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And Jesus answered them,
“Go and tell John what you
hear and see: the blind re-
ceive their sight and the
lame walk, lepers are
cleansed and the deaf hear,
and the dead are raised up,
and the poor have good
news preached to them. And
blessed is he who takes no
offense at me.”

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THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

DECEMBER 13, 2020

Opening Hymn 10 WINCHESTER NEW
On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Collect for Purity BCP 67

Introit. *Gaudete.* Rejoice ye in the Lord, and again I say, rejoice ye; let your moderation be known unto all men, the Lord is at hand: be careful for nothing, nor troubled; but in all things, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving; let your requests be made known unto God. *Psalm 85.* Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. *V.* Glory ... Rejoice ye ...

Summary of the Law BCP 69

Kyrie Hymnal 709 Willan

No Gloria during Advent

Collect. O Lord Jesus Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee; Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Advent I collect is repeated during Advent.

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy 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 quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal. *Amen.*

First Reading Isaiah 65:17–25

“For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the child shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their children with them. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain, says the LORD.”

Psalm

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Antiphon Tell it out among the nations,
and say: Behold he comes, our
God and Savior, alleluia.


1. Praise the LORD! **Praise the LORD, O my soul!**
2. **I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have being.**
3. **Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no help.**
4. **When his breath departs he returns to his earth; on that very day his plans perish.**
5. **Happy is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God,**
6. **Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith for ever;**
7. **Who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free;**
8. **The LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.**
9. **The LORD watches over the sojourners, he upholds the widow and the fatherless; but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.**
10. **The LORD will reign for ever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!**


Epistle

1 Corinthians 4:1–5

This is how one should regard us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is

required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. I do not even judge myself. I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me. Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then every man will receive his commendation from God.

Gradual. Show thyself, O Lord, thou that sittest upon the Cherubim: stir up thy strength and come.  Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel: thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep.

Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.  Stir up thy strength, O Lord: and come and help us, alleluia.

Gospel

St. Matthew 11:2–10

Now when John heard in prison about the deeds of the Christ, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, “Are you he who is to come, or shall we look for another?” And Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them. And blessed is he who takes no offense at me.” As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to behold? A reed shaken by the wind? Why then did you go out? To see a man dressed in soft robes? Behold, those who wear soft

robes are in kings' houses. Why then did you go out? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is he of whom it is written, 'Behold, I send my messenger before your face, \ who shall prepare your way before you.'"

Sermon Hymn 440² ABERYSTWYTH
Watchman, tell us of the night

Homily

Nicene Creed BCP 71

Offertory. O Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land; thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob: thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people.

Presentation of the Gifts Old Hundredth Hymn 139, *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow*

The Prayer for the Church BCP 74

General Confession & Absolution BCP 75

Sanctus and Benedictus, 797 Willan

The Canon of the Mass BCP 80-81

The Lord's Prayer BCP 82

Agnus Dei, Hymnal 712 Willan

The Prayer of Humble Access BCP 82

Communion Hymn 544 ST. CECILIA

Thy kingdom come, O God!

Communion. Say to them that are of a fearful heart: Be strong, fear not; behold, your God will come and save you.

General Thanksgiving BCP 83

Post-communion[†]

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, we beseech thee: and grant that the heavenly assistance of these holy mysteries may so cleanse us from all our iniquities that

we may be made worthy to keep the coming festival. Through ...

The Benediction BCP 84

The Dismissal Missal

Closing Hymn 9 MERTON

Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding

ANNIVERSARIES

Chad & Deborah Flowerday 18

FLOWERS AND COFFEE HOUR

No flowers during advent. The Coffee Hour will be virtual via Zoom following the Mass.

EVERY-MEMBER CANVAS

It is again time to consider what pledge each of us will make to support the Lord's work, in our Parish and its mission to the world. Pledge forms will be available on the website. Please return your 2021 pledge, by 3 January 2021, to the Treasurer's address in Camas, WA. This will help the Vestry plan the 2021 budget. The pledges will be blessed at the Mass on 10 January 2021.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Mass at 9 am unless otherwise noted.

