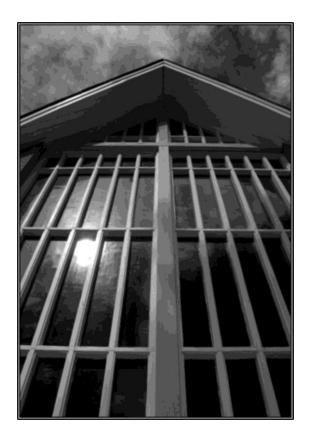
ST. AMBROSE EPISCOPAL CHURCH THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT CHORAL MASS

NOVEMBER 29, 2015 11:15 AM



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THE WORD OF GOD

ORGAN VOLUNTARY Improvisation on "The King Shall Come"

Burkhardt

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 66 Come, thou long-expected Jesus

STUTTGART

ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

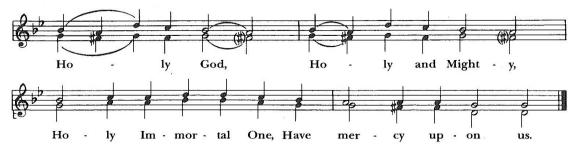
Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

TRISAGION S102 [SING THREE TIMES] [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

Archangelsky

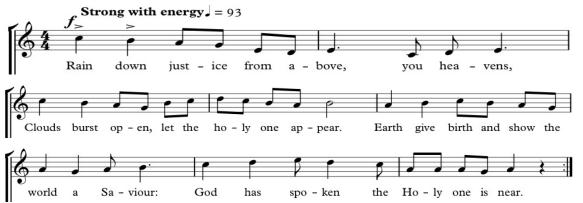


LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

CHORAL RESPONSE [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

O'Connor-Ogden

Sing 2 times and repeat after choir intonation



CHOIR: Gathering as travelers and pilgrims, with our faces turned to the brightness of the sun.

Listening to the words of the promise, He will come, he will surely come. ANTIPHON

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever .**Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

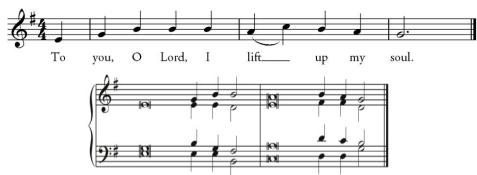
Jeremiah 33:14-16

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

PSALM 25:1-9 [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

arr. Pavlechko

One measure of music is sung for each half verse, changing pitch on the [bracketed] word.



- ALL To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I [put] my trust in you; * let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies [tri]-umph over me.
- ALL Let none who look to you be [put] to shame; * let the treacherous be disappointed [in] their schemes.
- ALL Show me your [ways], O LORD, * and [teach me] your paths.
- ALL Lead me in your [truth] and teach me, * for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted [all the] day long.

ANTIPHON

- ALL Remember, O LORD, your com-[passion] and love, * for they are from [ev]-erlasting.
- ALL Remember not the sins of my youth and [my] transgressions; * remember me according to your love and for the sake of your [goodness], O LORD.
- ALL Gracious and upright [is] the LORD; * therefore he teaches sinners [in] his way.



ALL He guides the humble in [do]-ing right * and teaches his [way to] the lowly.

ALL All the paths of the LORD are [love] and faithfulness * to those who keep his covenant [and] his testimonies.



THE EPISTLE

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

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

GRADUAL HYMN 601 O day of God, draw nigh

ST. MICHAEL

Minister The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **People Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Teople Giory be to thee, o Lord.

THE GOSPEL Luke 21:25-36

Minister The Gospel of the Lord. **People Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Nita Byrd

Silence follows for reflection and meditation.

THE NICENE CREED (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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM IV, BCP PAGE 388

The leader bids the prayer. People respond after the leaders says, lord in your mercy."

Leader: Lord in your mercy **Response Hear our prayer**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

The King Shall Come

Keesecker

The King shall come when morning dawns and light triumphant breaks, when beauty gilds the eastern hills and life to joy awakes.

Not as of old a little child, to bear and fight and die, but crowned with glory like the sun that lights the morning sky.

Oh, brighter than the rising morn when Christ, victorious, rose and left the lonesome place of death, despite the rage of foes.

Oh, brighter than that glorious morn shall dawn upon our race the day when Christ in splendor comes, and we shall see his face.

The King shall come when morning dawns and light and beauty brings. Hail, Christ the Lord! Your people pray: come quickly, King of kings. Come quickly, King of kings.

