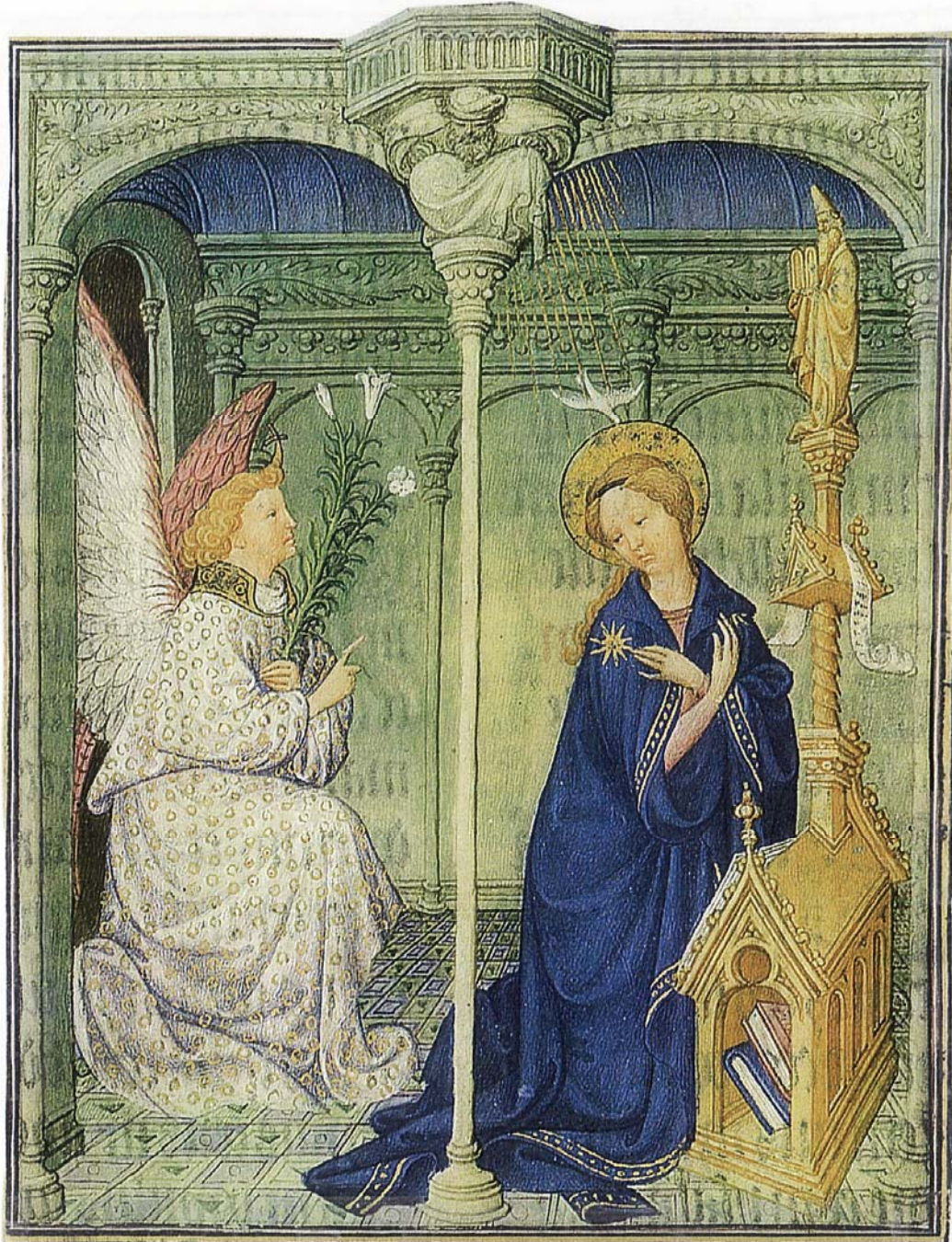


A Service of Nine
Advent Lessons and Carols



Sunday, December 5, 2010 7:00 p.m.
St. Peter's Anglican Church

Prelude

Harp Selections
Jamie Ann Gossett, Harpist

Wake, Awake, For Night is Flying

J.S. Bach

Entrance Hymn 102 *Stand*

Once in Royal David's City

Chorister Vance Garven sings the first verse. The congregation sings verses 2-5.

