



Christ Church South

The Season of Advent

*In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
make a desert in the highway of our God.*

--Isaiah 40:3

Opening Song

O Come Divine Messiah

O come, divine Messiah,
the world in silence waits
When hope shall sing its triumphs,
and sadness flee away
O come desired of nations,
whom priest and prophet told,
Will break the captive fetters,
redeem the long-lost fold.

Come to the earth, come to the earth,
dear Savior, haste!

Dispel the night, dispel the night
and show your face,

Bid us hail the dawn of grace.

O come in peace and meekness,
for lowly will you be
Though clothed in human weakness,
we shall your God-head see
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O Come Divine Messiah, lyrics: M. l'abbé Pellegrin; trans: Sister Mary of St. Philip 1877,
Music: Andy Bast, TheophilusMusic, 20214482

Song of Procession

How Long

How long? Will You turn Your face away?
How long? Do You hear us when we pray?
On and on, still we walk this pilgrim way
– How long?

How long 'til Your children find their rest?
How long 'til You draw them to Your breast?
We go on holding to Your promises - How long?

'Til You wipe away the tears from ev'ry eye
'Til we see our home descending from the sky
Do we wait in vain?
Jesus, give us hope again!

How long 'til Your word will still the storm?

How long 'til You bare Your mighty arm?

How we groan 'til You snatch us from the thorns

- How long?

'Til You wipe away the tears from ev'ry eye
'Til we see our home descending from the sky
Do we wait in vain?
Jesus, give us hope again!

How long? Sweet the dawn that ends the race.
How long? Weak our hearts but strong our legs.
Looking on - great that cloud of witnesses!
- How long

'Til You wipe away the tears from ev'ry eye
'Til we see our home descending from the sky
Do we wait in vain?
Jesus, give us hope again!

Amen, Jesus Come!
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How Long, Isaac Wardell, 2016, Bifrost Arts Music, 20214482

*At this time, our children
are invited to follow the cross
down to kids' corner.*

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And Blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.

Amen.

Collect for Purity:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the
inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy
Name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Kyrie Eleison - Kyrie Eleison
Christe Eleison - Kyrie Eleison

**translation:*

Lord have mercy - Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy - Lord have mercy

Collect for the Second Sunday of Advent:

Merciful God,
who sent your messengers the prophets
to preach repentance and prepare the way
for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings
and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy
the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Lessons

Baruch 5:1-9

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven.

For God will give you evermore the name,
“Righteous Peace, Godly Glory.” Arise, O
Jerusalem, stand upon the height; look toward the
east, and see your children gathered from west and
east at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that
God has remembered them.

For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies; but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God.

The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

Here ends the reading

Psalm 126

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
“The LORD has done great things for them.”
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering
their sheaves.

Sequence Hymn:

Out of Heav'n Thou didst come down
Jesus who to earth descending
Didst our nature with thine own
Join in union neverending

Save us from the oppressor's rod
O our brother and our God

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiber'i-us Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Iturae'a and Trachoni'tis, and Lysa'ni-as tetrarch of Abile'ne, in the high-priesthood of Annas and Ca'iaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechari'ah in the wilderness; and he went into all the region about the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn:

Cleaves my soul to earth and dust
Help me Lord, I sink and perish
Purge my heart of earthly lusts
Life divine with Thee I cherish