THE SAINT AMBROSE CHOIR

Verse 1 CONGREGATION AND CHOIR [2 measure interlude]

Verse 2: CONGREGATION AND CHOIR

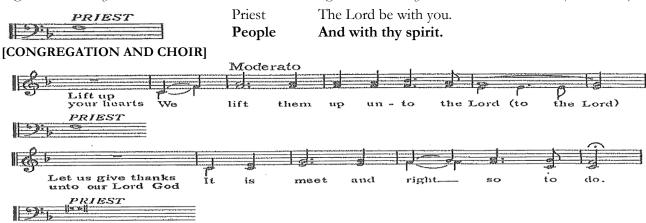
Verse 3: CHOIR [3 measure interlude]

Verse 4: CONGREGATION AND CHOIR

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I

Page 333 in the Prayer Book,

Music Setting-The Rev. A. Myron Cochran, Third Rector (1919-1927)



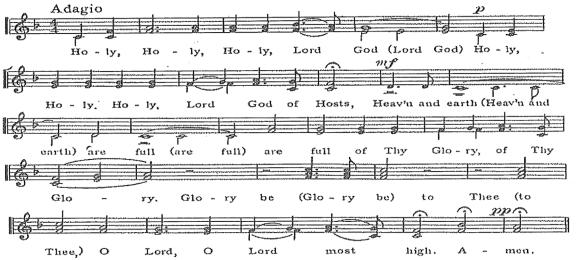
It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

Cochran





For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

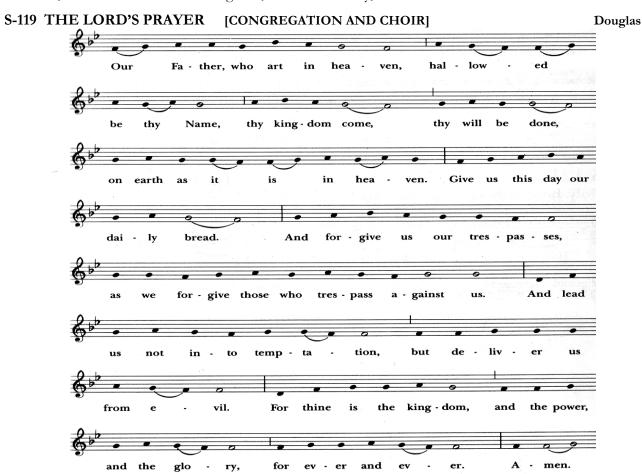
Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

[The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer]

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.



And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Response Therefore let us keep the feast.



Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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All are welcome to the altar.

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World,

Grant

Thy

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Peace.

COMMUNION HYMNS [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]



L-4 Oh! Rise up children, get your crown L-13 My Lord, what a morning

BETTER BE READY WHAT A MORNING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 497 How bright appears the Morning Star WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET DISMISSAL

ORGAN VOLUNTARY N

Noel for the First Sunday in Advent

Chauvet

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR Given to the Glory of God.

EE Empowered WeekendDecember 4-6 This is a gathering to discuss the question led by our church growth consultant, "How does being a part of this church make a difference in your life?" Food, Fellowship, Fun.

<u>WELCOME CARDS</u> – We invite Worshiping Guests to fill out the Welcome Card in the pew. All may use them for prayer requests and/or comments. Thanks to the Stewardship Ministry for these cards. Place in the offering plate.

Advent Evening of Jazz - Thursday, December 3 @ 7:00 PM. Come hear soulful music from the Jazz Mass Quartet in preparation for Advent.

Advent Quiet Day - Saturday, December 12 9AM-12PM. Learn about Advent. Reflect on Scripture. Meditate on Jesus' birth. Grow in Christ.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE MEETING – There will be hospitality committee on December 13 following the 11:15 worship service. More details coming soon.

<u>NEW TESTAMENT COURSE</u> – Starting January 19, St. Augustine's will offer REL 234: New Testament Survey. Eager for a deeper understanding of the New Testament please see Mother Nita.

<u>CHURCH DIRECTORIES</u> – 2016 Church Directories are available in the church office. Please review and complete an information form found in the back of the church with corrections and/or additions by December 13. An addendum will be available December 20.

COVENANT CHOIR looks forward to welcoming all those in 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grades. So much music, so many opportunities, so much FUN! Join us on Monday, 5:45-6:40 pm in the Music Room.

<u>TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY</u> – Please join the Bible Study group, with Christ Church, led by The Rev. Meg Buerkel Hunn every Tuesday morning, at St. Ambrose, from 9:30-11:00am.

