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# The First Sunday of Advent

**Choral Eucharist** 

Sunday, December 3, 2023		Ten o'clock i	Ten o'clock in the morning	
Voluntary	Sleepers, Wake!	A Voice Astounds Us	J. S. Bach	
Hymn 61	"Sleep	ers, wake!"	WACHET AUF	
OPENING ACCLAMATION		BCP p. 355		
Celebrant	Blessed be God: Fath	ner, Son, and Holy Spirit.		
People	And blessed be God's	s kingdom, now and for e	ever. Amen.	
The Celebrant prays the Collect for Purity and the people respond Amen.				

# The Kyrie

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

# THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your 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 living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

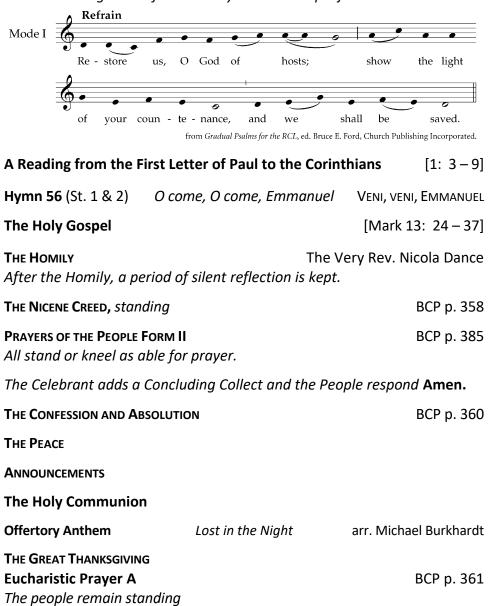
THE LESSONS, the People sit

# A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

[64: 1-9]

S95

**Psalm 80:** 1 – 7, 16 – 18 Qui regis Israel The Cantor sings the refrain initially and the People join when invited



<b>Sanctus</b> The people stand or kneel	S124
THE LORD'S PRAYER	BCP p. 364
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD	BCP p. 364
Fraction Anthem	S161

All who seek a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion by moving forward to the altar rail or by remaining in your place and indicating to an usher that you would like to receive. Wine is offered by sipping from the chalice or by dipping your host wafer into the intinction bowl. Alternatively, you are welcome to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are not yet baptized and feel drawn to receive Holy Communion, please speak with a priest after the service about baptism.

After the people receive Communion a period of silent reflection is kept

Hymn 73	The King shall come	ST. STEPHEN		
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## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP p. 365

# ADVENT BLESSING

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. **Amen.** 

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. **Amen.** 

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. **Amen.** 

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you. **Amen.** 

Hymn 57	Lo! he comes with clouds descending	Helmsley
DISMISSAL		
Voluntary	Sleepers, Wake! A Voice Astounds Us	Paul Manz

### Announcements for December 3, 2023

Today's altar flowers are given by The Very Rev. Nicola Dance, honoring family birthdays. The Advent Wreath is given in loving memory of Barbara N. & Marshall G. Linn by Barbara L. & Douglas H. Hein, Marshall & Julie Linn, and Scott N. & Denise Linn

### Today at St. Paul's

• Bible series meets today after the 10 am service.

### Annual Cathedral Advent Tea: Wednesday, December 6th - 4:00 to 7:00 pm

Park Fleur Condos, located at 3131 Fleur Drive, Des Moines Christmas Carol sing-a-long at 5:15. Sign-up sheets to bring a savory or a sweet dish are in the Guild Hall

### The Giving Tree is Back!

The St. Paul's Giving Tree will be out throughout Advent, starting on November 27, 2022, to collect needed winter items for adult clients served at the Connection Cafe. We need new and gently used winter outer wear such as hats, gloves, mittens, scarves and coats for adults or children and hand warmers are always appreciated.

### Connection Café – we serve Monday, 12/11

Volunteer opportunities for "Connection Cafe Lunches December 10 and 11, 2023" are now open. Please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet: <u>volunteersignup.org/43Y4C</u>. To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do. Thank you for volunteering!

### **Advent Service of Lessons and Carols**

Sunday, December 17 at 4:00 p.m.

#### **Today's Ministers**

Ten o'clock Eucharist: Presider – The Very Rev. Nicola Dance Homilist – The Very Rev. Nicola Dance Deacon - The Rev. Jean Davis, The Rev. John Doherty Crucifer – Jonathan Hansen Torch-bearers – Lacie Dietzenbach, Wilhelmina Hansen Second Cross – Freya Baccam 1<sup>st</sup> lesson – Rosa Walker Cantor - Lexie Thiessen 2<sup>nd</sup> lesson – Peggy Aerisolphal Intercessor – TBD Eucharistic Ministers – TBD, TBD, TBD Audio – TBD Video – Nathan Thiessen Ushers - Samuel Hutchisson, TBD Chapter Counters – Duane Sand, John Wetherell, (alt., Stephanie Murphy) Coffee Hour Hosts – Mark Thompsen