

*Hope
is the only
thing stronger
than fear*

Welcome to **SAINT MARK'S**

The First Sunday of Advent, Year A

NOVEMBER 29, 2025 at 5:00 P.M

NOVEMBER 30, 2025 at 9:30 A.M

+ --Appropriate place to make the "Sign of the cross"

BCP—The "Black" Book of Common Prayer

Hymnal—The "Red" Hymnal 1982

LEVAS—Music from Lift Every Voice and Sing Hymnal
(Episcopal)

WLP—Music from Wonder, Love, and Praise Hymnal (Episcopal)

VF—Music from Voices Found Hymnal (Episcopal)

Please silence your cell phone

Welcome to Saint Mark's Church. On this Advent Sunday, the liturgy is centered on the second Advent of Christ, when he will return as judge and establish the Kingdom of God. In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells his followers that his return will be sudden and with no warning. Therefore, we are to live at all times as though his return is imminent. In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah foresees that Kingdom as God's reign over a united and peaceful humanity. All people will know themselves to be the children of God and brothers and sisters to all other people. The second reading from Romans exhorts us to live as though we were in the last days. We are to live as though the Kingdom has come; shunning darkness and living in the light of God's presence. The Advent theme that points to Jesus' first coming in his birth becomes the sign for us of the Advent yet to come. As we gather in the Eucharist, we find in our liturgical action a foretaste of the unity and peace of God's Kingdom. We recognize that in this in-between time (between Jesus' first coming and his second) we ourselves are caught up in the Eucharist into the Kingdom.

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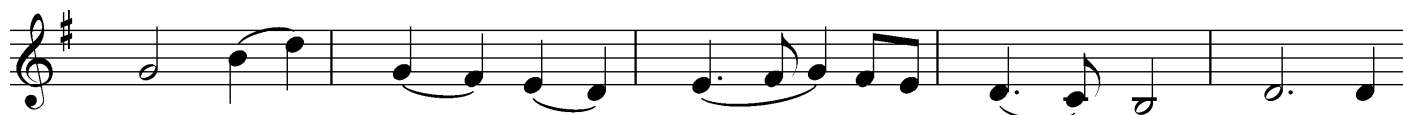
Prelude

God's People Gather Together

Processional Hymn

Lo! He comes, with clouds descending

Hymn 57



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath – Week One is HOPE

Celebrant In the days of exile and uncertainty, the prophet Isaiah cried out:

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence. As when fire sets twigs ablaze and causes water to boil, come down to make your name known to your enemies and cause the nations to quake before you! For when you did awesome things that we did not expect, you came down, and the mountains trembled before you. (*Isaiah 64:1-3*)

LEM In the midst of our own encounters with uncertainty and upheaval and our longing for deliverance, Jesus calls to us, “Therefore, keep awake – for you do not know when the master of the house will come” (*Mark 13:35*).

All *We wait as people surprised again and again by God who shakes us out of our complacency and wakes us up to the work of the kin-dom all around us.*

Celebrant We light this candle as a sign of our shocking hope. May we stay awake to God’s activity in the world as we wait in expectation that even now God is with us, working to restore us to the fullness of life with God and one another. Amen.

Light the first candle of the Advent wreath.

The Advent Wreath Hymn – Candle of Hope

LYONS 10.10.11.11 ("O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!")

*The candle of hope we light in this hour
Proclaims that the Lord is coming in power.
We wait for a future, now hidden from view,
When Christ in his glory will make all things new.*

Celebrant + **B**lessed are you, holy and living One.

People *You come to your people and set them free. Amen.*

Collect for Purity

(BCP p. 355)

Celebrant and People

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.

Trisagion

(at 5:00 p.m.)

(BCP p.354)

*Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.*

(at 9:30 a.m.)

Liturgy of St. Chrysostom

Fernando Ortega or Fred Read

$\text{♩} = 65$

Voice

Ho - ly God Ho - ly and migh - ty -

6

Vo.

ty, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, have mer - cy. Have

10

Vo.

mer - cy on us. Ho - ly God

15

Vo.

Ho - ly and migh - ty - ty, Ho - ly Im -

18

Vo.

mor - tal One, have mer - cy. Have mer - cy on us.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Together, 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.

The people sit.

The Word of God

First Reading *Isaiah 2:1-5*

Lector A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning 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!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 122 *Laetatus sum*

At the beginning the refrain is first played through by the organ, then sung by the Cantor, and finally sung by the Congregation.



² Now our feet are standing * within your gates, O Jerusalem.

³ Jerusalem is built as a city * that is at unity with itself; *Antiphon:*

⁴ To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, *
the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord,

⁵ For there are the thrones of judgment, * the thrones of the house of David. *Antiphon:*

⁶ Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: * "May they prosper who love you.