<u>CHERUB CHOIR</u> looks forward to welcoming all those in Kindergarten and 1st Grade as we explore the gift of Music. Wednesday, 5:30-6:10 pm in the Music Room. **PAGEANT REHEARSALS** for our young children will be held at this time. It's a Great Day to "SING FOR JOY!"

<u>2016 MINISTRY BUDGET REQUEST</u> – Ministries get your budget requests in! Please email them to the Treasurer at pagray52@att.net.

CHOIR REHEARSALS are open to those in High School and all Adults. Rehearsal options include our traditional Thursdays, 6:30PM in the Music Room, and

<u>WEDNESDAY SINGERS</u>, rehearsing on Wednesdays at 1:00 pm, by "popular demand". The St. Ambrose Choir welcomes all congregants to either rehearsal.

FAITH FORMATION WEDNESDAY, 6PM- The Dream of God: A Call to Return by the African American theologian, Verna J. Dozier.

LIFE AT ST. AMBROSE Sunday, November 29 8:00am Contemplative Mass 9:15am Jazz Mass 11:15am Choral Mass Monday, November 30 12:15pm Midday Bible Study 5:45pm COVENANT CHOIR Rehearsal [2nd-5th gr] Tuesday, December 1 9:30am Morning Bible Study 6:30pm St. Ambrose Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous Wednesday, December 2 12:15pm Midweek Eucharist 1:00pm WEDNESDAY SINGERS Rehearsal [Adults] 5:30pm CHERUB CHOIR Rehearsal [K-1st grade] 6:00pm Faith Formation Thursday, December 3 7:00pm Advent Evening of Jazz Friday, December 4 [Bee Empowered Weekend] 5:00pm Church Leaders Pledge Meeting 6:30pm Families with Children Gathering Saturday, December 5 [Bee Empowered Weekend] 9:00am Flower Ministry 9:30am NO Dance Ministry Rehearsal 12:00pm Seniors Gathering 2:00pm Chess Team

November 29	December 6		
Lectors & Intercessors	Lectors & Intercessors		
8:00 TBA	8:00 TBA		
9:15	9:15		
11:15	11:15		
<u>LEMs</u>	<u>LEMs</u>		
8:00 Donna Haywood	8:00 George Jones		
9:15 Hortense Francis	9:15 Phyllis Hilliard		
11:15 Adrienne Chalmers	11:15 Gloria Merritt		
<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>		
9:15 Imani Jacobs	9:15 Vanessa Harris		
Elizabeth Ha r dy	Phyllis Hilliard		
Vanessa Harris	11:15 Jeanne Horton		
11:15 Teeghan Wiggins	Marshall Harvey		
Erielle Baker	Adrienne Chalmers		
Phyllis Hilliard	Joe Winters		
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Server Jordan Peterson	Server		
Crucifer Jade Peterson	Crucifer		
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8:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous Sunday, December 6 [Bee Empowered Weekend]

8:00am Contemplative Mass

6:00pm "The Rest of Us" Gathering

9:15am Jazz Mass 11:15am Choral Mass

HIGHLIGHTS AT SAINT AMBROSE

December 3 – Advent Evening of Jazz 7:00 pm

December 4-6-Bee Empowered Weekend

December 4, 5PM-Church Leaders Pledge Meeting

December 4, 6:30PM-8:30PM-Young Family Session

December 5, 12noon-2PM-Seniors Session

December 5, 6PM-8PM-"The Rest of Us" Session

December 6, Sunday-Pledge Card Blessing during worship with Peter Saros, M.Div. as preacher

December 12, Advent Quiet Day 9AM-12noon

December 20 - Behold That Star! Christmas Pageant 4:00 PM

December 6 Lessons

Baruch 5:1-9, Canticle 4 [Luke 1:68-79], Philippians 1:3-11, Luke 3:1-6



We are reimagining stewardship for 2016. Friday, December 4 through Sunday, December 6 is **Bee Empowered Weekend**. This gives the St. Ambrose family the opportunity to come together and discuss this question, "How does being a part of this church make a difference in your life?" Peter Saros, M.Div., St. Ambrose's Stewardship, Capital Campaign, and Church Growth Consultant, will lead us in discussing that question. The recent Beehive newsletter had a short article about Peter.

I invite you to one of the three gatherings over the weekend of December 4 for a meal and discussion. There will be a magician and music for the Families with Children Gathering Friday night.

