

Welcome to St. Andrew's on this First Sunday in Advent.
 If you are visiting this morning, please sign our *Guest Book*
 on the welcome table in the Commons. Also located
 there are Visitor's Packets and our parish newsletter, *The Call*.



Lessons and Carols will be on Sunday
 December 18th at 10:30am.

Remember or honor a loved one with a poinsettia to help
 bring added beauty to our worship space this Christmas.
 We are asking a donation of \$20 for poinsettias. Please
 use the envelopes in the basket on the round table and
 clearly write the name of your loved one(s) exactly how
 you would like it printed.

Financial Status as of November 20, 2022

Contrib. Rec'd this week \$2,380
 Avg. Wkly Contrib. Needed \$6,313
 Rec'd YTC \$321,888
 Spent YTD \$273,300

If you have questions about your pledge or other
 contributions, call Dot Binkley, our bookkeeper,
 at 443-2070 on Monday or Thursday mornings.

Greening of the church will take
 place on Thursday,
 December 22nd starting at 10am.



Carriage Court Angel Tree



St. A's will again support
 the Angel Tree to benefit the
 children of Carriage Court
 who may not otherwise have
 a Christmas during this most
 joyous of time of the year.

We will again post the link to
 sign up on our website and
 Sarah will send you a child's information,
 based on your responses (age and gender).
 The link to sign up for an Angel will be live
 on the website today, Sunday, November
 27.

Please call the church office or log on to our
 website at
<https://www.standrewsrmt.com/en>.



Today, we will
 packing backpack food bags for
 Winstead Elementary following the
 8am and 13:30am services.



Our Christmas Pageant will be on
 Sunday, December 11th. We will
 meet on Sunday, December 4th
 following the 10:30am service in the
 Parish Hall to finalize parts and pick
 costumes.

Serving next Sunday, December 4

8am

LEM: Tim Knapp

LAY: Ramona Orzell

Acolyte: Wyatt and Wade Wells

Ushers: Tom Drew and Linda Hutcheson

Greeters: Wes Strandberg and John Tharin

Home Lay Eucharistic Ministry: Martha Gallop

Pantry Volunteers: Gail High, Linda Hutcheson, Dotsy and Jim Royal

Pantry Distributors: Patty Kennedy, Tommy Parker, Elizabeth Hunter

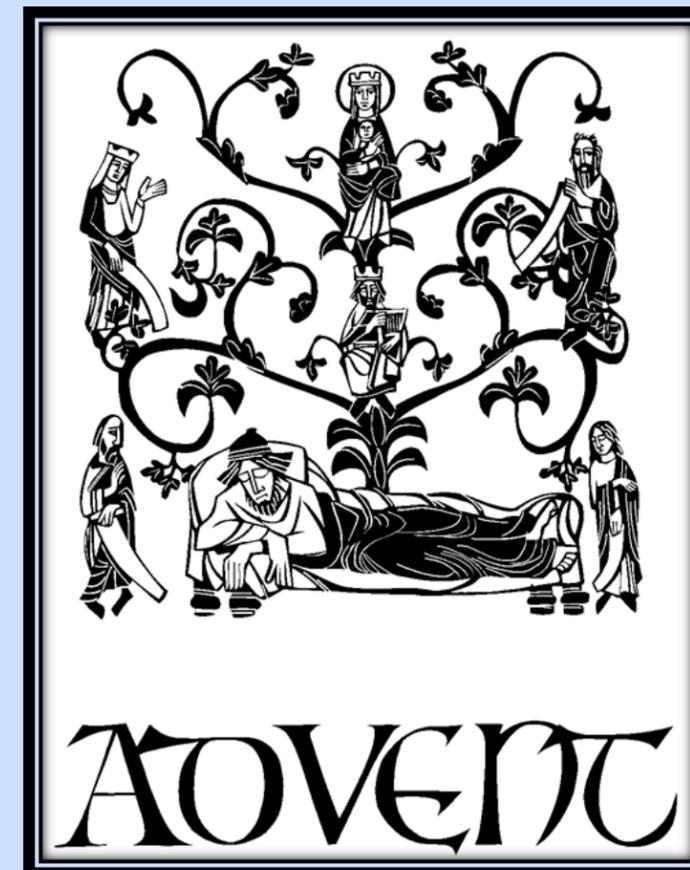
10:30 am

Jeanie Armstrong and Leslie Hall

Gene Arnold

“For God is not unjust, he will not overlook your work and the love that you showed for his sake in
 serving the saints, as you still do.” Hebrews 6:10

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church



1Advent

November 27, 2022

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Officiant then says the following:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen. 2 Corinthians 13:14*

Closing Hymn 596 “Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor”

The Dismissal

Officiant: Let us go forth, in the Name of Christ, Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!



The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: Let us stand.

The Officiant then faces the altar and says:

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

The Officiant and People say together the following:

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

Antiphon: *(Standing)*

Officiant Our King and Savior now draws near

People Come let us adore him.

Officiant: Let us say together the Venite

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Psalm 122

¹ I was glad when they said to me, *
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

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

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

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.

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

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

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."

At the end of the Psalms is said:

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

The Lessons

First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

Silence may be kept after each Reading. A Canticle is said after each Reading.

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!

A Collect for the departed

Grant us grace to entrust our loved ones to your never failing love...receive them into the arms of your mercy, and remember them according to the favor which you bear unto your children. *Amen.*

A Collect for self-dedication

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

A collect for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The General Thanksgiving (Kneeling or Standing)

Officiant: Let us say together the General Thanksgiving:

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for the Renewal of Life

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, you humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for the Sick

Almighty God, Father of life and health, use us we pray to bring wholeness and peace to those in need: especially: Ron J., Allen P., Elsie C., Steve, Beverly, Kelli, Bill, Vickie, John Ben, George, Jerry, Debbie, Ann, Faith and for the Ukrainian People.

Canticle 16
(Please Stand)

The Song of Zechariah *Ecce, Deus*
Luke 1:68-79

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.
He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.

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

In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Reading
(Seated)

Romans 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Sequence Hymn 640 **“Watchmen, Tell U of the Night”** Vv. 1-2 Prior to the gospel V. 3 following

Gospel **Matthew 24:36-44**

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.”

(Please stand. W\O a priest or deacon, the Gospel lesson is introduced like the Epistle. After the Gospel lesson, the reader closes with “The Word of the Lord.”)

Homily **8:00 Jamie Pollard** **10:30 Leslie Hall**
Written by The Rev. George H. Greer, Jr.

The Apostles’ Creed

Officiant: Standing, let us reaffirm our faith as we say together the Apostles Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Announcements

(Please be seated)

Offertory Sentence Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

The Doxology 8am: “All things come of thee O Lord” **10:30am** Organ Voluntary *Ruff Creech*

Response: “And of thine own have we given thee” **10:30am** Doxology sung

The Prayers

The people stand

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Facing the altar, the Officiant and People say together:

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 Suffrage (Standing)

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
R. And grant us thy salvation.
V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
R. And make thy chosen people joyful.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in thee can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let thy way be known upon earth;
R. Thy saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.

The Officiant then says the following Collects with the Congregation and Officiant standing

The Collect of the Day

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 live and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and fore ever. *Amen.*