

# SAINT PETER'S CATHEDRAL

*The Episcopal Church Welcomes You!*

## Advent Festival of Lessons and Carols

with Musikanten Montana

Kerry Krebill, *director*

Sue Brookhart, *organist*

### **Prelude** [Sit]

Nun komm' der Heiden [J.S. Bach (1865-1750)]

Sue Brookhart, *organ*

*Please turn off your cell phone or pager or place on silent mode.*

*The hymns are printed in the blue HYMNAL 1982, located in the pew rack.*

*Texts to other congregational hymns are printed in this bulletin.*

### **Bidding Prayer** [Stand]

Beloved in Christ, in this season of Advent, let it be our care and delight to prepare ourselves to hear again the message of the Angels, and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem, to see the Babe lying in a manger.

Let us read and mark in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God from the first days of our disobedience unto the glorious Redemption brought us by his holy Child; and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise. But first, let us pray for the needs of his whole world; for peace and goodwill over all the earth; for the mission and unity of the Church for which he died, and especially in this country and within this city. And because this of all things would rejoice his heart, let us at this time remember in his name the poor and the helpless; the hungry and the oppressed; the sick and those who mourn; the lonely and the unloved; the aged and the little children; and all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love. Lastly, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother, and all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we forevermore are one. These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up to the throne of heaven, in the words which Christ himself hath taught us:

St. Peter's Cathedral  
511 North Park Avenue  
Helena, Montana 59601

Dec. 16, 2009  
7:00 in the Evening  
406.442.5175

Our Father . . . .

The Almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and unto the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. *Amen.*

**Opening Hymn** [Stand]

“Sleepers Wake!”  
[Stanzas 1 and 2]

*Hymnal 61*

**Lesson 1: Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-25** [Sit] God creates man and woman to live in obedience to God in the Garden of Eden.

**Responsory** [Sit]

“Matin Responsory” [G. P. de Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)]

**Hymn** [Stand] “Come Thou Redeemer of the Earth”

Come, thou Redeemer of the earth, and manifest thy virgin birth:  
Let ev’ry age adoring fall; such birth befits the God of all.

Begotten of no human will, but of the Spirit, thou art still  
The Word of God in flesh arrayed, the promised fruit to man displayed.

The virgin womb that burden gained with virgin honor all unstained;  
The banners there of virtue glow; God in his temple dwells below.

All laud, eternal Son, to thee whose advent sets thy people free,  
Whom with the Father we adore, and Holy Ghost for evermore. Amen.

**Lesson 2: Genesis 3:1-15** [Sit] Adam and Eve rebel against God and are cast out of the Garden.

**Carol** [Sit]

“Jesus Christ the Apple Tree” [Elizabeth Poston (1905-1987)]

**Lesson 3: Isaiah 40:1-11** [Sit] God comforts his people and calls on them to prepare for redemption.

**Hymn** [Stand]

“Comfort, Comfort ye my people”

*Hymnal 67*

**Lesson 4: Jeremiah 31:31-34** [Sit] A new covenant is promised which will be written in our hearts.

**Motet** [Sit]

“Machet die Tore weit” [Andreas Hammerschmidt (1612-1675)]

Lift up your heads o ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of Glory shall come in. Who is the King of Glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle, the Lord of Hosts, He is the King of Glory. [Psalm 24:9-10]

**Lesson 5: Isaiah 35:1-10** [Sit] The prophet proclaims that God will come and save us.

**Hymn** [Stand]

“On Jordan’s Banks”

*Hymnal 76*

**Motet** [Sit] “Ich bin eine rufende Stimme” [Heinrich Schuetz (1585 - 1672)]

I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness: Make straight the way of the Lord. I baptize with water, but among you stands one whom you do not know, even he who comes after me; of whom I know that I am not worthy to loosen the laces of his sandals. [John 1: 23, 26-7]

**Lesson 6: Baruch 4:36 – 5:9** [Sit] Baruch urges the people to look East for salvation.

**Carol** [Stand]

“People Look East”

People, look East. The time is near of the crowning of the year.

Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth, and set the table.

People, look East, and sing today: Love the Guest is on the way.

Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted there:

Give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in course the flower may flourish.