December 4-6 EE Empowered Weekend

December 4, 6:30PM-8:30PM- Families with Children Gathering. There will be a Magician and Music December 5, 12noon-2PM-Seniors Gathering

December 5, 6PM-8PM-"The Rest of Us" Gathering. Those not fitting in the previous 2 categories. December 6, Sunday-Pledge Card Blessing during worship with Peter Saros, M.Div. as preacher

On Sunday, December 6, parishioners will receive their pledge cards in worship. After Peter preaches, he will invite you to fill out your pledge card and bring it to the altar. Volunteers will total the pledge amount, real-time. Before the priest gives the blessing, we will report the dollar amount pledged. Those who are unable to attend worship that Sunday will receive a pledge card in the mail.

Come. **Bee Empowered**. Leave Transformed.

PRAYER LIST For Those Who are Sick Marie H. Adams Joan Barrax Levi Bowen Mamie Brewington Gary Bryson Anna Burnside Betty Camp Patricia Caple Alois Chalmers Gwen Chunn Lauren Creech Stephanie Cross Lemuel Delany George W. Flemming Antoinette Foxwell Maggie Gill Nathaniel Harris Rose R. Hayes Esther Hayes Marielle Haywood-Posey Norma Haywood Marshall Harvey Steven Hawkins Eddie Jacobs Harold Johnson Amos Link Gladys Lundy Mary Mallette Oscar Mayers Stan McElveen Maggie Melvin Gloria Mooney Brodie Patterson Enid Patterson Elaine Perry Katie Probst Aura Radlin Carolyn Roberts Charlsie Royster

Sylvia Solomon

Glenda Springer

Antoinette Venable

Richmond Wall, Jr.

Mary Thomas

Doris Young

Crystal Walton Harold Webb Lucille Webb Margaret Whitaker Tim Whitaker Naomi Williams For The Ministry of the Church Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide the ministry and work of St. Ambrose For Those Who Grieve The Anders Family The Abron Family The Bowen Family Kathleen and Jake Breland Dr. Pat Caple The Cloud Family Dr. Deidre Crumblev The Faheem Family The Handy Family Jessie Harris The Haywood Family Lythel Hickerson Family The Hilliard Family The Horton Family Elbert Laws The Mallette Family

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The McKnight and Dunn Families
The Moody Family
Lou Padro and Family
James Revis
The Sams Family
Charles Seberry Family
Joe and Glenda Springer

The Taylor Family The Watson Family The Winters Family Mable Wright

For Those in Need of Special
Prayer
Like and Mathy Bushed

Jake and Kathy Breland
The Ellison Family
Keenan Henderson
The Hudson Family
The Lee Family
Glen & Francesca Kamery

Anthony Perry
Joe and Chelsea Price
Percy and Linda Taylor
Donna Wright
President Barack Obama
The Unemployed
The Armed Forces
The people of Haiti

For Those Who Have Died
Lillian B. Abron

Purdie Anders
Thelma Anders
The Rev. Joseph H. Banks
Harold N. Breland
L. Dave Breland

J. Dave Breland
John Brown
Bobby Cannady
The Rev. Wilson Carter
Sylvellie Cloud
Kenneth Echols
Karen Dunn

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Charles Higgs Arthur Johnson Mae Johnson

Melissa Legister David Mallette, Sr. Mary Mallette Pamela Mangum

Shirley B. Page Almetta Revis

Robert Wendell Sams Charles Seberry

Mable Winters Mercedes Winters Burgess Avisse Young

For Those Who are in Rest

Homes/ Assisted Living

Dorothea Chavis Elaine Perry Doris Youn

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The Rt. Rev. Peter Lee, Assisting Bishop
The Rev. Jemonde Taylor, Rector
The Rev. Nita Byrd, Assisting Clergy
Mrs. Ruth W. Hoffman - Minister of Music/Organist
Mr. Bobby Moody, Director - Jazz Mass Quartet

THE VESTRY				
<u>Class of 2015</u>	Class of 2016	Class of 2017		
Peter Henderson	Jada Bing	Harold Mallette		
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George Jones	Jackie Reid	Allison Williams		
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Young Adult Ministry	

November Birthdays! Patricia Johnson 1, Sydney Roberts 3, Lauren Creech 4, Michael Gordon, 7, Cameron Hudson 11, Carolyn Winters 11, Eddie Jacobs 11, Rosalind Lane 13, Ron Johnson 14, Lori Wiggins 15, Jimmy Wiggins 17, Dorothy Johnson 22, Bobby Moody 28, Joan Barrax 28, Julius Mallette 28, Elizabeth Sintim 28, Tamani Powell 28, Mellisa Smith 28, Monica Cloud 30, Larry Stroud Sr. 30