

Advent Lessons and Carols



NASHOTAH HOUSE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Thursday, 9 December 2021 A.D.
5 p.m.

Prelude *Mr. Thomas Heidenreich, Organist-in-Residence*

Chorale Prelude on <i>Stuttgart</i>	Lee Hastings Bristol, Jr. (1923-1979)
<i>Pifa</i> from “Messiah”	George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)
Chorale Prelude on <i>Merton</i>	David Thorne (b. 1950)
<i>Alvus tumescit virginis</i> (Hymnus in Adventu Domini: Veni redemptor gentium, Versus 3)	Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)
<i>Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland</i> , BWV 659	J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

The People stand at the ringing of the Angelus

THE ANGELUS

The Angelus is a devotion that was traditionally prayed three times daily to commemorate the mystery of the Incarnation, using the words of the Angel Gabriel’s annunciation to Mary from St. Luke’s Gospel, and words from the Prologue to St. John’s Gospel.

The bell tolls three times to begin each of the first three versicles and responses; the bell then tolls nine times (18, because the bell tolls twice with each pull) during the final collect.

- V. [ring] The angel of the Lord announced unto Mary,
R. [ring] And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.
[ring] Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.
- V. [ring] Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
R. [ring] Be it unto me according to thy Word. *Repeat “Hail Mary”.*
- V. [ring] And the Word was made flesh.
R. [ring] And dwelt amongst us. *Repeat “Hail Mary”.*
- V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: [ring 9x]

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that we who have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ, announced by an angel to the Virgin Mary, may by his cross and ✠ passion be brought unto the glory of His resurrection; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

All remain standing while the choir sings from the Chapter Room

Veni Redemptor Gentium - Andrew Smith (b. 1970)

1. *Veni Redemptor Gentium*
ostende partum virginis
miretur omne saeculum
talis decet partus Deum

Redeemer of the nations, come;
Virgin's Son, here make Thy home!
Marvel now, O heaven and earth,
that the Lord chose such a birth.

2. Wondrous birth O Wondrous Child of the Virgin undefiled
Though by all the world disowned still to be in heaven enthroned.

3. From the Father forth he came and returneth to the same
Captive leading death and hell high the song of triumph swell!

4. Brightly doth thy manger shine, glorious is its light divine
Let not sin o'ercloud this night, ever be our faith thus bright.

5. *Sit, Christe, rex piissime,*
tibi Patrique gloria
cum Spiritu Paraclito,
in sempiterna saecula. Amen.

May Christ the loving King
together with the Father
and the Holy Spirit
be glorified ever and eternally. Amen

The People remain standing and sing the hymn on the following page.

CAROL: *Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding* (Merton)

Descant

2 Wak-ened by the sol-emn warn-ing, from earth's bond-age let us rise;
5 Hon-or, glo-ry, might, and bless-ing to the Fa-ther and the Son,

1 Hark! a thrill-ing voice is sound-ing: "Christ is nigh," it seems to say;
2 Wak-ened by the sol-emn warn-ing, from earth's bond-age let us rise;
3 Lo! the Lamb, so long ex-pect-ed, comes with par-don down from heaven;
4 so when next he comes with glo-ry, and the world is wrapped in fear,
5 Hon-or, glo-ry, might, and bless-ing to the Fa-ther and the Son,

2 Christ, our sun, all sloth dis-pel-ling, shines up-on the morn-ing skies.
5 with the ev-er-last-ing Spi-rit while un-end-ing a-ges run.

1 "Cast a-way the works of dark-ness, O ye child-ren of the day."
2 Christ, our sun, all sloth dis-pel-ling, shines up-on the morn-ing skies.
3 let us haste, with tears of sor-row, one and all to be for-given;
4 may he with his mer-cy shield us, and with words of love draw near.
5 with the ev-er-last-ing Spi-rit while un-end-ing a-ges run.

Words: Latin, ca. 6th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, alt. Music: Merton, William Henry Monk (1823-1889); desc. Alan Gray (1855-1935)
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Bidding Prayer – The Dean

Concluding with... These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the Throne of Heaven, in the words which Christ himself hath taught us: Our Father, **who art in heaven...**

The People are seated for the Lessons and the Carol which follows.

Invitatory Carol: A New Year Carol

Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

1. Here we bring new water from the well so clear,
For to worship God with, this happy New Year.
*Sing levy dew, sing levy dew, the water and the wine;
The seven bright gold wires and the bugles that do shine.*
2. Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her toe,
Open you the West Door, and turn the Old Year go. *Sing levy dew...*
3. Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her chin,
Open you the East Door, and let the New Year in. *Sing levy dew...*

1st Lesson – The prophet proclaims good news to a people in exile.

Isaiah 40:1-8

Read by a Choral Scholar (Amy Feins)

The People remain seated as the carol is sung by the choir.

I wonder as I wander - John Jacob Niles arr. Geoffrey Williams (b. 1976)

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| 1. I wonder as I wander out under the sky,
How Jesus the Savior did come for to die.
For poor orn'ry people like you and like I,
I wonder as I wander out under the sky. | 3. If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing,
A bird in the sky, or a bird on the wing,
Or all of God's angels in heav'n for to sing,
He surely could have it, 'cause he was the King. |
| 2. When Mary birthed Jesus 'twas in a
cow's stall, With wise men and farmers
and shepherds and all.
But high from God's heaven a star's light
did fall, And the promise of ages it then
did recall. | 4. I wonder as I wander out under the sky,
How Jesus the Savior did come for to die.
For poor orn'ry people like you and like I..
I wonder as I wander out under the sky. |

2nd Lesson - The Lord promises to send his people a righteous king. Jeremiah 23:5-6
Read by a Junior (Matthew Phillips)

All stand to sing the following carol

CAROL: Come, thou long expected Jesus (Stuttgart)

1 Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

3rd Lesson – The Lord promises that the King will come to Israel in peace. Zach. 9:9-10
Read by a Middler (Jacob Schlossberg)

All stand to sing the following hymn. The choir will sing the first two verses.

