

# THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

17 DECEMBER 2006 AT 11 AM



**THE CROWDS  
ASKED JOHN,  
"WHAT THEN  
SHOULD WE DO?"**

**IN REPLY  
HE SAID TO THEM,  
"WHOEVER HAS  
TWO COATS MUST SHARE  
WITH ANYONE WHO  
HAS NONE;  
AND WHOEVER HAS  
FOOD MUST DO LIKEWISE."**

THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SAINT PETER & SAINT PAUL  
IN THE CITY & DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

During Advent, we look forward to the great feast of Christ's incarnation, and we celebrate God dwelling among us in the person of Jesus, who entered the world, not as a mighty sovereign, but as a baby born into poverty and need. The scripture lessons appointed for Advent bid us to turn our hearts to Christ and to re-order our priorities in accordance with God's purposes.

Our prayers today focus on the Millennium Development Goals, global objectives resolved by all 189 United Nations Member States at the Millennium Summit in 2000 to address the needs of more than one billion members of the human family who live in extreme poverty without access to food, shelter, health care and clean water. The global community has the resources to make these goals a reality, and working together, we can achieve them. Caring for those in need is central to Jesus' message. Christians make up one-third of the world's population and have the potential to make a tremendous impact on global poverty. The eight Millennium Development Goals listed below call us to walk in the way of Christ, building up a world where the lowly are lifted up and the hungry are filled with good things.

1. Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger, halving the proportion of people living on less than a dollar a day and those who suffer from hunger.
2. Achieve universal primary education, ensuring that all boys and girls complete primary school.
3. Promote gender equality and empower women, eliminating gender disparities in primary and secondary education.
4. Reduce the child mortality rate for children under five by two thirds.
5. Improve maternal health, reducing the ratio of women dying in childbirth by two thirds.
6. Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis and other major diseases.
7. Ensure environmental sustainability, integrating the principles of sustainable development into country policies and programs and reverse the loss of environmental resources, providing access to safe drinking water and improving the lives of at least 100 million people who live in slums.
8. Develop a global partnership for development, increasing aid and sustainable debt relief, establishing fairer trade rules, and ensuring that countries receiving aid set and keep good policies for the use of aid.

In this season of joy and expectation, may God give you the grace to transform the world through prayer, witness and generosity. More information about the Millennium Development Goals is available at the following websites:

[www.un.org/millenniumgoals](http://www.un.org/millenniumgoals)  
[www.religionsforpeace.org](http://www.religionsforpeace.org)  
[www.episcopalchurch.org/ONE/](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/ONE/)

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IN THE PRAYERS OF THE CATHEDRAL THIS WEEK

*STATE: MISSOURI*

*CHURCH: MORAVIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA, SOUTHERN PROVINCE*

*ANGLICAN COMMUNION: THE DIOCESE OF KUSHTIA (BANGLADESH)*

*Please, no unauthorized photography (video or still) during the service. Please set all pagers, phones, and alarm watches to silent settings. Page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer. Hymns can be found in The Hymnal 1982.*

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CARILLON PRELUDE - Paraphrase on "Veni Redemptor gentium"

*Edward M. Nassor (b.1957)*

CHORAL PRELUDE

The Glenn Draper Singers  
Signal Mountain, Tennessee  
Dr. Glenn Draper, Director

Send out thy light

*Spencer Schuldt*

Ave Maria

*Franz Biebl (1906-2001)*

Come thou long expected Jesus

*John Wesley (1707-1791)*

Ave Maria

*Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)*

Mary did you know?

*Mark Lowery*

Heavenly light

*A. Kopylow*

Christ we do all adore thee

*Théodore Dubois (1837-1924)*

THE WELCOME

THE ENTRANCE RITE

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*The people remain seated.*

MATIN RESPONSORY - I look from afar

*Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)*

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, art thou he that should come?

Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel.

