



EMMANUEL CHURCH

NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

We share our home, building a vibrant, loving community.

The Second Sunday of Advent



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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

December 8, 2024

8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Greensleeves

Richard Purvis

HYMN 65

Prepare the way O Zion

THE ADVENT WREATH

A treasured way in our Episcopal tradition to mark our progress during Advent as we wait for God’s light to break through the darkness with Jesus’ birth. While the Advent wreath is a tradition that originated in families, and is not part of our worship liturgies, it is a lovely tradition to remember at the start of worship as we light candles for hope, peace, joy, and love. The four candles do not have any specific meaning within The Episcopal Church, but the themes of hope, peace, joy, and love are perfect for Advent, with joy on the third Sunday — Gaudete Sunday — represented by the pink candle. For churches that observe Advent with the liturgical color purple, the pink represents a lift in the observance of Advent as a semi-penitential season, or mini-Lent. In contrast, many Episcopal churches use Sarum blue vestments and altar hangings during Advent, which distinguishes the unique features of hopeful waiting in Advent over the penitence of Lent as we wait for God to come in human flesh. (prayers adapted from the text of The Rev. Matthew Kozlowski for Virginia Theological Seminary)

Second Sunday of Advent

Leader Today we light the first and second candles of the Advent wreath.

The first is for HOPE, the second candle is for PEACE.

The candles are lit.

Leader Almighty God, you offer rest for our hearts, and peace for our souls. Give us grace to seek peace in our lives, peace in this community, and peace in the world. Through Jesus Christ, the prince of peace.

People **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY, *prayed aloud by all*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORY TO GOD S273, *Book of Common Prayer* page 356



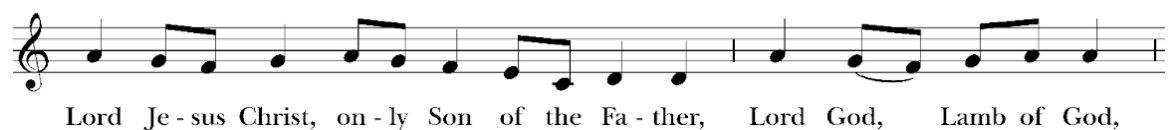
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



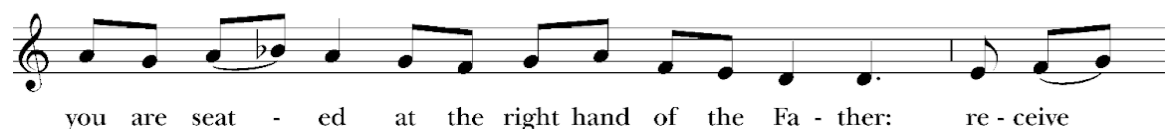
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



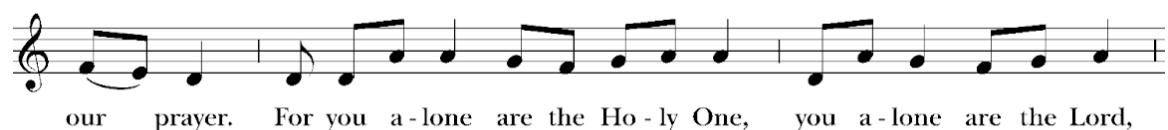
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive



our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE FIRST READING

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem,
and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God.
Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God;
put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting;
for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven.
For God will give you evermore the name,
"Righteous Peace, Godly Glory."
Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height;
look toward the east,
and see your children gathered from west and east
at the word of the Holy One,
rejoicing that God has remembered them.
For they went out from you on foot,
led away by their enemies;
but God will bring them back to you,
carried in glory, as on a royal throne.
For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low
and the valleys filled up, to make level ground,
so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God.
The woods and every fragrant tree
have shaded Israel at God's command.
For God will lead Israel with joy,
in the light of his glory,
with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

Baruch 5:1-9

Lector The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

RESPONSE, Canticle 16



Blessed be the Lord, the God of **Israel**, *
he has come to his people and set them **free**.
He has raised up for us a mighty **savior**, *
born of the house of his servant **David**.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our **enemies**, *
from the hands of all who **hate us**.
He promised to show mercy to our **fathers** *
and to remember his holy **covenant**.

This was the oath he swore to our father **Abraham**, *
to set us free from the hands of our **enemies**,
Free to worship him without **fear**, *
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our **life**.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most **High**, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his **way**,
To give his people knowledge of **salvation** *
by the forgiveness of their **sins**.

In the tender compassion of our **God** *
the dawn from on high shall break **upon us**,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of **death**, *
and to guide our feet into the way of **peace**.

ΩGlory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy **Spirit**: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. **Amen**.