Confessions by appointment. Call Fr. Costanzo at (503) 656-4528.

Dec 20 **Advent IV + Lessons & Carols via Zoom**

Dec 25 **Christmas Day** (*Day of obligation*)

Dec 27 **St. John, Apostle & Evangelist**

Jan 3 **Christmas II**

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Advent

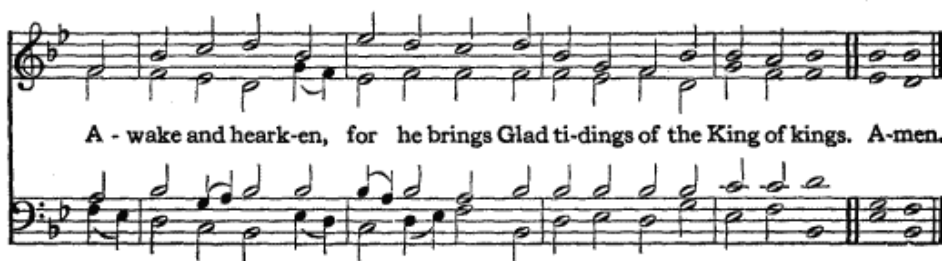
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WINCHESTER NEW
With solemnity

Adapted from
Musikalisches Handbuch, Hamburg, 1690



1 On Jor-dan's bank the Bap-tist's cry An-noun-ces that the Lord is nigh;



A - wake and heark-en, for he brings Glad ti-dings of the King of kings. A-men.

2 Then cleansed be every breast from sin;
Make straight the way of God within,
And let each heart prepare a home
Where such a mighty guest may come.

3 For thou art our salvation, Lord,
Our refuge, and our great reward;
Without thy grace we waste away
Like flowers that wither and decay.

4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
And bid the fallen sinner stand;
Shine forth, and let thy light restore
Earth's own true loveliness once more.

5 All praise, eternal Son, to thee,
Whose advent doth thy people free;
Whom with the Father we adore
And Holy Ghost for evermore. Amen.

CHARLES COFFIN, 1736; Tr. JOHN CHANDLER, 1837, *alt.*

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General Hymns

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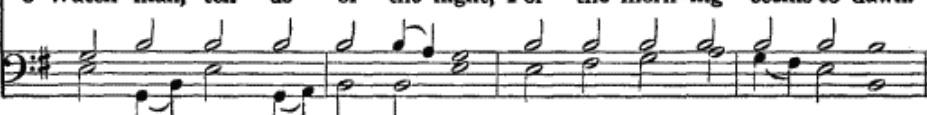

ABERYSTWYTH

With movement


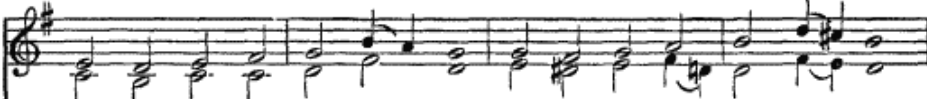
JOSEPH PARRY, 1879



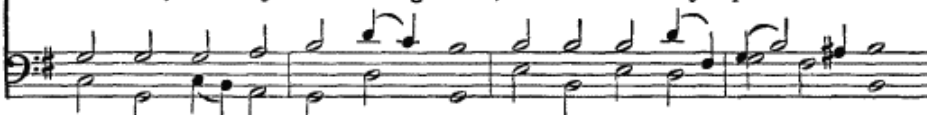

1 Watch-man, tell us of the night, What its signs of prom-ise are.
 2 Watch-man, tell us of the night; High-er yet that star as-cends.
 3 Watch-man, tell us of the night, For the morn-ing seems to dawn.