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

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

*- First Responsory of Advent Sunday in the Office of Matins*

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

*Celebrant* May the grace and peace of God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* As we continue our Advent pilgrimage, looking forward to the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, let us in prayer and praise, thanksgiving and song, give voice to the hope set forth in the Scriptures, that Christ's reign of love and light will indeed come among us. Let us offer ourselves anew as witnesses to the advent of Christ's glory, seeking to bring Christ's light and love to those who sit in darkness.

*People* **Come, O long expected Jesus, come.**

**HYMN AT THE PROCESSION - 76**

*Sung by all.*

*On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry*

tune: *Winchester New*

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
*People* **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

**TRISAGION**

*The cantor sings through once.  
The congregation sings with the choir and cantor the second and the third time.*

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

**THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
*The celebrant prays the collect. All respond Amen.*

**THE WORD OF GOD**

*The people are seated for the lesson and the psalm. The texts of the Scriptures appointed for the day can be found in the back of the leaflet.*

**THE LESSON**

Zephaniah 3:14-20

*Reader* The word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the Scripture.*

**THE FIRST SONG OF ISAIAH**

*Sung first by the choir and then by all.*

chant: *Darlington*

Trust in the Lord, for he is our Sav - ior.

*The choir sings the verses.*

Surely, it is God who saves me;  
I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,  
and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing  
from the springs of salvation.


And on that day you shall say,  
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples;  
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things,  
and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy,  
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

*Sung by all.*



Trust in the Lord, for he is our Sav - ior.

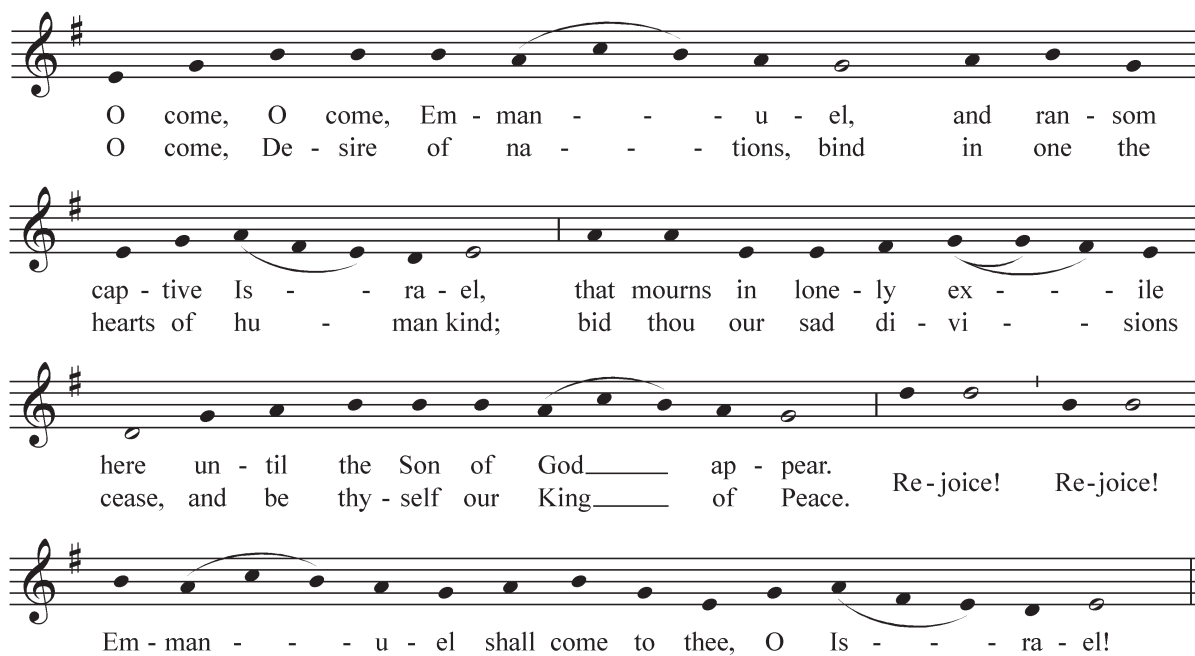
*The people stand at the hymn and remain standing for the Gospel.*

**HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE**

*Sung by all.*

*O come, O come, Emmanuel*

tune: *Veni, veni Emmanuel*



O come, O come, Em - man - - - u - el, and ran - som  
O come, De - sire of na - - - tions, bind in one the  
cap - tive Is - - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - - - ile  
hearts of hu - man kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - - sions  
here un - til the Son of God \_\_\_\_\_ ap - pear. Re - joice! Re - joice!  
cease, and be thy - self our King \_\_\_\_\_ of Peace.  
Em - man - - - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - - - ra - el!

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*The Gospel is read.*

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

## THE SERMON

*The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

The Rev. Mr. Huber

*A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon. The people stand for the Creed and remain standing through the Peace.*

## THE NICENE CREED

*Said by all.*

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

*After each intercession,*

*Intercessor* God of love, in your mercy,

*People* **Receive our prayer.**

*The celebrant prays the concluding collect, and the people respond Amen.*

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant*

Let us confess our sins to God.

*A brief period of silence is observed.*

*All*

**God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

*The celebrant prays the absolution, and the people respond Amen.*

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are then seated.*

## THE OFFERTORY

*The people remain seated while an offering to support the ministries of the Cathedral is received.*

### ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY - Benedictus

*Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924)*

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for He hath visited and redeemed His people,  
And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us in the house of His servant David.  
As He spake by the mouth of His holy Prophets which have been since the world began;  
That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us;  
To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers and to remember His holy covenant,  
To perform the oath which He swore to our forefather Abraham: that he would give us;  
That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies: might serve Him without fear,  
In holiness and righteousness before Him: all the days of our life.  
And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest,  
for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways,  
To give knowledge of salvation unto His people for the remission of their sins,  
Through the tender mercy of our God: whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us,  
To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.  
And to guide our feet into the way of peace.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*The people stand for the presentation acclamation and remain standing throughout the Great Thanksgiving.*

### PRESENTATION ACCLAMATION

*Sung by all.*

Hark! the glad sound! the Sa - vior comes, the Sa - vior  
prom - ised long; let ev - ery heart pre - pare a  
throne, and ev - ery voice a song.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The celebrant offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response we sing:

## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

*Sung by all.*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. \_\_\_\_\_

The people stand or kneel as the celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ through his passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Therefore, according to his command, O God,

*People* **We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.**

*Celebrant* 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.

*People* **Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.**

The celebrant concludes with prayer for the coming of God's kingdom. The people affirm the Great Thanksgiving with Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant*

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our pass-ov - er is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - - - - ia.

**INVITATION**

*The people are seated.*

*All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist.*

*To receive communion, come to a communion station at the direction of the ushers. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand. Eat the bread and then drink from the cup when it is offered to you, or, if you wish, you may hold the bread and dip it into the wine when the cup is offered to you.*

*If you wish to receive a blessing rather than receive communion, please join in the movement to the communion station and cross your arms over the front of your chest—this will alert the priest of your desire to be blessed.*

**MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION**

**ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION** - This is the truth sent from above *Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*

This is the truth sent from above,  
The truth of God, the God of love,  
Therefore don't turn me from your door,  
But hearken all both rich and poor.

And at that season of the year  
Our blest Redeemer did appear;  
He here did live, and here did preach,  
And many thousands he did teach.

The first thing which I do relate  
Is that God did man create;  
The next thing which to you I'll tell  
Woman was made with man to dwell.

Thus he in love to us behaved,  
To show us how we must be saved;  
And if you want to know the way,  
Be pleased to hear what he did say.

Thus we were heirs to endless woes,  
Till God the Lord did interpose;  
And so a promise soon did run  
That he would redeem us by his Son.

*The people stand.*

**HYMN AT THE COMMUNION - 538**

*Sung by all.*

*God of mercy, God of grace*

tune: *Lucerna Laudoniae*

**THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

*Said by all, standing.*

Let us pray.

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

*The celebrant blesses the people, and the people respond Amen.*

**HYMN AT THE CLOSING - 347**

*Sung by all.*

*Go forth for God*

tune: *Litton*

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Gospeller* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

**VOLUNTARY** - Toccata, from Partita on *Winchester New*

*Bruce Neswick (b. 1956)*

*Please feel free to take your leaflet with you. If you would prefer to discard your leaflet, recycling bins are at the doors in the South Transept and the Narthex. Thank you.*

✠ PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION ✠  
in the Rare Book Library after the service.

## ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT THE CATHEDRAL

### **The Joy of Christmas**

Today, 17 December, 4 pm

*with the Cathedral Choral Society*

*includes an Advent Wreath Procession, seasonal favorites and carols for all to sing*

*Tickets available at the door.*

### **Christmas Lessons and Carols radio recording**

Friday, 22 December, 6 pm - 8 pm

*with the Cathedral Choirs*

*Participate in a tradition of national broadcasts from the Washington National Cathedral, which will air on Christmas Eve.*

### **Christmas Pageant**

Saturday, 23 December, 2 pm

### **Christmas Eve**

Sunday, 24 December

Advent 4 service at 8 am in Bethlehem Chapel and at 10 am in the Nave

Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols at 6 pm

*with the Cathedral Choirs (passes required)*

The Festival Holy Eucharist of Christmas Eve at 10 pm

*with the Cathedral Choirs (passes required)*

### **Christmas Day**

Monday, 25 December

The Festival Holy Eucharist of Christmas Day at 9 am

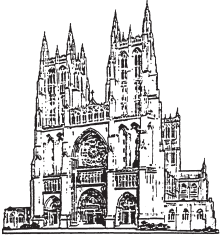
*with the Cathedral Choirs.*

*The 9 am service will be telecast and will include sign language interpretation and closed captioning.*

The Holy Eucharist of Christmas Day at noon

The Vespers of Christmas Day at 4 pm

Christmas Day organ recital with Cathedral organists at 5 pm



**A VOICE** *of generous-spirited Christianity*  
**A PLACE** *of reconciliation*  
**A PEOPLE** *servicing a broken and hurting world*

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## CATHEDRAL LIFE

### TODAY

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#### THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS

◆ *Sunday, December 17 at 4 pm, Nave*

The Cathedral Choral Society presents this festive holiday concert which includes favorite carols, music for organ and brass, and the world premiere of a carol by Sir John Tavener. The Choral Society performs with the Children's Chorus of Washington and the Washington Symphonic Brass. Tickets are available at the door.

#### WORSHIP AND PRAYER

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#### CHRISTMAS LESSONS AND CAROLS RECORDING

◆ *Friday, 22 December, 6 pm - 8 pm*

We invite you to participate in Washington National Cathedral's tradition of national broadcasts during Christmastime. Come be a part of the congregation on December 22 at a Lessons and Carols service that will be recorded for broadcast on public radio on Christmas Eve. Please arrive promptly so that the recording can begin on time.

#### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

◆ *Saturday, 23 December, 2 pm, Nave*

As we prepare to celebrate again the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem, we invite you to bring your children, grandchildren and other special youngsters to participate in the service. We can provide choir robes for your "angels" and you can bring your "shepherds" in bathrobes, if you like. Children in animal costumes are also welcome to join the fun. On the day of the service, please plan to be in the nave by 1:15 for a brief rehearsal before the pageant. The pageant will begin at 2 pm and last for approximately one hour. If you do not have children who would like to participate, come be a part of the audience for this Christmas celebration of music and story. We will have cocoa and cookies in the Rare Book Library following the pageant.

#### THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

◆ *Sunday, 24 December*

There will only be two morning services on Sunday, 24 December, the fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve. The 8 am service will be a Rite I Holy Eucharist. It will take place in Bethlehem Chapel. The 10 am service will be a Rite II Holy Eucharist with the Choir of Men and Boys singing. It will take place in the Nave.

#### CATHEDRAL CROSSROADS

##### *An Evening of Meditation and Centering Prayer*

◆ *Tuesday, 26 December, 6-9 pm, Nave*

Join us for an evening of meditation and worship at Cathedral Crossroads. Learn Centering Prayer, an ancient way of Christian meditation, at 6 pm. Walk the labyrinth to the sounds of sacred music from 6:30 to 8:45 pm. At 7:30 pm, join us for "Moving Mindfully into the New Year." Come for a personal experience of guided inner reflection about the passing year and imagine what the future has to hold through the mediums of art, music and contemplation. The evening concludes with Compline. For more information go to <http://www.cathedral.org/cathedral/register/crossroads.shtml> or call 202.537.2221. Free. A Cathedral College offering.

#### PRAY FOR RECONCILIATION AMONG NATIONS

Holy Spirit Chapel has been set aside as a place for prayers for peace during this time of war and conflict. At the chapel you will find prayer cards devoted to peace, votive candles, and a quiet place for reflection and prayer.

### CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY

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#### THE CATHEDRAL LITERACY PROGRAM

The Cathedral Literacy Program trains and provides tutors for children and adults to help improve reading and math skills. The sessions are arranged at times convenient to the tutor. We are looking for new tutors. To learn more, contact the Reverend Canon William Barnwell at 202.537.5522. To volunteer, call Ms. Janice Molchon at 202.537.8990.

#### MARTHA'S TABLE CLOTHING DRIVE

Today's gospel reading bids us to "share with anyone who has none." The Cathedral invites you to reach out to our neighbors in need by collecting warm clothing (hats, gloves, mittens), and new socks and underwear (children's and adult sizes) for participants at Martha's Table. Martha's Table is a local organization that helps at-risk children, youth, families and individuals in our community improve their lives through the provision of educational programs, food, clothing, and enrichment opportunities. Donations can be brought to the Cathedral and placed in the basket labeled "Martha's Table" by the statue of Abraham Lincoln.

## CATHEDRAL INFORMATION

### THE CATHEDRAL WELCOMES YOU TO TODAY'S SERVICE

You are part of a national congregation today and one of more than three-quarters of a million people who will come here this year. Whatever your denomination, this National House of Prayer for All People welcomes you and invites your participation. Your contribution is welcome for the daily ministry of this community. A gift to the Cathedral is an important way of sharing the ministry of this house of prayer with others.

### THE ADVENT GREENS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD.

The Advent wreath in the mid-Nave is given in loving memory of Sarah Stewart Scarborough. The Advent wreath in St. Mary's Chapel is given in thanksgiving. The greens at the Holy Spirit Chapel altar are given in memory of Father Elmer Francis. The Advent wreath in Bethlehem Chapel is given in memory of Joan Sager Vandemark. The greens at the Bethlehem Chapel altar are given in honor of the anniversary of Janie Leigh Wall Carter and the Reverend Wilson Rosser Carter.

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Please consider a contribution to this vital work, by placing a personal check made out to the Cathedral Fund or NCA in our offertory, visiting the "support" pages of our website at [www.nationalcathedral.org](http://www.nationalcathedral.org), or calling us at 1-800-231-6491.

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

### **Zephaniah 3:14-20**

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the LORD.

### **Philippians 4:4-7**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

### **Luke 3:7-18**

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our

ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire." And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages." As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

### **Prayer**

God of hope, you call us home from the exile of selfish oppression to the freedom of justice, the balm of healing, and the joy of sharing. Make us strong to join you in your holy work, as friends of strangers and victims, companions of those whom others shun, and as the happiness of those whose hearts are broken. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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