SACRED HEART, TAMPA SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 5:30 PM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE 10 December 2023

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening Song: Make Straight The Way (Blevins | Hansen)

V. 1 Cantor: Make straight the way for the coming Lord

All: Make straight the way for the coming Lord!

Cantor: Every valley high, every mountain low

All: Every valley high, every mountain low!

Cantor: Every crooked road, every winding path

All: Every crooked road, every winding path!

Cantor: Make straight the way

He will come at last

All: Make straight the way He will come at last!

Chorus:

Turn your heart to the King, Let His grace and mercy sing. In your heart let His justice flow, His righteousness endure! *(Verse)* **V. 1** Cantor: Make straight the way for the coming Lord

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Bridge:

Forevermore, forevermore, He is Lord. Forevermore, forevermore, He is Lord!

Chorus:

Turn your heart to the King, Let His grace and mercy sing. In your heart let His justice flow, His righteousness endure!

Ending:

Make straight the way for the coming Lord! (Repeat and end)

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Advent Penitential Rite – Sung

Cantor: Lord Jesus, you are the way, the truth, and the life:

All answer – Lord have mercy,...

Cantor: Christ Jesus, you bring mercy and forgiveness:

All answer – Christ have mercy,...

Cantor: Lord Jesus, you sent John to prepare your way by proclaiming repentance:

All answer – Lord have mercy.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: IS 40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and

proclaim to her that her service is at an end, her guilt is expiated; indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD double for all her sins. A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. Go up on to a high mountain, Zion, herald of

glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news! Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord GOD, who rules by his strong arm; here is his reward with him, his recompense before him. Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God!

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 85

(Ambrosetti)

Lord, let us see Your kindness, and grant us Your salvation!

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Second Reading:

2 PT 3:8-14

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day. The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard "delay," but he is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief,

and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out. Since everything is to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be, conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames and the elements melted by fire. But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you await these things, be eager to be found

without spot or blemish before him, at peace.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God!

Gospel Greeting:
Alleluia! Hurry the Lord is near! (Sands)

Alleluia! Hurry the Lord is near! Alleluia! Alleluia! Hurry the Lord is near! (Repeat)

Verse 2:

Earth has longed for His approach,

Hurry the Lord is Near!

Straighten the road, smooth the path,

Hurry the Lord is Near!

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The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God.

As it is written in Isaiah the prophet: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way. A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins.

John was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

No Repeat of the Chorus after the Gospel Outside Ordinary Time.

Please be seated.

Homily

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, 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

Universal Prayer

Response: "Come, Lord Jesus, hear our prayer."

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts & Altar: Prepare the Way (Hall/Giglio)

Intro:

Prepare the way, prepare the way Prepare the way of the Lord! (Repeat)

Chorus:

Je-sus, Je-sus, Jesus! Je-sus, Je-sus, Jesus!

V.1 You are the light of the worldYou are the light of the worldYou are the light of the world Jesus!(Repeat then to into)

Intro:

Prepare the way, prepare the way Prepare the way of the Lord! (Repeat)

Chorus:

Je-sus, Je-sus, Jesus! Je-sus, Je-sus, Jesus!

V.2 You are the King of the earthYou are the King of the earthYou are the King of the earth Jesus!(Repeat then to intro)

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Eucharistic Acclamations:

Mass of a Joyful Heart (Angrisano)

Holy, Holy – When we eat this bread – Amen

COMMUNION RITE

Our Father

Lamb of God: Mass of a Joyful Heart (Angrisano)

Communion Song 1: Even So Come (Tomlin/Ingram/Cates)

V.1 All of creation, all of the earth Make straight a highway, a path for the Lord Jesus is coming soon!

V.2 Call back the sinner,
wake up the saint
Let ev'ry nation, shout of Your fame
Jesus is coming soon!

Chorus:

Like a bride waiting for her groom
We'll be a Church, ready for You
Ev'ry heart, longing for our King, we sing
Even so come, Lord Jesus come
Even so come, Lord Jesus come
(Second time to bridge)

<u>V.3</u> There will be justice, all will be new Your name forever, faithful and true Jesus is coming soon! *(chorus)*

Bridge:

So we wait, we wait for You!
God we wait, You're coming soon!
So we wait, we wait for You!
God we wait, You're coming soon!
(chorus)

Chorus:

Like a bride waiting for her groom
We'll be a Church, ready for You
Ev'ry heart, longing for our King, we sing
Even so come, Lord Jesus come!
Even so come, Lord Jesus come!
(Repeat and fade)

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Communion Song 2: O Come O Come Emmanuel (Neale, Helmore)

V.1 O come O come Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear!

Chorus:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee O Israel

V.2 O come O Wisdom from on highWho ordered all things mightilyTo us the path of knowledge showAnd teach us in her ways to go! (Chorus)

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CONCLUDING RITE

Sending Forth Song - Come To Us (Walton)

V. 3 Come Root of Jesse,
Come David's son
Come Star of Morning,
we come to praise You
Hope of creation, of all humankind
Reign over body, spirit and mind

Chorus:

Come to us O Lord of glory and shine, in our hearts
Come to us O Lord of glory and make, us anew
Lord we wait, for You, *(repeat 3x)*Come Lord of glory!

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