

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Alexandria, Virginia

First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2016

Prelude

Processional Hymn

Awake, My Soul

Hymnal #11

1. Awake, my soul, and with the sun
Thy daily stage of duty run;
Shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise
To pay thy morning sacrifice:
2. Lord, I my vows to thee renew;
Disperse my sins as morning dew;
Guard my first springs of thought and will,
And with thyself my spirit fill.
3. Direct, control, suggest, this day,
All I design, or do, or say;
That all my powers, with all their might,
In thy sole glory may unite.
4. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Station at the Advent Wreath

- V. The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us:
R. And we beheld its glory.
V. The Glory of the Lord has been revealed:
R. And all flesh shall see the salvation of our God.
V. Let us pray: Gracious God, as we begin this Advent, give light to our eyes and peace in our hearts.
May the Lord find us watching and waiting in joy when he comes. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

The first candle is lighted.

Opening Acclamation

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Kyrie

Hymnal S 91

The Collect of the Day

(from the insert)

The Lesson

Isaiah 2:1-5

(from the insert)

The Psalm (sung)

Psalm 122

(from the insert)



1. I was glad when they / said to me, *
"Let us go to the / house of the LORD."
2. Now our feet are / standing *
within your gates, / O Jerusalem.
3. Jerusalem is built as a / city *
that is at un/ity with itself;
4. To which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the / LORD, *
the assembly of Israel,
to praise the / Name of the LORD.
5. For there are the thrones of / judgment, *
the thrones of the / house of David.
6. Pray for the peace of Jer/usalem: *
"May they pros/per who love you.
7. Peace be within your / walls *
and quietness with/in your towers.
8. For my brethren and com/panions' sake, *
I pray for your / prosperity.
9. Because of the house of the / LORD our God, *
I will / seek to do you good."

The Epistle
Sequence Hymn

Romans 13:11-14
Lo! He Comes With Clouds Descending

(from the insert)
Hymnal #58 (Vs. 1-3)

1. Lo! he comes, with clouds descending,
once for our salvation slain;
thousand thousand saints attending
swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ the Lord returns to reign.
2. Every eye shall now behold him,
robed in dreadful majesty;
those who set at nought and sold him,
pierced, and nailed him to the tree,
deeply wailing, deeply wailing,
shall the true Messiah see.
3. Those dear tokens of his passion
still his dazzling body bears,
cause of endless exultation
to his ransomed worshipers;
with what rapture, with what rapture
gaze we on those glorious scars.

The Gospel

Matthew 24:36-44

(from the insert)

The Sermon

The Rev. Meredith T. Heffner

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People, Form I

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Prayer of Confession

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The Peace (stand)

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Announcements (8:00)

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem

Virgin, Tutto Amor

by Francesco Durante
Solo by Jean Hunt

Presentation of Gifts (sung)

Hymnal #711 (Vs. 1)

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you;

Allelu, alleluia!

Refrain (2 x)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Allelu, alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord

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The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

All persons are invited to receive communion.

Fraction Anthem (2x)

Jesus Christ Bread of Life

Taizé #143

Jesus Christ, Risen Lord come to him and never be hungry
Jesus Christ, Risen Lord trust in him and you will not thirst.

1. "Sleepers, wake!" A voice astounds us,
the shout of rampart guards surrounds us:
"Awake, Jerusalem, arise!"
Midnight's peace, their cry has broken,
their urgent summons clearly spoken:
"The time has come, O maidens wise!
Rise up, and give us light;
the Bridegroom is in sight. Alleluia!
Your lamps prepare and hasten there,
that you the wedding feast may share."
2. Zion hears the watchman singing;
her heart with joyful hope is springing,
she wakes and hurries through the night.
Forth he comes, her Bridegroom glorious
in strength of grace, in truth victorious:
her star is risen, her light grows bright.
Now come, most worthy Lord,
God's Son, Incarnate Word, Alleluia!
We follow all and heed your call
to come into the banquet hall.
3. Lamb of God, the heavens adore you;
let saints and angels sing before you,
as harps and cymbals swell the sound.
Twelve great pearls, the city's portals:
through them we stream to join the immortals
as we with joy your throne surround.
No eye has known the sight,
no ear heard such delight: Alleluia!
Therefore we sing to greet our King;
for ever let our praises ring.

Prayer after Communion

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Announcements (10:00)**The Blessing****Recessional Hymn***Wakened by the Solemn Warning*

Hymnal #59 (vs. 1-3)

1. Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding.
"Christ is nigh," it seems to say;
"Cast away the works of darkness,
O ye children of the day."
2. Wakened by the solemn warning,
from earth's bondage let us rise;
Christ, our sun all sloth dispelling,
shines upon the morning skies.
3. Lo! The lamb, so long expected,
comes with pardon down from heaven;
let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
one and all to be forgiven;

**The Dismissal
Postlude****We warmly welcome those who worship with us today.****Please join us for coffee and fellowship in our Parish Hall following the service.****Remember to wear your name tags!**

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Vestry Person

Wally Tienken (10:00)
Velma Scott-Boyle (8:00)