

Holy Eucharist,

Eucharistic Prayer B

Opening Hymn *The People Stand*

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

12th Century Latin hymn, translation to English by John Mason Neale in 1851

O come, O come, Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Wisdom from on high,
who orderest all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show,
and teach us in her ways to go.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

***[Candle Lighters & Readers walk to podium during this second refrain.]

Candle Lighting

READER: Blessed are you, sovereign Lord, God of our ancestors:
to you be praise and glory for ever.
You called the patriarchs to live by the light of faith
and to journey in the hope of your promised fulfillment.
May we be obedient to your call
and be ready and watchful to receive your Christ,
a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;
for you are our light and our salvation.

READER and PEOPLE ***O Christ, Lord and Ruler, Root of Jesse, Key
of David, Rising Sun, King of the Nations,
Emmanuel... Come, Lord Jesus. Amen.***

WES & CONGREGATION

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

Opening Sentences

CELEBRANT Surely the Lord is coming soon.

PEOPLE ***Amen. Come Lord Jesus!***

from Revelation 22:20

Gloria

The Christ, Our Light

Marty Reardon

When all was dark and without Dawn
You gave us light, you sent your Son
The Christ, the Christ, he shines, he shines

The Christ, the Christ, he shines, he shines
And drives all dark away, away
You drive all dark away, away

When we were enemies of the cross
When we were dead in sin, so lost
The Christ, the Christ, he died, he died
The Christ, the Christ, he died, he died
To drive our sin away, away
Come and take our sin away, away
Come and take our sin away, away
Come and take our sin away, away

The Collect of the Day *The People Stand*

LEADER The Lord is here.

PEOPLE *And his Spirit is with us.*

LEADER Let us pray.

ALL *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.*

Children's Dismissal

Let the Flame Burn Brighter

Let the flame burn brighter
In the heart of the darkness

Turning night to glorious day
Let the song grow louder
As our love grows stronger
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

First Reading *The People Sit*

Isaiah 2:1–5 (NIV)

^{2:1} This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem:

² In the last days

the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established
as the highest of the mountains;
it will be exalted above the hills,
and all nations will stream to it.

³ Many peoples will come and say,

"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the temple of the God of Jacob.

He will teach us his ways,
so that we may walk in his paths."

The law will go out from Zion,
the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

⁴ He will judge between the nations
and will settle disputes for many peoples.

They will beat their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks.

Nation will not take up sword against nation,
nor will they train for war anymore.

⁵ Come, descendants of Jacob,
let us walk in the light of the Lord.

LECTOR	The Word of the Lord.
PEOPLE	<i>Thanks be to God.</i>

LECTOR Let us pray **Psalm 122** together in unison.

- 1 *I was glad when they said to me, **
“Let us go to the house of the LORD.”
- 2 *Now our feet are standing **
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 *Jerusalem is built as a city **
that is at unity with itself;
- 4 *To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, **
the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.
- 5 *For there are the thrones of judgment, **
the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 *Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: **
“May they prosper who love you.
- 7 *Peace be within your walls **
and quietness within your towers.
- 8 *For my brethren and companions’ sake, **
I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 *Because of the house of the LORD our God, **
I will seek to do you good.”

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 forever. Amen.*

Second Reading *The People Sit*

Romans 13:8–14 (NIV)

^{13:8} Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery,” “You shall not murder,” “You shall not steal,” “You shall not covet,” and whatever other command

there may be, are summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰ Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

¹¹ And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹² The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³ Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. ¹⁴ Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

LECTOR	The Word of the Lord.
PEOPLE	<i>Thanks be to God.</i>

The Gospel Song

Come Light Our Hearts

Sandra McCracken, 2015

For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait
For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait
Truly our hope is in you
Truly our hope is in you

*O Lord of life, our only hope
Your radiance shines on all who look
To you in the dark, Emmanuel come,
Come light our hearts*

The Gospel

Matthew 24:29–44

DEACON The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to St. Matthew.

PEOPLE *Glory to you, Lord Christ*

24:29 “Immediately after the distress of those days

“the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light;
the stars will fall from the sky,
and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.’

³⁰ “Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. ³¹ And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.

³² “Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. ³³ Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. ³⁴ Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. ³⁵ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

³⁶ “But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷ As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; ³⁹ and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰ Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left.

⁴² “Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your

Lord will come.⁴³ But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into.⁴⁴ So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

DEACON The Gospel of the Lord
PEOPLE *Praise to you, Lord Christ*

Come Light Our Hearts (continued)

Sandra McCracken, 2015

For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait
For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait
Truly our hope is in you
Truly our hope is in you

*O Joy above all other loves
In you we find more than enough
We come as we are, O heal and restore
Come light our hearts*

The Sermon

The People Sit

The Apostles' Creed

LEADER Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

LEADER AND PEOPLE

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.*

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

*He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.*

*He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.*

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

*He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

LECTOR Watchful at all times, let us pray for strength to stand
 with confidence before our Maker and Redeemer.

That God may bring in his kingdom with justice and mercy, let us pray
to the Lord:

Your kingdom come
your will be done.

That God may establish among the nations his sceptre of righteousness,
let us pray to the Lord:

Your kingdom come
your will be done.

