

The Third Sunday of Advent Worship Service

Prelude

Come Now, Redeemer of the Nations

J. S. Bach

Opening Hymn 795 Wonder, Love, and Praise “Come now, O Prince of Peace”

*Come now, O Prince of Peace, make us one body,
come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.*

*Come now, O God of love, make us one body,
come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.*

*Come now and set us free, O God, our Savior,
come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile all nations.*

*Come, Hope of Unity, make us one body,
come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile all nations.*

The Word of God

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People and blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly
love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Celebrant and People

Holy God,

Holy and Mighty,

Holy Immortal One,

Have mercy upon us.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

The Collect of the Day

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,
because the LORD has anointed me;

he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,
to bind up the brokenhearted,

to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and release to the prisoners;

to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor,
and the day of vengeance of our God;
to comfort all who mourn;
to provide for those who mourn in Zion—
to give them a garland instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.
They will be called oaks of righteousness,
the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.
They shall build up the ancient ruins,
they shall raise up the former devastations;
they shall repair the ruined cities,
the devastations of many generations.
For I the LORD love justice,
I hate robbery and wrongdoing;
I will faithfully give them their recompense,
and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.
Their descendants shall be known among the nations,
and their offspring among the peoples;
all who see them shall acknowledge
that they are a people whom the LORD has blessed.
I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,
my whole being shall exult in my God;
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise
to spring up before all the nations.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The LORD has done great things for them."

- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

A Reading from Paul’s First Letter to the Thessalonians 5:16-24

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil.

May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

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Gradual Music *The Lord will Come and Not be Slow* Zebulon Highben

The Gospel: John 1:6-8,19-28

Deacon or Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light.

This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, “Who are you?” He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, “I am not the Messiah.” And they asked him, “What then? Are you Elijah?” He said, “I am not.” “Are you the prophet?” He answered, “No.” Then they said to him, “Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?” He said, “I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way of the Lord,’” as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, “Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?” John answered them, “I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal.” This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

Deacon/Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Prayers of the People, Form V

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "*Kyrie Eleison.*"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Kyrie Eleison.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Kenneth our own Bishop, for Cameron and Rob, our clergy, and for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

Kyrie Eleison.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

Kyrie Eleison.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Kyrie Eleison.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Kyrie Eleison.

For those in positions of public trust that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

Kyrie Eleison.

For all who live and work in this community *especially* ___ *celebrating birthdays this week, and* ___ *who celebrate their anniversary*, we pray to you, O Lord.

Kyrie Eleison.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

Kyrie Eleison.

For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

Kyrie Eleison.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers, *especially*...; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

Kyrie Eleison.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, *especially*...., and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Kyrie Eleison.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed virgin Mary, Joseph, Patrick and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

Officiant and People say the following Doxology

For yours is the majesty, O Father, son, and the Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. Amen

Act of Contrition

Priest Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People, together

O God, we are very sorry that we have sinned against you and for all the wrongs we have done and the good we have not done. Confessing especially... Forgive us for Jesus' sake, and grant us strength and wisdom to amend our lives. Amen.

Absolution

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Hymn 370 verse 6 "St. Patrick's Breastplate"

*Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.*

Spiritual Communion

Act of Reception

IN UNION, BLESSED JESUS, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, remembering especially our parish of St. Patrick's, we long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

And particularly this day for the blessings given us... We believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and since, we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray that you will come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all our hearts, souls, and minds. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Celebrant and People

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Officiant and People

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn 76 (vs. 1,2,5) “On Jordan’s bank the Baptist’s cry”

*On Jordan’s bank the Baptist’s cry announces that the lord is nigh;
awake and hearken, for he brings glad tiding of the King of kings.*

*Then cleansed be every breast from sin; make straight the way for God within,
and let each heart prepare a home where such a mighty guest may come.*

*All praise, eternal Son, to thee, whose advent doth thy people free;
whom with the Father we adore and Holy Spirit evermore.*

Dismissal

Postlude

God’s Son is Coming

Helmut Walcha

**Spiritual Communion has been modified from Saint Augustine’s Prayer Book. Permission is given to reproduce this text for use in local worshiping communities by Forward Movement.*

The Sunday News
December 6, 2020

Note to the Parish-

In response to orders issued in the past week by the Ohio Department of Health, Gov. Mike DeWine, and the Commissioners of Columbus and Franklin Co. Public Health, and in compliance with the guidelines set forth by the Diocese of Southern Ohio, Worship services will be available On-line Only. In-person worship has been suspended until further notice. Additionally, the church office will be open by appointment only.

Rummage Sale for Computers: As some of you may be getting a new computer for Christmas, please consider donating your old computer to St. Patrick's Rummage Sale. Your old computer will have its hard drive wiped clean and a new operating system will be installed. The computer will then be sold and the proceeds will be given to St. Patrick's to help with our ministries. Please include any additional working peripherals such as power cords, flat screen monitors, keyboards and mice is very much appreciated.

