



ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Advent Lessons & Carols December 4, 2022

Matin Responsory adapted from a *Magnificat*

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

*I look from afar: And lo, I see the pow'r of God coming,
and a cloud cov'ring the whole earth.*

Go ye out to meet him and say:

Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?

High and low, rich and poor, one with another.

Go ye out to meet him and say:

Hear, O thou shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep:

Tell us, art thou he that should come?

Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come:

to reign over thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Ghost.

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Hymn 65 "Prepare the way, O Zion"

Bereden väg för Herran

Please stand and join in singing.

Bidding Prayer

First Lesson: Genesis 3:1–15

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 winters 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

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

Anthem *Jesus Christ the Apple Tree*

Elizabeth Poston (1905–1987)

*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.*

Third Lesson: Isaiah 35:1–10

The prophet proclaims that God will come and save us.

Anthem *The record of John*

Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

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

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

Anthem *There is no rose*

John Joubert (b. 1927-2019)

There is no rose of such virtue

As is the rose that bare Jesu;

Alleluia.

For in this rose containèd was

Heaven and earth in little space;

Res miranda. (Remarkable thing)

By that rose we may well see

There be one God in persons three;

Pares forma. (Let us rejoice)

Then leave we all this worldly mirth,

And follow we this joyous birth;

Transeamus. (We are transformed)

Fifth Lesson: Isaiah 11:1–9

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

Hymn 68 “Rejoice! rejoice, believers,”

Llangloffan

Sixth Lesson: Luke 1:26–38

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

Anthem *And the glory of the Lord from Messiah*

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall

see it together; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.’

Seventh Lesson: Isaiah 65:17–25

God promises a new heaven and a new earth.

Hymn 57 “Lo! he comes with clouds descending,”

Helmsley

Closing Prayers and Blessing

Postlude *Prelude in a minor (BWV 543)*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)



Everyone is invited to a reception on the patio 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. Sarah Robbins-Cole

Organist and Choirmaster Helen Ward Mannix

Guest Organist Thomas Handel

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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