### CHORAL EVENSONG

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT 18 DECEMBER 2022 | 5:00PM



# THE CATHEDRAL CHORISTERS ST. PETER'S ANGLICAN CATHEDRAL

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

#### **EVENSONG**

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.

When you enter a St. Peter's worship service/event, you will be entering an area where photography, video, and audio recording may occur.

"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 Remain seated.
Cherub & Primary Choir

**Promised Son** 

Mary bears the promised Son, praise the Lord everyone
Greet the Son
Shepherds greet the promised Son, praise the Lord everyone
Seek the Son
Wise men seek the promised Son, praise the Lord everyone
Tell of Him, Serve Him
John proclaims the Promised Son, praise the Lord
Praise the Lord everyone

# Prelude Remain seated. Junior & Youth Choirs Carren Odhiambo, Soloist

#### Love Came Down At Christmas

Love came down at Christmas, love all lovely, Love divine; Love was born at Christmas; star and angels gave the sign.

Worship we the Godhead, Love incarnate, Love divine; worship we our Jesus, but wherewith for sacred sign?

Love shall be our token; love be yours and love be mine; love to God and others, love for plea and gift and sign.

### **Prelude** *Remain seated.* Youth Choir

#### Lully, lulla

C. Young

Lully, lulla, thou little tiny child, Bye bye, lully, lullay. Thou little tiny child, Bye bye, lully, lullay.

O sisters too, how may we do For to preserve this day This poor youngling for whom we sing, "Bye bye, lully, lullay"?

Herod the king, in his raging, Chargèd he hath this day His men of might in his own sight All young children to slay.

That woe is me, poor child, for thee And ever mourn and may For thy parting neither say nor sing, "Bye bye, lully, lullay."

#### Ringing of the Bell Please stand.

#### **Opening Scripture**

Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning—lest he come suddenly and find you asleep.

Mark 13: 35–36

#### The Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the People:

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence is kept. All kneel.

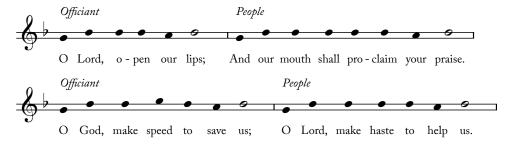
#### The Officiant and People say:

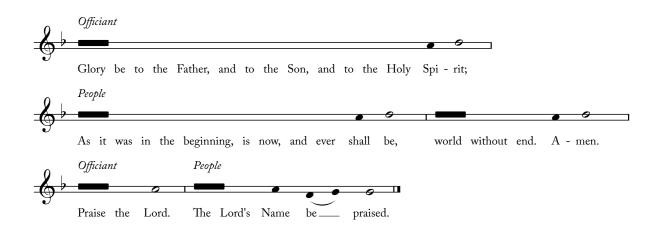
Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which 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:

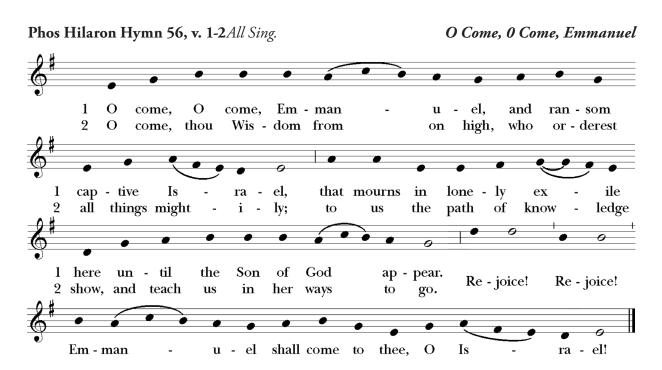
The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

#### The Invitatory All stand.





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<sup>1</sup> The earth is the LORD's and all that is **in** it, \*

the compass of the world and those who dwell therein.

<sup>2</sup> For he has founded it upon the **séas** \*

and established it upon the **rív**ers **ôf** the deep.

<sup>3</sup> Who shall ascend the hill of the **Lórd?** \*

Or who shall stand in his holy place?

<sup>4</sup> He who has clean hands and a **púre** heart, \*

and who has not set his mind upon vanity, nor sworn to decéive his nêighbor.

<sup>5</sup> He shall receive blessing from the LÓRD \*

and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

<sup>6</sup> This is the generation of those who **séek** him, \* even of those who seek your face O **Gód** of **Jâc**ob.

- 7 Lift up your heads O you gates, and be lifted up you everlásting doors; \* and the King of glóry shâll come in.
- 8 "Who is the King of glóry?" \*

"It is the LORD strong and mighty, even the LORD mightý in bâttle."

9 Lift up your heads O you gates, and be lifted up you everlásting doors; \* and the King of glóry shâll come in.

10 "Who is the King of **gló**ry?" \*

"The LORD of hosts, he is the Kíng of glôry."

Glory be to the Father and to the **Són**, \*

and to the Hóly Spîrit;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever **sháll** be \* world with**óut** end. Âmen.

#### The First Lesson All are Seated.

Isaiah 7: 10-17

Chant: Psalm Tone VIII

<sup>10</sup> Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz: <sup>11</sup> "Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." <sup>12</sup> But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test." <sup>13</sup> And he said, "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? <sup>14</sup> Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. <sup>15</sup> He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, <sup>16</sup> For before the boy knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the

land whose two kings you dread will be deserted. <sup>17</sup> The Lord will bring upon you and upon your people and upon your father's house such days as have not come since the day that Ephraim departed from Judah—the king of Assyria!"

Lector: The Word of the Lord.People: Thanks be to God.

**Canticle** All Stand. Sung by Choir. **Magnificat**Kaleigh Miles, Charlotte Bevis, JD Long, Robin Redmond, Soloists

L. True

I sing with all my heart, my spirit leaps for joy. Who am I that you should honor me? By your saving grace, all will call me blest, And proclaim the greatness of your name!

