



ST. PAUL'S  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

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**The First Sunday of Advent**  
**Choral Eucharist**

**Sunday, December 3, 2023**

**Ten o'clock in the morning**

**Voluntary**

*Sleepers, Wake! A Voice Astounds Us*

J. S. Bach

**Hymn 61**

*"Sleepers, wake!"*

WACHET AUF

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

BCP p. 355

**Celebrant** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

*The Celebrant prays the Collect for Purity and the people respond* **Amen.**

**The Kyrie**

S95

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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 LESSONS**, *the People sit*

**A Reading from the Book of Isaiah**

[64: 1 – 9]

**Psalms 80: 1 – 7, 16 – 18**      *Qui regis Israel*

BCP p. 702

*The Cantor sings the refrain initially and the People join when invited*

Refrain

Mode I

Re - store us, O God of hosts; show the light  
of your coun - te - nance, and we shall be saved.

from *Gradual Psalms for the RCL*, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated.

**A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians**      [1: 3 – 9]

**Hymn 56 (St. 1 & 2)**      *O come, O come, Emmanuel*      VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL

**The Holy Gospel**      [Mark 13: 24 – 37]

**THE HOMILY**      The Very Rev. Nicola Dance  
*After the Homily, a period of silent reflection is kept.*

**THE NICENE CREED, standing**      BCP p. 358

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM II**      BCP p. 385  
*All stand or kneel as able for prayer.*

*The Celebrant adds a Concluding Collect and the People respond Amen.*

**THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**      BCP p. 360

**THE PEACE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The Holy Communion**

**Offertory Anthem**      *Lost in the Night*      arr. Michael Burkhardt

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**Eucharistic Prayer A**      BCP p. 361  
*The people remain standing*

<b>Sanctus</b>		S124
<i>The people stand or kneel</i>		
<b>THE LORD’S PRAYER</b>		BCP p. 364
<b>THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD</b>		BCP p. 364
<b>Fraction Anthem</b>		S161
<i>All who seek a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion by moving forward to the altar rail or by remaining in your place and indicating to an usher that you would like to receive. Wine is offered by sipping from the chalice or by dipping your host wafer into the intinction bowl. Alternatively, you are welcome to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are not yet baptized and feel drawn to receive Holy Communion, please speak with a priest after the service about baptism.</i>		
<i>After the people receive Communion a period of silent reflection is kept</i>		
<b>Hymn 73</b>	<i>The King shall come</i>	ST. STEPHEN
<i>After the people receive Communion a period of silent reflection is kept</i>		
<b>POST COMMUNION PRAYER</b>		BCP p. 365
<b>ADVENT BLESSING</b>		
May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. <b>Amen.</b>		
May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. <b>Amen.</b>		
May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. <b>Amen.</b>		
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you. <b>Amen.</b>		
<b>Hymn 57</b>	<i>Lo! he comes with clouds descending</i>	HELMSLEY
<b>DISMISSAL</b>		
<b>Voluntary</b>	<i>Sleepers, Wake! A Voice Astounds Us</i>	Paul Manz

### **Announcements for December 3, 2023**

*Today's altar flowers are given by The Very Rev. Nicola Dance, honoring family birthdays. The Advent Wreath is given in loving memory of Barbara N. & Marshall G. Linn by Barbara L. & Douglas H. Hein, Marshall & Julie Linn, and Scott N. & Denise Linn*

#### **Today at St. Paul's**

- Bible series meets today after the 10 am service.

#### **Annual Cathedral Advent Tea: Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> - 4:00 to 7:00 pm**

*Park Fleur Condos, located at 3131 Fleur Drive, Des Moines  
Christmas Carol sing-a-long at 5:15. Sign-up sheets to bring a savory or a sweet dish are in the Guild Hall*

#### **The Giving Tree is Back!**

The St. Paul's Giving Tree will be out throughout Advent, starting on November 27, 2022, to collect needed winter items for adult clients served at the Connection Cafe. We need new and gently used winter outer wear such as hats, gloves, mittens, scarves and coats for adults or children and hand warmers are always appreciated.

#### **Connection Café – we serve Monday, 12/11**

Volunteer opportunities for "Connection Cafe Lunches December 10 and 11, 2023" are now open. Please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet: [volunteersignup.org/43Y4C](https://volunteersignup.org/43Y4C). To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do. Thank you for volunteering!

#### **Advent Service of Lessons and Carols**

Sunday, December 17 at 4:00 p.m.

#### **Today's Ministers**

Ten o'clock Eucharist:

*Presider* – The Very Rev. Nicola Dance

*Homilist* – The Very Rev. Nicola Dance

*Deacon* – The Rev. Jean Davis, The Rev. John Doherty

*Crucifer* – Jonathan Hansen

*Torch-bearers* – Lacie Dietzenbach, Wilhelmina Hansen

*Second Cross* – Freya Baccam

*1<sup>st</sup> lesson* – Rosa Walker

*Cantor* – Lexie Thiessen

*2<sup>nd</sup> lesson* – Peggy Aerisolphal

*Intercessor* – TBD

*Eucharistic Ministers* – TBD, TBD, TBD

*Audio* – TBD

*Video* – Nathan Thiessen

*Ushers* – Samuel Hutchisson, TBD

*Chapter Counters* – Duane Sand, John Wetherell, (alt., Stephanie Murphy)

*Coffee Hour Hosts* – Mark Thompsen