

# St. John's Episcopal Church

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT NOVEMBER 27, 2022

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist - Rite I - p. 3 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist - Rite II - p. 7

# **Today's Readings**

# Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jamas Isaiah cerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills: all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob. come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

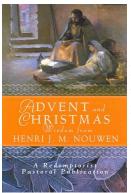
# Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in

debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

## Matthew 24:36-44

esus said to the disciples, "But about that **J** day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field: one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."



Copies of Advent and Christmas Wisdom from Henri J.M. Nouwen: Daily Scripture and Prayers together with Nouwen's Own Words will be available in Guerry Hall for \$8. Reflections for each day begin with the words of Henri Nouwen followed by Scripture readings and prayers. A wonderful way to begin this new church year.

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8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church

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# THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand.

### The Acclamation and Response

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*Celebrant:* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People:** And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

### The Liturgy of the Advent Wreath

**Reader:** Jesus said: "I am the light of the world. Those who follow me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

All: Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly.

**Reader:** The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. They lived in a land of shadows, but now light is shining on them. (Isaiah 9:2)

**Reader:** We light this candle to remind us of the hope of all people for a Savior who will bring us freedom and peace. This hope was promised by the prophets of the Old Testament, who shared their vision of justice coming to the earth by the mighty acts of God.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Father, you awaken in us the desire for the coming of your Son Jesus. May he kindle in us the light of his love, and bring the kingdom of peace and justice you promise for the whole earth.

#### The Collect of the Day

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you. **People:** And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

Please be seated.

#### The First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

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**Reader:** The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 122** (said responsively by whole verse)

I was glad when they said to me,

"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

Now our feet are standing

within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself:

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For there are	the thrones of judgment,	
	nes of the house of David.	
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Peace be with and quie	in your walls tness within your towers.	
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People:	We lift them up unto the Lord.	
Celebrant: People:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  It is meet and right so to do.	

The Celebrant continues.

#### Sanctus and Benedictus

**Celebrant and People:** (said together)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand.

The Celebrant continues.

The Lord's Prayer (said together)

### The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant:* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People:** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

## **Prayer of Humble Access**

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We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen*.

#### **Invitation to Communion**

### **The Postcommunion Prayer**

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The Blessing

The Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.



## Service Participants

Celebrant

**Liturgy of the Advent Wreath** 

The Reverend Canon Calhoun Walpole The McShane Family

**Adult Acolyte** 

Reader

Jack Case

Jack Barnett

Chalice Bearer

Flower Guild

Rebecca Hyleman

**Beverly Gumb** 

The cloud-capp'd towers, the gorgeous palaces, The solemn temples, the great globe itself, Yea, all which it inherit, shall dissolve . . .

We are such stuff

As dreams are made on, and our little life Is rounded with a sleep.

-William Shakespeare

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FOR NOVEMBER 27, 2022

*Celebrant:* As we prepare to meet the Lord of righteousness, let us offer prayers to the Son of Man who comes with power and great glory; saying: Come, O Lord, and save us.

*Celebrant:* For the peace of the world, and for our unity in Christ, we pray.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

*Celebrant:* For Ruth our Bishop, Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Justin Archbishop of Canterbury; for all priests and deacons, and all who minister in Christ; and for all the holy people of God, we pray.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

*Celebrant:* For the church throughout the world, and the faithful in every place, we pray.

**People:** Come, O Lord, and save us.

*Celebrant:* For the leaders of the nations and all in authority; for justice, peace, and freedom among

the peoples of the earth; for all those who serve at home or overseas; we pray.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

*Celebrant:* In thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life, we pray.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

*Celebrant:* For travelers, for the hungry, and oppressed, and for those in prison, we pray.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

*Celebrant:* For those we love, our family and friends; for those in special need:

*Celebrant:* We pray.

**People:** Come, O Lord, and save us.

*Celebrant:* For those who have died in the faith of Christ and for the promise of the resurrection to

be fulfilled; We pray.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

*Celebrant:* O Emmanuel, our king and lawgiver, desire of all nations and Saviour of all peoples, come and save us, O Lord our God. Glory to you for ever.

# ADVENT: THE NEW YEAR IN THE CHURCH

Today we begin Year A in the Revised Common Lectionary. The Gospel Readings in Year A are taken primarily from the Gospel of Matthew.

The season of Advent is above all a time of watching and waiting for the coming of the kingdom of God. It shares with Lent a certain spirit of restraint, preparation, and penitence, but it is one shot through with confident joy as Christmas approaches. The readings reflect this dual aspect. In the early part of Advent they focus upon the coming of Christ at the last day. As the season progresses, the readings in company with the lectionary look towards the birth of the promised Messiah, and reflect upon the unique roles played by John the Baptist, the Lord's forerunner, and of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, in the plan of salvation.

From Celebrating the Seasons

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10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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**Prelude** 

Sleepers Wake, a Voice is Calling!

Johann Sebastian Bach

Please stand.

