



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 2, 2018
The Holy Eucharist
11:15 a.m.

WELCOME to Christ Church, Georgetown. We are grateful for your presence this morning. If you would like to learn more about Christ Church or become more closely associated with this community, we encourage you to complete a pew card, which may be placed in the offering plate, given to an usher or member of the clergy, or mailed to the Parish Office. We hope you will return to Christ Church and worship with us again soon. For detailed information about the mission, ministry, work, and witness of the parish, including the complete schedule of Sunday and weekday services, visit our website: www.christchurchgeorgetown.org.

Please remember to silence all mobile phones and other electronic devices. Personal listening systems for the hearing impaired are available. Please speak with an usher. At the conclusion of the liturgy, all here present are cordially invited to Keith Hall for fellowship and refreshments.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

*The service follows the order for Holy Eucharist: Rite One,
which begins on page 323 in The Book of Common Prayer.
The musical setting of the ordinary of the Eucharist is the Missa Marialis,
compiled and adapted by Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944).*

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

All remain seated as the Choir sings

CHORAL INTROIT: Matin Responsory *Aspiciens a longe*

- V. I look from afar:
R. And lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth.
V. Go ye out to meet him and say:
R. Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel?
V. High and low, rich and poor, one with another,
R. Go ye out to meet him and say:
V. Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep,
R. Tell us, art thou he that should come?
V. Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come:
R. To reign over thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

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Words: Responsory I, Matins of Advent
Music: adapted from a Magnificat by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c.1525-1594)

All stand and sing

HYMN IN PROCESSION 74: Blest be the King whose coming

Valet will ich dir geben

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

ALmighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

HEAR what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

All sing

KYRIE ELEISON

The music may be found at S-92 in The Hymnal 1982.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

ALmighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy 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 quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit for

THE LESSON: Jeremiah 33:14-16

BEHOLD, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring forth for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The Choir sings

PSALM 25:1-9 *Ad te, Domine, levavi*

Plainsong, Tone I.2

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

THE EPISTLE: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

FOR what thanksgiving can we render to God for you, for all the joy which we feel for your sake before our God, praying earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith? Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you; and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all men, as we do to you, so that he may establish your hearts unblamable in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

All stand and sing the hymn.

Stanzas 1 – 3 precede the reading of the Holy Gospel; stanzas 4 – 5 follow.

HYMN AT THE GOSPEL PROCESSION 63: O heavenly Word, eternal Light

Verbum supernum prodiens

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

JESUS said, "And 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. But take heed to yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a snare; for it will come upon all who dwell upon the face of the whole earth. But watch at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of man."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

At the invitation of the preacher, all sit for

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Elizabeth B. Gardner

All stand and say

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Intercessor says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

The people then kneel.

ALmighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, the Presiding Bishop, and Mariann, our Bishop, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald, our President, and Muriel, our Mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially N., beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Celebrant and People

MOST merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant says

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. - Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son,
to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. - John 3:16

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. - 1 Timothy 1:15

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering
for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. - 1 John 2:1-2

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with thy spirit.

*All stand and greet one another in the name of the Lord.
Then all sit for*

THE GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY

*The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.
As the alms are collected and the altar prepared, the Choir sings*

ANTHEM: People, look East

PEOPLE, look East. The time is near of the crowning of the year. Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth, and set the table. People, look East, and sing today: Love, the Guest, is on the way. Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted there: Give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in course the flower may flourish. People, look East, and sing today: Love, the Rose, is on the way. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl shall brim, shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and moon together. People, look East, and sing today: Love, the Star, is on the way. Angels, announce to man and beast him who cometh from the East. Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming. People, look east, and sing today: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

Words: Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965)
Music: Besançon carol melody, arr. Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

All stand and sing

THE DOXOLOGY AT THE PRESENTATION

Winchester New

PRAISE God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant proceeds

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is said.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

All sing

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT *The music may be found at S-115 in The Hymnal 1982.*

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. Then the Celebrant continues

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant

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

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept. Then is said

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

All sing

AGNUS DEI

The music may be found at S-159 in The Hymnal 1982.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

All say

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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.

The Celebrant offers the following invitation.

BEHOLD the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion.
Gluten-free wafers are available. Please make your need known at the altar rail.
Those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion may come forward for a blessing.
Please indicate this to the priest by crossing your arms over your chest.*

During the administration of Holy Communion, the Choir sings

ANTHEM: Rorate cæli desuper

Pour down, O heavens, from above, and let the skies rain down righteousness. Turn your fierce anger from us, O Lord, and remember not our sins for ever. Your holy cities have become a desert, Zion a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation; our holy and beautiful house, where our fathers praised you. We have sinned and become like one who is unclean; we have all withered like a leaf, and our iniquities like the wind have swept us away. You have hidden your face from us, and abandoned us to our iniquities. You are my witnesses, says the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen, that you may know me and believe me. I myself am the Lord, and none but I can deliver; what my hand holds, none can snatch away. Comfort my people, comfort them; my salvation shall not be delayed. I have swept your offences away like a cloud; fear not, for I will save you. I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Redeemer.

