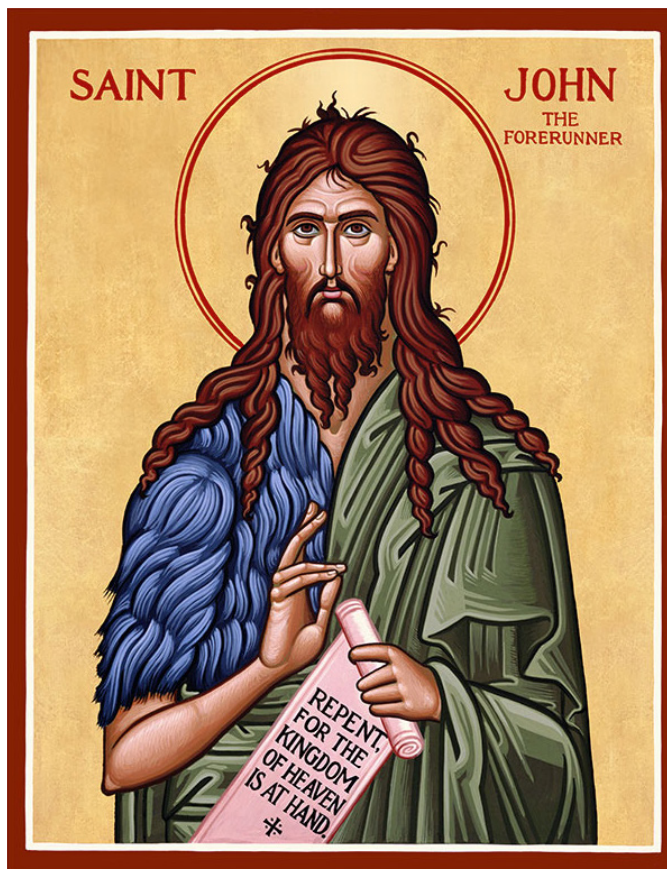


EVENSONG

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

11 DECEMBER 2022 | 5:00PM



ST. PETER'S ANGLICAN CATHEDRAL

Reaching One Another, Tallahassee, and the World with the Transforming Love of Jesus Christ

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Please observe silence before the service for prayer and meditation.

All mobile telephones, pagers, and electronic devices should be turned off prior to the service.

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“Daily Morning and Evening Prayer are the established rites (offices) by which, both corporately and individually, God’s people annually encounter the whole of Holy Scriptures, daily confess their sins and praise Almighty God, and offer timely thanksgivings, petitions, and intercessions.” (2019 Book of Common Prayer, Page 6). Unlike the Eucharist, these Daily Offices can be said by anyone either publicly or privately. Many churches, like Saint Peter’s, say or sing the Offices publicly on a daily basis. While on the weekdays our Evening Prayer is said, on Sunday evenings it will be sung. The service of Evensong is Evening Prayer sung by the people, or chorally by a choir on behalf of the people. Musical settings are drawn from many eras, some reflecting modern prayer book language and others from the original 1662 Book of Common Prayer. We invite you to join along, as able, or sit in prayerful contemplation as the voices of the singers and scripture wash over you.

Prelude *Congregation Sing*

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free,
rolling as a mighty ocean
in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me,
is the current of thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward,
to thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Spread his praise from shore to shore;
how he loveth, ever loveth,
changeth never, nevermore;
how he watches o’er his loved ones,
died to call them all his own;
how for them he intercedeth,
watcheth o’er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Love of ev'ry love the best:
'tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
and it lifts me up to glory,
for it lifts me up to thee.

Ringing of the Bell *Please stand.*

Opening Scripture

Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." JOHN 8: 12

The Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the People:

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence is kept. All kneel.

The Officiant and People say:


Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your 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 apart from your grace, there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare all those who confess their faults. Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

The Priest alone stands and says:

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

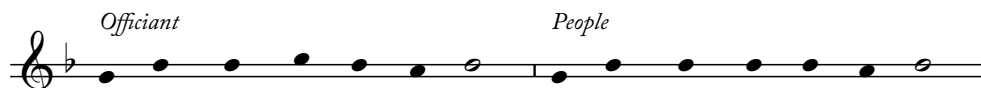
The Invitatory *All stand.*

Officiant *People*



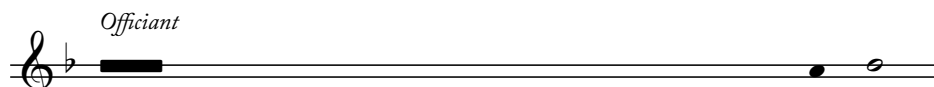
O Lord, o - pen our lips; And our mouth shall pro - claim your praise.

Officiant *People*



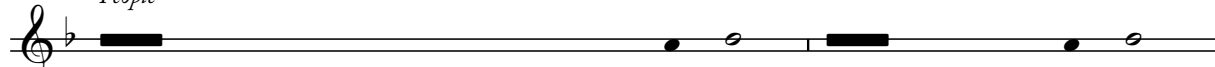
O God, make speed to save us; O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant



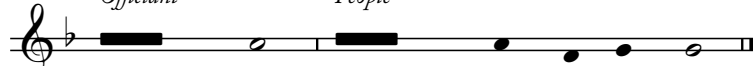
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit;

People



As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A - men.

Officiant *People*



Praise the Lord. The Lord's Name be ——— praised.

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1. O gra - cious Light, pure bright - ness of the ev - er -
 liv - ing Fa - ther in hea - ven, O Je - sus Christ, ho - ly and
 bless - ed! 2. Now as we come to the set - ting of the sun,
 and our eyes be - hold the ves - per light, we sing Your prais - es, O God: Fa - ther,
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit. 3. You are wor - thy at all times to be
 praised by hap - py voic - es. O Son of God, O Giv - er of life,
 and to be glo - ri - fied through all the worlds.

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Psalm 46 *Read in unison.*

- ¹ *God is our refuge and strength, **
a very present help in trouble.
- ² *Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, **
and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea;
- ³ *Though its waters rage and swell, **
and though the mountains shake at its tempest.
- ⁴ *There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, **
the holy dwelling place of the Most High.
- ⁵ *God is in the midst of her; therefore she shall not be moved. **
God shall help her at the break of day.
- ⁶ *The nations are in an uproar, and the kingdoms are moved, **
but God has lifted his voice, and the earth shall melt away.
- ⁷ *The Lord of hosts is with us; **
the God of Jacob is our refuge.
- ⁸ *O come and behold the works of the Lord, **
what devastations he has brought upon the earth.
- ⁹ *He makes wars to cease in all the world; **
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the chariots in the fire.
- ¹⁰ *“Be still then and know that I am God; **
I will be exalted among the nations,
and I will be exalted in the earth.”
- ¹¹ *The Lord of hosts is with us; **
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; **
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

¹ The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus; ² it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. ³ Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. ⁴ Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." ⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶ then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ⁷ the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. ⁸ And a highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Way of Holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it. It shall belong to those who walk on the way; even if they are fools, they shall not go astray. ⁹ No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. ¹⁰ And the ransomed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle *All Stand. Sung by All.*

Magnificat



1. My soul mag - ni - fies the Lord; my spir - it re - joic - es in God! My
 2. He scat - ters the proud and rich; He lifts up the hum - ble and weak. The
 3. From now to the end of time the na - tions will know me as blest for

1.



sav - ior has seen His ser - vant in need, and be - hold the great things He has done: 2. He
 kings of the earth He casts from their thrones, and the hun - gry He wel - comes to
 God has made new His prom - ise of love and — mer - cy through A - bra - ham's

2,3.



feast. Oh, be - hold! My Sav - ior has come, and my soul will tell of His praise for He who is strong has
 seed.

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come to the weak! And at last He will reign as our King — of Peace.

3. From

² Now when John heard in prison about the deeds of the Christ, he sent word by his disciples ³ and said to him, “Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?” ⁴ And Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵ the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them. ⁶ And blessed is the one who is not offended by me.” ⁷ As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? ⁸ What then did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold, those who wear soft clothing are in kings’ houses. ⁹ What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ¹⁰ This is he of whom it is written, “Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way before you.’ ¹¹ Truly, I say to you, among those born of women there has arisen no one greater than John the Baptist. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. ¹² From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. ¹³ For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, ¹⁴ and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. ¹⁵ He who has ears to hear, let him hear. ¹⁶ “But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to their playmates, ¹⁷ “‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.’ ¹⁸ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ ¹⁹ The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle *All Stand. Sung by All.*

Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Come, thou long-expected Jesus
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art:
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

2 Born thy people to deliver,
born a child, and yet a king,
born to reign in us for ever,
now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit
rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit,
raise us to thy glorious throne.

