



St. David's
Episcopal Church

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NOVEMBER 27, 2022
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

9:15 A.M. IN THE CHAPEL

Presider—The Rev. Thomas Szczerba, Jr.

Preacher—The Rev. W. Frank Allen

Organist/Director of Music—Dr. Clair Rozier

Organist/Director of Music—Dr. Elaine Sonnenberg Whitelock

We invite you to a time of silence and prayer before the service so that we may center our hearts on God.

Voluntary

“Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme,” BWV 645
 (“Awake, a voice is calling us”)

J. S. Bach

Hymn 57

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

Helmsley

1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on
our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the
saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine
train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Helmsley*, melody Thomas Augustine Arne (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

THE WORD OF GOD

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Presider and People continue

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie S-91

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in 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.**

The First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come
the mountain of the LORD's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.
Many peoples shall come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.'
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.
O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 122 *read in unison.*

- 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 unity 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 Jerusalem:
"May they prosper who love you.
- 7 Peace be within your walls
and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions' sake,
I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 Because of the house of the LORD our God,
I will seek to do you good."

The Second Reading **Romans 13:11-14**

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

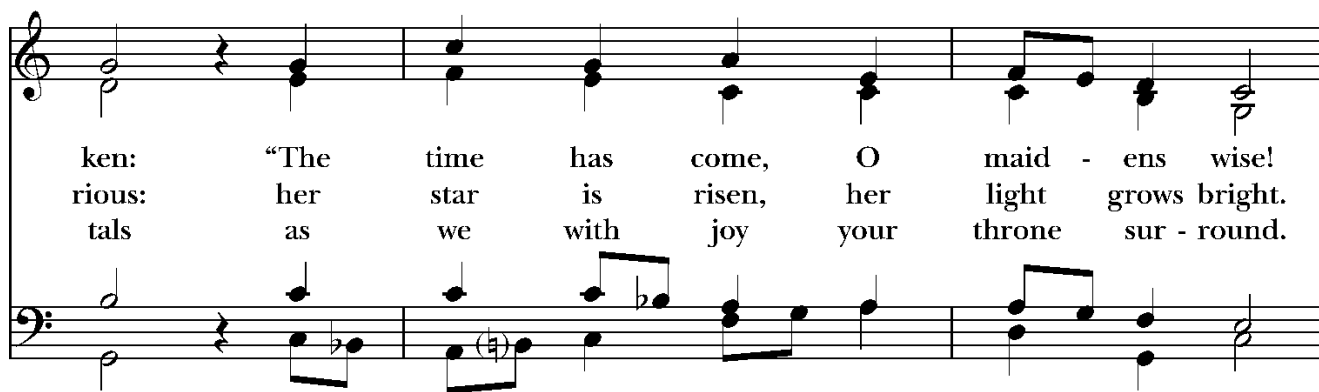
People **Thanks be to God.**

1 “Sleep - ers, wake!” A voice a - stounds us, the
 2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing; her
 3 Lamb of God, the heavens a - dore you; let

shout of ram - part - guards sur - rounds us: “A -
 heart with joy - ful hope is spring - ing, she
 saints and an - gels sing be - fore you, as

wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!” Mid - night’s peace their
 wakes and hur - ries through the night. Forth he comes, her
 harps and cym - bals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the

cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons clear - ly spo -
 Bride-groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in truth vic - to -
 ci - ty’s por - tals: through them we stream to join the im - mor -



ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!
rious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.
tals as we with joy your throne sur - round.



Rise up, and give us light; the Bride - groom is in
Now come, most wor - thy Lord, God's Son, In - car - nate
No eye has known the sight, no ear heard such de -



sight. Al - le - lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and
Word, Al - le - lu - ia! We fol - low all and
light: Al - le - lu - ia! There - fore we sing to



has - ten there, that you the wed - ding feast may share."
heed your call to come in - to the ban - quet hall.
greet our King; for ev - er let our prais - es ring.

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Children in grade 5 and younger follow the priest to the choir room for the Children's Sermon.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel Matthew 24:36-44

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Read in unison.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Preparing for Christ's glorious coming again, we pray for grace, honesty and clear vision as we look for what needs transformation in our lives.

Lord, prepare us for your coming. May leaders of this nation, and of all nations, be drawn to understand God's ways of justice and righteousness, and be driven to do what is right, honest and good. Be especially with Joseph, our president; members of congress and the Supreme Court; Tom, our governor; those serving in our legislatures and in our local governing bodies.

Oh come,

Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Lord, prepare us for your wisdom. May all church leaders, ministers and teachers be inspired and upheld by the living spirit of God. Deepen the love and commitment of Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop; our clergy: Frank, Thomas, Liz and Nancy; and our companions in ministry in Philadelphia, Chester, Norristown, Wayne, Uganda, Cuba and Guatemala.