⁷ Peace be within your walls * and quietness within your towers. *Antiphon:*

⁸ For my brethren and companions' sake, * I pray for your prosperity.

⁹ Because of the house of the Lord our God, * I will seek to do you good." *Antiphon:*

Sequence Hymn

God, You Alone Know What You've Planned

CAROL 8.6.8.6 D ("It Came Upon the Midnight Clear")

1. *God, you alone know what you've planned For earth and sky and sea.
Creation waits your loving hand To bring in what will be.
When things we trust in shift and shake And sorrows multiply,
We hear you calling, "Keep awake! Redemption is close by!"*
2. *O Christ, you taught us, "Watch the trees As seasons change each year,
For when they bud and grow new leaves You know that summer's near."
May we look round this changing earth And see with faith-filled eyes
Your signs of newness, life and birth That witness to the wise.*
3. *Though heav'n and earth will pass away, Your word will still be true.
O Son of Man, on that great day, We'll be secure in you.
For at the close of history When all that's past shall end,
The one who judges us will be No stranger, but a friend.*

4. *So by your Spirit may we share The life you're bringing forth:
May we seek justice, end despair, And work to heal the earth.
For there's a new day coming near With no more death or pain;
Till then, we'll seek to serve you here And welcome in your reign.*

Biblical References: Luke 21:25-36; Matthew 24:29-36; Mark 13:24-32; Romans 8:34; John 15:13-15; Romans 8:16-17; Isaiah 1:17; Luke 4:18; Revelation 22:2, 21:4, 11:15; Matthew 6:9-14, 33 Tune: Richard Storrs Willis, Church Chorals and Choir Studies, 1850 ("It Came Upon the Midnight Clear") Text: Copyright © 2009 by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette. All rights reserved.

The Gospel

Matthew 24:36-44

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

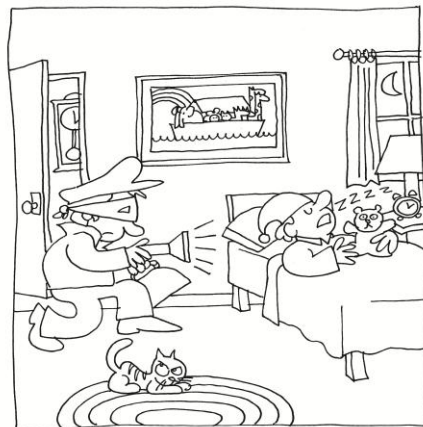
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*



Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that 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."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*



The Sermon

+ May the words of my mouth and the meditations of all our hearts be always acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer. Amen.

The people sit.

After the Sermon, the people stand as they are able.

The Affirmation of Faith – The Nicene Creed

(BCP p. 358)

*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

Celebrant As salvation draws near, let us be awake, alert, and watchful for the One who has come and will come into our lives, saying: Holy God, *hear our prayer.*

LEM For the Church, especially Sean our Presiding Bishop, Lawrence, Geralyn, and William our bishops, and for Chris and Anne our priests. We pray for our sisters and brothers at the Church of the Atonement. We also pray that while surrounded by the darkness of selfishness, jealousy and greed, we may live as children of light and show God's love to those around us. Holy God, *hear our prayer.*

For this parish family, that in our worship and work we may live together in joyful hope. Holy God, *hear our prayer.*

For peace in all troubled places, that God will teach the hearts of all the human family to turn swords into plows and resources for war into healing and development. Holy God, *hear our prayer.*

For all who are burdened by the cares of life, that they may always be ready to welcome Christ wherever he reveals himself. Holy God, *hear our prayer.*

For all who are busy and hurried, for refugees and travelers who are separated from homeland or family, for those who await God's healing & blessing, remembering especially the people of the Middle East, Ukraine, Armenia, Haiti, and those on our Prayer List. *(The people may add petitions for any need or concern.)* We pray that they may find God's care and compassion as others reach out to them. Holy God, *hear our prayer.*

For ourselves in this Advent time of waiting, that we may be thankful for all the blessings we enjoy and seek ways to share them with others. Holy God, *hear our prayer.*

For those who have died. *(The people may add petitions either silently or aloud.)* We pray that that they may walk in the light of the Lord. Holy God, *hear our prayer.*

For all the blessings we have received. We give thanks this week for John Kern and Alicia Andria who are celebrating their birthdays.

For a Birthday - O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray on John and Alicia as they begin another year. Grant that they will grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Rosemary of Remembrance on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Paul & Lisa Canty in loving memory of Drew Kleinknecht and by Laura Bott in loving memory of her father, George Mooney.

