



CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE ADVENT
IN THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM



ELEVEN O'CLOCK
AUGUST 30, 2026
The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
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 complete an information card (located in the pew rack in front of you) so we can get to know you better.

Except for hymns, page numbers listed in the bulletin refer to the Book of Common Prayer in the pew racks. Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal.

The Lord be with you.

ADULT CLASSES

Adult Classes take place from 10:15 to 10:50 a.m. and will be available online at AdventBirmingham.org/Audio.

The Dean's Class (Refectory) – *A Few of Our Favorite Things: Grace and Toy Story (Not Just for Kids)* – Jay Gardner and Adam Young

Law and Gospel (Assembly Hall) – *The Word that Bids Us Fly and Gives Us Wings*
– Will McDavid and Gil Kracke

VISITOR'S CARD



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MORNING PRAYER

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VOLUNTARY

Andantino, Op. 51, No. 2

Louis Vierne

THE PEOPLE STAND.

HYMN IN PROCESSION NO. 401

Leoni

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

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 kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

THE PEOPLE KNEEL.

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.

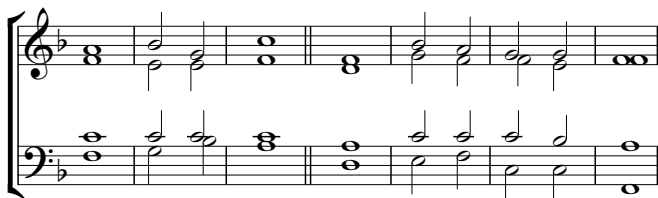
Officiant: O Lord, open thou our lips.

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 WITH CHORAL ANTIPHON

William Russell



Choral Antiphon: *Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: O come let us adore him.*

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 our|selves;
we are his people and the | sheep of • his | pas|ture.
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 | ever|lasting;
and his truth endureth from generation to | gene|ra|tion.

-Psalm 100

THE PEOPLE SIT.

PSALM 105:1-6, 23-26, 44

Anglican Chants: F. A. Gore Ouseley
and Henry G. Ley

SUNG BY THE CHOIR.

- 1 Give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name;
tell the people what things he hath done.
- 2 O let your songs be of him, and praise him;
and let your talking be of all his wondrous works.
- 3 Rejoice in his holy Name;
let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.
- 4 Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his face evermore.

- 5 Remember the marvellous works that he hath done;
his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth;
6 O ye seed of Abraham his servant,
ye children of Jacob his chosen.
23 Israel also came into Egypt,
and Jacob was a stranger in the land of Ham.
24 And he increased his people exceedingly,
and made them stronger than their enemies;
25 Whose heart turned so, that they hated his people,
and dealt untruly with his servants.
26 Then sent he Moses his servant,
and Aaron whom he had chosen.
44 That they might keep his statutes,
and observe his laws.

**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 BOOK OF EXODUS.

Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." ⁴When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. ⁷Then the Lord said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel,

out of Egypt.”¹¹But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?”¹²He said, “But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.”¹³Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?”¹⁴God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘I am has sent me to you.’”¹⁵God also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.’ This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.” (3:1-15)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE PEOPLE STAND.

CANTICLE: TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

READ IN UNISON.

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud,

the Heavens and all the Powers therein.

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of the apostles praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee.

The noble army of martyrs praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world

doth acknowledge thee,

the Father, of an infinite majesty,

thine adorable, true, and only Son,

also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.

Thou art the King of glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

**When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,
thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come to be our judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy saints,
in glory everlasting.**

THE PEOPLE SIT.

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW.

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.” ²³But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.” ²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? ²⁷For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.” (16:21-28)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PEOPLE STAND.

HYMN NO. 675

Bourbon

THE SERMON

Canon Pinter 5

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.**

THE PRAYERS

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Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Officiant: Let us pray.

THE PEOPLE KNEEL.

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

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE COLLECTS

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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 PEOPLE SIT.

THE WELCOME AND OFFERTORY SENTENCE

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love, so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen.

-Isaac Watts

Matthew Arnold, the 19th century English writer, considered the text *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* by Isaac Watts to be his finest, centering wholly on the cross. The hymn-anthem setting composed by Gilbert M. Martin (b. 1941) uses the tune *Hamburg* as the basis of its musical material, rather than the tune *Rockingham* as found in our hymnal (No. 474).

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.**

THE PEOPLE KNEEL.

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.**

THE PEOPLE STAND.

HYMN IN PROCESSION NO. 610

Blaenhafren

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

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Felix Mendelssohn

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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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