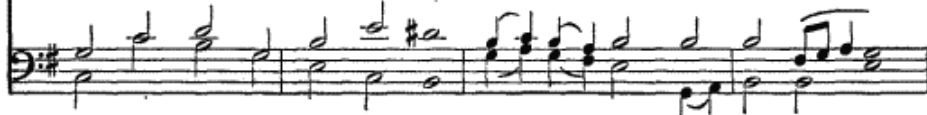
Trav-ler, o'er yon moun-tain's height, See that glo-ry-beam-ing star.
 Trav-ler, bless-ed-ness and light, Peace and truth its course por-tends.
 Trav-ler, dark-ness takes its flight, Doubt and ter-ror are with-drawn.

Watch-man, does its beau-teous ray Aught of joy or hope fore-tell?
 Watch-man, will its beams a-lone Gild the spot that gave them birth?
 Watch-man, let thy wan-d'rings cease; Hie thee to thy qui-et home.

Trav-ler, yes; it brings the day, Prom-ised day of Is-ra-el.
 Trav-ler, a-ges are its own; See, it bursts o'er all the earth.
 Trav-ler, lo! the Prince of Peace, Lo! the Son of God is come!



JOHN BOWRING, 1825

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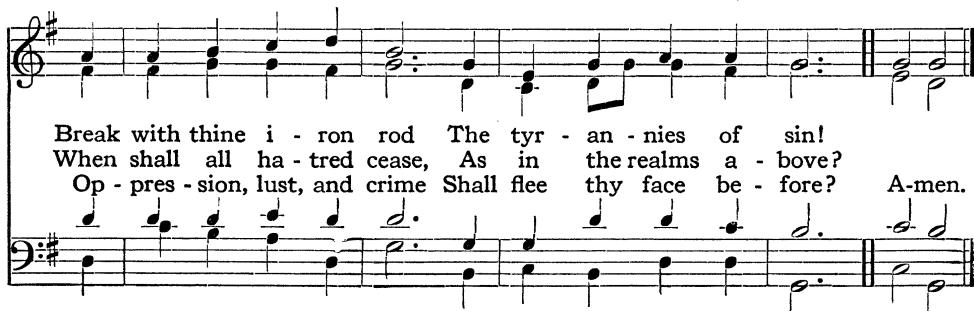
ST. CECILIA

LEIGHTON G. HAYNE, 1863

In moderate time



1 Thy king - dom come, O God! Thy rule, O Christ, be - gin!
 2 Where is thy reign of peace, And pu - ri - ty, and love?
 3 When comes the prom - is'd time That war shall be no more,



Break with thine i - ron rod The tyr - an - nies of sin!
 When shall all ha - tred cease, As in the realms a - bove?
 Op - pres - sion, lust, and crime Shall flee thy face be - fore? A-men.

4 We pray thee, Lord, arise,
 And come in thy great might;
 Revive our longing eyes,
 Which languish for thy sight.

5 O'er heathen lands afar
 Thick darkness broodeth yet:
 Arise, O Morning Star,
 Arise, and never set! Amen.

LEWIS HENSLEY, 1867

MERTON

WILLIAM HENRY MONK, 1850

In moderate time

1 Hark! a thrill-ing voice is sound-ing; "Christ is nigh," it seems to say;
 2 Wa-ken'd by the sol-emn warn-ing, Let the earth-bound soul a-rise;
 3 Lo! the Lamb, so long ex-pect-ed, Comes with par-don down from heav'n;

"Cast a-way the works of dark-ness, O ye chil-dren of the day."
 Christ, her sun, all sloth dis-pell-ing, Shines up-on the morn-ing skies.
 Let us haste, with tears of sor-row, One and all to be for-giv'n; A-men.

4 So when next he comes with glory, 5 Honor, glory, might, and blessing
 And the world is wrapped in fear, To the Father and the Son,
 May he with his mercy shield us, With the everlasting Spirit
 And with words of love draw near. While unending ages run. Amen.

Latin, c. 6th cent.; Tr. EDWARD CASWALL, 1849, alt.