



Advent Lessons and Carols  
Sunday, November 28, 2021 at 4 p.m.

310 W. 17th Street Little Rock, Arkansas 72206

*Welcome to Trinity Episcopal Cathedral. We're delighted you joined us today. Mask-wearing (even while singing) and social distancing are required during the service to protect those who are vulnerable.*

***Hymns are found in the red hymnal.***

**Prelude**

***Fantasy on 'Veni Emmanuel'***

*Kenneth Leighton*

***Matin Responsory sung by the choir***

*Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina*

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

*All stand, and the Officiant greets the people from the vestibule with these words*

Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

*A Short Lesson of Scripture is read.*

*The Officiant then says the Prayer for Light*

**Collect for the First Sunday of Advent**

*Officiant* 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 candles at the Altar are now lighted, as are other candles and lamps as may be convenient.*

**Hymn 56**

***O come, O come, Emmanuel***

*Veni, veni, Emmanuel*

**Bidding Prayer**

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 his whole world, for peace and justice on 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 of Little Rock. And because he particularly loves them, let us remember in his name the poor

and helpless, the cold, the hungry and oppressed, the sick and those who mourn, the lonely and unloved, the aged and little children, as well as all 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 with whom, in Jesus, we are one for evermore. And now, to sum up all these petitions, let us pray the words which Christ himself taught us, saying:

**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.**

*Officiant:* The Almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and unto the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. **Amen.**

*The congregation sits.*

**First Lesson**                      *Genesis 3:1-22*                      Reader: Maggie Smith

**Anthem**                      *Jesus Christ the apple tree*                      Elizabeth Poston  
soloist, Anna Squire

*The tree of life my soul hath seen,  
Laden with fruit and always green;  
The trees of nature fruitless be,  
Compared with Christ the Apple Tree.  
His beauty doth all things excel,  
By faith I know but ne'er can tell  
The glory which I now can see,  
In Jesus Christ the Appletree.  
For happiness I long have sought,  
And pleasure dearly I have bought;  
I missed of all but now I see  
'Tis found in Christ the Appletree.  
I'm weary with my former toil -  
Here I will sit and rest awhile,  
Under the shadow I will be,*

*Of Jesus Christ the Appletree.  
With great delight I'll make my stay,  
There's none shall fright my soul away;  
Among the sons of men I see  
There's none like Christ the Appletree.  
I'll sit and eat this fruit divine,  
It cheers my heart like spirit'al wine;  
And now this fruit is sweet to me,  
That grows on Christ the Appletree.  
This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,  
It keeps my dying faith alive;  
Which makes my soul in haste to be  
With Jesus Christ the Appletree.*

*Text: 18th Century Carol*

**Second Lesson**                      *Isaiah 7:10-15*                      Reader: Art Squire

**Hymn 73**                      *The King shall come when morning dawns*                      St. Stephen

**Third Lesson**                      *Isaiah 40:1-11*                      Reader: Mary Hodges



**Anthem*****Blessed be the Lord God****Charles Villiers Stanford*

*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.*

*for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
To give his 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.*

*You, my child, shall be called the prophet  
of the Most High,*

*Text: Song of Zechariah (Luke 1: 68-79)*

**Fourth Lesson***Jeremiah 31:31-34*

Reader: Grant Wallace

**Hymn 61*****“Sleepers, wake!” A voice astounds us****Wachet auf***Fifth Lesson***Isaiah 11:1-9*

Reader: Neal Lea

**Anthem*****How beautiful upon the mountains****John Stainer*

*How beautiful upon the mountains  
are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings,  
that publisheth peace; that publisheth salvation;  
that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!*

*Text: Isaiah 52: 7*

**Sixth Lesson***Zephaniah 3:14-18*

Reader: Colin MacKnight

1. Hills of the North, re - joice; Riv - er and moun - tain - spring,  
 2. Isles of the South - ern seas, Deep in your cor - al caves  
 3. Lands of the East, a - wake, Soon shall your sons be free;  
 4. Shores of the ut - most West, Ye that have wait - ed long,  
 5. Shout, while ye jour - ney home; Songs be in ev - ery mouth;

Hark to the ad - vent voice; Val - ley and low - land, sing; Though  
 Pent be each war - ring breeze, Lulled be your rest - less waves: He  
 The sleep of a - ges break, And rise to lib - er - ty. On  
 Un - vis - it - ed, un - blest, Break forth to swell - ing song; High  
 Lo, from the North we come, From East, and West, and South. Ci -

ab - sent long, your Lord is nigh; He judg - ment brings and vic - to - ry.  
 comes to reign with bound - less sway, And makes your wastes His great high - way.  
 your far hills, long cold and gray, Has dawned the ev - er - last - ing day.  
 raise the note, that Je - sus died, Yet lives and reigns, the Cru - ci - fied.  
 ty of God, the bond are free, We come to live and reign in thee! A - MEN.