Words: Advent Prose
Music: Plainsong, Mode I

All sing

HYMN 336: Come with us, O blessed Jesus

Werde munter

After Communion, all kneel and say

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

ALmighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant blesses the people; the people respond Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

All stand and sing

HYMN IN PROCESSION 54: Savior of the nations, come!

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

ASSISTING IN THE LITURGY

Firoze S. Rao, *Crucifer*
Evelina Norwinski, *Second Cross and Altar Server*
Charles A. Thorley, *Lector*
Marshall H. Ginn, *Chalice Bearer*
G. Richard Thompson, *Head Usher*
Henry H. Courtney, Francesca Gamondi, William A. Nitze, and Charles A. Thorley, *Ushers*
Natasha C. McCarthy, Sara G. Via, and Sally Squires Wilhelm, *Altar Guild*
Catherine J. Finnegan and Kirstie W. Tucker, *Flower Committee*
Firoze S. Rao and Susan Rao, *Welcome Table*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stewardship Update: We are deeply grateful for the hearty response to this year's stewardship campaign. While pledges for 2019 now total more than \$1,000,000, our goal of \$1,550,000 remains. Please know that every pledge makes a difference. We invite you to pray about and consider how you might share a portion of God's many gifts with Christ Church.

To submit a pledge, visit the parish website and click on *Pledge* at the top of the screen, or complete a pledge card, available at the entrances to the Church and in the pews, and return it to the Parish Office. All gifts – no matter how large or small – will help to ensure that this parish is able to continue its work, witness, mission, and ministry in Georgetown and beyond.

Advent Angel Tree: Beginning today and throughout the season of Advent, parishioners of all ages are invited to participate in a special Christ Church tradition by taking an *Advent Angel* from the tree in Keith Hall and purchasing the item listed on it. This year's focus is on gifts children can give to other young people from across the city, as well as to pets and disabled animals. For more information, contact parishioner Martha Van Dale: mvdale@gmail.com.

Bicentennial Lecture: Today, at 1:00 p.m., in Keith Hall, parishioner Sidney Lawrence will make a presentation on the genesis of his recently-unveiled Bicentennial drawing, an historic panorama featuring all three Christ Church buildings and the city of Washington.

A Service of Lessons and Carols for Advent: The annual Service of Lessons and Carols for Advent, sung by the Choir of Christ Church, will take place today, at 5:00 p.m. It will feature works by Benjamin Britten, Stephen Cleobury, George Frideric Handel, James MacMillan, Paul Manz, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, and Elizabeth Poston, as well as classic congregational hymns such as *O come, O come, Emmanuel, Creator of the stars of night*, and *Lo! he comes with clouds descending*. A reception will follow. Please note that the 5:00 p.m. Sunday Eucharist will begin at 6:00 p.m. so that parishioners who wish to do so are able to attend both services.

Christmas Greenery: If you placed an order for Christmas greenery in support of next summer's Youth Mission Trip to rural Appalachia, please be sure to pick up your purchase today, after services, on the sidewalk in front of the Parish Hall. To arrange for an alternative pick up time, contact Youth Missioner Rita Yoe. A very limited supply of extra greenery is available.

Bicentennial Accessories and Memorabilia: We've enjoyed more than a year's worth of festivities marking the Bicentennial of Christ Church, but the celebration isn't over just yet. Join us on Sunday, January 6, at 5:00 p.m., for the final Bicentennial event, a special service of Choral Evensong for the Feast of the Epiphany. The liturgy will be followed by a festive reception in Keith Hall. And, in the meantime, be sure to purchase your Bicentennial accessories and memorabilia while supplies last: women's scarves, men's neckties, recordings of the Choir of Christ Church, and a beautiful brass replica of the altar cross. Items will be sold in Keith Hall on:

Today, Sunday, December 2

After the Service of Lessons and Carols, at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 16

Between and after morning services

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After the Service of Lessons and Carols, at 5:00 p.m.

Purchases may also be arranged by contacting Bicentennial Committee member Christy Thorley: christina.thorley@gmail.com.

Adult Forum: The 2018-2019 series, entitled *Scripture and Christian Ethics: How the Bible informs our decisions*, will continue on Sunday, December 9, at 10:00 a.m., in Keith Hall, with a presentation by the Reverend Dr. James Farwell.

Babywise Group: Join new and expecting parents on Sunday, December 9, at 10:00 a.m., in the Parish Hall Auditorium, for fellowship and fun. Bring your bundle of joy or take advantage of Christ Church's professional nursery care, located on the first floor of the Parish Hall. Coffee and a light breakfast will be served. For more information, contact the Reverend Elizabeth Gardner.

Upcoming Funeral Liturgies: *Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Tuesday, December 11, at 11:00 a.m.

Mary E. Weinmann

Friday, December 14, at 3:00 p.m.

Malcolm Read "Mac" Lovell, Jr.

Tuesday, December 18, at 2:00 p.m.

