



ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Kinnelon, New Jersey

Advent 2

December 9, 2018 at 10:00 AM



WELCOME TO ST. DAVID'S CHURCH

Please add your voice and heart to the worship; sing the hymns and pray the prayers. Everyone is welcome at Jesus' Table, and everyone's voice is needed to tell the Good News of God's love in Christ.

Children are always welcome at St. David's. Please ask a greeter for a rainbow bag, containing Bible-based activities.

Please turn off your cell phone:

God is calling.

Restrooms are located just inside the double doors which lead to the Parish Hall.

The Ladies Room offers a baby changing table.

MINISTERS OF THE CELEBRATION

<i>Presider</i>	The Rev. Jon M. Richardson
<i>Celebrants</i>	The People and Priest
<i>Worship Team Leader</i>	Marty Stanton
<i>Music Director</i>	Salvatore Mallimo
<i>Greeters</i>	Tom Snyder, Bob Ward
<i>Crucifer</i>	Marty Stanton
<i>Readers</i>	Kathy Kent, Steve Kent
<i>Intercessor</i>	Michael Kidney
<i>Acolytes</i>	John Simonelli, Caroline Mossip
<i>Chalice Bearers</i>	John Simonelli, Caroline Mossip
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Michael Kidney
<i>Good Shepherd</i>	Nancy Ward
<i>Hospitality Minister</i>	Bob Ward
<i>Coffee Hour Hosts</i>	Michael Kidney, Julie Dolci
<i>Vestry on Duty</i>	Marty Stanton
<i>Delivery to Food Pantry</i>	Jeanette Meyer

In the pew racks, you'll find a card to place in the offering plate if you submit your financial offering electronically or by mail.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Please stand, as you are able, when the procession enters.

OPENING HYMN

"Comfort, Comfort Ye My People" The Hymnal, 1982

1 Com - fort, com - fort ye my peo - ple, speak ye peace, thus
 2 Hark, the voice of one that cri - eth in the des - ert
 3 Make ye straight what long was crook - ed, make the rough - er



saith our God; com - fort those who sit in dark - ness
 far and near, call - ing us to new re - pent - ance
 pla - ces plain; let your hearts be true and hum - ble,



mourn - ing 'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak ye to Je -
 since the king - dom now is here. Oh, that warn - ing
 as be - fits his ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry



ru - sa - lem of the peace that waits for them;
 cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;
 of the Lord now o'er earth is shed a - broad;



tell her that her sins I cov - er,
 let the val - leys rise to meet him
 and all flesh shall see the to - ken



and her war - fare now is o - ver.
 and the hills bow down to greet him.
 that the word is nev - er bro - ken.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Rite II (trial use)**Presider* Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.*People* **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid:

All **Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE

Metrical Setting of the Magnificat – tune St. Michael (Old 134th)



My soul pro-claims with joy the great-ness of the
On those who fear the Lord his mer - cy will a -
Lord; my he Spir - it will re -
bide; he showed the strength of
joice in him, my the Sav - ior and my God.
his right arm; the proud are scat - tered wide.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the Readings.

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven. For God will give you evermore the name, "Righteous Peace, Godly Glory." Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height; look toward the east, and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that God has remembered them. For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies; but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God. The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All **Thanks be to God**

THE RESPONSE *Canticle 16, The Song of Zechariah, Luke 1:68-79*

A Hymn Tune Psalter

The choir will sing the antiphon once, and the congregation is invited to join the second time, and each time the antiphon is repeated during the Psalm.



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.

Antiphon

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.

Antiphon

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.

Antiphon

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 his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.

Antiphon

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.

Antiphon

FROM THE CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURES: A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians

1:3-11

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

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SEQUENCE HYMN

"Prepare the Way, O Zion" *The Hymnal, 1982*

Sing stanza 1 before the Gospel, and stanzas 2 & 3 after.

Please stand, as you are able.



1 Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!
2 He brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heaven a - bove.
3 Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sa - vior's rule em - brace.



Let ev - ery hill and val - ley a lev - el way ap - pear.
His rule is peace and free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love.
His tid - ings of sal - va - tion pro - claim in ev - ery place.



Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry.
Lift high your praise re - sound - ing, for grace and joy a - bound - ing.
All lands will bow be - fore him, their voic - es will a - dore him.



Refrain
Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 3:1-6

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are able

All

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Leader I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. Prepare your hearts for his arrival, praying, "Fill the valleys, make low the hills; come, great Redeemer, come."

Merciful God, increase our love to overflowing. Make your Church pure and blameless that we may greet with joy the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray especially for the leaders of the Church: for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael our Presiding Bishop; for Carlye, our Bishop; for Jon, our Priest; and for the Wardens and Vestry of this congregation.

Silence.

