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The Nativity, Willem Benson (c. 1521-1574)

Christmas Day

25 December 2024

High Mass

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

reigns.” The voice of your watchmen – they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the Lord has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98

Cantate Domino.

- ¹ O sing unto the Lord a new song; / for he hath done marvellous things.
- ² With his own right hand, and with his holy arm, / hath he gotten himself the victory.
- ³ The Lord hath declared his salvation: / his righteousness hath he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- ⁴ He hath remembered his mercy and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel; / and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.
- ⁵ Show yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands: / sing, rejoice, and give thanks.
- ⁶ Praise the Lord upon the harp: / sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.
- ⁷ With trumpets also and the sound of the horn, / O show yourselves joyful before the Lord, the King.
- ⁸ Let the sea make a noise, and all that is therein; / the round world, and they that dwell therein.
- ⁹ Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord; / for he is come to judge the earth.
- ¹⁰ With righteousness shall he judge the world, / and the peoples with equity.

Second Reading

Hebrews 1:1-4

Pew Bible, p.1001

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us

by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

46 *See amid the winter's snow*

Humility

Gradual Proper

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God : O be joyful in God, all ye lands. *℟.* The Lord hath declared his salvation : in the sight of the heathen hath he openly shewed his righteousness. Alleluia, alleluia. *℟.* A hallowed day hath dawned upon the earth; come, ye nations, and worship the Lord : for on this day a great light hath descended upon the earth. Alleluia.

Gospel

John 1:1-14

KJV

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same

came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Sermon

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Offertory Proper

The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine; thou hast laid the foundations of the round world, and all that therein is : righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat.

Offertory Hymn

O come, all ye faithful

Adeste fidelis

¹ O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him Born the King of angels:
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

- ² God of God,
 Light of Light,
 Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
 Very God, Begotten, not created;
 O come, let us adore him...
- ³ Sing, choirs of angels,
 Sing in exultation,
 Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,
 Glory to God In the highest;
 O come, let us adore him...
- ⁴ See how the Shepherds,
 Summoned to his cradle,
 Leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear;
 We too will thither Bend our joyful footsteps:
 O come, let us adore him...
- ⁵ Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
 Born this happy morning,
 Jesu, to thee be glory given;
 Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing.
 O come, let us adore him...

Prayer over the Gifts

Generous Creator, in faith and joy we celebrate the birth of your Son. Increase our understanding and our love of the riches you have revealed in him, who is Lord now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CANON OF THE MASS

Proper Preface p.11

Because thou didst give Jesus Christ thine only Son to be born as at this time for us; who, by the operation of the Holy Spirit, was made very man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin.

Sanctus and Benedictus p.12

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The Lord's Prayer p.14

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Communion Proper

Be joyful, O daughter of Sion, sing praises, O daughter of Jerusalem : behold, thy king cometh; he is righteous and having salvation.

Prayer after Communion

Source of truth and joy, may we who have received the gift of divine life always follow the way of your Son. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Blessing and Dismissal

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Post-Communion Hymn

9 ***Joy to the world; the Lord is come*** **Joy to the world**

The Angelus

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Organ Postlude

Organ Carol: "Sing with Joy, Glad Voices Lift"

Hermann Schroeder (1904-1984)

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