

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 17, 2023

GATHERING SONG: *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

O come, O Key of David, come,
And open wide our heav'nly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.

O come, Thou Dayspring from on high
And cheer us by your drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadow put to flight.

Text: LM with refrain; 'O' Antiphons, Latin, 9th cent.;
verses 1, 3–6 para. in Psalterium Canticum Catholicarum, Cologne, 1710;
tr. by John M. Neale, 1818–1866; verses 2, 7 tr. fr. The Hymnal 1940, alt.
Music: Chant, Mode I; Processionale, French, 15th cent.; adapt. by Thomas Helmore, 1811–1890.

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Responsorial Psalm: *Luke 1:46-55/Holy Is Your Name*

1. My soul is filled with joy as I sing to God my savior:
you have looked upon your servant, you have visited your people.

Refrain And holy is your name through all generations!
Everlasting is your mercy to the people you have chosen,
and holy is your name.

2. I am lowly as a child, but I know from this day forward
that my name will be remembered, for all will call me blessed.
3. I proclaim the pow'r of God, you do marvels for your servants;
though you scatter the proud hearted and destroy the might of princes.
4. To the hungry you give food, send the rich away empty.
In your mercy you are mindful of the people you have chosen.

Prayer of the Faithful: *You may un-mute and share your prayers.*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

My Sunday Offering to God



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Preparation of the Gifts

You Have Anointed Me

1. To bring glad tidings to the lowly, to heal the broken heart, you have anointed me.
To proclaim liberty to captives, release to prisoners, you have anointed me.
Your Spirit, O God, is upon me, you have anointed me.
2. To announce a year of favor, to comfort those who mourn, you have anointed me.
To give to them the oil of gladness, and share a mantle of joy, you have anointed me.

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Spiritual Communion Prayer

Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Communion Song:

Behold the Lamb

1. Those who were in the dark are thankful for the sunlight;
We who live, we who die are grateful for this gift, thankful for God's love.
Refrain: Behold, behold the Lamb of God. All who eat, all who drink shall live;
and all, all who dwell in God, shall come to know God's glory!
2. Peaceful now, those whose hearts are blessed with understanding
Of the wheat, of the wine united with God's word and the love we share.
3. Gentle one, Child of God, join with us at this table.
Bless our lives; nourish all who hunger for this feast; shelter them with peace.
4. Lord of all, give us light. Deliver us from evil.
Make us one; be our shield. Make still the winds that blow; cradle us with love.

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Sending Forth Song:

People, Look East

People, look east. The time is near
Of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
Trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the guest, is on the way.

Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,
One more seed is planted there:
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,
That in course the flower may flourish.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the rose, is on the way.

Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
Guard the nest that must be filled.
Even the hour when wings are frozen
God for fledging time has chosen.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the bird, is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
One more light the bowl shall brim,
Shining beyond the frosty weather,
Bright as sun and moon together.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the star, is on the way.