

Cathedral of Saint Matthew the Apostle

Washington, District of Columbia



ADVENT

First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 2025

Saturday Vigil, 5:30pm, 9:00am and 11:00am

Celebration of the Eucharist

*Please take a moment before the liturgy to silence your phone
and remove as many distractions as possible from your attention.*

PRELUDE Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland BWV 659 Bach
Come Savior of the Nations

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (11:00) Normand Gouin

To You, O Lord, I Lift My Soul
*To you, O Lord, I lift my soul; in you, my God, I place my trust.
Let not my enemies exult, nor waiting hearts be put to shame.
O Lord, make me know your ways. Teach me your paths. Guide me in
your truth, and teach me; for you are the God of my salvation.
I have hoped in you all day long. Remember your compassion,
O Lord, and your merciful love, for they are from of old.*

ENTRANCE HYMN Worship 409

SLEEPERS, WAKE!

BLESSING/LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

READINGS AND RESPONSORIAL PSALM WORSHIP 1001

Let us go rejoicing to the house, to the house of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Worship 328

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS Jacques Berthier

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

PREPARATION Vom Himmel Hoch, Da Komm' Ich her Pachelbel

(From Heaven to Earth I Come)

PREPARATION MOTET G. P. da Palestrina

(11:00) Ad Te Levavi

*Unto you have I lifted up my soul. O my God, I trust in you,
let me not be put to shame; do not allow my enemies to laugh at me;
for none of those who are awaiting you will be disappointed.*



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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER ACCLAMATIONS

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY DEUTSCHE MESSE

Worship 350

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Worship 216

*When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.*

GREAT AMEN

DANISH AMEN

Worship 370

LAMB OF GOD

MASS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Lucien Deiss

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jacques Berthier

*Wait for the Lord
Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!*

COMMUNION HYMN

James Biery

THE LORD WILL GIVE WHAT IS GOOD



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COMMUNION MOTET (11:00)

T. L. de Victoria

Conditor Alme Siderum

*Creator of the stars of night, Your people's everlasting light,
Jesu, Redeemer, save us all, And hear Your servants when they call.
You, grieving that the ancient curse, Should doom to death a universe,
Has found the medicine, full of grace, To save and heal a ruined race.*

*You came, the Bridegroom of the bride, As drew the world to evening-tide;
Proceeding from a virgin shrine, The spotless victim all divine.
At whose dread name, majestic now, All knees must bend, all hearts must bow;
And things celestial You shall own, And things terrestrial, Lord alone.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Worship 403

THE KING SHALL COME WHEN MORNING DAWNS

POSTLUDE

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland BWV 661

Bach

Come Savior of the Nations

SAINT MATTHEW'S FESTIVAL SINGERS

Each year, we invite experienced singers of the parish to join the Schola Cantorum for our *Advent Lessons and Carols* and *Christmas Eve Choral Prelude and Mass* at the Cathedral. Singers must be able to attend all rehearsals for these events but are not obligated to sing for both occasions. We are looking for singers with an ability to read music, a pleasant voice, previous adult choral experience, and a commitment to work diligently and cooperatively. The schedule of rehearsals, shown below, includes some Mondays and Wednesdays, beginning Wednesday, December 3.

Lessons and Carols

- Wednesdays, Dec.3 and Dec. 10, 7:30-9:00 pm: Rehearsal
- Monday, December 8, 7:00–9:00 pm: Rehearsal
- Sunday, December 14, 7:30–9:00 pm: ***Advent Lessons and Carols*** (6:30 pm arrival)

Christmas Eve

- Mondays, December 15 and 22 7:00pm: Rehearsal
- Wednesday, Dec. 17, 7:00 pm: Rehearsal
- Wednesday, December 24th: 9:15 pm *Prelude*; **10:00 pm Mass** (8:00 pm arrival)

To schedule an audition or for more information, contact Tom Stehle at tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org or 202-587-5141.