

**ORDER OF WORSHIP
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

November 30, 2014

10:00 a.m.

*The beginning of the opening voluntary is a call to silent, personal meditation.
Please silence all electronic devices, as we prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Wachet auf!

J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)

INTROIT

O do not move,
listen to the gentle beginning.

John Tavener
(1944-2013)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Brian, Pamela, Brynne and Robert DiDonato

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Restore us, O Lord God of hosts.
People: **Let your face shine, that we may be saved!**
Minister: Let us worship God.

***HYMN 17**

"Sleepers, Wake!" A Voice Astounds Us

WACHET AUF

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O promised Christ:
We are a world at war.
Our peace depends on your coming.
We are a sinful people.
Our pardon depends on your coming.
We are full of good intentions but weak at keeping promises;
our only hope of doing God's will is that you should come and help us do it.
Lord Christ, Word made flesh,
our world awaits your peace, your pardon, and your grace.
Come, Lord Jesus.

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON

Richard Proulx
(1937-2010)

The musical notation for the Kyrie Eleison consists of three staves. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first staff is divided into two parts: 'Cantor' and 'Assembly'. The lyrics are 'Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.' The second staff also has 'Cantor' and 'Assembly' parts, with lyrics 'Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.' The third staff has 'Cantor' and 'Assembly' parts, with lyrics 'Lord, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer - cy.' The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and slurs.

PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL

***GLORIA PATRI**

WESTMINSTER ABBEY
(Hymn 416)

Laud and honor to the Father,
Laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit,
Ever three and ever one;
One in might and one in glory,
While unending ages run.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord God, creator of bright noon day and darkest night, spinner of stars and planets, mystery unfamiliar, unseen, unknown: Be known to us now in the reading and hearing of your word. Teach us to wait in the dark. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 64:1-9 (p. 694)

PSALTER

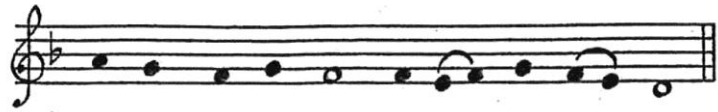
Psalm 80:1-7

PLAINSONG

Choir: Antiphon



Re-store us, O God of hosts; show the light



of your coun-ten-ance and we shall be saved.

Congregation: Antiphon

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.

Congregation: Antiphon

Restore us, O God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. O Lord God of hosts, how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?

Congregation: Antiphon

You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink. You have made us the derision of our neighbors, and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

Congregation: Antiphon

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 13:24-37 (p. 50)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Charles Zachary Magid

Infant son of Katherine E. McGill Magid and Zachary Robert Magid

HYMN (seated)

TALLIS' CANON

During the organ introduction, children through fifth grade may process to the Chapel to meet for the Gathering.

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way,
Through this and every coming day,
That in your Spirit strong and true,
Our lives may be our gift to you.

SERMON

Waiting in the Dark

Ms. Shelley

"O that you would tear open the heavens and come down..."
Isaiah 64:1

***HYMN 4**

Creator of the Stars of Night

CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM

PRAYERS

Minister: The Lord be with you,
People: And with your spirit.
Minister: Let us pray. O Lord show thy mercy upon us,
People: And grant us thy salvation.
Minister: O God, make clean our hearts within us,
People: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Veiled in darkness Judah lay,
waiting for the promised day,
while across the shadowy night
streamed a flood of glorious light,
heav'nly voices chanting then,
"Peace on earth, good will to men."

Still the earth in darkness lies.
Up from death's dark vale arise
voices of a world in grief,
prayers of men who seek relief:
Now our darkness pierce again,
"Peace on earth, good will to men."

Light of light, we humbly pray,
shine upon thy world today;
break the gloom of our dark night,
fill our souls with love and light,
send thy blessed Word again,
"Peace on earth, good will to men."

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Glenn L. Rudolph
(b. 1951)

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

The Apostles' Creed (p. 14)

*HYMN

Signs of Endings All Around Us

TON-Y-BOTEL



1. Signs of end-ings all a - round us dark-ness, death, and win - ter days
2. Can it be that from our end - ings, new be - gin - nings you cre - ate?
3. Speak, O God, your Word a - mong us. Bar - ren lives your pres - ence fill.



shroud our lives in fear and sad-ness, numb-ing mouths that long to praise.
Life from death, and from our rend - ings, realms of whole - ness gen - er - ate?
Swell our hearts with songs of glad-ness, ter - rors calm fore-bod - ings still.



Come, O Christ, and dwell a - mong us! Hear our cries, come set us free.
Take our fears, then, Lord, and turn them in - to hopes for life a - new:
Let your prom - ised realm of jus - tice blos - som now through - out the earth;



Give us hope and faith and glad-ness. Show us what there yet can be.
Fad - ing light and dy - ing sea - son sing their Glo - ri - as to you.
your do - min - ion bring now near us; we a - wait the sav - ing birth.

***BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Wachet auf!

Max Reger
(1873-1916)

*Congregation standing

***Seating interval

LEADING WORSHIP: Austin Crenshaw Shelley, Associate Minister for Christian Education; Dr. Edmund S. P. Jones, Guest Minister; Ken Lovett, Organist/Associate Director of Music; and Gallery Choir.

GREETERS: Elders: Harry M. Spaeth and Julianne Pitone-Watson; Deacons: Bruce Beyer and Susan Brunell.

USHERS: William R. Chambers, Team #1 Leader; Richard Brown; Carolyn Manwaring; Barbara Sheble; Harry M. Spaeth; and Suzan Willcox.

FLOWER ARRANGERS: Joan Demme and Susan White.

HOSPITALITY HOST: Nancy Hassold.

TUESDAY COUNTERS: Dick Hassold and Ned Mitinger.

*Flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in celebration of
the births of Daniel Frances Carluccio and Edward McQuillen DeCaro
by Roy and Allison DeCaro.*

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