

# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 8, 2024

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On Jordan's Bank #418

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## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
He descended into hell;  
on the third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the  
Father Almighty;  
from there He will come 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 life everlasting.  
Amen.

## St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel,  
defend us in battle. Be our  
protection against the wickedness  
and snares of the Devil. May God  
rebuke him, we humbly pray,  
and do thou, O prince of the  
heavenly hosts, by the power of  
God, cast into hell Satan, and all  
evil spirits, who prowl about the  
world seeking the ruin of souls.  
Amen.

## Readings

#996

First Reading:

Baruch 5:1-9

Second Reading:

Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Gospel:

Luke 3:1-6

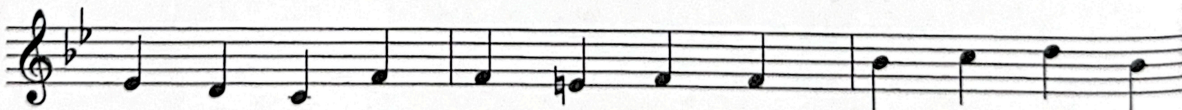


# Opening Hymn

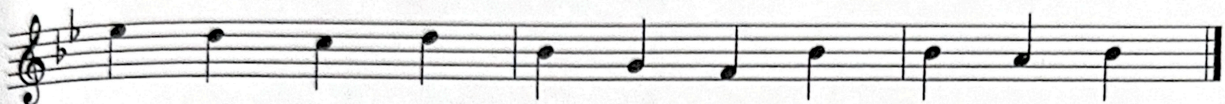
## 418 On Jordan's Bank



1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An -
2. Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make
3. For you are our sal - va - tion, Lord, Our
4. To heal the sick stretch out your hand, And
5. All praise to you, e - ter - nal Son, Whose



noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and hear - en,  
straight the way for God with - in, And let each heart pre  
ref - uge and our great re - ward; With - out your grace we  
bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; Shine forth and let your  
ad - vent has our free - dom won, Whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings.  
pare a home Where such a might - y guest may come.  
waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.  
light re - store Earth's own true love - li - ness once more.  
we a - dore, And Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er - more.

Text: *Jordanis oras praevia*; Charles Coffin, 1676–1749; tr. by John Chandler, 1806–1876, alt.  
Tune: WINCHESTER NEW, LM; adapt. from *Musikalisches Handbuch*, Hamburg, 1690

# First Reading

Bar 5:1-9

Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery;  
put on the splendor of glory from God forever:  
wrapped in the cloak of justice from God,  
bear on your head the mitre  
that displays the glory of the eternal name.  
For God will show all the earth your splendor:  
you will be named by God forever  
the peace of justice, the glory of God's worship.

Up, Jerusalem! stand upon the heights;  
look to the east and see your children  
gathered from the east and the west  
at the word of the Holy One,  
rejoicing that they are remembered by God.  
Led away on foot by their enemies they left you:  
but God will bring them back to you  
borne aloft in glory as on royal thrones.  
For God has commanded  
that every lofty mountain be made low,  
and that the age-old depths and gorges  
be filled to level ground,  
that Israel may advance secure in the glory of God.  
The forests and every fragrant kind of tree  
have overshadowed Israel at God's command;  
for God is leading Israel in joy  
by the light of his glory,  
with his mercy and justice for company.

## Responsorial Psalm

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 126:1-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6*



The Lord has done great things for  
us; we are filled with joy.

When the LORD brought back the  
exiles of Sion,  
we thought we were dreaming.  
Then was our mouth filled with  
laughter;  
on our tongues, songs of joy. *℟.*

Then the nations themselves said,  
"What great deeds the LORD  
worked for them!"  
What great deeds the LORD worked  
for us!  
Indeed, we were glad. *℟.*

Bring back our exiles, O LORD,  
as streams in the south.  
Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap. *℟.*

They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
bearing seed for the sowing;  
they come back, they come back with  
a song,  
bearing their sheaves. *℟.*

## Second Reading

Phil 1:4-6, 8-11

Brothers and sisters:

I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you,  
because of your partnership for the gospel  
from the first day until now.

I am confident of this,  
that the one who began a good work in you  
will continue to complete it  
until the day of Christ Jesus.

