

**Song during Communion**

*Come and Set Us Free*  
Thomson

Refrain

Come, come, Lord Je - sus. Come, come save your

peo - ple. Come and set us free.

Verses

1. A - wak - en our hearts to the pow'r of your love. A - wak - en our
2. A - wak - en our hearts to the pow'r of your truth. A - wak - en our
3. A - wak - en our hearts so that we may stand firm. A - wak - en our
4. A - wak - en our hearts to your ho - ly ways. A - wak - en our
5. A - wak - en our hearts and in - crease our faith that we may stand
6. A - wak - en our hearts to the pow'r of your voice. ʔ Help us to
7. A - wak - en our hearts to the pow'r of your joy. A - wak - en our
8. A - wak - en our hearts to the pow'r of your grace. A - wak - en our

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| 1. hearts to your mer - cy.     | Free us, O Lord, from the     |
| 2. hearts to your jus - tice.   | Teach us and guide us for     |
| 3. hearts to com - pas - sion.  | Come be our strength and      |
| 4. hearts to for - give - ness. | Lead us, O Lord, to the       |
| 5. pure and blame - less,       | liv - ing a life that brings  |
| 6. lis - ten and fol - low.     | You are the bride - groom and |
| 7. hearts with your mu - sic.   | Help us re - joice and find   |
| 8. hearts to your heal - ing.   | You are the wa - ter re -     |

to Refrain

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| 1. pow - er of sin.       | } Set us free. |
| 2. you are the way.       |                |
| 3. come be our joy.       |                |
| 4. light of your truth.   |                |
| 5. glo - ry to you.       |                |
| 6. we are the bride.      |                |
| 7. strength in your love. |                |
| 8. fresh - ing the soul.  |                |

**Prayer after Communion**



**CONCLUDING RITE**

**Final Blessing and Dismissal**

**Sending Forth**

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel*  
Veni Veni Emmanuel

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,
2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high,
3. O come, O come, great Lord of might,
4. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's stem,
5. O come, O Key of Dav - id, come,

And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,  
Who or - ders all things might - i - ly;  
Who to your tribes on Si - nai's height  
From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them  
And o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home;

That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here  
To us the path of knowl - edge show,  
In an - cient times once gave the law,  
That trust your might - y power to save,  
Make safe the way that leads on high,

Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
And teach us in her ways to go.  
In cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.  
And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.  
And close the path to mis - er - y.

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el

Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

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| 6. O come, O Dayspring from on high<br>And cheer us by your drawing nigh;<br>Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,<br>And death's dark shadow put to flight. | 7. O come, Desire of nations, bind<br>In one the hearts of humankind;<br>O bid our sad divisions cease,<br>And be for us our King of Peace. |
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**be the light**

december 15, 2024  
**third sunday of advent**

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Entrance Song**

*Be the Light*  
Bolduc

1. We are waiting in the darkness.  
Our souls still long for the light.  
Your very promise is a candle  
that leads us through the night.
2. As we await the birth of Jesus,  
help our busyness recede.  
Turn our dark days into brightness;  
peace and joy the gifts we need.

REFRAIN

Be the light shin - ing bright. Turn our nights back

in - to day. Be the peace we want to know. Son of God,

— Love Di - vine, come in - to our lives and be the light.

3. Meek and humble we await you.  
Our hearts are open. We long to receive.  
Come, Lord Jesus, dwell among us.  
Guide us in the lives we lead.

BRIDGE

O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
the love of God, Emmanuel.  
Come, O come, Emmanuel.  
Our God is with us.  
O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
the love of God, Emmanuel.  
Come, O come, Emmanuel.  
Our God is with us.

**Greeting**

**Kyrie** Warm the Time  
True

*Cantor*

Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e e -  
 Chri - ste, Chri - ste, Chri - ste e -  
 Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e e -

*All*

le - i - son. Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e,  
 le - i - son. Chri - ste, Chri - ste,  
 le - i - son. Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e,

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.  
 Chri - ste e - le - i - son.  
 Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

**Gospel Acclamation** Hallelujah, Hallelu  
Mahler

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu! Re - joice!

The Lord is near. Sing and be joy - ful!

Ver - y soon the Sav - ior will ap - pear.

**Prayer of the Faithful**  
 Intercessory Response: "Lord, hear our prayer."

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Preparation of the Gifts** *This is Your Justice*  
Colson

*On Jordan's Bank*  
Arr. Connolly



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**Collect**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**Children's Liturgy of the Word (9:30 AM only)** *Wisdom, Wisdom*  
True

*Wisdom, wisdom be attentive!*  
*Wisdom, wisdom open our hearts!*

**First Reading**.....Zephaniah 3:14-18  
*"...he will sing joyfully because of you, as one sings at festivals."*

**Responsorial Psalm- Isaiah 12** *Cry Out with Joy*  
Blakesley

*Refrain*

Cry out with joy for the Ho - ly One is a-mong  
 you. Cry out with joy for the Ho - ly One  
 is a-mong you. you.

1, 2, Final to Verses 1, 2 (Fine) 3 to Verse 3

**Second Reading**.....Philippians 4:4-7  
*"Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice!"*

**Gospel**.....Luke 3:10-18  
*"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming."*

**Homily**

**Profession of Faith** Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.  
 I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,  
 born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light,  
 true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
 Consubstantial with the Father, through him all things were made.  
 For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
 (bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
 and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
 he suffered death and was buried,  
 and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.  
 He ascended into heaven  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead  
 and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
 who has spoken through the prophets.  
 I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
 I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
 and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Eucharistic Acclamations** *Mass of Joy and Peace #211, 213, 215*