**Seventh Lesson***Isaiah 64:1-9a*

Reader: The Rev. Canon Dr. Lisa Corry

**Anthem***E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come**Paul Manz*

*Peace be to you and grace from Him  
 Who freed us from our sins,  
 Who loved us all and shed His blood  
 That we might saved be*

*Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord, The Lord,  
 Almighty God,  
 Who was and is and is to come  
 Sing Holy, Holy, Lord!*

*Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein  
 Rejoice on earth, ye saints below  
 For Christ is coming, is coming soon  
 For Christ is coming soon!*

*E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come  
 And night shall be no more  
 They need no light nor lamp nor sun  
 For Christ will be their All!*

*Text: Adapted by Ruth Manz*

## Hymn

*People look east*

1. Peo - ple look East. The time is near Of the  
 2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, One more  
 3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build, Guard the  
 4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim One more  
 5. An - gels, an - nounce with shouts of mirth Christ who

3  
 crown - ing of the year. Make your house fair as you are  
 seed is plant - ed there: Give up your strength the seed to  
 nest that must be filled. E - ven the hour when wings are  
 light the bowl shall brim, Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y  
 brings new life to earth. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley

6  
 a - ble, Trim the hearth and set the  
 nour - ish, That in course the flow'r may  
 fro - zen God for fledg - ing time has  
 weath - er, Bright as sun and moon to  
 hum - ming With the word, the Lord is

8  
 ta - ble. Peo - ple look East and sing to -  
 flour - ish. Peo - ple look East and sing to -  
 cho - sen. Peo - ple look East and sing to -  
 geth - er. Peo - ple look East and sing to -  
 com - ing. Peo - ple look East and sing to -

10  
 day: Love, the Guest, is on the way.  
 day: Love, the Rose, is on the way.  
 day: Love, the Bird, is on the way.  
 day: Love, the Star, is on the way.  
 day: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

## Concluding Collect

Let us pray. Almighty God, we give you thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of the vesper light; and we implore you of your great mercy that, as you enfold us with the radiance of this light, so you would shine into our hearts the brightness of your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Advent Blessing

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before our path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**Hymn 57**

*Lo! He comes with clouds descending*

*Helmsley*

**Postlude**

*Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 645*

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

**Director of Music**

*Dr. Colin MacKnight*

We're thankful to Beau Baldwin for accompanying this evening's service.

# ADVENT & CHRISTMAS 2021

Check the weekly emails for streaming schedule.

## Nov. 28 Advent I

**Holy Eucharist** 8 a.m. (spoken)

**Holy Eucharist** 10:30 a.m.\*

Preacher: The Very Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux

**Alternative Market** 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.\*

**Advent Lessons & Carols** 4 pm

**Advent Family Event** 5 p.m.

## Dec. 5 Advent II

**Holy Eucharist** 8 a.m. (spoken)

**Holy Eucharist** 10:30 a.m.\*

Preacher: The Rev. Canon Dr. Lisa Corry

**Choral Evensong** 4 pm

## Dec. 12 Advent III

**Holy Eucharist** 8 a.m. (spoken)

**Holy Eucharist** 10:30 a.m.\*

Preacher: The Very Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux

**Choral Evensong** 4 pm

## Dec. 19 Advent IV

**Holy Eucharist** 8 a.m. (spoken)

**Holy Eucharist** 10:30 a.m.\*

Preacher: The Very Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux

**Christmas Lessons & Carols** 4 pm

## Dec. 24 Christmas Eve

**Offices Closed**

**Christmas Pageant with Holy Eucharist** 4 p.m.\*

Pick-up Pageant (more information inside)

Preacher: The Very Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux

**Musical Prelude** 7 p.m. and 10 p.m.

**Holy Eucharist** 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Larry Benfield

## Dec. 25 Christmas Day

**Holy Eucharist** 10:30 a.m.

Preacher: The Very Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux

## Dec. 26 First Sunday after Christmas Day

**Holy Eucharist** 10:30 a.m.\* (spoken)

Preacher: The Rev. Canon Dr. Lisa Corry

## Dec. 27 Monday after Christmas

**Offices Closed**

## Dec. 31 New Years Eve

**Offices Closed**

## Jan 2. Second Sunday after Christmas Day

**Holy Eucharist** 10:30 a.m. (spoken).\*

Preacher: The Rev. Canon Dr. Lisa Corry

\*Childcare will be provided for these events