God is my witness,  
how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

And this is my prayer:  
that your love may increase ever more and more  
in knowledge and every kind of perception,  
to discern what is of value,  
so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ,  
filled with the fruit of righteousness  
that comes through Jesus Christ  
for the glory and praise of God.

## Gospel

Lk 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar,  
when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea,  
and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee,  
and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region  
of Ituraea and Trachonitis,  
and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene,  
during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas,  
the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert.  
John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan,  
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins,  
as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah:

A voice of one crying out in the desert:

“Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make straight his paths.

Every valley shall be filled  
and every mountain and hill shall be made low.

The winding roads shall be made straight,  
and the rough ways made smooth,  
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”



# Communion Hymns

## This Is Jesus

2071

Text and Music by Jim Cowan  
b.1952

### Refrain

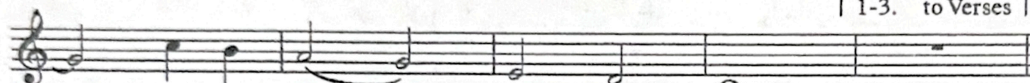


This is Je - sus, Em - ma - nu - el. God is with us,



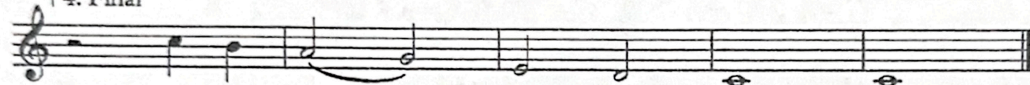
in this sa - cra - ment. Come, re - ceive Him. A - dore Him.

1-3. to Verses



This is Je - - sus, our Lord.

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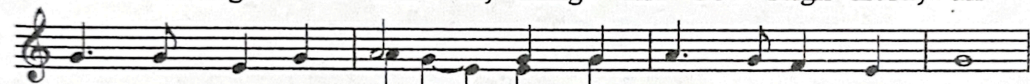


This is Je - - sus, our Lord.

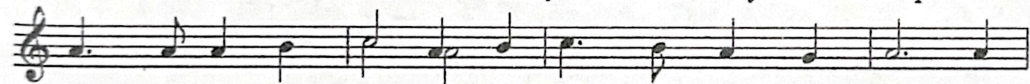
### Verses



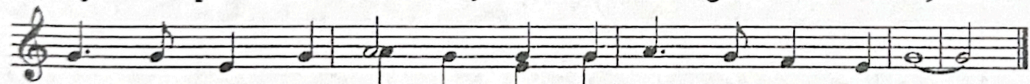
1. Bright Star of Da - vid, Ra - di - ance of God;
2. Drink of Liv - ing Wa - ters, flow - ing from the Lord.
3. Priest of high - est hon - or, King and Sov' - reign Lord, un -



now be - come the Li - ving Bread, the bo - dy of the Lord.  
Taste the cup of bless - ing par - take of pre - cious blood.  
blem - ished Lamb of Sac - ri - fice, Your ver - y life out - poured:



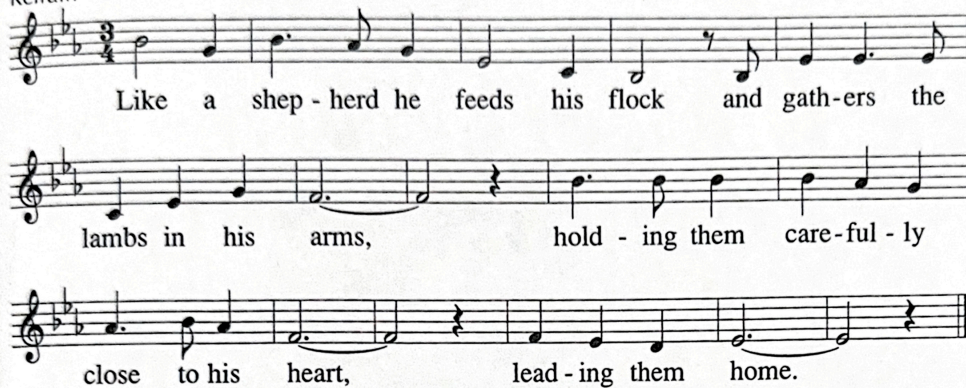
Come in a - do - ra - tion, re - ceive with trem - bling hands; the  
Riv - er of Sal - va - tion, ho - ly cleans - ing tide;  
roy - al pas - chal vic - tim, true be - got - ten Son,



sa - cra - ment most ho - ly, the ban - quet of the Lamb.  
Foun - tain of Re - demp - tion, flow - ing from the Sav - ior's side..  
of - fered as our ran - som by the Ho - ly One.

