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# ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL CHURCH



## Second Sunday in Advent

Sunday Divine Liturgy: 7:30 am and 10:00 am

Sunday Morning Prayer: 7:15 am

Agape Meal 11:30 am

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# Second Sunday in Advent December 10, 2023 Order of Worship

* Prelude: "Duet: 'Sleepers, Wake!"	Walter Anderson				
* The Lighting of the Advent Wreath	See Insert				
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* Communion Meditation: "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night"  Martha Sobaje					
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\* Postlude: "Awake! The Voice Is Calling"

Karl Karow



### **Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

#### The Greeting

Behold the Lord shall appear.

In the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory; Alleluia.

#### The Lesson

During the reading of the Lesson the light (s) of the wreath are lit, one on Advent Sunday, two on the  $2^{nd}$  Sunday in Advent, Three on the  $3^{rd}$  Sunday in Advent, and four on the  $4^{th}$  Sunday in Advent.

Here beginneth the 2<sup>nd</sup> verse of the 5<sup>th</sup> Chapter of the Book of Micah the Prophet.

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in travail has brought forth; then the rest of his brethren shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth.

Here endeth the Lesson

Thanks he to God

#### The Prayers

O Christ, arise, help us.

And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Come and save us, O Lord God of hosts.

Show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

The Lord be with you. *And with thy spirit.* Let us pray

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the ways of thine only-begotten; that by his coming we may be made worthy to serve thee with purified minds; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

#### The Collect

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen*.

#### First Lesson

Isaiah 55

"Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Hearken diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in fatness. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. Behold, you shall call nations that you know not, and nations that knew you not shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and return not thither but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and prosper in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign which shall not be cut off."

Here endeth the Lesson *Thanks be to God* 

#### Second Lesson (during Morning Prayer only)

II Timothy 3

But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of stress. For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, inhuman, implacable, slanderers, profligates, fierce, haters of good, treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, holding the form of religion but denying the power of it. Avoid such people. For among them are those who make their way into households and capture weak women, burdened with sins and swayed by various impulses, who will listen to anybody and can never arrive at a knowledge of the truth. As Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so these men also oppose the truth, men of corrupt mind and counterfeit faith; but they will not get very far, for their folly will be plain to all, as was that of those two men. Now you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions, my sufferings, what befell me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra, what persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

Here endeth the second Lesson *Thanks be to God* 

#### The Epistle

Romans 15:4-13

Brethren: For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the

circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will praise thee among the Gentiles, and sing to thy name"; and again it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and further Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, he who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Here endeth the Epistle *Thanks be to God* 

# The Holy Gospel Glory be to thee, O Lord

St. Luke 21:25-33

At that time, Jesus said: "There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and upon the earth distress of nations in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, men fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." And he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees; as soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away till all has taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away."

The Gospel of the Lord *Praise be to thee, O Christ* 

#### THOSE FOR WHOM OUR PRAYERS ARE DESIRED

For the Patriarch of the West, the Patriarchs of the East, ++Shane the Primate, +Juan our Presiding Bishop, Patrick our own Bishop, and other ministers.

And especially to this congregation here present: as well as all clergy and people of the Diocese of the Missouri Valley, the Traditional Anglican Church, and our sister Churches.

#### For the Sick, Suffering, and Infirm:

Bishop Daren Williams	Angel Strawn	Mina Geise	Gavin Gotcher
Canon Bart Ryan	Audrey Chapman	Jeff Spear	Tom Frisbe
Br. Ed Arambasich	Robert Nicholson	Rick S.	John Flynn
Jennifer Dixon	Julie Gunnerson	Ann McIntyre	Jim Schaller
Keith Albertson	Kirk Woltman	Mark Trent	Susan Rose
JoAnne Werr	Bob High	Larry Roland	Judi Mohrman
Andy Tappe	Gary Sprouse	Jennifer Perkins	Bill & Barb
Natalia Green	Sue Sprouse	Deborah Lipsky	Velvet Brown
Charlene Copeland	Edward Schwan	Michl Hiatt	Becky Vogel
Tom Lepper	Diane Durbin	Shay Williams	Will Hartig
Ricky Strawn	Rachel Wegs	Tiffany Roach	Eric Graham
Matthew Mast	Joy Williams	Kathy Haugay	Anne Scott
Kristofor Peterson	Sharon Gardner	Tomo Sakurai	Brenda Harmon
Tish	Diane	Andrea Brad &	& Buffy Schulze

#### For the Place Bound:

Katherine Durst Anne Hughes Dean Johnston Melba Wiseman

For Christians suffering persecution throughout the world.

