



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Advent Lessons & Carols December 10, 2017

Hymn 56 "O come, O come, Emmanuel"

Veni, veni, Emmanuel

Please stand and join in singing.

Verses 2–7 are sung alternately by men and women, with all singing the refrain.

Bidding Prayer

First Lesson: Genesis 3:1–15

Read by Michael Vanin

Adam and Eve rebel against God and are cast out of the Garden of Eden.

Anthem *Adam lay ybounden*

Boris Ord (1897-1961)

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.

Ne had the apple taken been, ne had never our lady a been heavené queen.

Blessed be the time that apple taken was; therefore we moun singen, Deo gratias!

Second Lesson: Isaiah 40:1–11

Read by Nora Tracy Phillips

God comforts the people of Israel and calls on them to prepare for redemption.

Anthem *Jesus Christ the apple tree*

Elizabeth Poston (1905–1987)

Laura Cervinsky, soprano

The tree of life my soul hath seen, laden with fruit and always green.

The trees of nature fruitless be compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel: by faith I know, but ne'er can tell,

The glory which I now can see in Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought, and pleasure dearly I have bought:

*I missed of all; but now I see 'tis found in Christ the apple tree.
I'm weary with my former toil; here I will sit and rest awhile:
Under the shadow I will be, of Jesus Christ the apple tree.
This fruit doth make my soul to thrive; it keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be with Jesus Christ the apple tree.*

Hymn 65 "Prepare the way, O Zion"

Bereden väg för Herran

Third Lesson: Isaiah 35:1–10

Read by James Blackwell

The prophet proclaims that God will come and save us.

Anthem *The record of John*

Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

William Sullivan Hart, tenor

This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites to Jerusalem to ask him: Who art thou? And he confessed and said plainly: I am not the Christ. And they asked him: What art thou then? Art thou Elias? And he said: I am not. Art thou the prophet? And he answer'd: No. Then said they unto him: What art thou? That we may give as answer to them that sent us. What say'st thou of thy self? And he said: I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness: Make straight the way of the Lord.

Fourth Lesson: Isaiah 7:10–15

Read by Nancy Hancock

God promises that a child shall be conceived who will be known as "God with us."

Anthem *Even when he is silent*

Kim André Arnesen (b. 1980)

text Anonymous, 20th century

*I believe in the sun, even when it is not shining.
I believe in love, even when I feel it not.
I believe in God, even when He is silent.*

Fifth Lesson: Isaiah 11:1–9

Read by Stephen Mahoney

The Spirit of the Lord will rest upon the Holy One.

Anthem *Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen*

Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

arranged by Donald Cashmore (b. 1926)

*Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming, as men of old have sung.
It came a floweret bright, amid the cold of winter, when half-spent was the night.*

Hymn 68 "Rejoice! rejoice, believers"

Llangloffan

Sixth Lesson: Luke 1:26–38

Read by Jennifer Martin

The Angel Gabriel announces to Mary that she will bear the Son of the Most High.

Anthem *Ave Maria*

Franz Biebl (1906-2001)

Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariae

The Angel of the Lord announced to Mary

Et concepit de Spiritu Sancto.

And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

[Ave Maria, Sancta Maria.]

[Hail Mary, Holy Mary.]

Ecce ancilla Domini

Behold the handmaiden of the Lord

Fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum.

Do to me according to your word.

[Ave Maria, Sancta Maria.]

[Hail Mary, Holy Mary.]

Et verbum caro factum est

And the Word was made flesh

Et habitavit in nobis

And dwelt among us.

[Ave Maria, Sancta Maria]

[Hail Mary, Holy Mary].

[Ora pro nobis sancta Dei genetrix . . .]

Seventh Lesson: Isaiah 65:17–25

Read by Peter Lull

God promises a new heaven and a new earth.

Anthem *O Thou, the central orb*

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

O Thou, the central orb of righteous love, pure beam of the most High, eternal Light

of this our wintry world, Thy radiance bright awakes new joy in faith, hope soars above.

Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine, gilding our darksome heaven with rays Divine.

Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move, as stars about thy throne, set in the height

of God's ordaining counsel, as Thy sight gives measured grace to each, Thy power to prove.

Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin, our nature all shall feel eternal day in

fellowship with thee, transforming day to souls erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

Closing Prayers and Blessing

Hymn 57 "Lo! he comes with clouds descending"

Helmsley

Postlude Toccata on "Veni Emmanuel"

Adolphus Hailstork (b. 1941)



Everyone is invited to a candlelight reception in the parish hall after the service.

Special thanks to Margaret Zusky and Wendy Haering
for coordinating the reception.

Officiants Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole, Rev. Margaret Schwarzer,
and Rev. Catherine Healy

Organist and Choirmaster Helen Ward Mannix

Guest Organist Erica Johnson

Acolyte Katherine Roer

Ushers Nancy Kohl & Bob Ware

Offerings supporting the work and mission of St. Andrew's are
gratefully accepted during this service. Collection plates are
at the back of the church and the entrance to the transept chapel.



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