

ADVENT

CALENDAR 2020



<p>Advent I 29</p> <p>Sunday School 9 a.m. Morning Meditation 9:15 a.m. Worship 10 a.m. Coffee Hour 11 a.m. (Following Worship)</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Evening Prayer 6 p.m.</p> <p><i>Light</i></p>	<p>1</p> <p>Young(ish) Adult Social Hour 7 p.m. Compline 8:30 p.m.</p> <p><i>Darkness</i></p>	<p>2</p> <p>Musical Recital 12 p.m. Evening Prayer 6 p.m.</p> <p><i>Life</i></p>	<p>3</p> <p>Compline 8:30 p.m.</p> <p><i>Hear</i></p>	<p>4</p> <p>Evening Prayer 6 p.m.</p> <p><i>Journey</i></p>	<p>5</p> <p>Advent Prayer Walk 10 a.m.</p> <p><i>Hope</i></p>
<p>Advent II 6</p> <p>Sunday School 9 a.m. Morning Meditation 9:15 a.m. Worship 10 a.m. Coffee Hour 11 a.m. (Following Worship)</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Evening Prayer 6 p.m.</p> <p><i>Comfort</i></p>	<p>8</p> <p>Compline 8:30 p.m.</p> <p><i>Wilderness</i></p>	<p>9</p> <p>Musical Recital 12 p.m. Evening Prayer 6 p.m.</p> <p><i>Ground</i></p>	<p>10</p> <p>Compline 8:30 p.m.</p> <p><i>Prepare</i></p>	<p>11</p> <p>Evening Prayer 6 p.m.</p> <p><i>Path</i></p>	<p>12</p> <p><i>Peace</i></p>
<p>Advent III 13</p> <p>Sunday School 9 a.m. Morning Meditation 9:15 a.m. Worship 10 a.m. Coffee Hour 11 a.m. (Following Worship)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Evening Prayer 6 p.m. Book Club 7p.m.</p> <p><i>Earth</i></p>	<p>15</p> <p>Young(ish) Adult Social Hour 7 p.m. Compline 8:30 p.m.</p> <p><i>Strength</i></p>	<p>16</p> <p>Musical Recital 12 p.m. Evening Prayer 6 p.m.</p> <p><i>Hungry</i></p>	<p>17</p> <p>Compline 8:30 p.m.</p> <p><i>Water</i></p>	<p>18</p> <p>Evening Prayer 6 p.m.</p> <p><i>Baptize</i></p>	<p>19</p> <p><i>Present</i></p>
<p>Advent IV 20</p> <p>Sunday School 9 a.m. Morning Meditation 9:15 a.m. Worship 10 a.m. Coffee Hour 11 a.m. (Following Worship)</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Evening Prayer 6 p.m. Liturgy of the Longest Night 7 p.m.</p> <p><i>Visitation</i></p>	<p>22</p> <p>Compline 8:30 p.m.</p> <p><i>Unity</i></p>	<p>23</p> <p>Musical Recital 12 p.m. Evening Prayer 6 p.m.</p> <p><i>Womb</i></p>	<p>24</p> <p>Christmas Eve Watch Party 4 p.m. & 9 p.m.</p> <p><i>Greetings</i></p>	<p>25</p> <p>Christmas Day Watch Party 10 a.m. Evening Prayer 6 p.m.</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27</p> <p>Diocesan Worship (TBD)</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>

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ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS 2020

SUNDAY MORNING MEDITATION | SUNDAYS IN ADVENT | 9:15 A.M.

In addition to our Wednesday Morning Meditation, we are offering a Sunday morning meditation each Sunday of Advent at 9:15 a.m. This is an online offering where we will gather together, read a brief reflection, and enter into 20 minutes of silent meditation. There will be an optional time of reflection after the meditation. We will conclude in time for the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Please visit our website for the Zoom information.

ADVENT PAUSE | WEEKDAYS DURING ADVENT

Brief, daily reflections to deepen our connection to God, self, planet, and neighbor.