Come thou Redeemer

Veni redemptor Gentium

harm. R. Woodward



The Congregation joins on vs. 3

1. Come, thou Redeemer of the earth,
And manifest thy virgin-birth:
Let every age adoring fall,
Such birth befits the God of all.

2. Begotten of no human will,
But of the Spirit, thou art still
The Word of God, in flesh
arrayed,
The Saviour, now to man
displayed.

3. The virgin womb that burden
gained
With virgin honour all unstained,
The banners there of virtue glow,
God in his temple dwells below.

4. Forth from that chamber goeth he,
That royal home of purity,
A giant in twofold substance one,
Rejoicing now his course to run.

5. Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,
And darkness glow with new-born light,
No more shall night extinguish day
Where love's bright beams their power
display.

6. All praise eternal Son, to Thee
Whose advent sets thy people free
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Ghost for evermore. Amen.

4th Lesson – The prophet foretells the advent of the desire of all nations Haggai 2:6-9
Read by a Senior (Tyler Been)

All stand and sing the carol on the following page.

CAROL: Love came down at Christmas (Gartan)

1 Love came down at Christ-mas, love all love - ly, love di - vine;
2 Wor - ship we the God - head, love in - car - nate, love di - vine;
3 Love shall be our to - ken; love be yours and love be mine,
love was born at Christ - mas: star and an - gels gave the sign.
wor - ship we our Je - sus, but where-with for sa - cred sign?
love to God and neigh - bor, love for plea and gift and sign.

Words: Christina Rossetti (1830-1894), alt. Music: *Gartan*, melody from *Petrie Collection of Irish Melodies, Part II*, 1902; harm. David Evans (1874-1948)
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5th Lesson – The Prophet foretells the glory of the kingdom of God Isaiah 35:1-6
Read by a member of the Staff (Rebecca Terhune)

All remain seated as the carol is sung by the choir.

Creator of the stars of night arr. John Scott (1956-2015)

1. *Creator of the stars of night, Thy people's everlasting light,
O Jesu, Savior of us all, regard thy servants when they call.*
2. *Thou, grieving at the bitter cry of all creation doomed to die,
didst come to save a ruined race with healing gifts of heavenly grace.*
3. *Thou camest bridegroom of the bride that drew the world to eveningtide,
proceeding from a virgin shrine, the Son of Man yet Lord divine.*
4. *At Thy great name, majestic now, all knees must bend all hearts must bow,
and things in heav'n and earth shall own, that thou art Lord and King alone.*
5. *To Thee, O holy One, we pray, our judge in that tremendous day,
preserve us, while we dwell below, from every onslaught of the foe.*
6. *O praise, eternal Son to Thee, whose advent sets thy people free,
whom with the Father we adore, and Spirit blest, for evermore. Amen.*

6th Lesson: The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Luke 1:26-35, 38

Read by The Director of Chapel Music (Geoffrey D. Williams, DMA)

All remain seated as the carol is sung by the choir.

Carol: *Hail, Blessed Virgin Mary* – Charles Wood (1866-1926)

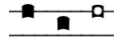
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| 1. "Hail blessed virgin Mary,"
For so when he did meet thee,
Spake mighty Gabriel,
And thus we greet thee.
Come weal, come woe, our hymn
shall never vary:
"Hail blessed virgin Mary,
Hail blessed virgin Mary!" | 2. Ave, ave Maria,
To gladden priest and people,
The Angelus shall ring
From every steeple;
To sound his virgin birth,
Alleluia,
Ave, ave Maria,
Ave, ave Maria. |
| 3. Archangels chant, "Osanna",
And, "Holy, holy, holy",
Before the infant born
Of thee, thou lowly;
Aye maiden child of Joachim and Anna,
Archangels chant, "Osanna,"
Archangels chant, "Osanna!" | |

7th Lesson – Jesus proclaims the coming of the kingdom of God.

Mark 1:1-15

Read by the Dean (Garwood P Anderson, PhD)

All stand.



Vesper Responsory (*standing*)

<i>Priest</i>	Judah and Jerusalem, fear not, nor be <i>dismayed</i> ;
<i>People</i>	Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be <i>with</i> you.
<i>Priest</i>	Stand ye still, and ye shall see the salvation of <i>the</i> Lord.
<i>People</i>	Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be <i>with</i> you.
<i>Priest</i>	Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
<i>People</i>	Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be <i>with</i> you.

All shall keep silence for a time.

Collect and Blessing:

<i>Priest</i>	We wait for thy loving kindness, O Lord
<i>People</i>	In the midst of thy temple.
<i>Priest</i>	Let us pray.

O God, who makest us glad with the yearly expectation of thy coming, Grant that we, who with joy receive thy only-begotten Son as our Redeemer, may without fear behold him when he shall come to be our Judge, even thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no man evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honour all men; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

All remain standing and sing together the closing carol on the following page.

CAROL: *Lo, he comes with clouds descending* (Helmsley)



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on

our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the

saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine

train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Helmsley*, melody Augustine Arne (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

Voluntary: Toccata on 'Veni Emmanuel'

Andrew Carter (b. 1939)

All are seated after the cross and torches, the Choir and the Dean have departed.

