

Advent Lessons and Carols



NASHOTAH HOUSE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday, 8 December 2022 A.D.
5 p.m.

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

Magnificat primi toni, BuxWV 203

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Vom Himmel hoch, da komm ich her, BWV 606

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

from *Orgelbüchlein*

Ave Maris Stella I (When the Salutation Gabriel had spoken) Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

from *Fifteen Pieces for Organ founded on Antiphons*, Op. 18

Vom Himmel kam der Engel Schar, BWV 607

J. S. Bach

from *Orgelbüchlein*

Divinum Mysterium

Craig Phillips (b. 1961)

Andante maestoso (Founded on an old Irish church melody.)

Charles Villiers Stanford

from *Six short Preludes and Postludes*, Op. 101

(1852-1924)

Toccata on Helmsley

James Vivian (b. 1974)

The People stand at the ringing of the Angelus

All remain standing while the choir sings from the Chapter Room

Advent Responsory adapted from Palestrina

V. 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:

R. Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?

V. High and low, rich and poor, one with another,

R. Go ye out to meet him and say:

V. Hear, O thou shepherd of Israel; thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep,

R. Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?

V. Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come

R. to reign over thy people Israel.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

R. I look from afar: and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth.

V. Go ye out to meet him and say:

R. Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?

The People remain standing and sing the following carol.

Hymn 69

Merton

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,

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.

Bidding Prayer

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 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 People are seated.

Invitatory Carol: King Jesus hath a garden Dutch carol, arr. John Scott (1956-2015)

King Jesus hath a garden, full of divers flowers,
Where I go culling posies gay, all times and hours.

*There naught is heard but Paradise bird,
Harp, dulcimer, lute,
With cymbal, trump and tymbal,
And the tender, soothing flute.*

The Lily, white in blossom there, is Chastity:
The Violet, with sweet perfume, Humanity. *There naught...*

The bonny Damask-rose is known as Patience:
The blithe and thrifty Marygold, Obedience. *There naught...*

The Crown Imperial bloometh too in yonder place,
'Tis Charity, of stock divine, the flower of grace. *There naught...*

Yet, 'mid the brave, the bravest prize of all may claim
The Star of Bethl'em-Jesus-bless'd be his Name! *There naught...*

Ah! Jesu Lord, my heal and weal, my bliss complete,
Make thou my heart thy garden-plot, fair, trim and neat.

That I may hear this musick clear:
Harp, dulcimer, lute,
With cymbal, trump and tymbal,
And the tender, soothing flute.
– tr. G.R. Woodward (1848-1934)

1st Lesson - The prophet proclaims good news to a people in exile. Isaiah 40:1-8
Read by a Choral Scholar

Advent Antiphon James MacMillan (b. 1959)

Antiphon: *I lift my soul to you, I trust you, Lord My God.
No one who waits for you will ever be put to shame*

*Vias tuas, Domine, demonstra mihi, et
semitas tuas edoce me.*

Show, O Lord, your ways to me and
teach me your paths.
– Ps. 25:4

*Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut
erat in principio, et nunc. Et semper, et in
saecula saeculorum. Amen.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and the Holy Ghost. As it was in the
beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen

2nd Lesson - The Lord promises to send his people a righteous king. Jeremiah 23:5-6

Read by a Junior

All stand and sing.

Hymn 66

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.

3rd Lesson - The Lord promises that the King will come to Israel in peace.

Zachariah 9:9-10

Read by a Middler

All stand and sing.

Come thou Redeemer

Puer nobis nascitur

The choir will sing the first two verses.

1. Come, thou Re - deem - er of the earth, and
2. Be got - ten of no hu - man will, But
3. The vir - gin womb that bur - den gained with
4. Forth from His cham - ber go - eth he, that
5. Thy cra - dle here shall glit - ter to, bright, and
6. All praise e - ter - nal Son, to Thee whose

man - i - fest thy vir - gin birth: Let
of the Spi - rit, thou art still the
vir - gin ho - nour all un - stained, the
ro - yal home of pu - ri - ty, a
dark - ness glow with new - born light, No
Ad - vent sets thy peo - ple free whom

ev - ry age a - dor - ing fall, Such
Word of God in flesh ar - rayed, the
ban - ners there of vir - tue glow, God
giant in two - fold sub - stance one, Re -
more shall night ex - tin - guish day where
with the Fa - ther we a - dore, and

birth be fits the God of all. A - men, A - men.
 Sav - iour now to man dis - played. A - men, A - men.
 in his tem - ple dwells be low. A - men, A - men.
 joic - ing now his course to run. A - men, A - men.
 love's bright beams their pow'r dis play. A - men, A - men.
 Ho - ly Ghost for ev - er more. A - men, A - men.

4th Lesson – The prophet foretells the advent of the desire of all nations Haggai 2:6-9

Read by a Senior

All stand and sing.

Hymn 84

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.

5th Lesson - The Prophet foretells the glory of the kingdom of God

Isaiah 35:1-6

Read by a member of the Staff

All stand and sing.

Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding!

Anderson

Geoffrey Williams (b. 1976)

This carol is newly composed for this service

1. Hark! a thrill - ing voice is sound - ing. "Christ is nigh" it seems to
2. Wa - kened by the sol - emn warn - ing, from earth's bond - age let us
3. Lo! the Lamb, so long ex - pect - ed, comes with par - don down from
4. So when next he comes with glo - ry, and the world is wrapped in
5. Ho - nor, glo - ry, might, and bless - ing to the Fa - ther and the

say; "Cast a - way the works of dark - ness, O ye chil - dren of the
rise; Christ, our sun, all sloth dis - pel - ling, shines u - pon the morn - ing
heav'n; let us haste with tears of sor - row, one and all to be for -
fear, may he with his mer - cy shield us, and with words of love draw
Son, with the ev - er - last - ing Spi - rit while un - end - ing a - ges

day, O ye chil - dren of the day."
skies, shines u - pon the morn - ing skies.
giv'n, one and all to be for - giv'n.
near, and with words of love draw near.
run, while un - end - ing ag - es run.

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

Luke 1:26-35, 38

Read by The Director of Chapel Music

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

Adam lay ybounden

Peter Warlock (1894-1930)

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 clerkès finden
Written in their book.

Nè had the apple taken been,
The apple taken been,
Ne had never our lady
Abeen heaven's queen.

Blessèd be the time
That apple taken was,
Therefore we moun singen,
Deo gracias! – Anonymous 15th century English
– words 15th c. English

Carol: A spotless Rose

Composed collaboratively by the Class of '25

A spotless Rose is blowing,
Sprung from a tender root,
Of ancient seers' foreshowing,
Of Jesse promis'd fruit;
Its fairest bud unfolds to light
Amid the cold, cold winter,
And in the dark midnight.

The Rose which I am singing,
Whereof Isaiah said,
Is from its sweet root springing
In Mary, purest Maid;
For through our God's great love and
might the Blessed Babe she bare us
In a cold, cold winter's night.
– tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)

All stand.

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

Mark 1:1-15

Read by the Dean



Vesper Responsory (*standing*)

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

All shall keep silence for a time.

Collect and Blessing:

Priest We wait for thy loving kindness, O Lord
People **In the midst of thy temple.**
Priest 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.

Hymn 57

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*

Adolphus Hailstork (b. 1941)

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

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