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*The Preaching of St John the Baptist,*  
Alessandro Allori (1535-1607)

# *The Second Sunday in Advent*

8 December 2024

Our Church stands on the unceded traditional territory of the Anishinabe Algonquin Nation.

Organ Prelude

Chorale Prelude on “Es ist ein Ros’ entsprungen” (Op. 122)  
Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Mass Setting

Service of Holy Communion      John Merbecke (c.1510-c.1585)

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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Blessing and Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Prepare ye the way of the Lord;  
**And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed.**

Jesus, Emmanuel, our King and Saviour;  
**Come and save us, O Lord our God.**

Give us O God, a spirit like that of your servant John the Baptist,  
with his fearlessness, his contentment with simplicity, his refusal  
to be bound by the world, his faithfulness in witness to the end.  
So may we be heralds of your Christ and His Kingdom, and make  
ready His way, to the glory of your Name.  
**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Opening Hymn with Asperges

**3      *Come, thou long-expected Jesus*      **Cross of Jesus****

Introit Proper

O people of Sion, behold, the Lord is nigh at hand to redeem the  
nations : and in the gladness of your heart the Lord shall cause his  
glorious voice to be heard. *Ps.* Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel :  
thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep. Glory be ... O people ...

Salutation      p.2

Kyrie      p.2

Collects

Almighty God, who sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare

your people to welcome the Messiah, inspire us, the ministers and stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient hearts to you, that when the Christ shall come again to be our judge, we may stand with confidence before his glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Malachi 3:1-4

Pew Bible, p.802

“Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the Lord. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 85

*Benedixisti, Domine.*

<sup>1</sup> Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: / thou hast restored the fortunes of Jacob.

<sup>2</sup> Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people, / and covered all their sin.

- <sup>8</sup> I will hearken what the Lord God will say: / for he shall speak peace unto his people and to his saints, and unto them that turn their heart to him.
- <sup>9</sup> Surely his salvation is nigh them that fear him, / that glory may dwell in our land.
- <sup>10</sup> Mercy and truth are met together: / righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- <sup>11</sup> Truth springeth out of the earth; / and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.
- <sup>12</sup> Yea, the Lord shall give what is good; / and our land shall yield her increase.
- <sup>13</sup> Righteousness shall go before him, / and shall direct his going in the way.

### Second Reading

Philippians 1:3-11

Pew Bible, p.980

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual Hymn

**6      *Hark the glad sound! The Saviour comes***

**Bristol**

### Gradual Proper

Out of Sion hath God appeared : in perfect beauty. *℣*. Gather my

saints together unto me : those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice. Alleluia. Alleluia. *℟*. For the powers of heaven shall be shaken : and they shall see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Alleluia.

### Gospel

Luke 3:1-6

Pew Bible, p.858

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

✠ The Holy Gospel is written in the third chapter of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke, beginning at the first verse.

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness. And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall become straight, and the rough places shall become level ways, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

### Sermon

Nicene Creed p.6

Prayers of the People p.7

Confession and Absolution p.8

The Peace p.9

## Offertory Proper

Wilt not thou turn again, O God, and quicken us; that thy people may rejoice in thee : shew us thy mercy, O Lord; and grant us thy salvation.

## Offertory Hymn

**15**     ***On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry***                     **Winchester New**

## Prayer over the Gifts

God our strength, we are nothing without you. Receive all we offer you this day as you sustain us with your mercy; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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## THE CANON OF THE MASS

Sanctus and Benedictus     p.12

Eucharistic Prayer     pp.12-13

The Lord's Prayer     p.14

Prayer of Humble Access     p.14

Agnus Dei     p.15

## Communion Proper

Jerusalem, haste thee, and stand on high : and behold the joy and gladness that cometh unto thee from God thy Saviour.

## Music at Communion

Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen                     Michael Praetorius (c.1571-1621)

## Prayer after Communion

Faithful God, we thank you for feeding us with this heavenly banquet. Help us always to hear the prophet's call to turn our hearts to you; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing and Dismissal     pp.17-18

Post-Communion Hymn

**74**     ***Hail to the Lord's Anointed***     **Crüger**

The Angelus     p.19

Organ Postlude

Chaconne in G minor     Louis Couperin (1621-1661), arr. Bonnet

Cantor: Elizabeth Brown

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UPCOMING SERVICES

Tuesday, December 10

9:30 am: Morning Prayer • 10:00 am: Mass, Book of Common Prayer

Thursday, December 12

12:15 pm: Mass, Book of Common Prayer

Friday, December 13

7:00 am: Morning Prayer • 7:30 am: Mass, Book of Common Prayer

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Zephaniah 3:14-20 • Psalm 126 • Philippians 4:4-7 • Luke 3:7-18

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This service is being live-streamed on YouTube.

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