SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

INTROIT

_Populus Sion_  
_Cf. Is 30: 19, 30_

_P_ Eople of Zi- on behold, * the Lord is coming to save all na-tions; and the Lord shall cause you to hear his ma- jes-tic voice for the joy of your heart.

Psalm 80 (79)

1. O shepherd of _Israel_, hear us, * you who lead Joseph like _a flock:_
   enthroned on the cherubim, shine forth † upon Ephraim, Benjamin, Manasseh. * Rouse up your might and come _to save_ us.

2. O God, _bring us back_; * let your face shine on us, and we shall _be saved._
3. How long, O Lord, God of hosts, *  
will you be angry at the prayer of your people?  
You have fed them with tears for their bread, *  
an abundance of tears for their drink.  
You have made us the taunt of our neighbors; *  
our foes mock us among themselves.  
Glory be to the Father ...

OFFERTORY

_Deus, tu convertens_  
*Ps 85 (84): 7-8*

You will turn toward us, O God, * and restore our life again, and your people will re-joice in you.

Show us, Lord, your mercy and grant us your salvation.

Psalm 85 (84)

1. O Lord, you have favored your land, *  
and brought back the captives of Jacob.  
You forgave the guilt of your people, *  
and covered all their sins.  
You averted all your rage; *  
you turned back the heat of your anger.
2. Bring us back, O God, our savior! *
   Put an end to your grievance against us.
   Will you be angry with us forever? *
   Will your anger last from age to age?

3. I will hear what the LORD God speaks; †
   he speaks of peace for his people and his faithful, *
   and those who turn their hearts to him.
   His salvation is near for those who fear him, *
   and his glory will dwell in our land.

4. Merciful love and faithfulness have met; *
   justice and peace have kissed.
   Faithfulness shall spring from the earth, *
   and justice look down from heaven.

5. Also the LORD will bestow his bounty, *
   and our earth shall yield its increase.
   Justice will march before him, *
   and guide his steps on the way.
Communion

Jerusalem, surge

Psalm 147B (147)

1. O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord! *
   O Sion, praise your God!
   He has strengthened the bars of your gates; *
   he has blessed your children within you.
   He established peace on your borders; *
   he gives you your fill of finest wheat.

2. He sends out his word to the earth, *
   and swiftly runs his command.

3. He hurls down hailstones like crumbs; *
   before such cold, who can stand?
   He sends forth his word and it melts them; *
   at the blowing of his breath the waters flow.

4. He reveals his word to Jacob; *
   to Israel, his decrees and judgments.
   He has not dealt thus with other nations; *
   he has not taught them his judgments.

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