That we may seek Christ in the scriptures and recognize him in the
breaking of the bread, let us pray to the Lord:

Your kingdom come
your will be done.

That God may bind up the brokenhearted, restore the sick, and raise
up all who have fallen; and especially for the needs and concerns of
this congregation: for David Bennett, Jan Bennett, Gail Blanchard,
Diana Bridgeman, Rachel Chisolm, Nate [GAB-rish] Gabrysch, Eric
Kaufman, Samantha Lesan, Amanda McCamant, Verlea [ver-LEE]
Pierce, Diane Thompson, Christine Warner, Thomas Whitlock, and
others you have laid upon our hearts, let us pray to the Lord:

Your kingdom come
your will be done.

That the light of God's coming may dawn on all who live in darkness
and the shadow of death, let us pray to the Lord:

Your kingdom come
your will be done.

That, with all the saints in light, we may shine forth as lights for the world, let us pray to the Lord:

Your kingdom come
your will be done.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

CELEBRANT

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace *The People Stand*

CELEBRANT The peace of the Lord be always with you.
PEOPLE *And also with you.*

The people sit.

Announcements

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ANNIVERSARIES

O God, you have so blessed the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send your blessing upon these your children, that their lives together may continue to reflect your love and forgiveness and that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

CELEBRANT Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offering & Congregational Song

Grace

by Hanan Townsend

Doxology

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.

Holy Communion *The People Stand*

CELEBRANT The Lord is here.
PEOPLE *And his Spirit is with us.*
CELEBRANT Lift up your hearts.
PEOPLE *We lift them up to the Lord.*
CELEBRANT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
PEOPLE *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; because you sent your 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 we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

[sing]

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

Hosanna Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna Hosanna in the highest.

The People Kneel or Stand

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring

us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray...

Our Father ***Our Father***

Who art in heaven ***Who art in heaven***

Hallowed be thy Name ***Hallowed be thy Name,***

Thy kingdom come ***Thy kingdom come***

Thy will be done ***Thy will be done***

On earth as it is in heaven ***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 ***And lead us not***

Into temptation ***Into temptation***

But deliver us from evil ***But deliver us from evil***

For thine ***For thine***

Is the kingdom ***Is the kingdom***

And the power and the glory ***And the power and the glory***

Forever and ever, Amen. Amen ***Amen*** Amen ***Amen*** Amen ***Amen***

The Breaking of the Bread

CELEBRANT Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

PEOPLE ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!***

CELEBRANT The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Music

We Do Not Presume

Music by Andy Piercy & David Clifton

We do not presume to come to your table
Trusting in our own righteousness
For we are not worthy so much as to gather
The crumbs from under your table

But trusting, O Lord, in your great and manifold mercies
For you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy
So cleanse us and feed us with the body and blood of your Son
That we may live in him and that he may live in us
For ever and ever. Amen.

Until He Comes Again

*Words & music by Ike Ndolo, Matt Maher, Mitch Wong, Ricky Vasquez, and Sandra McCracken,
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By this we remember
in faith as we gather
with bread and wine we remember
until he comes again

By this we remember
in hope as we gather
with bread and wine we remember
until he comes again

*When he comes again like a thief in the night
When he comes again all the wrongs will be right
Oh the earth lifted up as heaven comes down
We remember until he comes again*

By this we remember
in love as we gather
with bread and wine we remember
until he comes again

Psalm 62 (My Soul Finds Rest)

Aaron Keyes and Stuart Townend

My soul finds rest in God alone,
My rock and my salvation
A fortress strong against my foes,
And I will not be shaken.
Though lips may bless and hearts may curse
And lies like arrows pierce me
I'll fix my heart on righteousness,
I'll look to him who hears me.

*O praise him, hallelujah,
My delight and my reward
Everlasting, never failing,
My Redeemer, my God.*

Find rest my soul in God alone
Amid the world's temptations
When evil seeks to take a hold,
I'll cling to my salvation
Though riches come and riches go,
Don't set your heart upon them
The fields of hope in which I sow
Are harvested in heaven

I'll set my gaze on God alone
And trust in him completely
With every day pour out my soul
And he will prove his mercy

Though life is but a fleeting breath,
A sigh too brief to measure
My King has crushed the curse of death
And I am his forever

Prayer for Mission

ALL

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace and mission, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

CELEBRANT

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Procession into the World *The People Stand*

Creator of the Stars of Night

Words: Latin, 5th–10th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale (1818–1866);

Music: Sarum plainsong, c. 9th cent.

Creator of the stars of night
Your people's everlasting light
O Christ, Redeemer of us all
We pray you hear us when we call

In sorrow that the ancient curse
Should doom to death a universe
You came, O Savior, to set free
Your own in glorious liberty

At your great Name, O Jesus, now
All knees must bend, all hearts must bow
All things on earth with one accord
Like those in heaven, shall call you Lord

Come in your holy might, we pray
Redeem us for eternal day
Defend us while we dwell below
From all assaults of our dread foe

To God the Father, God the Son
And God the Spirit, Three in One
Praise, honor, might, and glory be
From age to age, eternally

The Dismissal

DEACON Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*



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