In the communion of Mary the Mother of Jesus, Andrew the Apostle and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, to Christ our God. *To you, O Lord our God.*

All: O God of Jacob for whom we long, hear our prayers and keep us ever watchful, that when Christ our Savior comes, we may welcome him with joy and gladness. This we ask in his most holy Name. Amen.

The Confession

(BCP p. 360)

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

Celebrant and People

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.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution.

+ Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

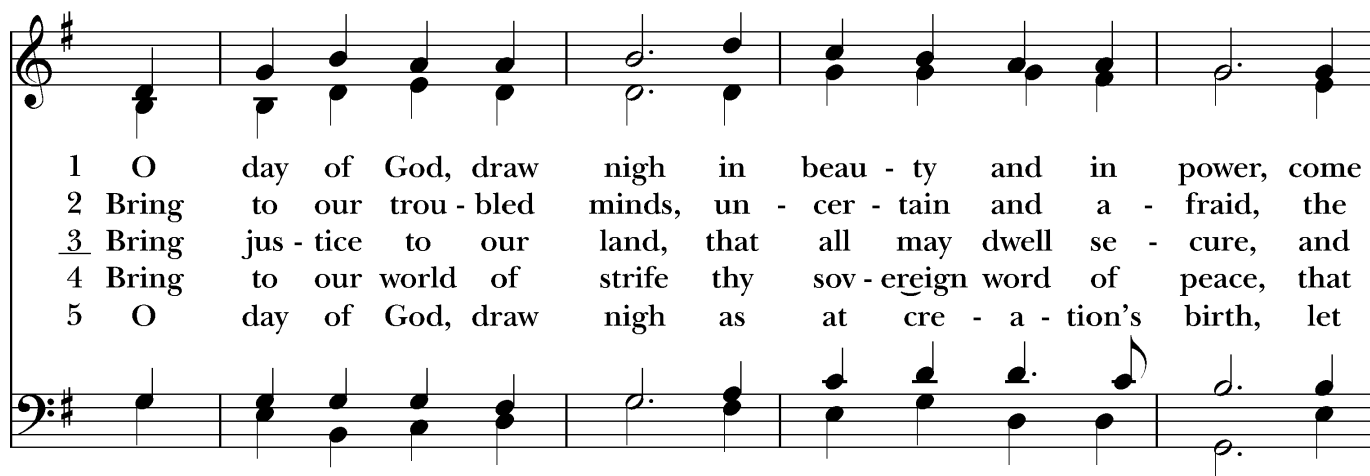
The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

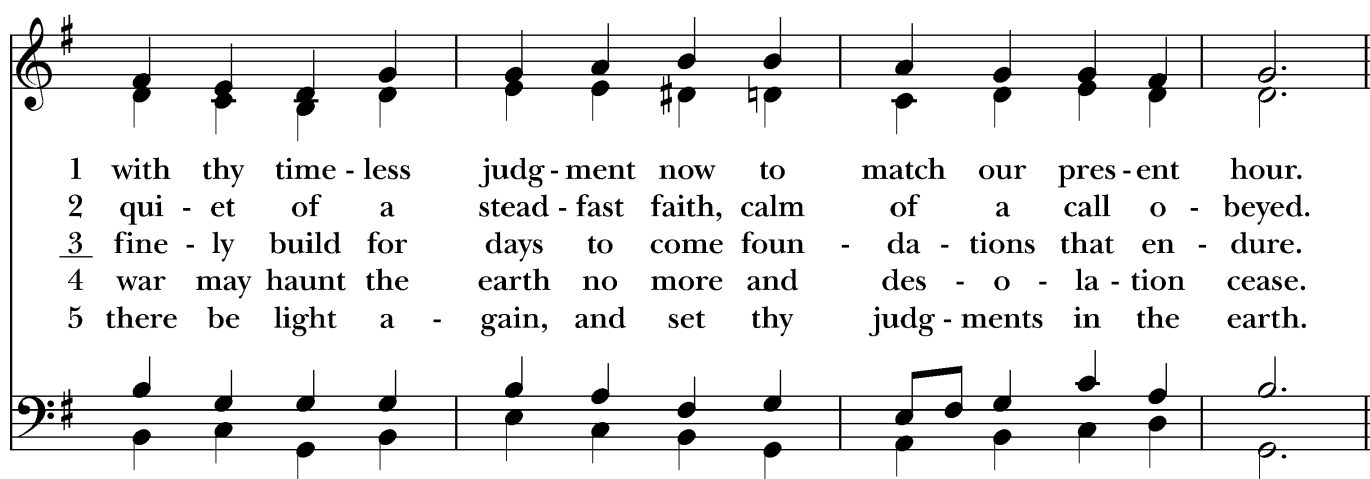
People *And also with you.*

Offertory Sentence

But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16*



1 O day of God, draw nigh in beau - ty and in power, come
 2 Bring to our trou - bled minds, un - cer - tain and a - fraid, the
 3 Bring jus - tice to our land, that all may dwell se - cure, and
 4 Bring to our world of strife thy sov - ereign word of peace, that
 5 O day of God, draw nigh as at cre - a - tion's birth, let