THE SECOND READING

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Lector The Word of the Lord
People Thanks be to God

Philippians 1:3-11

FOR THE SEQUENCE, Hymn 75 *There's a voice in the wilderness crying*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around 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,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord,

make his paths straight.

Every valley shall be filled,

and every mountain and hill shall be made low,

and the crooked shall be made straight,

and the rough ways made smooth;

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

Luke 3:1-6

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

Andy Ross

THE NICENE CREED, *recited together, standing*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, *form VI*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. (*silence, then...*) For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

We pray for our mayor, our governor, our president and for this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

O Lord our Governor, bless the leaders of our land, that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth. Grant to the President and members of the Cabinet, to Governors of States, Mayors of Cities, and to all in administrative authority, wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties.

Give courage, wisdom, and foresight to Senators and Representatives, and legislators in States, Cities, and Towns, to provide for the needs of all our people, and to fulfill our obligations in the community of nations. Give understanding and integrity to the Judges and officers of our Courts, that human rights may be safeguarded and justice served.

And finally, teach our people to rely on your strength and to accept their responsibilities to their fellow citizens, that they may elect trustworthy leaders and make wise decisions for the well-being of our society; that we may serve you faithfully in our generation and honor your holy Name.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

O God of all justice and peace we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land. Be with those who need you in these days of suffering; we pray for people of all faiths - Jews, Muslims and Christians, for all people of the land. While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and the establishment of peace, we also call for you to bring justice and equity to the peoples. Guide us into your kingdom where all people are treated with dignity and honor as your children, for to all of us, you are our Heavenly Father.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For our rector, our bishop, our presiding bishop, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for

In the cycle of prayer of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island we pray for... .

In the Emmanuel Church Cycle of Prayer, we pray for

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation we ask your prayers for ... hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

(the people may add their thanksgivings)

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

CONFESSION

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

(Silence is kept)

Have mercy upon us,

most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

THE PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

NOTICES

THE HOLY COMMUNION



THE OFFERTORY

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AT THE OFFERTORY

like a child

Daniel Charles Damon

*like a child love would send to reveal and to mend, like a child and a friend, Jesus comes
like a child we may find claiming heart soul and mind, like a child strong and kind, Jesus comes.*

*like a child we will meet, ragged clothes dirty feet like a child on the street, Jesus comes
like a child we once knew coming back into view, like a child born anew, Jesus Comes.*

*like a child born to pray and to show us the way, like a child on the street, Jesus comes
like a child we receive all the love one can conceive, like a child we believe, Jesus comes.*

for the presentation of gifts the people stand and sing

Hymn 380, stanza 3

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below,
praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, BCP page 367, *Eucharistic Prayer B*

SURSUM CORDA, BCP 361, S112

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every- where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. *Et etc. ... concluding*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS S115, *Book of Common Prayer* page 362

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord
God of Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full
of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Priest We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; *Et etc. ... concluding*

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People **We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Priest We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, *Et etc. concluding ...*

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say, we are bold to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM S160

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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COMMUNION, Hymn 56

O come, O come, Emmanuel

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER, *prayed aloud together, standing, kneeling or sitting as you prefer*

Priest Let us pray.

People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN 66

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

POSTLUDE

Carillon de Westminster

Louis Vierne

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Andy Ross, David Thalmann, *readers* Margaret Keiran, *intercessor* Ellen Vadney, *livestream*
Jackie Breen, Dave Monroe, *ushers* Fay Gosling, Valerie Martin, *counters*

The Musicians' Circle

Ali Hosford, *Artist in Residence*, Randy Elkins, *Director of Music & Organist*
Nellie Horvath, *Music Assistant*, Ethan Boucher & Tara Byrnes, *Choral Scholars*

Brooke Daigle, Nancy Zitka, Margaret Keiran, Debbie Venancio, Danielly Muchiutti,
Kathleen Tocke, Duffy, Suzanna Laramée, Della Wager Wells+, Jane Dyer, Susan Barnes+,
Paige Dinger, Barbara Chapman, Carmen DeFabo, Caleb Dinger, Duffy, Ellen Vadney (+cameras),
Kevin Venancio, David Thalmann, David Frazier, Ryan Brown, Lyndsay Brown (sound), Jodie DeSalvo,
Elinora-Rosaria Deininger, Luke Bayne, Duffy, Marshall Saunders, Sylvia Strong, Barbara Barrow

Bible Study follows the 8:00 a.m. service in the Library.

Choir Practice follows the 8:00 a.m. service in the Church.

Coffee Hour follows the 10:00 a.m. service in the Library.