The season of Advent invites us to be more awake to the ways that God is present in each day and moment. Each weekday in Advent, you're invited to participate in a quick moment of reflection with the staff of St. Paul's. Based on the prayers, images, or readings from each Sunday in Advent, these very quick "pauses" will help you ground your day in God and God's love for you. You may use them for private prayer time, or use them as conversation starters with family or friends. We will post the daily reflection on our Facebook and Instagram pages. You can also sign up to receive the daily reflection by e-mail: www.stpaulsrva.org/subscribe (choose Advent Pause).

COMPLINE AND EVENING PRAYER

Introducing Compline to our daily prayer services for Advent! Beginning on Monday, November 30 through Christmas Day, we will offer the following daily prayer services on weeknights:

- Evening Prayer with Rev. Charlie on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 6 p.m.
- Compline with Rev. Gwynn on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:30 p.m.

Compline is last of the Book of Common Prayer's four services in the Daily Office that includes Morning and Evening Prayer. It is descended from the night prayers said before bed at the end of the monastic round of daily prayer. It is an intimate and peaceful prayer service for turning our bodies, hearts and minds toward Christ as we prepare to rest as we wait and watch in hope for the Light of the World. Please note that we will not offer the Morning Prayer Podcast during Advent.

MUSICAL RECITAL | WEDNESDAYS IN ADVENT | NOON

In partnership with All Saints Episcopal Church, St. Paul's will be offering musical recitals on Wednesdays at noon during Advent. These recitals will be a mix of organ and instrumentals, and will be streamed on Facebook Live. We will also post to our website for later viewing.

ADVENT PRAYER WALK @ BROWN'S ISLAND | SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5TH 10:00 A.M. – NOON (WEATHER PERMITTING)

Please join us as we walk, watch and wait, witness and pray to God for Christ to be born anew into our hearts, our community, and all creation this Advent season. We will meet in Front of the American Civil War Museum next to Tredegar Iron Works. We will walk quietly together, stopping at designated prayer stations to read poems and prayers. Our route will take us along the T. Tyler Porterfield Memorial Bridge (aka Teapot Bridge) and along the Canal Walk as we take in the sights and sounds of the James River and downtown Richmond. The walk will be flat and easy and will also include the option for a one-mile and two-mile route to accommodate differing stamina levels. Please contact Rev. Gwynn for additional information: gcrichton@stpaulsrva.org

DECEMBER BOOK CLUB | MONDAY, DECEMBER 14TH | 7:00 P.M.

We will be reading and reflecting on *The Irrational Season* by Madeline L'Engle. "The Irrational Season follows the liturgical year from one Advent to the next, with L'Engle reflecting on the changing seasons in her own life as a writer, wife, mother, and global citizen." This conversation will be facilitated by Keli Shipley Cooper. For more information: www.stpaulsrva.org/events/fallbookclub

LITURGY OF THE LONGEST NIGHT LIVE STREAM W/ HOLY EUCHARIST MONDAY, DECEMBER 21ST | 7:00 P.M.

The Liturgy of the Longest Night, also known as "Blue Christmas," is symbolically held on the Winter Solstice (December 21st or thereabouts), coinciding with the Feast Day for St. Thomas the Apostle ("Doubting Thomas"). This service is designed to create a sacred space to lift up our grief and lament intermingled as well as our hope and longing for healing as Christ is born anew into our hearts and world. Please join us for this special live-streamed service with Holy Eucharist.

CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP | DECEMBER 24TH & 25TH

Join us online for this year's Christmas Eve and Christmas Day worship. We will have one video that you can watch at any time on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. This video will be available on our website and social media channels or you can request a DVD. We invite you to gather online with other St. Paul's parishioners for a "Watch Party." We will be hosting Facebook "Watch Parties" on Christmas Eve at 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. and then on Christmas Day at 10:00 a.m.



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