1 with thy time - less judg - ment now to match our pres - ent hour.
 2 qui - et of a stead - fast faith, calm of a call o - beyed.
 3 fine - ly build for days to come foun - da - tions that en - dure.
 4 war may haunt the earth no more and des - o - la - tion cease.
 5 there be light a - gain, and set thy judg - ments in the earth.

The Presentation of Gifts

(At 9:30 a.m.)

All things come of thee, O Lord; and of thine own have we given thee, Amen.

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures
here be - low. Praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly host. Praise
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -
man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674
Music: 15th Century French

VENI EMMANUEL
LM with Refrain

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The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (*Eucharistic Prayer from the Angel's Song*)

Celebrant The Lord is here.

People *His Spirit is with us.*

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 God thanks and praise.*

Covenant God, in the beginning you called your creation good
and flooded it with beauty and bounty, glory and grace.

In the days of Noah you drowned your creation
to wash away sin and draw your own sons and daughters to yourself.

Through your covenant with Israel your promises flowed to all nations,
and in Jesus Christ you drew us out of our waywardness
into the relentless flood of your mercy.

His death was the drowning of our sin;
his resurrection and ascension bless all nations
to stream toward you in glory.

And so we praise you with angels and archangels
and all the company of heaven as we join their unending hymn.

Sanctus (At 5:00 p.m.)

Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

+ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Sanctus (9:30 a.m.)

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, — hea - ven and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. —

Peacemaking God, in Christ you made an ending
of the life of spears and swords,
and came to us with ploughshares and pruning hooks,
the tools of planting and cultivating, that we might be fed.

In him you showed us how to study war no more,
how to lay down our swords and shields and how to feast with the prince of peace.

As you came to us to be our very food and drink,
send your Holy Spirit upon this bread and cup
and make them be for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks,
broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying,
'Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper he took the cup.
Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

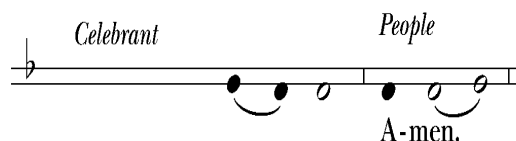
Great is the mystery of faith.
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

God of prophets and promises, as you turn swords into ploughshares,
take our sin and reshape us for salvation.

Take our foolishness and bend us toward faith.
Take our hostility and refashion us for heaven
in the crucible of your love.

Stir your church with wakening hope,
that soon and very soon we are going to see our king.

Quicken our spirits with trust in that day
when we who have been blessed with such hope
will gather around your throne with saints of every age,
in praise and thanksgiving to you,
one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.



The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, praying in the words that Jesus taught us,

People and Celebrant

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.

The Breaking of the Bread – Agnus Dei

(At 5:00 p.m.)

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.*

(At 9:30 a.m.)

Tom Gibbs

Antiphon: Cantor, then All



Cantor:

And at last may we come to your heavenly table
where we will join with saints and angels
at the feast you have prepared from the beginning. *Antiphon*

Invitation to Communion

(BCP p. 364)

Celebrant The Gifts of God for us the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. *Amen.*

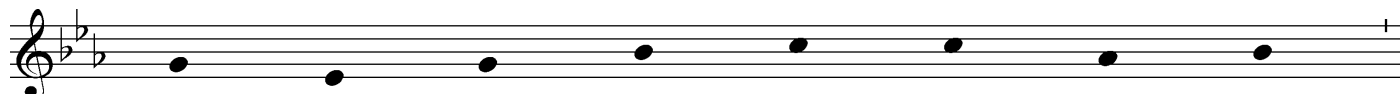


Communion Norms--We welcome our guests this morning. All are welcome at the Lord's table. You may stand or kneel (whichever you prefer). You are invited to eat the wafer and then drink from the cup. **We regret that you are not permitted to intinct (dip the wafer) at this time. Instead, you may keep your wafer visible in your hands and Fr. Chris or the Lay Eucharistic Minister will intinct for you and place the wafer on your on your tongue.** The people respond after receiving the bread or the wine by saying "Amen." If you prefer not to receive the cup, please cross your arms over your chest. If you do not want to receive communion, you are still welcome to come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing from the priest. Gluten free wafers are available. Please notify Fr. Chris at the Communion Rail.