How great your gifts to us, how wonderful your works, With your pow'r you strengthen all the weak. Your mercy will endure; steadfast is your love, all the faithful follow and believe.

You scatter all the proud, the rich you send away. All the mighty vanish in your sight. You fill each hungry heart, raising up the least. You are hope to all who are in need.

You rescue all the poor, your servant Israel. You preserve the promise long foretold. You keep your saving word; faithful is your name. Every generation sings your praise

#### The Second Lesson All are seated.

Matthew 1: 18–25

<sup>18</sup> Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. <sup>19</sup> And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. <sup>20</sup> But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup> She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." <sup>22</sup> All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: <sup>23</sup> "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us). <sup>24</sup> When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: he took his wife, <sup>25</sup> but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.People: Thanks be to God.

Lord, now let your servant depart in peace, \*
according to your word.
For my eyes have seen your salvation, \*
which you have prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, \*
and to be the glory of your people Israel.

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.

The Homily All are seated.

The Rev'd David Marten

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.

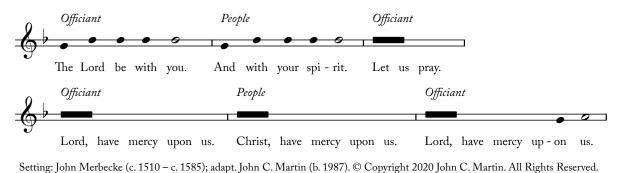
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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

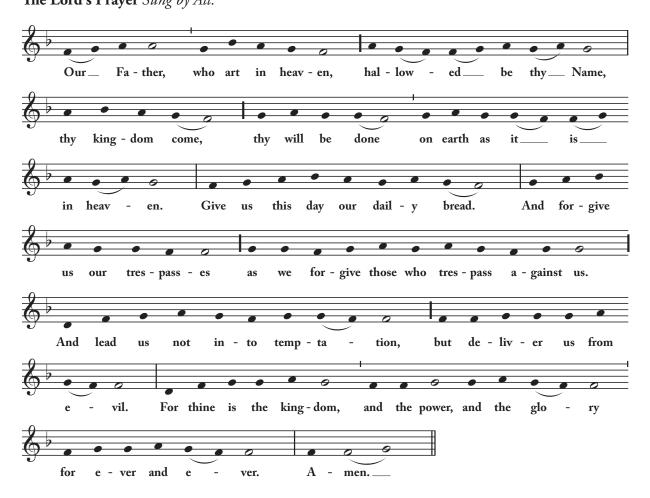
He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living 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.

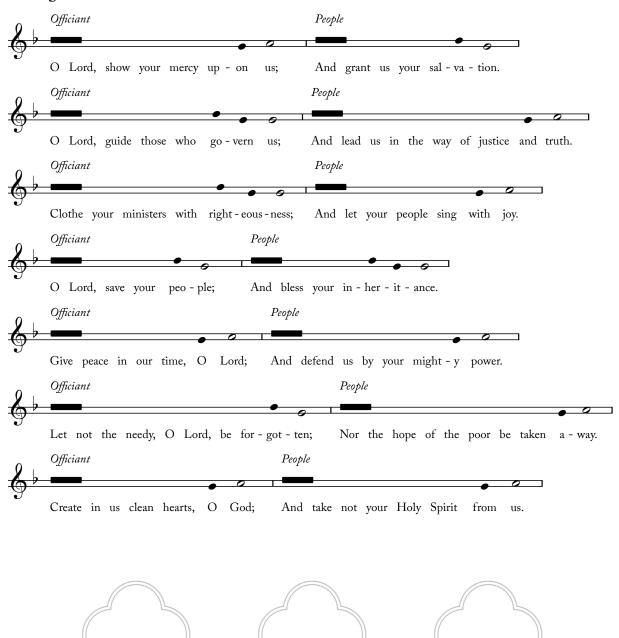
#### The Prayers The People kneel.



#### The Lord's Prayer Sung by All.



#### **Suffrages**



#### The Collect of the Day Remain kneeling.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and as we are sorely hindered by our sins from running the race that is set before us, 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.** 

#### 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.** 







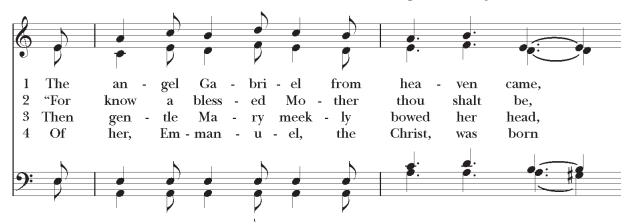
Primary, Junior, & Youth Choirs

Pan, pat-a-pan, Noel. Willie, bring your little drum; Robin, bring your fife and come; And be merry while you play, Tu-re-lu-re-lu, Pat-a-pan-a-pan, We must play our music well to the child we sing Noel. Sing we now of Christmas, Noel sing we here! Hear our grateful praises to the child so dear. Sing we Noel, the King is born, Noel! As the men of olden days, we will give the King our praise. On the fife and drum we'll play Tu-re-lu-re-lu. Pat-a-pan-a-pan, Noel!

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#### The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came





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#### 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 Loving Memory of Our Mother, Judith Wainwright Dixon, By Bill and Shannon Dixon

And in Celebration of Mac and Joyce McNeill's 48<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on December 20<sup>th</sup>

And in Thanksgiving and In Anticipation of Our 64<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on December 27<sup>th</sup> by Major & Jane Harding





#### **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

#### **OUR CLERGY**

\*Service is live-streamed on our YouTube channel | www.youtube.com/stpetersfl

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