People, look East, and sing today: Love the Rose is on the way.

Birds, though ye long have ceased to build, guard the nest that must be filled.

Even the hour when wings are frozen he for fledging-time has chosen.

People, look East, and sing today: Love the Bird is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl shall brim.

Shining beyond the frosty weather. Bright as sun and moon together.

People, look East, and sing today: Love the Star is on the way.

Angels, announce to man and beast him who cometh from the East.

Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming.

People: look East, and sing today: Love the Lord is on the way.

**Motet** [Sit]

“Ave Maria” [Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548 – 1611)]

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and in the hour of our death. Amen.

**Lesson 7: Isaiah 11:1-9** [Sit] The Spirit of the Lord will rest upon the Holy One.

**Hymn** [Stand]

“Lo, How a Rose”

*Hymnal 81*

**Anthem** [Sit]

“There Is No Rose” [John Joubert b. )1927]

There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu: *Alleluia*. For in this rose contained was heav'n and earth in little space: *Res miranda* [wondrous thing]. By that rose we may well see there be one God in Persons Three: *Pares forma* [equally created]. Then leave we all this worldly mirth and follow we this joyful birth: *Transeamus* [let us go].

**Lesson 8: Isaiah 65:17-25** [Sit] God promises a new heaven and a new earth.

**Anthem** [Sit]

“Spaseniye, sodelal yesi” [Pavel Tschesnokoff (1877-1944)]

Salvation is created for all nations, O God. Alleluia.

**Lesson 9: Luke 1:26-56** [Sit] Gabriel tells Mary that she will bear the Son of the Most High.

**Motet** [Sit]

“Tota Pulchra es” [Maurice Duruflé (1902 – 1986)]

Thou art all fair, O Mary, and the stain of original sin is not in thee. Thy vestments are as white as snow, and thy face is like the sun. Thou art the glory of Jerusalem, the joy of Israel, and the

honor of thy people. [Antiphons for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, from Song of Solomon, and Judith]

**Carol** [Stand]

“The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came”

*Hymnal 265*

**Collect** [Stand]

We beseech thee, Almighty God, to purify our consciences by thy daily visitation, that when thy son our Lord cometh he may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**Blessing** [Stand]

**Chorale** [Stand]

“How Can I Fitly Greet Thee?” [Setting J.S. Bach (1685-1750)]

How can I fitly greet thee, how rightly thee extol  
Of Man the best Beloved, Thou Treasure of my soul?  
O Lord, I pray thee carry the torch to light my way,  
That I may know thy pleasure and serve thee day by day.

**Postlude**

“Wachet auf” [arr. Paul Manz (1919-2009)]

Sue Brookhart, *organ*

*Please join us downstairs for a reception hosted by the Episcopal Church Women.*

## ***Christmas at St. Peter's Cathedral***

Fourth Sunday of Advent (Dec. 20) at 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.

Christmas Eve for families with young children: Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) at 4 p.m.

Native American Christmas Eve: (Dec. 24) at 5:30 p.m.

Choral Prelude (Dec. 24) at 9:45 p.m.

Christ Mass (Dec. 24) at 10 p.m.

Christmas Day (Dec. 25) at 10:15 a.m.

### **Musikanten Montana**

Kerry Krebill, *director*

*Soprano:* Megan Anderson, Kathy Bramer, Patty Mazurek, Karen McLean,  
Lorna McMurray, Darien Scott, Alex Swaney

*Alto:* Mary Lou Abbott, Linda Almas, Andrea Bateen, Jane Horton, Liz LeLacheur,  
Pat Mandeville, Jan Novy, Becky Piske, Marty Thieltges, Win Youngblood

*Tenor:* Chuck Michaud, John Munding, Paul Pacini, Rob Psurny

*Bass:* Doug Abbott, Ron Lee, Gordon Stockstad, Chris Tweeten

### **St. Peter's Cathedral**

The Very Rev. Stephen Brehe, *dean and rector*

*Lectors:* Kelsey Antcliff, Jackie Brehe, Matt Randles, Lea Colvill, Roger Stone, Ruth Ann Massey,  
Frank Kromkowski, Kyle Strode, Stephen Brehe