MUSIC NOTES

Greensleeves by Richard Purvis (US Army, WW2). In 1943 Purvis attained the rank of warrant officer and was assigned to the 28th Infantry Division Band as bandmaster. Purvis's band was given the honor of being the first to march through Paris after its liberation. This setting of *Greensleeves* was written in a foxhole under enemy fire. Purvis was captured in the *Battle of the Bulge* and held prisoner at Stalag 13B in Hammelburg, Bavaria. One of Purvis' most famous organ students, Thomas Hazelton, was co-designer of the organ heard today at Emmanuel Church. In the organ world we often speak of "The Purvis Sound." Emmanuel's organ definitely has that sound!

Carillon de Westminster by Louis Vierne. Vierne, unable to pursue military service due to extremely poor eyesight, allowed his son Jacques to enlist for WW1 while still a minor. Vierne lost his brother Rene, as well as Jacques in the war. Vierne died as he began the final portion of his 1750th organ recital at the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris, where he was the lead organist for nearly 40 years. He was to end the program with an improvisation. He put his left foot on the low D pedal and then breathed his last.

SAVE THE DATES

December 8 at 1:00 & 3:30 **Cantus at the Mansion**, presented by Newport Classical at *Rosecliff*

Limited Tickets remain for tickets and program information visit www.newportclassical.org

December 10 at 5:00 **Taize prayer service** at *Our Lady of Mercy Chapel, Salve Regina University, 100 Ochre Point Ave, Newport, RI*

Advent themed prayer service that falls right at the beginning of exam week in the university. Mercy Chapel is a peaceful space where the congregation surrounds the altar. Led by Randy Elkins, with cantors Ethan Boucher and Duffy. Barbara Barrow will play the cello. Other Salve Students familiar to Emmanuel will also sing. Please join us.

SAVE THE DATES, continues

December 11 & 12 at 5 and 7 pm **Walking with Emmanuel** A facilitated labyrinth prayer walk *In the Church*

What is a labyrinth? A labyrinth is an ancient meditative walk along a prescribed path that leads to a center spot. "Facilitated" means that you will be guided through the process by an individual trained to assist you, in this case our parishioner Laurie Bosman. One enters the labyrinth at a particular point, walks slowly to the center, pauses, and returns along the same path to the point of entry. It is a personal, individual walk, but is done in community. We walk the labyrinth with an intention, both communal and personal. The personal can be anything from "I don't know why I'm here" to "I just want to walk" to "what is the meaning of my life?". The labyrinth walk is sacred; it is contemplative; it is fun. We hope you will join us.

December 12 at 6 pm **Evening Prayer** in All Saints Chapel, Emmanuel Church

Preceding the monthly meeting of the Vestry.

December 13 at 7:30 pm **Newport Navy Choristers, A Concert to Benefit Lucy's Hearth**

at *St. Barnabas Catholic Church, 1697 E. Main, Portsmouth, RI*, tickets at www.lucyshearth.org Emmanuel members Ellen Vadney, Paige and Caleb Dinger, and Nancy Zitka perform with this group.

December 14 **Newport Classical Christmas** at *Emmanuel Church* - both performances **SOLD OUT**

December 17 at 1 pm **Voices from the land of the Holy One** an online conversation...

...with Archbishop Hosam Naoum of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, St. George's College, Jerusalem Dean Richard Sewell, and North American Regional Committee president The Rev. Barkley Thompson with updates on Advent in the Holy Lands during wartime. Panelists include: Hosam Naoum - *Archbishop, Diocese of Jerusalem; Jerusalem*, Richard Sewell - *Dean, St. George's College; Jerusalem*, Barkley Thompson - *President, North American Committee; Board Member, St. George's College; Little Rock, Arkansas*, Della Wager Wells - *Corporate Secretary, North American Committee; Newport, Rhode Island*

December 18 at 6 pm **Blue Christmas** at *Trinity Church* 1 Queen Anne Square, Newport, RI

Praying, sharing stories, and lighting candles against the dark night that surrounds, then taking that light into your heart. All are welcome. More info? Direct questions to ParishAssoc@trinitynewport.org.

December 22 at 4 pm **Lessons and Carols** at *Trinity Church* 1 Queen Anne Square, Newport, RI

Trinity's annual service follows the pattern of Bible lessons and music of Advent and Christmas developed in the Church of England. Choral works of Palestrina, Martini, Kingsley, Hovlund, Caracciolo, McMillan and Kirchner

December 24 at 4 pm **Christmas EVE Holy Eucharist Rite II with Music**

Please join us for this most beautiful of services in the rare, exquisite beauty of our Church.

December 25 at 10 am **Christmas DAY Holy Eucharist Rite II with Music**

This year Emmanuel hosts the Christmas Day service bringing together congregants from Emmanuel, St. Johns and Trinity. We will be led by clergy from each congregation and by the Emmanuel Musicians' Circle.