Oh come,

Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Lord, prepare us for your compassion. May those who suffer with long days and nights of pain, sorrow or anxiety receive your comfort, hope and peace of mind. Be especially with those who are known to us today, *Brian, Cathy, Colby, Coleen, Craig, Dana, Dave, Erica, Gene, George, Gertrude, Jack, Jake, Jeff, Jim, Joe, John, Justin, Kris, Lorraine, Luca, Lucas, Margine, Marianne, Mary, Maureen, Mike, Norita, Pierce, Ray III, Ron, Roy, Scarlett, Steve, Taylor, Teddy, Tom, Trish, Violet, Wesley and Westin*, and for *Laura Bullitt* who will receive communion from our Eucharistic Visitors.

Oh come,

Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Lord, prepare us for your protection. May the frightened be reassured, and those who choose to protect us, both in our streets and around the world, be strengthened by your presence in their lives. Be especially with those who serve in our military and those who serve as first responders.

Oh come,

Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Lord, prepare us for your everlasting love. May those who have reached the point of death have the knowledge of God's closeness, and may those who have died know the eternal peace and joy of heaven. Be especially with those who died this week, *Susan Duca*, and with those in whose memory greens have been given.

Oh come,

Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Lord, prepare us for the joy you will bring. May we all be newly enthusiastic for living as your community in the world. Be with the members, leaders and mentors of the confirmation class of 2023, and with the students, teachers and families of St. David's Episcopal Day School.

Oh come,

Let us walk in the light of the Lord. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,

strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

The Peace

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Come, O Dayspring, and break forth amid the depths of night.
Come inflame the darkness with harmonies of light.

Rise like dawn in starlight to wake the slumb'ring soul.
Come, O come, O Dayspring, and make our spirits whole.

O come, O Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by thine advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadows put to flight.

Rise like dawn in starlight to wake the slumb'ring soul.
Come, O come, O Dayspring, and make our spirits whole.

Adult Choir

Sarah Sutton, viola

All Things Are Thine

Gardiner

All things are thine; no gift have we, Lord of all
gifts, to of - fer thee; And hence with grate - ful hearts to -
day Thine own be - fore thy feet we lay.

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968). By permission of Oxford University Press.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. David and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -

way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -

on us. O Lamb of God, that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have

mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of

God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the

world, grant us thy peace.

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The Communion

Music at the Communion

The congregation is encouraged to join in singing the hymns:

WLP 756 (*Green book*)

Lead Me, Guide Me

Doris Akers

Lead— me, guide— me, a - long the way,

For— if you lead me, I can - not stray.

Lord,— let me walk each day with Thee.

Fine

Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

The first system of the musical score. The vocal line is in B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. It begins with a half note G4, followed by a half note A4, then a half note Bb4, and ends with a half note G4. The piano accompaniment consists of a right hand with chords and a left hand with a simple bass line. A triplet of eighth notes is marked in the right hand of the piano part.

1. I am weak and I need thy strength and power to
2. Help me tread in the paths of right - eous - ness, be my
3. I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am

The second system of the musical score. The vocal line continues with a half note G4, followed by a half note A4, then a half note Bb4, and ends with a half note G4. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and a simple bass line. A triplet of eighth notes is marked in the right hand of the piano part.

1. help me o - ver my weak - est hour; Help me
2. aid when sa - tan and sin op - press; I am
3. blind with - out thy light to see; Lord, just

The third system of the musical score. The vocal line continues with a half note G4, followed by a half note A4, then a half note Bb4, and ends with a half note G4. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and a simple bass line. A triplet of eighth notes is marked in the right hand of the piano part.

1. through the dark-ness thy face to see,
 2. put - ting all my trust in thee.
 3. al - ways let me thy ser - vant be.

D.C.

1. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.
 2. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.
 3. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

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Prepare the way of the Lord,
Prepare the way of the Lord,
And all people will see the salvation of our God.

Hymn 321

My God, Thy Table Now is Spread

Rockingham

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished
3 Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O Lord, in coun - tless
4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the

love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -
num - bers let them come and gath - er from their
world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall

thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.
va - tion see, that here its sa - cred pledg - es tastes.
Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb.
all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Words: Sts. 1-3, Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt.; st. 4, Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Rockingham*, melody from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, ca. 1780; adapt. Edward Miller (1731-1807); harm. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816).

Please kneel as you are able.

The Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Sending Prayer for our Eucharistic Visitors

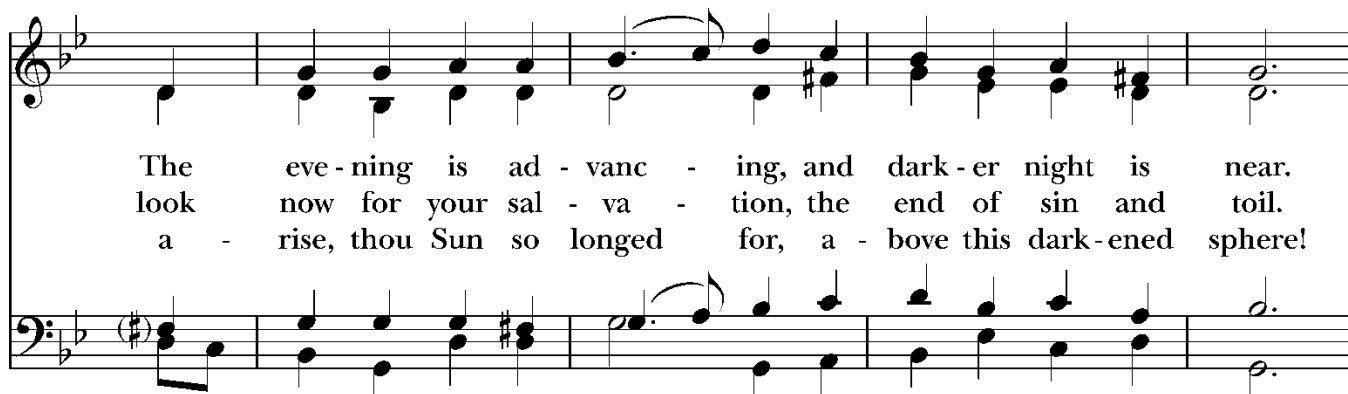
Most gracious God, we send forth your servants bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom they go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood. We who are many are one body because we share in the Body and Blood of Christ. **Amen.**

The Blessing

The peace of God that passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the love of God and of God's Son, Jesus Christ; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**



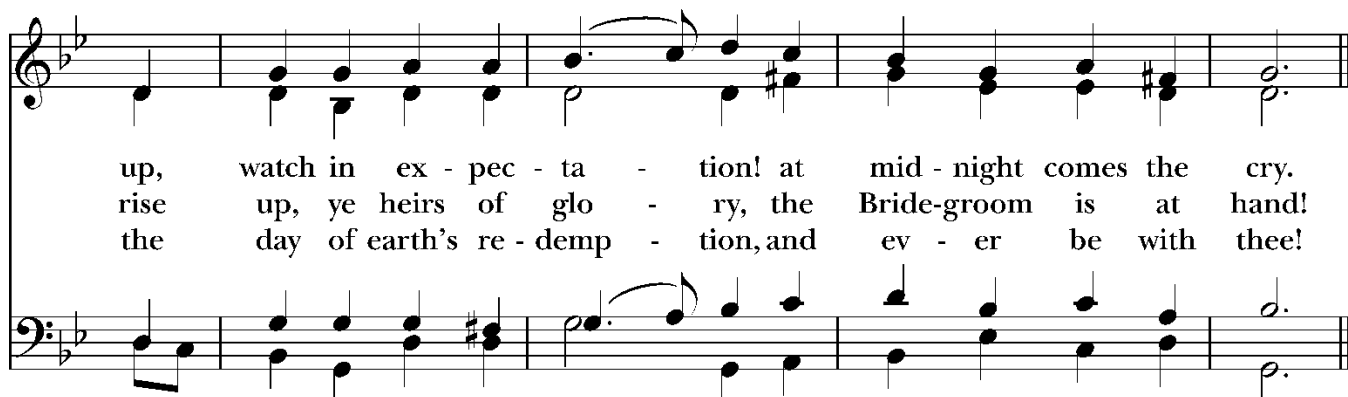
1 Re - joice! re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear!
 2 See that your lamps are burn - ing, re - ple-nish them with oil;
 3 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
 look now for your sal - va - tion, the end of sin and toil.
 a - rise, thou Sun so longed for, a - bove this dark - ened sphere!



The Bride-groom is a - ris - ing, and soon he will draw nigh;
 The mar - riage - feast is wait - ing, the gates wide o - pen stand;
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



up, watch in ex - pec - ta - tion! at mid - night comes the cry.
 rise up, ye heirs of glo - ry, the Bride-groom is at hand!
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion, and ev - er be with thee!

Words: Laurentius Laurenti (1660-1722); tr. Sarah B. Findlater (1823-1907), alt. Music: *Llangloffan*, melody from *Hymnau a Thonau er Gwasanaeth yr Eglwys yng Nghymru*, 1865.

The Sending

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary Prelude in G Minor Johannes Brahms

~ LAY ASSISTANTS ~

Lectors/Chalicists—John Nagy, Ellie Smith, Robin Ford, Theresa Marlino, Ned Miller
Altar Guild—Cindy McCallum, Gail Dewey, Lori Espe, Barbara Lander, Bonnie Marshall
Flower Guild—Lura Wampler (*Church*) Nancy Groff, Patsy DiPuppo (*Chapel*)
Verger—Jay Baldwin
Acolytes—Harper Payne, Ashe Thornberg, Sawyer Payne
Visitors—Jamie Arnold, Sandy Arnold

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