Leader Fill the valleys, make low the hills;

All **Come, great Redeemer, come.**

Leader Merciful God, we long for the light of hope to break into our world, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, to guide us into the way of peace. We pray especially for our President, for our Governor, for the mayors and local governments of all the towns and cities we serve, and for the leaders of all the nations and all elected officials.

Silence.

Leader Fill the valleys, make low the hills;

All **Come, great Redeemer, come.**

Leader Merciful God, give us grace to heed the warnings of those calling us to be better stewards of your creation. We thank you for all you have made, especially those things that sustain and better our lives. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we give thanks for the parish of the Falkland Islands. In our Diocesan cycle of prayer, we give thanks and pray for the work of the members of the ACTS/VIM Board. We give thanks and pray for the Clergy, Wardens, Vestry and People of St. Peter's Church, Mountain Lakes; St. Peter's Church, Mt. Arlington; and Grace Church, Newark. In our parish, we pray for June Whitehead; Dale and Walter Wilhelm; Irene Williams; Mary-Esther Arther; Scott Ashton; Guy Baskinger, Chase Baskinger and MacKenzie Bekker.

Silence.

Leader Fill the valleys, make low the hills;

All **Come, great Redeemer, come.**

Leader Merciful God, you lead us with joy; you delight in our joy. You clothe us in beauty. We give you thanks for your tender care.

The congregation is invited to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence

Leader Fill the valleys, make low the hills;

All **Come, great Redeemer, come.**

Leader Merciful God, you remember your children. You do not leave us in sorrow or affliction. Crown your children with glory; clothe them with righteousness. We pray for all those on our parish prayer lists.

The congregation is invited to add their petitions, followed by silence.

Leader Fill the valleys, make low the hills;

All **Come, great Redeemer, come.**

Leader Merciful God, you have raised up for us salvation through your Son. Keep us, with all your saints, in the eternal life of Christ. The altar flowers are given today in loving memory of David Meyer; and also of Dorothy Kidney.

Silence.

Leader Fill the valleys, make low the hills;

All **Come, great Redeemer, come.**

Leader O God of peace, who taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and in confidence shall be our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Rite II (trial use)*

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

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

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People offer a greeting of peace to one another.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Please be seated

What do you bring to the altar today? How do you experience God?

The Offertory Sentence

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

"We Bring His Light" Words and Music by J. Purifoy

*We bring light to all the world today,
light that will shine in your hearts.
Take this light of peace to all mankind,
it is Christmas, we bring Christmas.
God is with us, we bring his light.*

*We bring light to worship Christ our King,
light that give joy to the world.
Unto us is born a Child of hope,
He will teach us, He will save us,
He will love us, we bring his light.*

*We bring light to show the way of truth,
truth that will now set men free.
All the love of God has come to us in a Savior.
Christ our Savior, He is with us, we bring his light.*

*We bring light to all the world today,
light that will shine in your hearts.
Take this light of peace to all mankind,
it is Christmas, we bring Christmas.
God is with us, we bring his light.*

PRESENTATION HYMN

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" *The Hymnal, 1982*

Please stand as you are able

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with the lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Come, thou long-expect-ed Je-sus, born to set thy peo-ple free; By thine own e-ter-nal Spi-rit rule in all our hearts a-lone; from our fears and sins re-lease us, let us find our rest in thee. by thine all-suf-fi-cient mer-it raise us to thy glo-rious throne." The score ends with a double bar line.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

Rite II Prayer B (trial use)

Please remain standing as you are able.

