you.

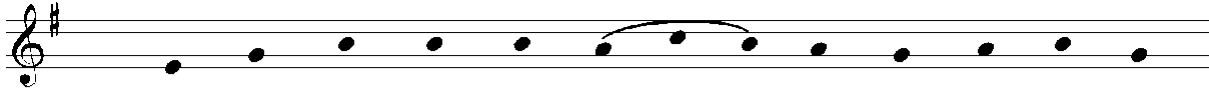
Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

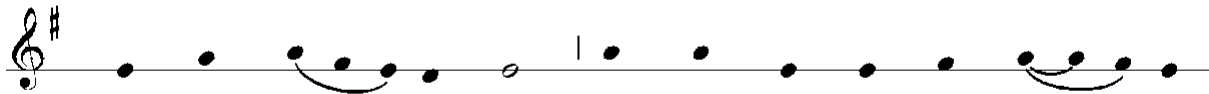
Blessing

Closing Song

O Come, O Come Emmanuel (vs 1, 2, & 6)



(Dec. 23) 1 O come, O come, Em - man u - el, and ran - som
(Dec. 17) 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
(Dec. 18) 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
(Dec. 19) 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from
(Dec. 20) 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen
(Dec. 21) 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us
(Dec. 22) 7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the
(Dec. 23) 8 O come, O come, Em - man u - el, and ran - som



1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge
3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the
4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to
5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on
6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of
7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions
8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.
3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.
4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!
5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.
6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.
8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

The stanzas may be used as antiphons with "The Song of Mary" on the dates given.

Dismissal

As we await our coming Savior, go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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