Dweller in the manger thou
Dwell thyself within me now

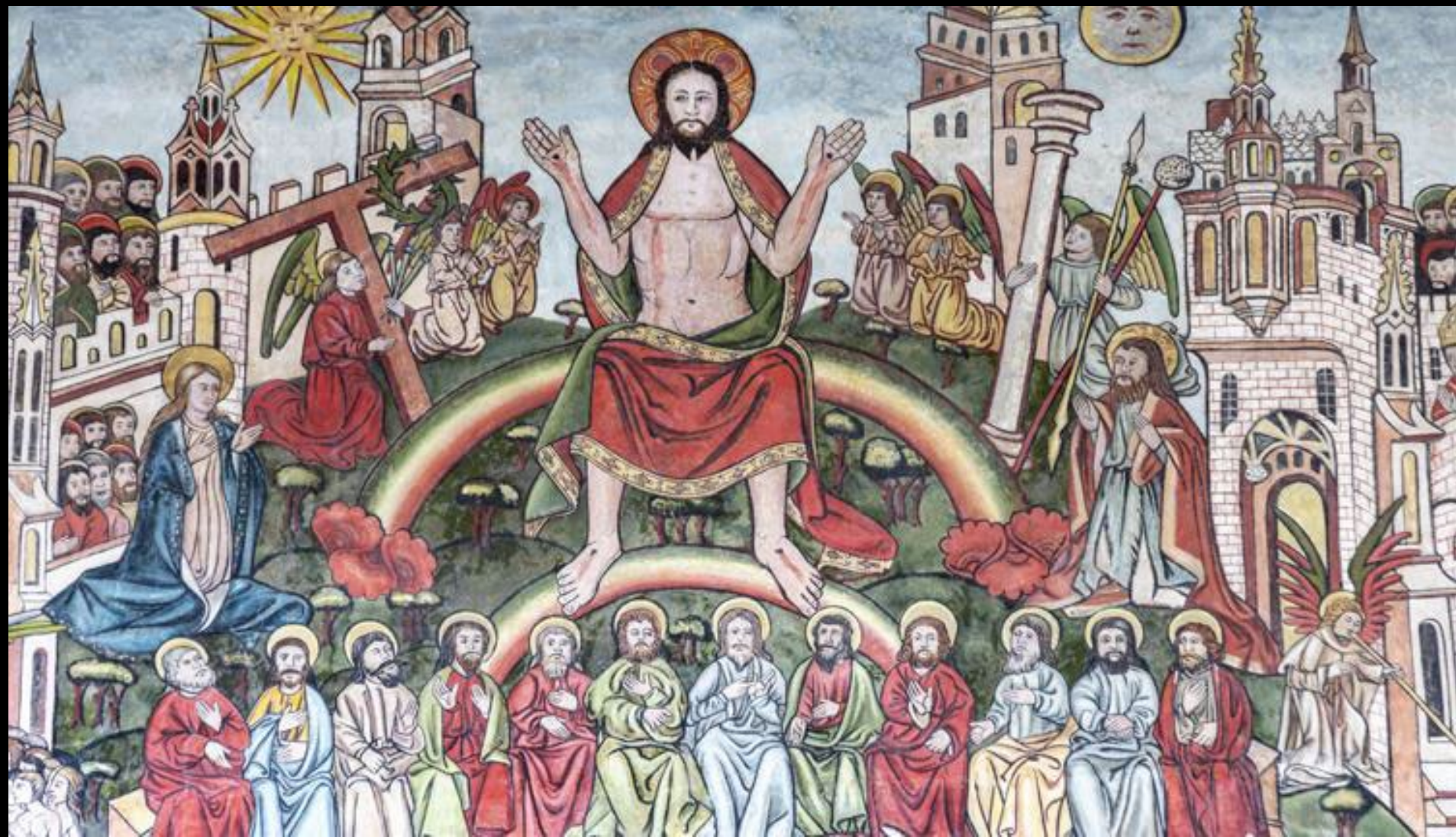
Out of Heav'n, Isaac Wardell, 2008 Great Comfort Records, 20214482

Today's Sermon:
The Rev. Dr. Cole Hartin















The 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 IV)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant almighty God, that all who confess your
Name may be united in your truth, live together in
your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the
nations, in the ways of justice and peace;
that we may honor one another
and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours,
and grant that we may serve Christ in them,
and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We thank you for the birth of
Ameila Mae Ayres,
daughter of Beka & Joe Ayres.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind,
or spirit, especially Luba, Lisa, Yeva, YK, Iryna, Nora,
Yevgeny, Paul, Vicky, Amber, Chris, Debbie,
and for peace in Ukraine, Haiti and the Holy Land, and
protection and deliverance for hostages; give them
courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the
joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died,
especially, Christopher Abraham,
brother of Carrol Abraham,
that your will for them may be fulfilled;
and we pray that we may share with all your saints
in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Concluding Prayer

Confession of Sin:

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.

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.

The Peace:

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.