The Homily *All are seated.*

The Rev'd Canon Matthew R. Wilkins

Notes

The Apostles' Creed *All stand and chant together.*

When reciting the Creed, we join with Christians since the Early Church in facing East, toward the rising sun, Jerusalem, the Garden, and the direction in which Scriptures speak of the Lord's return.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

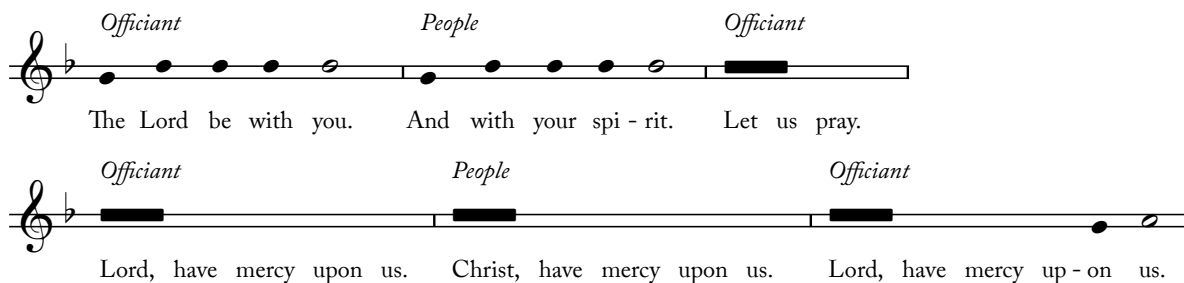
On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers *The People kneel.*



The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff has three measures. The first measure is for the Officiant, with lyrics 'The Lord be with you.' The second measure is for the People, with lyrics 'And with your spi - rit.' The third measure is for the Officiant, with lyrics 'Let us pray.' The second staff also has three measures. The first measure is for the Officiant, with lyrics 'Lord, have mercy upon us.' The second measure is for the People, with lyrics 'Christ, have mercy upon us.' The third measure is for the Officiant, with lyrics 'Lord, have mercy up - on us.' The lyrics are written below the notes on the staff.

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The Lord's Prayer *Sung by All.*

Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be thy Name,
thy king - dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is
in heav - en. Give us this day our dail - y bread. And for - give
us our tres - pass - es as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us.
And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from
e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power, and the glo - ry
for e - ver and e - ver. A - men.

The musical score is written on seven staves of music. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The music is a simple, melodic line, likely intended for a choir or congregation. The final staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Suffrages

Officiant *People*

O Lord, show your mercy up - on us; And grant us your sal - va - tion.

Officiant *People*

O Lord, guide those who go - vern us; And lead us in the way of justice and truth.

Officiant *People*

Clothe your ministers with right - eous - ness; And let your people sing with joy.

Officiant *People*

O Lord, save your peo - ple; And bless your in - her - it - ance.

Officiant *People*

Give peace in our time, O Lord; And defend us by your might - y power.

Officiant *People*

Let not the needy, O Lord, be for - got - ten; Nor the hope of the poor be taken a - way.

Officiant *People*

Create in us clean hearts, O God; And take not your Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect of the Day *Remain kneeling.*

O Lord Jesus Christ, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise make ready your way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient toward the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world, we may be found a people acceptable in your sight; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Collect for Peace

O God, the source of all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works: Give to your servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments, and that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Collect for Aid Against Perils

Lighten our darkness, we beseech you, O Lord; and by your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Collect for Mission

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship you, all nations obey you, all tongues confess and bless you, and men, women, and children everywhere love you and serve you in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Anthem

You can now give your tithes or pledges by texting SPAC to 73256 followed by your desired gift amount, e.g. SPAC \$50. Tithes can also be left in the offering plates located near the entrance to the Nave.

Office Hymn *All stand and sing.*

Abide with Me

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers, fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile;
And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile,
Thou hast not left me, though I oft left Thee,
On to the close Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour.
What but Thy grace, can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness
Where is thy sting, Death? Where grave thy victory?
I triumph still. Lord, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

Prayer for the Church and for the World *All kneel.*

A Prayer of St. John Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Grace *All say in unison*

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore. Amen.**

2 CORINTHIANS 13: 14

Voluntary

The congregation may remain for a brief service of Holy Communion or may depart at this time.

*The Flowers at the Altar are Given To the Glory of God
and in memory of Bernard Adams Dean, father of Steve Dean;
and in thanksgiving for Patricia Dean, wife of Steve Dean
and Elizabeth Marie Dean, Steve's granddaughter,
all whose birthdays are this month
by Steve Dean.*



*And in Thanksgiving for our
25th Wedding Anniversary on December 13th
by Jerry & Cay Ford*



SERVICES

9AM SUNDAY* | HOLY COMMUNION IN CONTEMPORARY LANGUAGE

11:15AM SUNDAY* | HOLY COMMUNION IN TRADITIONAL LANGUAGE

5PM SUNDAY* | EVENSONG WITH HOLY COMMUNION

12:10PM WEDNESDAY | HOLY COMMUNION & PRAYERS OF HEALING

7:30PM WEDNESDAY* (DURING CLASS SEMESTER) | CHORAL COMPLINE

9AM MONDAY-FRIDAY | MORNING PRAYER

4:30PM MONDAY-THURSDAY | EVENING PRAYER

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