



SaintPaul's

An Episcopal Church For  
The City of Milwaukee

✠ The First Sunday of Advent ✠  
10:15 am Liturgy of the Word  
November 29, 2020

Welcome

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Choral Introit

*I look from afar*

Giovanni Palestrina

*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?  
High and low, rich and poor, one with another, go ye out to meet him and say:  
Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep,  
tell us, are thou he that should come?  
Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.*

Words: Matin Responsory for Advent Sunday

A Penitential Order

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

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.**

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.***

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Absolution

*Presider* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Canticle Surge *Illuminare*

*Arise, shine, for your light has come*

chant: John Goss

Words: Isaiah, 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19

*Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.  
For behold, darkness covers the land; deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.  
But over you the Lord will rise, and his glory will appear upon you.  
Nations will stream to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawning.  
Your gates will always be open; by day or night they will never be shut.*

*They will call you, The City of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.  
Violence will no more be heard in your land, ruin or destruction within your borders.  
You will call your walls, Salvation, and all your portals, Praise.  
The sun will no more be your light by day; by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.  
The Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory.*

## Collect of the Day

*Presider*      The Lord be with you,  
*People*        **And also with you.**  
*Presider*      Let us pray.

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.**

## First Lesson

Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence-- as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil-- to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence!

When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him.

You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed.

We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.

Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

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

G. M. Garrett



1. Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading / Joseph like a / flock;\*  
Shine forth, you that are en / throned up / on the / cherubim.
2. In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, / and Ma / nasseh.\*  
stir up your / strength and / come to / help us.
3. Restore us, O / God of / hosts;\*  
show the light of your / countenance, and / we shall be / saved.
4. O LORD / God of / hosts,\*  
how long will you be angered de / spite the / prayers of your / people?
5. You have fed them with the / bread of / tears;\*  
you have given them / bowls of / tears to / drink.
6. You have made us the de / rision of our / neighbors,\*  
and our / enemies / laugh us to / scorn.  
*(second half of chant)*
7. Restore us, O / God of / hosts;\*  
show the light of your / countenance, and / we shall be / saved.

## Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Sequence Hymn LEVAS 18

*Swing low, sweet chariot*

Sam Mullooly, Choral Scholar  
Arranged for St. Paul's Choir

## The Holy Gospel

Mark 13:24-37

*Deacon*            Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

*Deacon*            The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Rector

The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God,*

**the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## The Prayers of the People Form II

Anthem

*Audivi media nocte*

Thomas Tallis

*I heard a voice coming from heaven: Come, all ye most wise virgins, store up oil in your vessels, until the bridegroom cometh. A cry goes up at midnight: Behold, the bridegroom cometh.*

Words: Matin Responsory for All Saints

## The Lord's Prayer

*Presider* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
***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.***

## The Blessing

Hymn 57

*Lo! he comes, with clouds descending*

Helmsley

Voluntary

*Sleepers wake! A voice is calling*

J. S. Bach

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The Reverend W. Bradley Toebben, Rector

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## Worship Schedule

### Sunday Morning

8:00 am Holy Eucharist in the Morning Chapel

10:15 am Choral Eucharist

### Organ Recital and Choral Evensong

First Sundays of October thru May (November at Forest Home Cemetery)

3:30 pm

The Right Reverend Steven Andrew Miller, Bishop of Milwaukee

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