For all those serving in our armed forces abroad; all those serving in dangerous civilian occupations, especially all police, fire, and rescue workers; and all those harmed by recent natural disasters, diseases, or attacks. We also pray for a just end to armed conflict throughout the world, especially in Ukraine, Israel, and Gaza.

We also offer our prayers of thanksgiving for our Cathedral family here at St. John's, especially Audrey Williams (12/10), Mark Adams (12/16), and Marsha McCorrison (12/16) on the anniversary of their birth.

For the repose of the souls of the faithfully departed, especially Debbie Hagmeier, Inez Mahon, Elmer Mahon, and Fr. Lewis Payne; all Christians who have died from recent natural disasters, diseases, or attacks; all who have been murdered in the name of "mercy" or by abortion or infanticide; as well as all the new martyrs throughout the world.

#### **Announcements:**

**IN A PASTORAL EMERGENCY**, please contact Fr. Christian directly anytime at 603-545-9079. He can also be contacted by text at the same number or by email at elegantines@hotmail.com.

The **SANCTUARY LIGHT** today is given to the glory of God by Annette Strawn in celebration of Angelique Strawn's birthday.

The **HANGING OF THE GREENS,** along with brass polishing and the Youth Group holiday party, will begin at 10am on Saturday, December 23. For those attending, a miraculous, wondrous luncheon, including some mysterious chili, will be provided.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**: Envelopes for Christmas poinsettias are available on the table in the Narthex. <u>Please have these turned in by next Sunday</u> to ensure they are included in the Christmas bulletins as the following Sunday is already Christmas Eve! Don't forget to indicate your intention (memorial or thanksgiving) on the envelope.

We have openings for **COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS** for the remaining Sundays in December. The signup sheet is in the narthex if you are interested.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR NEXT YEAR** are on the card table in the narthex. Please take yours with you, but do not use them until 2024.

**IF YOUR ADDRESS HAS CHANGED** this year, please make sure the office has your current information so your year-end giving statement doesn't get lost in the mail. Thank you!

A reminder that the **KEY TO THE THERMOSTATS** is now hanging on the left side of its usual cupboard. Contact any clergy or the office if you have questions.

#### THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

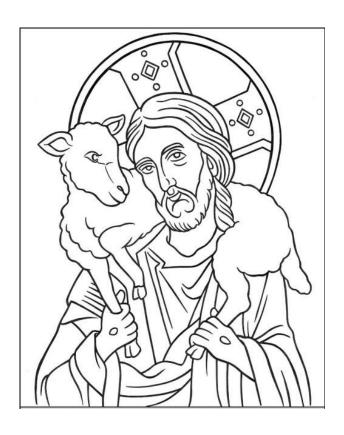
Today 1:00 pm Cooking Class

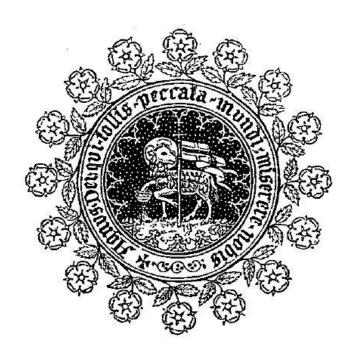
Wednesday 6:00 pm Holy Eucharist

(St Lucy)

Friday 7:00 pm Game Night

Saturday 6:00 pm Chess Club





# Jesus Christ, Yesterday, Today, and Forever!

Welcome to St. John Anglican Cathedrall Whether you are new to the area or a long-time resident, we warmly welcome you to the life of this community of Historic Christian Faith.

For those who have been Initiated (Baptized and Confirmed/Chrismated) in an Apostolic Catholic Church (Eastern Orthodox, Roman Catholic, Traditional Anglican, Oriental Orthodox, Polish National Catholic, Byzantine Catholic) and are free from manifest grave sin are invited to partake of the Holy Communion. Others are welcome to receive a blessing at the altar rail and may indicate this by crossing arms across their chest.

The Right Rev. Patrick S. Fodor, D. Min
The Very Rev. Christian Canon Tutor, OSA
Mr. James Sohn

Mr. John C. Fodor

Mr. Gary L. Blickhan, CPA

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