A Bidding Prayer

Priest Beloved in Christ, in this season of Advent, let it be our care and delight to prepare ourselves to hear again the message of the Angels, and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem, to see the Babe lying in a manger. Let us read and mark in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God from the first days of our disobedience unto the glorious Redemption brought us by his holy Child; and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise. But first, let us pray for the needs of his whole world; for peace and goodwill over all the earth; for the mission and unity of the Church for which he died, and especially in this country and within this city. And because this of all things would rejoice his heart, let us at this time remember in his name the poor and the helpless; the hungry and the oppressed; the sick and those who mourn; the lonely and the unloved; the aged and the little children; and all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love. Lastly, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother, and all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we for evermore are one. These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the throne of heaven, in the words which Christ himself hath taught us:

Priest and People

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.

Priest The Almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and unto the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Genesis 3:1-22

Adam and Eve rebel against God and are cast out of the Garden of Eden.

Now the serpent was more subtle than any other wild creature that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, `You shall not eat of any tree of the garden'?" And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden; but God said, `You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die. For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves aprons. And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" And he said, "I heard the sound of thee in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself. He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent beguiled me, and I ate." The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all cattle, and above all wild animals; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." To the woman he said, "I will greatly multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children, yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you." And to Adam he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, `You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth to you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return." The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins, and clothed them. Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to put forth his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever."

Lector

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Adam Lay Ybounden

Ann Dalton, Mezzo-soprano

Peter Warlock

Adam lay ybounden, bounden in a bond,
Four thousand winter thought he not too long;
And all was for an apple, an apple that he took,
As clerkes finden written in their book.
Ne had the apple taken been, the apple taken been,
Ne had never Our Lady a been Heavene Queen.
Blessed be the time that apple taken was.
Therefore we moun singen: Deo gratias!

The Second Reading

Genesis 22: 15-18

*God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed
shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.*

And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven, and said, "By myself I have sworn, says the LORD, because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will indeed bless you, and I will multiply your descendants as the stars of heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore. And your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies, and by your descendants shall all the nations of the earth bless themselves, because you have obeyed my voice."

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

And the Glory of the Lord *from Messiah*

G.F. Handel

And the glory, the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all flesh shall see him together
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken it. *Isaiah 40: 5*

The Third Reading

Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7

The prophet foretells the coming of the Savior.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David,

and over his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and for evermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

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

In Dulci Jubilo

Traditional German Carol, arr. John Rutter

Belinda Dudley, Soprano

In dulci jubilo (*in sweet rejoicing*), let us our homage shew;
Our heart's joy reclineth in praesepio (*in a manger*).
And like a bright star shineth Matris in gremio (*on the lap of His mother*).
Alpha es et O, Alpha es et O (*Thou art Alpha and Omega*).

O Jesu parvule (*O Jesus, dear little one*)! I yearn for Thee alway!
Hear me, I beseech Thee, O Puer optime (*O most wonderful boy*)!
My prayer let it reach thee, O Princeps gloriae (*O Prince of Glory*)!
Trahe me post Te, trahe me post Te (*Draw me after Thee*)!

O Patris caritas (*O love of the Father*), O Nati lenitas (*O mildness of the Son*)!
Deeply were we stained per nostra crimina (*through our sins*);
But Thou has for us gained Coelorum gaudia (*the joys of Heaven*).
O that we were there, O that we were there!

Ubi sunt gaudia (*Where are joys*), if that they be not there?
There are angels singing nova cantica (*new songs*),
And there the bells are ringing in Regis curia (*in the courts of the King*):
O that we were there, O that we were there!

The Fourth Reading

Isaiah 11:1-3a, 4a, 6-9

The peace that Christ will bring us is foreshown.

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. With righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with

equity for the meek of the earth. The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall feed; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The sucking child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

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

There is No Rose

Music, Crawford Toburn
Text, Anonymous English

There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
For in this rose contained was Heaven and earth in little space: *Resmiranda* (wonderful thing)

By that rose we may well see there be one God in persons Three: *Pares forma* (equal in form).
Then leave we all this worldly mirth and follow we this joyful birth: *Transeamus* (we are transformed)
There is no rose of such virtue, Alleluia.

The Fifth Reading

Luke 1: 26-35, 38

The Angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Hail, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and considered in her mind what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there will be no end." And Mary said to the angel, "How shall this be, since I have no husband?" And the angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

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

Ave Maria

Franz Biebl

Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariae, et concepit de Spiritu sancto

The angel of the Lord announced to Mary, and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum, benedicta tu in mulieribus

Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst women.

Et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus

Blessed be the fruit of thy womb, Jesus

Et verbum caro factum est et habitavit in nobis

And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum, benedicta tu in mulieribus

Dominie Deus, Jesu Christe, ora pro nobis peccatoribus

Lord God, Jesus Christ, pray for us sinners.