Communion Hymn

Creator of the stars at night

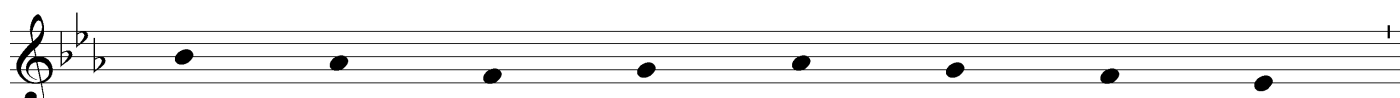
Hymnal 60



1 Cre - a - tor of the stars of night,
2 In sor - row that the an - cient curse
3 When this old world drew on toward night,
4 At your great Name, O Je - sus, now
5 Come in your ho - ly might, we pray,
* 6 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son,



1 your peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light,
2 should doom to death a u - ni - verse,
3 you came; but not in splen - dor bright,
4 all knees must bend, all hearts must bow:
5 re - deem us for e - ter - nal day;
6 and God the Spi - rit, Three in One,



1 O Christ, Re - deem - er of us all,
2 you came, O Sa - vior, to set free
3 not as a mon - arch, but the child
4 all things on earth with one ac - cord,
5 de - fend us while we dwell be - low
6 praise, hon - or, might, and glo - ry be



1 we pray you hear us when we call.
2 your own in glo - rious li - ber - ty.
3 of Ma - ry, blame - less mo - ther mild.
4 like those in heaven, shall call you Lord.
5 from all as - saults of our dread foe.
6 from age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

The Post Communion Prayer for the First Sunday of Advent (*Church of England*)

Celebrant Together, let us pray.

