



**CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE ADVENT**  
**IN THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM**

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NINE O'CLOCK  
*in the Assembly Hall*  
NOVEMBER 2, 2025  
*The Sunday after All Saints'*  
Morning Prayer

# WELCOME!

We are delighted to have you join us today. If you are visiting and are interested in learning more about the Advent, please scan the QR code below. We look forward to connecting with you this week.

The Lord be with you.

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## CHILDREN AND YOUTH CLASSES

|                         |                                            |
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| 3K – Room 104           | 4th Grade – Room 307                       |
| 4K – Room 105           | 5th Grade – Room 310                       |
| Kindergarten – Room 213 | 6th Grade – Room 311                       |
| 1st Grade – Room 214    | 7th-8th Grade – The Undercroft             |
| 2nd Grade – Room 216    | 9th-12th Grade – Lower Morton Meeting Room |
| 3rd Grade – Room 218    |                                            |

## ADULT CLASSES

*Adult Classes take place from 10:15 to 10:50 a.m. and will be available online at [AdventBirmingham.org/Audio](http://AdventBirmingham.org/Audio).*

**The Dean's Class** (Refectory) – *Bible Origin Stories: The Translation of Scripture* – Dean Pinter

**The Inquirers' Class** (Diocesan Conference Room) – *Why We Do What We Do:*  
*Our Worship and Liturgy* – Adam Young

**The Surpassing Worth of Knowing Christ** (Chapter Room) – *Because He Has Made Me His Own*  
*(Philippians 3:12–4:1)* – Gil Kracke

**Salvation at D-Day: Love and War in “For Esmé – with Love and Squalor”** by J.D. Salinger  
(Living Room) – Jim Palmer

**Faith and Family** (Assembly Hall) – *Are We There Yet?: Golden Calf* – Margot Cooney and  
Will Fagan

**From Awkward to Open: Talking to Your Kids About the Body, Sex, and Everything  
in Between** (Lower School Library) – Tara Davis and Gunter Owens

## VISITOR'S CARD



# MORNING PRAYER

## PRELUDE

THE PEOPLE STAND.

## SONG

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Come, thou fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing thy grace!  
Streams of mercy never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount; O, fix me on it,  
Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I find my greatest treasure;  
Hither by thy help, I've come;  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed his precious blood.

O, to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to thee:  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O, take and seal it,  
Seal it for thy courts above.

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## OPENING SENTENCES

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord,  
my rock and my redeemer.

*-Psalm 19:14* 1

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

THE PEOPLE SIT.

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE PEOPLE STAND.

Officiant: O Lord, open thou our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

# INVITATORY: JUBILATE DEO

READ IN UNISON.

**O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands;  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.  
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;  
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.  
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving  
and into his courts with praise;  
be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.  
For the Lord is gracious;  
his mercy is everlasting;  
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.**

*-Psalm 100*

## SONG

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

THE PEOPLE SIT.

## PSALM 149

READ RESPONSIVELY, BY HALF-VERSE.

- 1 Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song; \*  
**sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.**
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; \*  
**let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.**
- 3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; \*  
**let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.**
- 4 For the Lord takes pleasure in his people \*  
**and adorns the poor with victory.**
- 5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; \*  
**let them be joyful on their beds.**
- 6 Let the praises of God be in their throat \*  
**and a two-edged sword in their hand;**
- 7 To wreak vengeance on the nations \*  
**and punishment on the peoples;**
- 8 To bind their kings in chains \*  
**and their nobles with links of iron;**
- 9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed; \*  
**this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!**  
**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:**  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## A READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF ST. PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS.

In Christ we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, <sup>12</sup>so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup>who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory. <sup>15</sup>For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup>that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom

and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup>having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup>that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup>And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. (1:11-23)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

THE PEOPLE STAND.

## CANTICLE: FIRST SONG OF ISAIAH

*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. *Refrain*

Words: Book of Common Prayer (Isaiah 12:2-6) Music: Jack Noble White ©1976 Belwin-Mills Publishing Corp.

THE PEOPLE SIT.

## A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE.

Jesus lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. <sup>21</sup>Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. <sup>22</sup>Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! <sup>23</sup>Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets. <sup>24</sup>But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. <sup>25</sup>Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. <sup>26</sup>Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets. <sup>27</sup>But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup>bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup>To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. <sup>31</sup>And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them." (6:20-31)

Reader:     The Word of the Lord.

**People:     Thanks be to God.**

## THE BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

KINDERGARTEN-3RD GRADERS CAN DEPART FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH DURING THE SINGING OF THIS HYMN.  
CHILDREN SHOULD WALK DIRECTLY TO THE GYM TO MEET THEIR TEACHERS.

THE PEOPLE STAND.

## SONG

*Instrument of Peace*

*Lord, make me an instrument of peace;*

*An instrument of peace.*

*Lord, make me an instrument of peace;*

*An instrument of peace.*

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is darkness, let me sow light.

For in the giving, we shall receive.

And in the dying, we're given life. *Refrain*

Where there is sorrow, let me sow hope;  
Where there is doubt, let me sow faith.  
Where there is injury, your pardon give;  
Your consolation to those in pain. *Refrain*

Amen, amen.

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## THE SERMON

Dean Smalley

THE PEOPLE STAND.

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

THE PEOPLE SIT.

## THE PRAYERS

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

### SUFFRAGES

**Officiant:** O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

**People:** **And grant us thy salvation.**

**Officiant:** Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

**People:** **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

**Officiant:** Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

**People:** **For only in thee can we live in safety.**

**Officiant:** Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

**People:** **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

**Officiant:** Let thy way be known upon earth;

**People:** **Thy saving health among all nations.**

**Officiant:** Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

**People:** **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

**Officiant:** Create in us clean hearts, O God;

**People:** **And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys which thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

## THE COLLECTS

## THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants  
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all men.  
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

## THE WELCOME AND OFFERTORY SENTENCE

### AT THE OFFERTORY

*I'll Fly Away*

Words: Albert E. Brumley; Arr. Cindy Morgan

THE PEOPLE STAND.

### THE DOXOLOGY

*Old 100th*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### CLOSING PRAYER AND THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

You will see there a highway from God's own hand  
That will lead back the lost to the Promised Land;  
And the voice of the Savior will call us friends,  
Saying, "Join in the song of the Lord."

We will call back our armies: "Return from war!"  
And we'll make into plowshares our useless swords,  
Very soon to forget what they once were for  
When we join in the song of the Lord.

*We will say in that day, "To the Lord give thanks!"  
We will not be afraid, for he comes to save.  
We will shout, we will call every tribe and race,  
"Come and join in the song of the Lord."*

You will see there a banquet for sinners spread,  
Where we'll sit with the Lord at the table's head;  
And our Shepherd himself is our wine and bread,  
And we'll join in the song of the Lord. *Refrain*

When the remnant return to the Promised Land,  
When the highway of God brings us home to him;  
We'll be welcomed with love by our Savior friend,  
And we'll join in the song of the Lord. *Refrain*

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## THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

## CLERGY

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*Come to me,  
all who labor and are heavy laden,  
and I will give you rest.*

Matthew 11.28

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