**Processional Hymn 61** 

"Sleepers wake!" A voice astounds us

Wachet Auf

## THE WORD OF GOD

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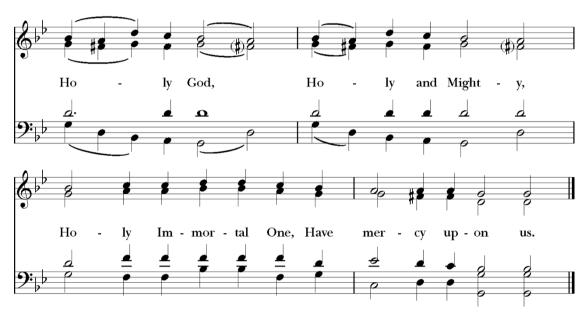
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Celebrant: Let us pray.

Father, you awaken in us the desire for the coming of your Son Jesus. May he kindle in us the light of his love, and bring the kingdom of peace and justice you promise for the whole earth.

## **Trisagion Hymnal S 102** (Sung three times)

Alexander Archangelsky



#### The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.People: And also with you.Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

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Now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself;

To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.

For there are the thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
"May they prosper who love you.

Peace be within your walls and quietness within your towers.

For my brethren and companions' sake, I pray for your prosperity.

Because of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek to do you good."

### The Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Sequence Hymn 68

*Rejoice!* rejoice, believers

Llangloffan

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

**Celebrant:** The Gospel of the Lord. **People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

#### The Sermon

A period of silent reflection is kept.

Please stand.

The Nicene Creed 358

The Prayers of the People (Today's prayers are found on page 6)

# Confession of Sin and Absolution

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The people kneel or stand.

The Peace 360

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

Please be seated.

### **Lessons from the Angel Oak**

#### **Announcements**

### **Birthday and Anniversary Prayers**

**Commissioning of Steve Johnston for New Ministry** 

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Conditor alme siderum

Hermann Schroeder

Please stand.

**Presentation Hymn 60** (Verse 6)

Doxology

Conditor alme siderum

To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, praise, honor, might, and glory be from age to age eternally. Amen.

**Eucharistic Prayer B** 

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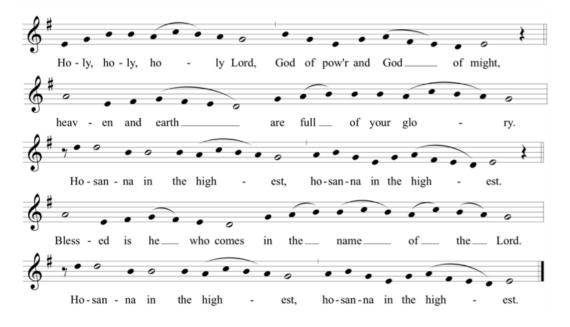
The Great Thanksgiving

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**Sanctus** Veni, veni Emmanuel



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The Celebrant continues.

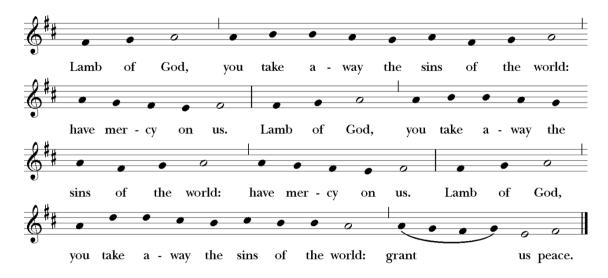
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#### Fraction Anthem S 161

David Hurd



#### Invitation to Communion

### The Communion of the People

The congregation is invited to sing the Communion Hymns.

**Communion Hymn 56** 

O come, O come, Emmanuel

Veni, veni Emmanuel

After Communion, the Celebrant says let us pray.

**The Postcommunion Prayer** (said together)

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The Blessing

**Recessional Hymn 57** 

Lo! he comes, with clouds descending

Helmsley

The Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**People:** Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Postlude** 

O Thou of God the Father

Iohann Sebastian Bach



# **JOIN US!**

Beginning Tuesday, November 29th

Advent Book Study with The Reverend Deacon Ross Tortora Tuesdays at 10am in Guerry Hall Life of the Beloved by Henri Nouwen

Books will be available for purchase in the office and via Amazon.

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## Service Participants

#### Celebrant

The Reverend Canon Calhoun Walpole

#### Music

Sam Carabetta

#### **Liturgy of the Advent Wreath**

The Hyleman Family

#### Readers

Jane Charles
Joe Tierney

#### **Chalice Bearers**

Kelly Wiggins Patty Rosenberg

Acolyte

TJ Wiggins

Flower Guild

**Beverly Gumb** 

"Watching" for Christians is to consist of a concern for the rights and well-being of our fellow servants. . .as well as anything of which we have been made stewards. . .What we remember especially on this First Sunday of Advent is that even the presence of Immanuel, God with us now, is not the end or the final promise. There is something more. In the end, whether we "watch" or not, whether we care or not, the marble will crumble. The pretensions of nations, empires, planets, galaxies, and the universe itself will vanish.

And what shall we have to offer in return?

We shall have our tears, which are the signs of contrition, and our prayers and our desire to be prayed for, which are the signs that we acknowledge our dependence upon God.

Through tears and prayers God can work in us, until at last we will be able to say with blessed Mary, "Behold the Lord's handmaid, let it be to me according to your Word."

When we can say that and mean it joyfully, as she did, then we shall be ready to raise our eyes to the throne, and to enter the joy of the Kingdom. When we can say that, and mean it joyfully, then we shall be ready to respond:

"Come, Lord Jesus."

-Christopher Bryan

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