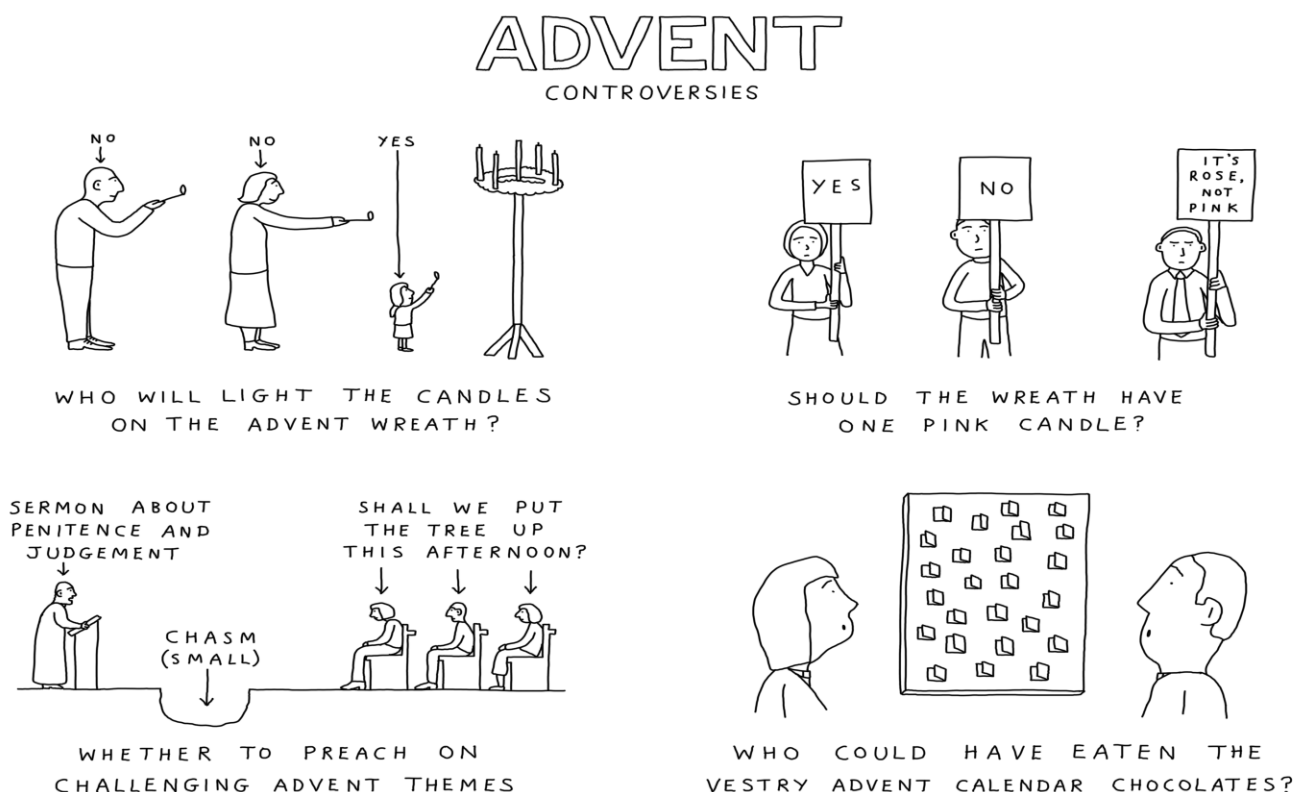
Celebrant and People

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

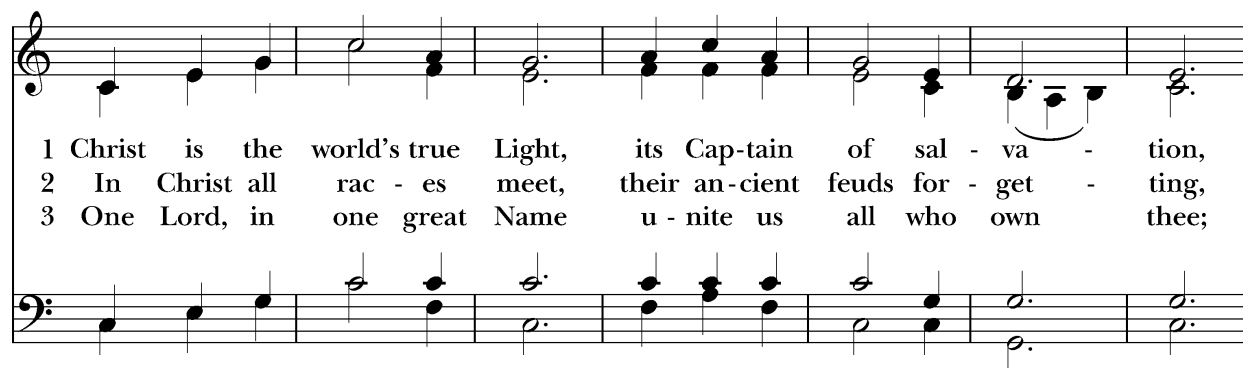
The Blessing for the First Sunday of Advent (*Church of England*)

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon and remain with you forever. *Amen.*

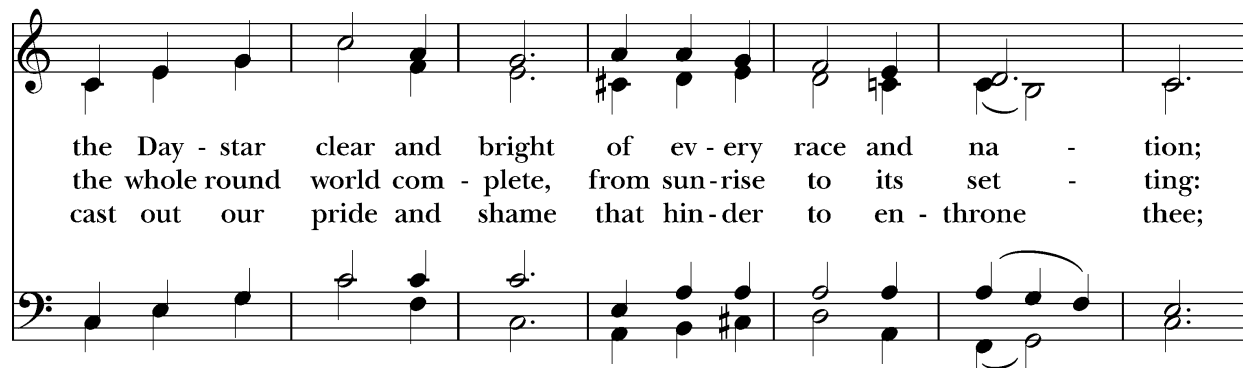
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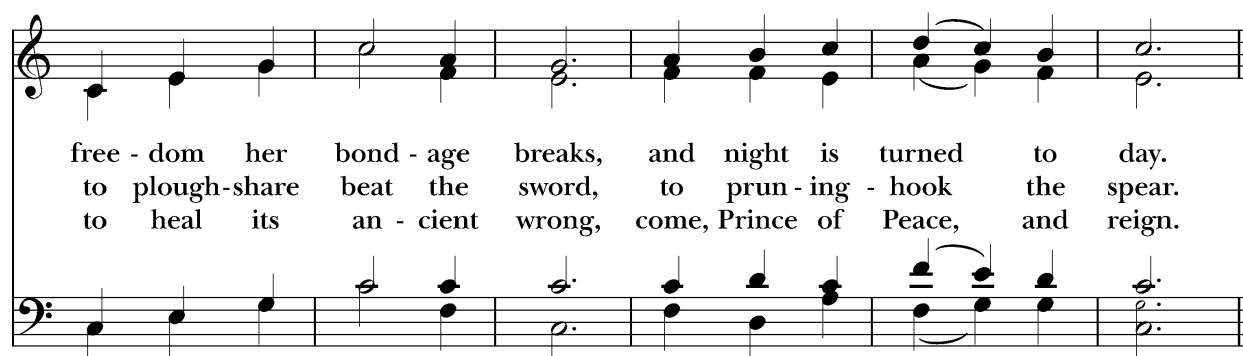
1 Christ is the world's true Light, its Cap-tain of sal - va - tion,
2 In Christ all rac - es meet, their an-cient feuds for - get - ting,
3 One Lord, in one great Name u - nite us all who own thee;



