



Morning Prayer & Sermon

December 18, 2016 at 11:15 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Trinity Church in the City of Boston

The Rev. Samuel T. Lloyd III, Officiating

The Rev. Rita T. Powell, Preaching

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Gathering

Prelude *Partita on Veni Emmanuel*

Daniel Pinkham (1923-2006)

Introit Advent Responsory

adapted by G. P. da Palestrina (1525-1594)

I look from afar: and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth. Go ye out to meet him and say: Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?

Please stand and join in singing all hymns.

Hymn in Procession 497

How bright appears the Morning Star (*Wie schön leuchtet*)

Opening Sentence *Remain standing.*

Invitation to Confession

Confession of Sin & Absolution *Please stand or kneel.*

*Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,
we have offended against thy 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.
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
spare thou those who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.*

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 the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Preces *Please stand.*

O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Our King and Saviour draweth nigh: **O come let us adore him.**



- 1 Surely, it is¹ God who¹ saves me; *
I will trust in¹ him and¹ not be a¹ afraid.
- 2 For the Lord is my stronghold and my¹ sure de¹ fense, *
and¹ he will¹ be my¹ Savior.
- 3 Therefore you shall draw¹ water with re¹ joicing *
—¹ from the¹ springs of sal¹ vation.
- 4 And on that¹ day you shall¹ say, *
Give thanks to the¹ Lord and¹ call upon his¹ Name;
- 5 Make his deeds known a¹ mong the¹ peoples; *
see that they re¹ member that his¹ Name is ex¹alted.
- 6 Sing the praises of the Lord, for¹ he has done¹ great things, *
and this is¹ known in¹ all the¹ world.
- 7 Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring¹ out your¹ joy, *
for the great one in the midst of you is the¹ Holy¹ One of¹ Israel.

Glory to the Father, and¹ to the¹ Son, *
and¹ to the¹ Holy¹ Spirit:
As it was in the be¹ ginning, is¹ now, *
and¹ will be for¹ ever. A¹ men.

Psalm 80:1-7 *Be seated. Spoken by all*

*Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.*

*In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh,
stir up your strength and come to help us.*

*Restore us, O God of hosts,
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*

*You have fed them with the bread of tears;
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.*

*O Lord God of hosts,
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?*

*You have made us the derision of our neighbors,
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.*

*Restore us, O God of hosts,
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*

First Reading *Remain seated. See insert for text.*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

George Guest (1924-2002)

Zion, at thy shining gates
Lo, the King of Glory waits,
Haste thy monarch's pomp to greet,
Strew thy palms before his feet.

Christ, for thee their triple light,
Faith and hope and love unite;
This the beacon we display
To proclaim thine advent day.

Come and give us peace within,
Loose us from the bands of sin,
Take away the galling weight
Laid on us by Satan's hate.

Give us grace thy yoke to wear,
Give us strength thy cross to bear,
Make us thine in deed and work,
Thine in heart and life, O Lord.

So, when thou shalt come again,
Judge of angels and of men.
We with all thy saints shall sing
Alleluias to our King.

B. H. Kennedy

Second Reading *Remain seated.*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Children leave for the Children's Homily, following the Children's Ministry leaders.

Look for the cross beneath the pulpit.

Hymn 475

God himself is with us (Tysk)

Apostles' Creed *Remain standing. Spoken by all.*

***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 power of 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 Lord be with you. *And with thy spirit.* Let us pray.

Please stand or kneel.

Lord's Prayer *Spoken by all.*

*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.*

Suffrages

Show us your mercy, O Lord; *And grant us your salvation.*

Clothe your ministers with righteousness; *Let your people sing with joy.*

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world; *For only in you can we live in safety.*

Lord, keep this nation under your care;

And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let your way be known upon earth; *Your saving health among all nations.*

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten; *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*

Create in us clean hearts, O God; *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

Collect of the Day & Prayers *See insert for text. Additional prayers will be offered by a minister.*

The General Thanksgiving *Spoken by all.*

*Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving kindness
to us and to all people.
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.*

Let us bless the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

The Peace *All stand.*

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another with a sign of Christ's Peace.

Announcements *Be seated.*

Sermon & Blessing

Sermon Hymn 265

The angel Gabriel (*Gabriel's message*)

Sermon

The Rev. Rita T. Powell

Offering

The offering received during the anthem is our opportunity to give of ourselves to the glory of God. It supports our parish ministries and service to the community.

Children return to the service.

Offertory Anthem E'en so Lord Jesus

Paul Manz (1919-2009)

Peace be to you and grace from Him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed His blood
That we might saved be.

Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord, the Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come; Sing Holy, Holy Lord.

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,

Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,

For Christ is coming soon.

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come, and night shall be no more;

They need no light nor lamp nor sun, for Christ will be their All.

Presentation Hymn

Unison or harmony

To God the Fa - ther, heaven - ly Light, to Christ, re -
vealed in earth - ly night, to God the Ho - ly
Ghost we raise our e - qual and un - ceas - ing praise.

Blessing *Remain standing. After the prayer, the People respond "Amen."*

Hymn in Procession 56 *All sing stanzas 1, 5-8.*

O Come, O come, Emmanuel (*Veni Emmanuel*)

Dismissal *Sung by the choir.*

Palestrina, arr. Phillip Ledger

Judah and Jerusalem, fear not, nor be dismayed;
Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord will be with you.
Stand ye still, and ye shall see the salvation of the Lord.
Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord will be with you.

Postlude *Toccata on Veni Emmanuel*

Andrew Carter (b. 1939)

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