Please contact Charlie Horton (614-406-3701) to setup a computer exchange. Thank you.

Advent at St. Patrick's: Traditionally during the season of Advent, we find ways as a parish to enrich our experience of this holy time and find deeper meaning in the stories of the faithful as we prepare for the birth of Jesus. This year, a Sunday evening service will be made available on our YouTube channel beginning at 5:30pm honoring special Advent Saints and celebrations.

Advent 3, December 13

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Advent 4, December 20

The Annunciation: A Celebration of Mary, the Mother of Jesus!

Epiphany Finger Play: Each year at St. Patrick's tells an Epiphany story that is uniquely ours. This pageant participants will receive finger puppets to help you tell the story of Christmas at home. If you're willing, send us a recording! We'd love to hear your stories about the birth of Jesus, the arrival of the Wise People, or of the Saints of God who came after and continued to spread the light of Christ in the world. A Collection of Epiphany Finger Plays and Memories will be shared during the 12 days of Christmas. No need to be perfect, just be genuinely you! 2019 and 2020 Pageant participants will automatically be mailed a set of puppets for your household. If you are new to Epiphany Pageants, and would like to join in the fun, simply contact Mother Cameron.

Christmas Services will be available on YouTube.

Thursday, December 24th

5:00 pm - Christmas Eve Service

11:00pm - Christmas Eve Vigil

Wednesday, December 25th

10am - Christmas Day Service

Education

Adult Forum: Sundays at 11:00am on Zoom: We continue on *The Path* with a discussion of Chapter 12: The Wisdom of God Was in Him. David's legacy continues with his son Solomon, who will be famed for his wisdom and who will finally build a house for God. Yet like his father before him, Solomon will be far from perfect.

EYC Sunday Nights meets at 6:30pm on Zoom. The link is mailed to youth and parents weekly. Contact Mother Cameron to receive youth emails. This week: Does the way we access the Bible change the way we read and interpret the Bible? Phyllis Tickle believes this question is paramount as technology makes it easier for us to carry the Bible in our pockets or look up a verse online and out of context.

Children's Chapel at Home Kits have been made for December. If you would like to receive these monthly resources for faith formation at home, contact Mother Cameron. **Virtual Children's Chapel** is a way to engage with Children's Christian formation on-line. The classroom is updated prior to Sunday morning each week. Access the Virtual Children's Chapel via [this link](#).

Outreach

Gift Giving Made Easy – Skip the mall and send a gift that makes a difference in the lives of those who lack the resources many of us take for granted. Order online from Episcopal Relief and Development. They will ship your gift to a needy recipient overseas. Check out all the offerings at Episcopal Relief and Development – Goats \$80, pigs \$100, Fruit Trees \$35, Bicycle \$95, Education and Literacy Gifts and much, much more. See all your options and order online at Episcopalrelief.org/gifts. Thank you for caring for those who have less.

Dublin Food Pantry Dublin Food Pantry also still needs their regular supplies for the weekly pantry This month’s most needed items are: Ramen Noodles, Cans of Soup, Pasta or Rice sides, Canned Vegetables, Mac N Cheese boxes, Pan-cake Mix (regular size). They also give out Feminine Pads, Laundry Detergent, Baby Diapers (sizes 5-6) and miscellaneous toiletries Bring items to the pantry: 81 Bridge Street, Dublin or put them in the wagon in the church breezeway Or, contribute online: [Food Pantry](#)

Cause Cookie pick up at St. Patrick’s is today from 2:00-3:00pm. If you chose the option to make your pick up today at St. Patrick’s come by between 2-3 pm to get your orders. Please remain in your car and pull up the sidewalk at the main entrance and someone will bring your cookies out to your car for contactless delivery. Signs will be posted with directions. Thank you!

On the Calendar

Worship Team

Sunday, December 13

Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m.

Adult Forum at 11:00 a.m.

Sacred Circle at 11:00 a.m.

Cause Cookie Pick Up at 2:00 p.m.

EYC at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, December 14

EfM Extension at 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, December 15

Men’s Group at 7:00 a.m.

EfM at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 16

Spiritual Direction at 10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist at 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 10

Later in the Day Saints at 10:30 a.m.

FOH: Cook at 2:00/Package at 4:30 p.m.

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev. Cameron O’Riley

Celebrant: The Rev. Cameron O’Riley

Lay Reader: Randy Edwards

Deacon: The Rev. Rob Rideout

Music Director: Jennifer Bell

Calendar Key

Red: Streamed on **You Tube** and will be available there and posted on **Facebook** after the service if there is a disruption in the streaming.

Blue: Meeting via Zoom invitation. If you would like to participate in a Zoom and do not receive a link, please contact the clergy. For **Coffee Hour**, please see Zoom link in Stephen’s email with the bulletin.

Black: In person event with safety precautions in place.

Birthdays this Week

Chris Cochran

Katryn Hallermann

Rondi Purcell

John Russo

Anniversaries this Week

Paul & Valerie Cook