SACRED HEART, TAMPA
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
5:30 PM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE
29 November 2026

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening Song: Come To Us (Walton)

V. 1 Scattered and broken,
bent in our way
We are Your people,
gathered to praise You
A vineyard uprooted, narrow in sight
Come Lord of glory, come Lord of light

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,
Lord we wait, for You
Lord we wait, for You,
come Lord of glory!

V.2 Come Lord our dayspring,
come from on high
As we Your people, gather to praise, You
Unworthy to taste from,
Your heavenly vine
But Your word will heal us,
come light divine!

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,
Lord we wait, for You
Lord we wait, for You,
come Lord of glory!

Ending:

Lord we wait, for You,
come Lord of glory!

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Advent Wreath Blessing:

Blessing of Wreath and Lighting of First Candle

Priest: **May the sprinkling of this water remind all of us gathered here**
of our first sharing in the grace of baptism.
During this time of Advent may we prepare
for the Lord's coming with open hearts and minds.
May this wreath be a symbol to us of this time of prayerful watching
and waiting for the coming of the Lord,
and a symbol of faith in the power of the Holy Spirit
as we anticipate the fruits of this Advent Season.

Priest blesses the wreath.

Cantor: **Lord Jesus, you are the potter and we are the clay.**
Rend the heavens and come down to lead us in your ways.
All: Come, Lord Jesus. Come, Lord Jesus

Cantor: **Lord Jesus, St. Paul calls us to stand firm in grace**
as we await your return with hopeful hearts.
All: Come, Lord Jesus. Come, Lord Jesus

Cantor: **Lord Jesus, you tell us to be watchful and alert,**
for we do not know the hour of your coming.
All: Come, Lord Jesus. Come, Lord Jesus

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: IS 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7

You, LORD, are our father, our redeemer you are named forever. Why do you let us wander, O LORD, from your ways, and harden our hearts so that we fear you not? Return for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your heritage. Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you, while you wrought awesome deeds we could not hope for, such as they had not heard of from of old. No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God but you doing such deeds

for those who wait for him. Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways! Behold, you are angry, and we are sinful; all of us have become like unclean people, all our good deeds are like polluted rags; we have all withered like leaves, and our guilt carries us away like the wind. There is none who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to cling to you; for you have hidden your face from us and have delivered us up to our guilt. Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter: we are all the work of your hands.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 25

(Common Psalm for Advent)

To You, Oh Lord, I lift my soul! To You Oh Lord, I lift my soul!

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Second Reading: 1 COR 1:3-9

Brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always on your account for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus, that in him you were enriched in every way, with all discourse and all knowledge, as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you, so that you are not

lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will keep you firm to the end, irreproachable on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Greeting:

<u>Alleluia, Hurry the Lord is near!</u> (Sands)

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

Verse 1:

Sound the trumpet the Lord is near
Hurry the Lord is Near!
See He comes to save us all
Hurry the Lord is Near!

Refrain:

Alleluia! Hurry the Lord is near!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Hurry the Lord is near!

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Gospel: MK 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in

charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch. Watch, therefore; you do not know when the lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

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

Please be seated.

Homily

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
(all bow during the next two lines)
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.

Universal Prayer

Response: “Come, Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.”

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts & Altar*:*

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

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:

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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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: **Breathe** (Barnett)

V.1 This is the air I breathe
This is the air I breathe
Your holy presence living in me
This is my daily bread
This is my daily bread
Your very word spoken to me

Chorus:
And I, I'm desperate for You
And I, I'm lost without You

V.1 This is the air I breathe
This is the air I breathe
Your holy presence living in me
This is my daily bread
This is my daily bread
Your very word spoken to me

Chorus:
And I, I'm desperate for You
And I, I'm lost without You

Ending:
This is the air I breathe
This is the air I breathe

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Communion Song 2: **Prepare the Way**
(Hall/Giglio)

Intro:

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

Chorus:

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

V.1 You are the light of the world
You are the light of the world
You 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, Je-sus, Jesus!
Je-sus, Je-sus, Je-sus, Jesus!

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

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CONCLUDING RITE

Sending Forth Song - **Emmanuel**

(Angrisano)

Chorus Come, come, Emmanuel
Son of God appear!
Heaven and earth rejoice
Salvation is drawing near,
Salvation is drawing near!

V.1 O come O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear ***(chorus)***

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