Michael Gerard McBride

Bicentennial Adult Forum: On Sunday, December 16, at 10:00 a.m., in Keith Hall, the Reverend Dr. Robert Prichard, Arthur Lee Kinsolving Professor of Christianity in America at Virginia Theological Seminary, will make a presentation on the history of the Episcopal Church, 1918-2018.

A Service of Lessons and Carols for Christmas: The annual Service of Lessons and Carols for Christmas, sung by the Choir of Christ Church, will take place on Sunday, December 16, at 5:00 p.m. Modeled after the famed service held each year at King's College, Cambridge, this festive, candlelit liturgy will include

works by Bob Chilcott, Morten Lauridsen, William Mathias, Boris Ord, Sergei Rachmaninoff, Stanford Scriven, and David Willcocks. Arrive early to ensure seating. A reception will follow. Please note that the 5:00 p.m. Sunday Eucharist will begin at 6:00 p.m. so that parishioners who wish to do so are able to attend both services.

Christmas Pageant: Christ Church's second annual Christmas Pageant will take place on Friday, December 21, at 6:30 p.m., in the Church. It will be followed by a festive, family-friendly reception in Keith Hall. This year's pageant, designed to be a low-stress, faith-forming experience for people of all ages, is drawn almost entirely from the Gospels of Luke and Matthew. Children will have the opportunity to immerse themselves in scripture while creatively depicting the Nativity story. In turn, they will provide attendees with the opportunity to find new truths in age-old, familiar texts. The pageant will include an assortment of beloved congregational carols and an anthem sung by the Youth Choir. Children age three and above may participate by coming to the Parish Hall Auditorium at 5:45 p.m. for a costume and a light snack. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us.

Choral Evensong: The next service of Choral Evensong will take place on Sunday, December 30, at 5:00 p.m., in the Church. It will feature works by Johann Sebastian Bach, Herbert Howells, Martin Neary, and Charles Villiers Stanford. Evensong will continue on first, third, and fifth Sundays of the month through May. A reception follows each service. Christ Church is one of a few parishes in the U.S. to offer this beautiful, quintessentially Anglican liturgy with such frequency. Please plan to join us.

Bicentennial Choral Evensong: The year-long celebration of the Bicentennial of Christ Church will conclude with a special service of Choral Evensong for the Feast of the Epiphany on Sunday, January 6, at 5:00 p.m. A festive reception in Keith Hall will follow. Please note that there will be no 5:00 Eucharist this day.

PARISH CALENDAR

The First Sunday of Advent, December 2

- Holy Eucharist: Rite One, 8:00 a.m.
- Holy Eucharist: Rite Two with Children's Homily, 9:00 a.m.
- Youth Education, 10:00 a.m., Parish Hall
- Adult Forum, 10:00 a.m., Keith Hall
- Holy Eucharist: Rite One, 11:15 a.m.
(followed by Coffee Hour in Keith Hall)
- Bicentennial Lecture, 1:00 p.m., Keith Hall
- A Service of Lessons and Carols for Advent, 5:00 p.m.
(followed by a reception in Keith Hall)
- Holy Eucharist: Rite Two, 6:00 p.m., Chapel

Monday, December 3

- Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m., Chapel
- Noonday Prayer, 12:00 noon, Chapel
- Evening Prayer, 5:30 p.m., Chapel

Tuesday, December 4

- Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m., Chapel
- Art Class, 10:00 a.m., Parish Hall Auditorium
- Noonday Prayer, 12:00 noon, Chapel
- Evening Prayer, 5:30 p.m., Chapel

Wednesday, December 5

- Morning Prayer, 7:30 p.m., Chapel
- Holy Eucharist, 7:40 p.m., Chapel
(followed by breakfast in Keith Hall)
- Art Class, 10:00 a.m., Parish Hall Auditorium
- Thrift Shop, 10:00 a.m. – 1:45 p.m., Parish Hall Lower Level
- Noonday Prayer, 12:00 noon, Chapel
- Evening Prayer, 5:30 p.m., Chapel
- Yoga Class, 6:00 p.m., Keith Hall

Thursday, December 6

- Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m., Chapel
- Noonday Prayer, 12:00 noon, Chapel
- Evening Prayer, 5:30 p.m., Chapel

Friday, December 7

- Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m., Chapel
- Noonday Prayer, 12:00 noon, Chapel
- A Service of Healing and Holy Eucharist, 12:10 p.m., Chapel
- Evening Prayer, 5:30 p.m., Chapel

Saturday, December 8

- Morning Prayer, 7:30 a.m., Chapel

The Second Sunday of Advent, December 9

- Holy Eucharist: Rite One, 8:00 a.m.
- Holy Eucharist: Rite Two with Children's Homily, 9:00 a.m.
- Youth Education, 10:00 a.m., Parish Hall
- Adult Forum, 10:00 a.m., Keith Hall
- Morning Prayer: Rite One, 11:15 a.m.
(followed by Coffee Hour in Keith Hall)
- Holy Eucharist: Rite Two, 5:00 p.m., Chapel
(followed by a reception in Keith Hall)

*Nursery care for children three years of age and younger
is available at the Parish Hall on Sundays
from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.*

*For more information about or to sign-up for any
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