

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

on the Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday 15th December 2024 | 9.00am | Hymns

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The Opening Hymn



1. Hark! a herald voice is calling:
'Christ is nigh!' it seems to say;
'Cast away the dreams of darkness,
O ye children of the day!'

2. Startled at the solemn warning,
let the earth-bound soul arise;
Christ, her sun, all sloth dispelling,
shines upon the morning skies.

3. Lo, the Lamb, so long expected,
comes with pardon down from heav'n;
let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
one and all to be forgiv'n.

4. So when next he comes with glory,
wrapping all the earth in fear,
may he then, as our defender,
on the clouds of heav'n appear.

5. Honour, glory, praise and blessing,
to the Father and the Son,
with the co-eternal Spirit,
while unending ages run.

Words: Anonymous Latin
Translated Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

Music: MERTON
W. H. Monk (1823-1889)



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The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Jesus Christ is the light of the world:

All **a light no darkness can overpower.**

All **Lord Jesus, light of the world,
John told the people to prepare,
for you were very near.
As Christmas grows closer day by day,
help us to be ready to welcome you now.
Amen.**

§ *The service continues with the Greeting in the Order of Service.*

The Psalm

Happy are those who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the Lord their God;

**Who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them;
who keeps his promise for ever;**

Who gives justice to those that suffer wrong
and bread to those who hunger.

**The Lord looses those that are bound;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind;**

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
the Lord loves the righteous;

**The Lord watches over the stranger in the land;
he upholds the orphan and widow; •
but the way of the wicked he turns upside down.**

The Lord shall reign for ever, •
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Alleluia.

Psalm 146.4–end

§ *The service continues with the Gospel, which can be found in the readings and notices sheet.*



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The Offertory Hymn



1. Lo, he comes with clouds descending,
 once for favoured sinners slain;
 thousand thousand saints attending
 swell the triumph of his train:
 Alleluia!
 God appears, on earth to reign.

2. Every eye shall now behold him
 robed in dreadful majesty;
 Those who set at naught and sold him,
 pierced and nailed him to the tree,
 deeply wailing,
 shall the true Messiah see.

3. Those dear tokens of his passion
 still his dazzling body bears;
 Cause of endless exultation
 to his ransomed worshippers:
 With what rapture
 gaze we on those glorious scars!

4. Yea, Amen! let all adore thee,
 high on thine eternal throne;
 Saviour, take the power and glory,
 claim the kingdom for thine own:
 O come quickly,
 Alleluia! Come, Lord, come!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88)

Music: HELMSLEY
Melody noted by T. Olivers (1725-99)
Included in Wesley's Select Hymns (1765)

The Closing Hymn

Refrain

Shine, Je-sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa-ther's glo-ry; blaze, Spi-rit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, ri-ver, flow, flood the na-tions with grace and mer-cy; send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining:
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us;
Set us free by the truth you now bring us –
Shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine,
Fill this land with the father's glory;
Blaze, spirit, blaze,
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
Flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your word,
Lord, and let there be light!*

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
From the shadows into your radiance;
By the blood I may enter your brightness:
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness –
Shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory:
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story –
Shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain