



St. John's Episcopal Church ~ Georgetown Parish
Sunday, December 18, 2016 9:00 AM
The Fourth Sunday of Advent
Holy Eucharist—Rite II

*Page references are for the Book of Common Prayer
Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982*

Prelude

My soul doth magnify the Lord

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH

Processional Hymn 66

Come, thou long expected Jesus

STUTGART

Advent Bidding Prayer and Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Dear People of God: In this season of Advent, it is our responsibility and joy to prepare ourselves to hear once more the message of the Angels, to go to Bethlehem and see the Son of God lying in a manger. Let us hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of God's loving purpose from the time of our rebellion against him until the glorious redemption brought to us by his holy Child Jesus; and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise. But first, let us pray for the needs of the whole world; for peace and justice on the earth; for the unity and mission of the Church for which he died, and especially for his Church in our country and in this city. And because he particularly loves them, let us remember in his name the poor and helpless, the cold, the hungry and the oppressed, the sick and those who mourn, the lonely and the unloved, the aged and the little children, as well as those who do not know and love the Lord Jesus Christ. Finally, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother, and that whole multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and whom, in Jesus, we are one for evermore. **Amen.**

Trisagion Hymnal S 102

ALEXANDER ARCHANGELSKY

The Cantor sings through once and all repeat two times.

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

The Lesson

Isaiah 7:10-16

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand and remain standing until the sermon begins.

Celtic Alleluia *Sung by the Cantor and all repeat.*



The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Celtic Alleluia. The first staff is in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The melody consists of a sequence of eighth and quarter notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics "A - le - lu - ia, A - le - lu - ia," are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics "A - le - lu - ia, A - le - lu - ia!". The notation includes various note values, rests, and phrasing slurs.

The Gospel

Matthew 1:18-25

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew.

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

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

“Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel,”

which means, “God is with us.” When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Celtic Alleluia (all repeat one verse)

Please be seated for the sermon.

Sermon

The Rev. Tim Watt, Deacon

Please stand for the Creed.

The Nicene Creed

BCP P 358

The Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP p 387

The Confession of Sin

BCP P 360

Absolution

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People: **And also with you.***

Welcome & Announcements

The Offertory

Please join in making a circle around the altar for the next part of our service. At communion, we administer the bread and wine to each other using the words, "This is the body of Christ, the bread of heaven," and "This is the blood of Christ, the cup of salvation." If you do not wish to receive, please simply pass the bread and wine to the next person.

Presentation Hymn

OLD HUNDREDTH

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. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing.

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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

Sanctus

LAND OF REST

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav'n 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people may stand or kneel as the celebrant continues.

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; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. *AMEN.*

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP P 364

**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.**

Fraction Anthem

GARY JAMES

sung by Cantor first time, then All on repeat

1.
Be__ known to__ us, Lord Je - sus, in the break- ing__ of the bread. Be__

2. *Cantor*
bread. The__ bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,___ is the com - mun-ion of the

Congregation
bod - y of Christ. Be__ known to__ us, Lord Je - sus, in the break- ing__ of the bread.

Cantor
One__ bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though man - y, we share__ one__

Congregation
bread. Be__ known to__ us, Lord Je - sus, in the break- ing__ of the bread.

The Administration of Communion

All those who seek a closer relationship with God in Christ are welcome to receive communion at St. John's.

Communion Hymn 56

O come, O come, Emmanuel

VENI, VENI EMMANUEL

The Cantor sings the verses and the congregation joins in the Refrain.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and 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.*

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Noel Grand jeux et Duo

LOUIS CLAUDE DAQUIN



Hyde-Addison Parking Lot

Please note: The gates to the parking lot in Hyde-Addison will be locked one hour after the service ends, every Sunday.



Service Participants Today

Crucifer

Stephanie Hood

Minster of the Word & Intercessor

Jocelyn Dyer

Altar Guild

Kristina Cartwright

Gospel Bearer

Sumner Hood

Ushers

Mike & Cathy Applin

Cantor

Patrick Kilbride

Coffee Hour Host

Tom & Maggie Ward

The Clergy, wardens, and vestry of St. John's Church Georgetown would like to thank the following people for their support of this community with their 2017 pledge:

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Carter & Amanda Hood		
Jaimie Hoops		

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Child care is available in the atrium. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

Sunday School takes place upstairs.

A Note from the Deacon's Desk

Deacon Tim is Off to Oxford!

TODAY will be my last Sunday at St. John's for a while. I have been selected by the Dean of Virginia Seminary to participate in an exchange at Ripon Cuddesdon College, Oxford. I will be taking courses in Theology of Mission in the global context with other Anglican seminarians from around the world. Although I am very excited by the honor and trust placed in me, I will miss St. John's while I am gone. You have become family to me. Pray for me as I will pray for you. I will be back in late March.

Pax,

Tim

Giving Tree last chance! All gifts, wrapped & tagged, need to be at church no later than Monday. Leave at office with Joy. Contact Carol Seaver with any questions.

Christmas Pageant Calling all angels, shepherds, lambs, and wise men! The pageant happens every year at the 4pm Christmas Eve service. Children play all parts. Be on the lookout for more information on the rehearsal date and time. We need adults and teenagers to volunteer to help with costumes, snacks, shepherding kids on the night of the pageant and other tasks. Please contact Gini at Gini@stjohnsgeorgetown.org if you can help.

**TODAY, DECEMBER 18TH 1:30 PM –
CORNER OF WISCONSIN AND M STREETS**



Join friends from all of the Georgetown churches for a Christmas Carol Flash Mob!
Gather at 1:00 at Grace Church (1041 Wisconsin Ave.) for Hot Chocolate and warm-ups.

Bring a friend! Share it on Social Media!

St. John's will host Georgetown Ministry Center's homeless shelter from Sunday, January 8th through Sunday, January 22nd. We need volunteers to help prepare and serve dinner to our guests during their stay in Blake Hall. This is a meaningful and rewarding activity that is easy to do with neighbors, friends and family members. More information to come.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Fall-Winter Schedule 2016-2017



Join us for a Joyful Season!

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 18, 2016

9:00 and 11:00 am Holy Eucharist

10:00 am Lego My Bible

CHRISTMAS EVE

Saturday, December 24, 2016

4:00 pm Family Service

Christmas Pageant

and Festival Holy Eucharist

8:30 pm Choral Prelude

9:00 pm Festival Holy Eucharist

with Traditional Carols

CHRISTMAS DAY

Sunday, December 25, 2016

10:00 am *(one combined service)*

Holy Eucharist with traditional carols

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

January 1, 2017

10:00 am *(one combined service)*

Holy Eucharist

with Carols for the New Year

THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY *(observed)*

Sunday, January 8, 2017

9:00 and 11:00 am

Festival Holy Eucharist

with the procession of The Three Kings

St. John's Church Christmas Flowers & Music Dedication



LAST DAY to dedicate 2016 Christmas Flowers or Music in honor of *or* in memory of a loved one,
please fill out this form and include with your donation check together in the collection plate
or submit to the Parish Office

In Honor of:

In Memory of:

Given by:

Amount _____

Check applicable box:

- Please use my contribution to offset the Flower Guild expenses for Christmas.
- Please use my contribution toward the Christmas Music.
- Please use my contribution to offset both the Flower Guild & Christmas Music.

Kindly make your check payable to St. John's Episcopal Church, Georgetown.

Samuel Carabetta, Artistic Director

VOCES 8

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2017 AT 5 PM



"A perfect blend of calm contentment and soaring spirit" (London's *The Independent*) VOCES8 makes it's exciting debut in Washington. Touring throughout Europe, Asia, and North America, the British vocal ensemble has become one of the best-loved singing groups in the world. "These eight beautifully integrated solo voices," (Gramophone) promises to deliver a captivating performance.

NATHAN GUNN, BARITONE

JULIE GUNN, PIANO

SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2017 AT 5 PM



"Superstar, Nathan Gunn is one of the most charismatic and celebrated baritones of his generation" (*The New York Times*) and has earned international renown for his extraordinary artistry. He has appeared in internationally renowned opera houses such as the Metropolitan Opera House, Royal Opera House, Paris Opera and more.

TICKETS: www.stjohnsgeorgetown.org

SAINT JOHN'S SERVICES CALENDAR

TODAY: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
9:00 AM* & 11:00 AM

*SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETS AT 10:00 AM IN THE PRESCHOOL UPSTAIRS.
ALL CHILDREN AGES 3 AND OLDER ARE WELCOME!

TUESDAYS CENTERING PRAYER HOLY EUCHARIST SERVICE, 5:30 PM
CHAPEL OF THE CARPENTER

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