the Day - star clear and bright of ev - ery race and na - tion;
the whole round world com - plete, from sun-rise to its set - ting;
cast out our pride and shame that hin - der to en - throne thee;



new life, new hope a - wakes, for all who own his sway:
when Christ is throned as Lord all shall for - sake their fear,
the world has wait - ed long, has tra - vailed long in pain;



free - dom her bond - age breaks, and night is turned to day.
to plough-share beat the sword, to prun - ing - hook the spear.
to heal its an - cient wrong, come, Prince of Peace, and reign.

The Dismissal (Church of England)

LEM As we await our coming Savior, go in the peace of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

ENGAGE WITH US THROUGHOUT THE 2025 ADVENT SEASON!

Our Living Compass theme for the 2025 Advent season is ***Practicing Generosity with All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind.***

Explore our 54-page devotional of daily readings and generosity-inspiring questions, and see why thousands of people across denominations use this resource to prepare for Christmas. Ideal for individual use, congregational programs, classes, small groups, and retreats.

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THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, 12/01

Office Closed

Wednesday, 12/03

7:30 p.m. Alanon Meeting - Atwater Room

7:30 p.m. Alateen Meeting – Parish Hall

Thursday, 12/04

10:00 a.m. Bible Study – Atwater Room

11:00 a.m. Mid-Week Healing Service – Fr. Chris' Office

12:30 p.m. The Threshold Singers – Atwater Room

8:00 p.m. Compline via zoom

Friday, 12/05

2:00 p.m. Westhampton Garden Club Christmas Party – Parish Hall

Saturday, 12/06

9:00 – 1:00 Winter Market in the Parish Hall

5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist in the Church – Anointing & Prayers for Healing

Sunday, 12/07

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Church – Anointing & Prayers for Healing

10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour in the Atwater Room

SATURDAY 5:00 p.m. Participants

LEM/Lector	Carol Fitton
Usher	Tom Hadlock
Altar Guild	Catharine Nobiletti

SUNDAY 9:30 a.m. Participants

LEM	Laureen Andria
Lector	Helen Horton
Ushers	Children of the Parish
Altar Guild	Catharine Nobiletti

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Alicia Andria	12/02
Carol Smith	12/06
Stephen Sherwood	12/09
Ashley Lueck	12/11
Pamela Kern	12/12
Carla Panza	12/12
Spencer and Trevor Moyle	12/13
Richard Caccavano	12/18
Michael Warner	12/18
Elizabeth Horan	12/23
Jennifer Marwood	12/24
Faith Andria	12/27
Elizabeth Umina	12/30

Services	In Person	On-Line
11/22 - 5:00 p.m.	26	
11/23 - 9:30 a.m.	41	42
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11/23 – Thanksgiving Dinner 52

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Lawrence & Candace Andria	12/07
William and Madeline Glover	12/19
Stephen & Donna Turner	12/30

**Please Pray for Your Parish Every Day at 12:00 Noon.
And, remember the People of the Middle East, Armenia,
Ukraine, Haiti, Syria, and the United States of America
too!**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DECEMBER LADIES LUNCHEON – There is still time and room to rsvp for the Ladies Luncheon on Saturday, December 6th starting at 12:30 p.m. at the Pulaski Street Grille in Riverhead. The deadline is Wednesday, December 3rd to kate.gabrielsen@stmarkswhb.org.

THE BIBLE AND HANDEL'S MESSIAH – Our Advent Study starting Thursday, December 4th at 10:00 a.m. in the Atwater Room. Study the scriptural texts and listen to the music...you will never hear the Messiah in the same way ever again. Please see Fr. Chris for the course book.

PARKING LOT SAFETY – With children and other vulnerable people being present here throughout the day at Saint Mark's, please follow the direction arrows in the parking lot to keep traffic flowing in one direction and please watch your speed to help ensure safety.

WEEKLY COMPLINE ON THURSDAYS – I invite you to come together in the spirit of prayer each Thursday evening at 8:00 p.m. for Compline. This service takes about 10 minutes to pray and is perfect way to unwind for the evening. The zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5697969237> Meeting ID: 569 796 9237 or via telephone: +16468769923,,5697969237# US (New York)

PLEASE NOTE: The current anniversaries and birthdays are listed in this insert each week. Kindly check it over to be sure your information is correct or if you need to be added. If you have access to the phone directory, kindly check that out also and contact Kate in the church office for any changes, etc. Thank you.

PASTORAL CARE – Please notify me if you are sick or in the hospital so that I can pray for you and visit to bring you Holy Communion. Some people hesitate to call me because they think they are inconveniencing me. Not true! I am here for you and your spiritual care. My cell is 410.253.3664 – Chris +

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ALTAR PLANTS DURING ADVENT – If you would like to dedicate plants for the Altar please contact Laura Bott at 631-722-4749 or email her at Laura.bott17@gmail.com. Each plant is \$40. In December there is one vase available for 28th. (back to flowers). **Please remember to contact Laura if you sign up in the book.**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Sunday, December 14 – Pink Sunday
- Sunday, December 21 Blue Christmas Service at 4:30 p.m.
- Christmas Eve, December 24 – Services at 4:30 and 9:00 p.m. Christmas Day at 9:30 a.m.

PRAYER LIST

Dick Anderson (Req. by Edie Hofmann), Ridgie Barnett (Parishioner), John Burke (Req. by Norma Jeanne Okula), Amanda Cacoperdo (Req. by Tim Feil), Candace F. Cerretani (Catharine Nobiletti's sister), Deana Chiusano (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), Julia Cloppse (Req. by Jenn Kast), Abby Connett (Req. by Nancy Connett), Dana Davis (Req. by Rosanna Davis), George Degener (Req. by Fr. Chris), Estrella Farijian (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), Owen Foster (Diane & John Stewart's grandson), Nancy Fraser (Req. by Ki Nobiletti), Fred Rees Garcia (son of Victoria Garcia), Roberta Good (Diane Stewart's Sister), Elaine Hanes (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), Barbara Ireton (Req. by Carol Smith), Debra Wolgemuth Jarashow, (Req. by Elizabeth Wolgemuth), Nancy Jones (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), Gretchen & Jim Jubinski (Fr. Chris' Parents), Karen (Req. by Catharine Nobiletti), Cole LoRusso (Marj Kulesa's Nephew), Max (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), Fred Meyer, (Parishioner), Jeanette Navas (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), Paul Oele (Parishioner), Jesse O'Neil (Req. by Jenn Kast), Andrew Ortega (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), Cassie Panzarino (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), Nick Raftis, (Req. by Catharine Nobiletti), Rosemary Rees, (Victoria Garcia's sister), Martin Sarocky (Req. by Jenn Kast), Tom Simson (Parishioner), Allison Skinner (Parishioner), Jamie Thom (Req. by Jennifer Kast), Sarah Witters (Req. by Victoria Garcia).

If there are any names that can be removed, kindly contact Kate in the church office 631-288-2111.

We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces: Amanda E. Degener, Kyle M. Degener, George L. Degener, Jesse Fritz, Cameron Garcia, Nicholas LoRusso, Joshua Rudd, Rob Scribner, James Mercready and Midshipman 4th Class Luke



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Church Services

Saturdays 5:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist
Sundays 9:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist in the church (Livestreamed)
The first “Sunday” of each month Healing & Anointing will be included in both services.

Thursday Services

11:00 AM Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing in Fr. Chris’ Office
8:00 PM Compline via zoom

Office Hours

Tuesday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
All Members of Saint Mark's are Ministers of the Church!
The Rt. Rev. Lawrence Provenzano – *Bishop of Long Island*
The Rt. Rev. Geralyn Wolf – *Assisting Bishop*
The Rt. Rev. William Franklin – *Assisting Bishop*

The Very Rev. Christopher D. Jubinski

Rector of Saint Mark's
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Dean of the Peconic Deanery
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The Rev. Dr. Anne Gavin Ritchie – *Priest-in-Residence*
Stephen Hunt – *Director of Music*
Kate Gabrielsen – *Parish Administrator*
Chris Adams – *Facilities Manager*
Rosanna Davis – *Director of St. Mark's Bright Beginnings Preschool*
Tom Horan – *Warden*
Steve DeCaro – *Warden*

Vestry Members:

(Class of 2026) Rich Caccavano, Marjorie Kulesa, Steve Turner
(Class of 2027) Diane Feil, John Kern, Sandy Wyman
(Class of 2029) Tom Hadlock, Madeline Glover, Norma-Jeanne Okula
Thomas Simson – *Treasurer*
Carol Fitton – *Clerk of the Vestry*