Welcome

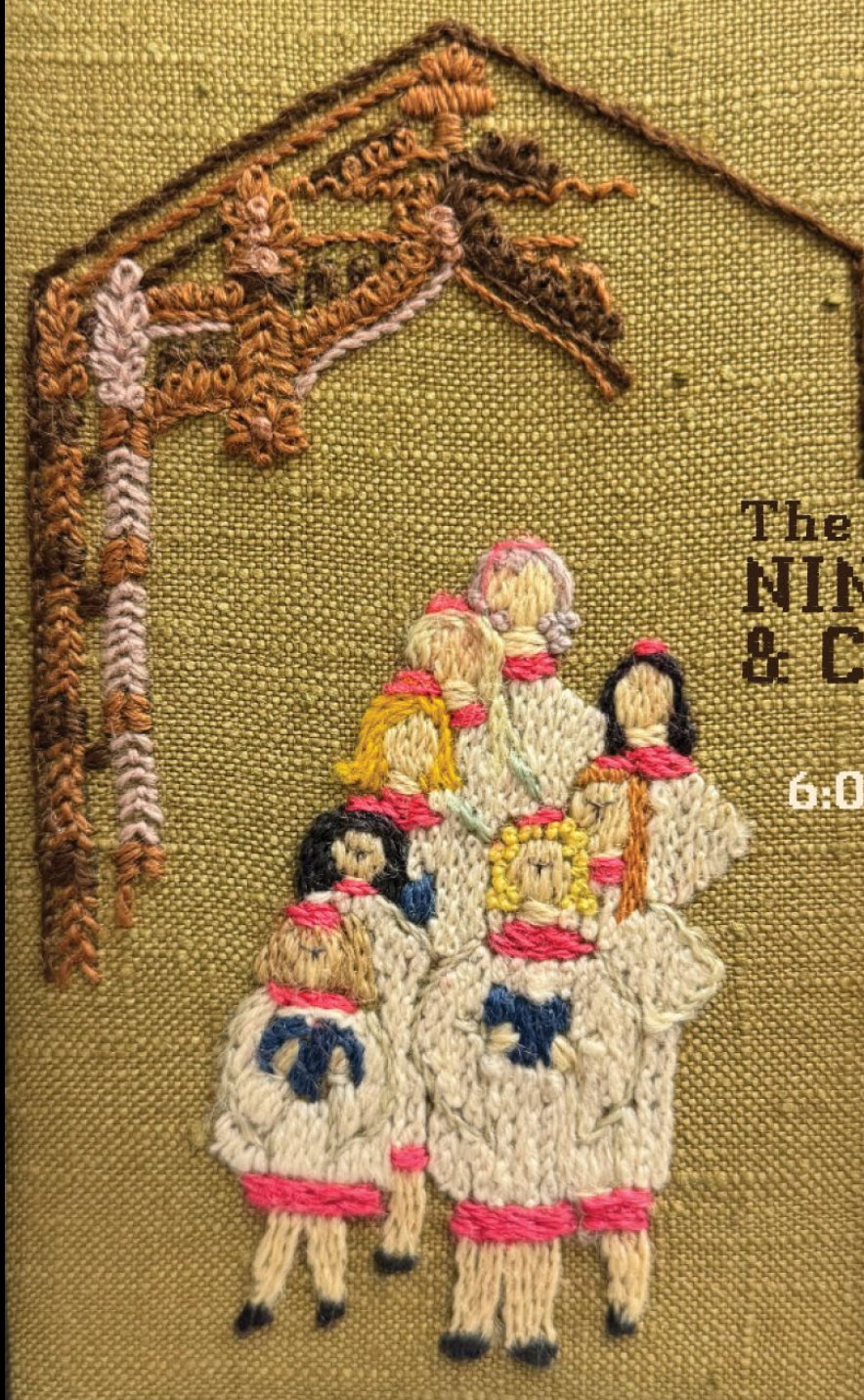
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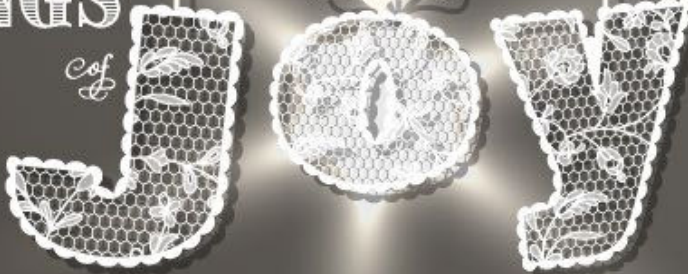


The Service of
**NINE LESSONS
& CAROLS**

Sunday, Dec 8th
6:00pm in the Nave



TIDINGS

of



JOY

December 10
Weston Jennings, *organ*;
Mark & Ute Miller, *violin & viola*

December 17
Micah Bell, *trumpet*;
Sarah Roberts, *saxophone*;
Elena Daughtery, *piano*

Tuesdays of Advent
Noon | Christ Church Downtown
followed by a light lunch





bonfire
caroling

Saturday, December 14
Christ Church South
15747 Old Jacksonville Hwy

Meet at 6:00pm for **caroling**
bonfire at 7:00pm

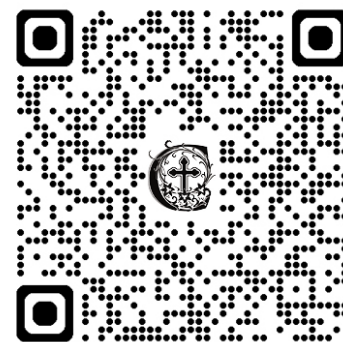


Christmas Poinsettias & Music

You are invited to participate in the celebration of Christmas at Christ Church through the Christmas flower & music fund.