Nunc et in hora mortis nostrae, Amen

Now and in the hour of our death, so be it.

The Sixth Reading

Luke 2: 1, 3-7

St. Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. And all went to be enrolled, each to his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

What Sweeter Music Can We Bring?

Music, John Rutter
Words, Robert Herrick

What sweeter music can we bring than a carol for to sing the birth of this, our heav'nly King?
Awake the voice! Awake the string! Dark and dull night, fly hence away,
and give the honour to this day that sees December turn to May.
Why does the chilling winter's morn smile, like a field beset with corn?
Or smell like a meadow shorn thus on the sudden?
Come and see the cause, why things thus fragrant be: 'tis he is born,
whose quick'ning birth gives life an lustre, public mirth, to heaven and the under-earth.
We see him come and know him ours, who with his sunshine and his show'rs,
turns the patient ground to flow'rs, turns all the patient ground to flow'rs.
The darling of the world is come, and fit it is, we find a room to welcome him, to welcome him.
The nobler part of all the house here, is the heart, which we will give him and bequeath
this holly and this ivy wreath, to do him honour; who's our King, and Lord of all this revelling.
What sweeter music can we bring than a carol, for to sing the birth of this our heav'nly King,
the birth of this, our heav'nly King?

Congregational Hymn *Stand*

Silent Night (Verses 1-3)

The Seventh Reading

Luke 2: 8-16

The shepherds go to the manger.

And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!" When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." And they went with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

Lector
People

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

This Little Babe

Words, Robert Southwell

This little Babe so few days old is come to rifle Satan's fold;
All hell doth at his presence quake though he himself for cold do shake;
For in this weak unarmed wise the gates of hell he will surprise.

With tears he fights and wins the field, his naked breast stands for a shield;
His battering shot are babish cries, his arrows looks of weeping eyes,
His martial ensigns Cold and Need and feeble Flesh his warrior's steed.

His camp is pitched in a stall, his bulwark but a broken wall;
The crib his trench, haystacks his stakes; of shepherds he his muster makes;
And thus, as sure his foe to wound, the angels' trump alarum sound.

My soul, with Christ join thou in fight, stick to the tents that he hath pight.
Within his crib is surest ward, this little Babe will be thy guard.
If thou wilt foil thy foes with joy, then flit not from this heavenly Boy.

The Eighth Reading

Matthew 2: 1-12

The wise men are led by the star to Jesus.

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him." When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it is written by the prophet: `And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will govern my people Israel.'" Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star appeared; and he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." When they had heard the king they went their way; and lo, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

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

Ding Dong, Merrily on High

Words, G.R. Woodward
Music, 16th Century French

Ding dong! merrily on high in heav'n the bells are ringing:
Ding dong! verily the sky is riv'n with angel singing
Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!

E'en so here below, below, let steeple bells be swungen,
and "Io, io, io!" by priest and people sungen.
Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!

Pray you, dutifully prime your matin chime, ye ringers;
May you beautifully rime your evetime song, ye singers.
Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!

The Ninth Reading

John 1: 1-14

St. John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light. The true light that enlightens every man was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world knew him not. He came to his own home, and his own people received him not. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God; who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.

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

The Concluding Collect *Kneel*

Priest Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Blessing *Remain kneeling*

Priest May he who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with the sweetness of inward peace and goodwill; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Congregational Hymn 83 *Stand*

O Come All Ye Faithful

Dismissal

Closing Voluntary

Dieu Parmi Nous
(God Among Us) from *La Nativite du Seigneur*

Olivier Messiaen

A startling and powerfully dissonant portrayal of the descended Creator of the universe.



Choristers at the exits will be happy to accept your donation to the St. Peter's music program.



*All are invited to a dessert reception
downstairs in the Parish Hall
after the service.*



Lectors

The First Reading	Linzie Bogan
The Second Reading	Julia Keen
The Third Reading	Bud Carlson
The Fourth Reading	Hilary Brooks
The Fifth Reading	Alex Vezina
The Sixth Reading	Daniel McKee
The Seventh Reading	Will Patrick
The Eighth Reading	Taylor Bodoh
The Ninth Reading	Father Eric Dudley
Director of Music & Organist	Christopher Garven
Choir	The St. Peter's Adult Choir
Harpist	Jamie Ann Gossett
Vocal Soloists	Ann Dalton
	Belinda Dudley
	Vance Garven
Vergers	Jamey McClenny
	Gloria Mullins
Acolytes	Caleb Garven
	Katey McClenny
	Maribeth McClenny
	Daniel McKee
Ushers	Tom Eaton
	Kel Farris
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