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

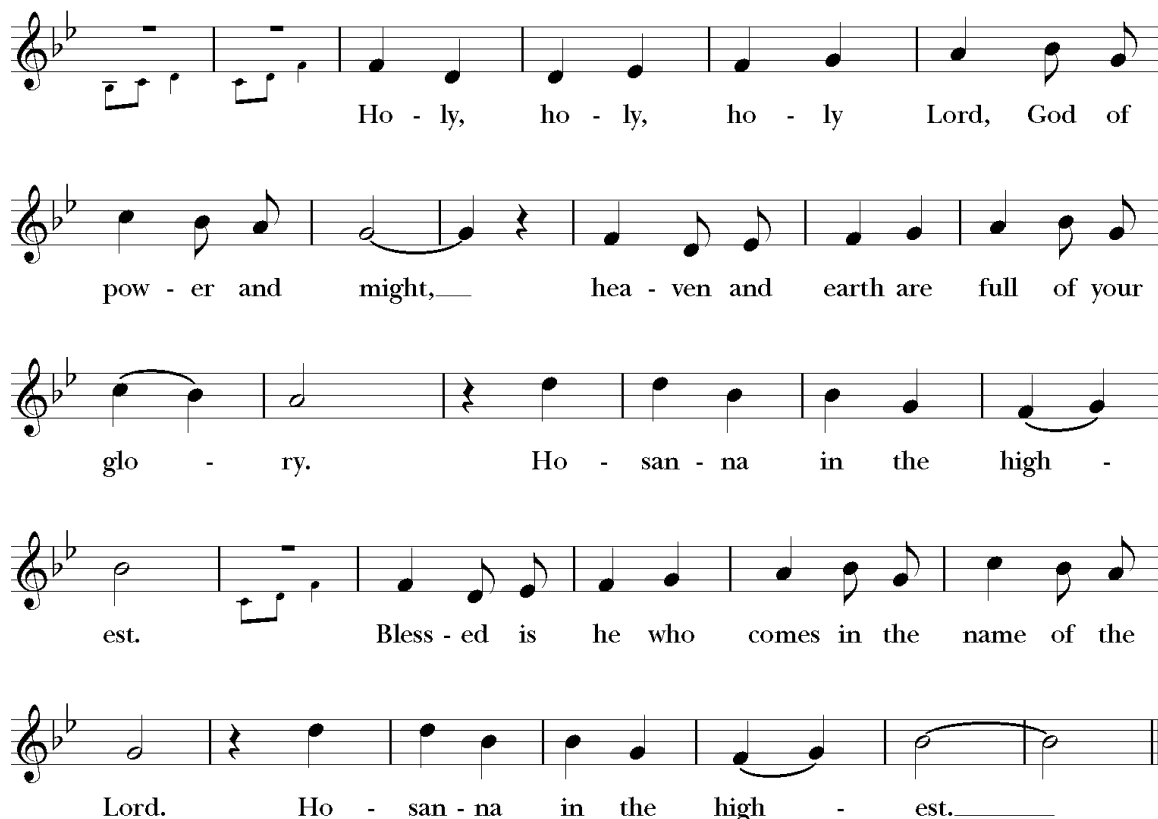
Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 pow - er and might, — hea - ven 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. —

Please stand or kneel, as you are able. The Presider 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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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,

Presider and People

**We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

The Presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. David of Wales, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

You are invited to pray in the language that brings you closest to God.

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

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.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.



THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Please be seated after the Invitation.

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All who seek God and are drawn to Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

The greeters will direct you forward to the altar rail where you may stand or kneel as able. To receive the wheat bread, place your open palm on top of the other. Red wine is offered in the silver chalice. White grape juice is offered in the ceramic chalice. If you need a gluten free wafer, please put your hands together. If you wish to have Communion brought to you at your seat, please ask a greeter to inform the priest.

COMMUNION HYMN

"Savior of the Nations, Come!" *The Hymnal, 1982*

1 Sa - vior of the na - tions, come! Vir - gin's
 2 Won - drous birth! Oh, won - drous child of the
 3 Thus on earth the Word ap - pears, grac - ing
 4 Come, O Fa - ther's sav - ing Son, who o'er

Son, make here your home. Mar - vel now, both
 Vir - gin un - de - filed! Might - y God and
 his cre - a - ted spheres; hence to death and
 sin the vic - tory won. Bound - less shall your

heaven and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.
 Ma - ry's son, ea - ger now his race to run!
 hell de - scends, then the heaven - ly throne a - scends.
 king - dom be; grant that we its glo - ries see.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Enriching Our Worship 1

Presider Let us pray.

All **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

BLESSING *Please stand as you are able.*

Book of Occasional Services

Presider May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, our Creator, our Savior, and the Holy Spirit of Truth be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All

O God, our times are in your hand: look with favor, we pray on these your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"On Jordan's Bank" *The Hymnal*, 1982

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an -
 2 Then cleansed be ev - ery breast from sin; make
 3 For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, our
 4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand, and
 5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee, whose

1 noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,
 2 straight the way for God with - in, and let each heart pre -
 3 re - fuge, and our great re - ward; with - out thy grace we
 4 bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; shine forth, and let thy
 5 ad - vent doth thy peo - ple free; whom with the Fa - ther

1 for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings.
 2 pare a home where such a might - y guest may come.
 3 waste a - way like flowers that with - er and de - cay.
 4 light re - store earth's own true love - li - ness once more.
 5 we a - dore and Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more.

DISMISSAL

Presider Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

"Canzonetta" by D. Buxtehude

All are welcome in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour.

ON THE HORIZON

Sunday, December 16 Christmas Caroling at local assisted living homes
Open House at the Rectory
Sunday, December 23 Greening of the Church
Elizabeth Williams' Memorial Service
Monday, December 24 Christmas Eve Service 5 pm
Tuesday, December 25 Christmas Day Service 10:00 am
Sunday, December 30 One service at 10:00, Christmas Lessons & Carols

The office will be closed Friday, Dec 21 through Friday, Dec 28 and again on Tuesday, January 1st.

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Guy Baskinger, Sexton

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Kathy Kent

Lee Moody

Dale Pappas-Wilhelm

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