Scan the QR code or fill out form (some are scattered around on the seats) and put in offering plate.

DEADLINE is Sunday the 15th.



Unto you is born...a Savior,
who is the Messiah, the Lord.

CHRISTMAS

December 22nd

**Children's Christmas Pageant⁺
11:05am Christ Church South**

Christmas Eve - December 24th

Christ Church Downtown

4:00pm Children's Christmas Pageant⁺

7:30pm Christmas Eve Eucharist⁺

10:30pm Candlelight Service

Christmas Day - December 25th

10:00am Holy Eucharist

Christ Church Downtown



⁺Nursery available

Find more announcements on the screens in the reception areas.



Offertory &
Song of Preparation:

When He Arrives

Your presence, Lord, is cleansing grace;
Forgiveness, yes, but more than that.
Our death with life you would replace,
That we might sing, “Magnificat!”

Come daily, Lord, to shape our mind
That consciousness may host your Son,
So his return may in us find
A dwelling place, a mansion won.

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That consciousness may host your Son,
So his return may in us find
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Come, Spirit Fire, burn up our dross.
Make straight what Satan bent and marred.
Repair our parents' ancient loss.
May Jesus find our doors unbarred.

Come, Father, come and daily build
A Christ-like lodge within our lives
That each soul, with your goodness filled,
May welcome Christ when he arrives.

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Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a proper preface is sung or said.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with
Angels and Archangels and with all the company
of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to
proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name,
comes in the name of the Lord.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death.

We proclaim his resurrection.

We await his coming in glory.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and
thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation, this bread
and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all honor and glory is yours,
Almighty Father,
now and for ever.

Amen

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, forever and ever.*

Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread:

Fraction Anthem

Miserere, miserere, miserere nobis
dona, dona, dona nobis pacem

Agnus Dei, agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi
qui tollis peccata mundi

*[Translation: Have mercy on us, Have mercy on us, Lamb of God you
take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace, grant us your peace
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, You take away the
sins of the world]*

Agnus Dei, Lyrics: traditional Latin, Music: Isaac Wardell, 2013 Bifrost Arts, 20214482

Invitation to Communion:

The gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for
you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith,
with thanksgiving.

Communion Song:

Psalm 126

Our mouths they were filled,
filled with laughter
Our tongues they were loosed,
loosed with joy
Restore us, O Lord
Restore us, O Lord

Although we are weeping
Lord, help us keep sowing
The seeds of Your Kingdom
For the day You will reap them
Your sheaves we will carry
Lord, please do not tarry
All those who sow weeping
will go out with songs of joy

The nations will say,
"He has done great things!"
The nations will sing songs of joy
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All Those who are Weeping, Isaac Wardell, 2012, Bifrost Arts Music, 20214482

Communion Song:

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for the blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture,
in the Body and the Blood
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of Light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph;
cherubim with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the Presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
“Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, Lord Most High!”

Let all Mortal Flesh Keep Silence, lyrics: from the Liturgy of St. James, 5th Century,
Translated by Gerard Moultree, music: traditional French carol, Public Domain, 20214482

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

Final Blessing (Celtic):

The Wisdom of God,

The Love of God,

And the Grace of God,

Strengthen you

To be Christ's hands and heart in this world,

In the name of the Father,

and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,

Amen.

Recessional

Dawning Light of our Salvation

Long in darkness Israel wandered;
Long in mortal shadows, we
Walked in bondage and self-pity,
Trode in paths of sin and grief.
In the prophets' words He told us,
Long the God of Israel spoke;
He alone in strength would save us
From the hands of all our foes.

Every valley be exalted!
Every mountain be made plane!
Crooked ways repent and straighten;
All creation bend in praise!

He shall raise a mighty Savior;
Born of David's lineage, He
Comes in cov'nant love to claim us
From our sins to set us free.
Light to those who dwell in darkness
Life to those from death who flee
Joy unto the earth, and gladness,
To your pathways dawning peace!

Every valley be exalted!
Every mountain be made plane!
Crooked ways repent and straighten;
All creation bend in praise!

Jesus, Lord, and mighty Savior,
David's Son and yet his King,
Dawning light of our salvation,
Of your saving pow'r we sing!
Stand, O lame, and dance ye broken,
Know the Savior's healing grace;
Come, O deaf and hear him singing;
Turn, O blind, behold his face!

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Dawning Light of our Salvation

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The Dismissal:

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Go in peace to love and serve
the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, Alleluia.