## Like a Shepherd 402

## Refrain



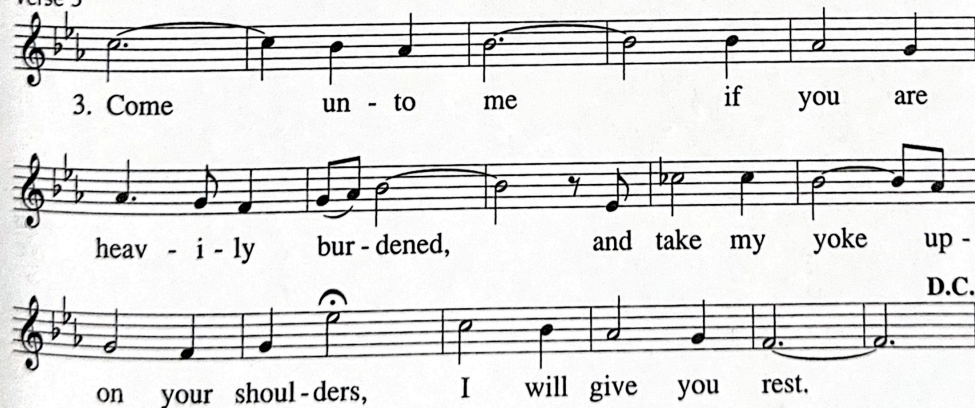
Like a shep-herd he feeds his flock and gath-ers the  
lambs in his arms, hold-ing them care-ful-ly  
close to his heart, lead-ing them home.

## Verses 1, 2



1. Say to the cit-ies of Ju-dah: Pre-pare the  
2. I my-self will shep-herd them, for oth-ers have  
way of the Lord. Go to the moun-tain top,  
led them a-stray. The lost I will res-cue and  
lift your voice; Je-ru-sa-lem, here is your God.  
heal their wounds and pas-ture them, giv-ing them rest.

## Verse 3



3. Come un-to me if you are  
heav-i-ly bur-dened, and take my yoke up-  
on your shoul-ders, I will give you rest.



## Psalm 25: To You, O Lord 40

### Refrain

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. To  
you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

### Verses

1. Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth, for you are God my Savior.
2. The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray.  
God guides the humble in the right path. He teaches his way to the poor.
3. God's ways are faithfulness and love, for those who keep his covenant and will.  
The Lord's friendship is for those who revere him: to them God reveals the covenant.

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# Days of Elijah

2035

Robin Mark



1. These are the days of E - li - jah, de -  
2. these are the days of E - ze - kiel, the  
clar - ing the Word of the Lord. And  
dry bones be - com ing as flesh; And  
these are the days of Your ser - vant, Mo - ses,  
these are the days of Your ser - vant, Da - vid, re -  
right - eous - ness be - ing re - stored. And  
build - ing a tem - ple of praise. And  
though these are days of great tri - al, of  
these are the days of the har - vest, the  
fa - mine and dark - ness and sword, still  
fields are as white in Your world. And  
we are the voice in the des - ert cry - ing, "Pre -  
we are the la - bor - ers in Your vine - yard, de -  
pare ye the way of the Lord!" Be - hold, He  
clar - ing the Word of the Lord. }  
comes ri - ding on the clouds, shin - ing like the sun  
at the trum - pet call. Lift your  
voice, it's the year of Ju - bi - lee, and out of Zi - on's  
D.C.  
hill sal - va - tion comes. Verse 2. And



# Closing Hymn

## 865 Soon and Very Soon



1. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,
2. No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
3. No more dy - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
4. Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,



Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,  
No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
No more dy - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King,



Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King.  
No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King. Hal-le-  
No more dy - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
Soon and ver - y soon we are goin' to see the King.



lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.