

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 22, 2019

Prelude Magnificat VIII Toni

H. Scheidemann (1595-1663)

Processional Hymn 56 "O come, O come, Emmanuel"

Veni, veni, Emmanuel

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

Celebrant Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, merciful and gentle: to you be praise and

glory for ever! Your light has shone in our darkened world through the child-bearing of blessed Mary; grant that we who have seen your glory may daily be renewed in your image and prepared like her for the coming

of your Son, who is the Lord and Savior of all.

People Blessed be God for ever.

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

Trisagion S102 (front section of hymnal)

Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, have mercy upon us.

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant Together we pray.

People 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.

First Lesson: Isaiah 7:10-16

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."

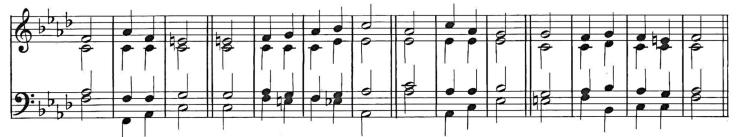
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

Richard Clark

The congregation is encouraged to sing the psalm.



- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; * shine forth, you that are en throned up on the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Malnasseh, * stir up your strength and come to help us.
- †3 Restore us, O'God of hosts; *
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 O LORD God of hosts, *

 how long will you be angered

 de spite the prayers of your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; * you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 You have made us the delrision of our neighbors, * and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

- 7 Restore us, O'God of'hosts; *
 show the light of your'countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
 the son of man you have made so strong for your self.
- 17 And so will we never turn a way from you; * give us life, that we may call up on your Name.
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Second Lesson: Romans 1:1-7

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 71 "Hark! the glad sound! the Savior comes"

Bristol

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25

Clergy 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.

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon Rev. Mia Kano

Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

Prayers of the People

After each bidding the Reader says, Lord, in your mercy. The People reply, Hear our prayer.

Confession of Sin BCP p. 360

Peace

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Anthem The Cherry Tree Carol

Kentucky Mountain Ballad Soloists Britt Brown and Frank Rosamond

When Joseph was an old man, an old man was he, he courted Virgin Mary, the Queen of Galilee. Joseph and Mary were walking one day, here is apples and cherries, so fair to behold, Here is apples and cherries so fair to behold.

Then Mary spoke to Joseph, so meek and so mild "Joseph, gather me some cherries for I am with child" "Oh, Joseph, gather me some cherries for I am with child."

Then Joseph flew in anger, in anger he flew "Oh, let the father of the baby gather cherries for you!" "Oh, let the father of the baby gather cherries for you!"

So the cherry tree bowed low down, low down to the ground And Mary gathered cherries while Joseph stood down

Then Joseph took Mary all on his right knee Crying "Lord, have mercy for what I have done!"

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Doxology Hymn 380 v. 3 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Old 100th

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP p. 367

Sanctus S 129 (front section of hymnal)

Powell

Fraction S 151 (front section of hymnal)

David Hurd

Breaking of the Bread

Ushers will direct the congregation to communion stations, starting from the rear of the church and moving forward. Gluten-free wafers are available. All are welcome to receive communion. Healing prayer is offered, if you desire, at the transept rail after you take communion.

Communion Anthem E'en So Lord, Quickly Come

Paul Manz (1919-2009)

Peace be to you and grace from Him Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,

Who freed us from our sins, Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,

Who loved us all and shed His blood For Christ is coming, is coming soon,

That we might saved be. For Christ is coming soon!

Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord, E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,

The Lord, Almighty God,

And night shall be no more;

Who was and is and is to come; They need no light nor lamp nor sun,

Sing Holy, Holy, Lord! For Christ will be their All!

Communion Hymn 265 "The angel Gabriel from heaven came" Gabriel's Message

Thanksgiving after Communion BCP p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 66 "Come, thou long-expected Jesus" Stuttgart

Dismissal

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Puer natus in Bethlehem J.S. Bach (1685-1750)



Healing Prayers

The offering of healing prayers is a widespread and ancient tradition within the Episcopal Church, and one that has long been part of the Wednesday morning Eucharist at St. Andrew's. We are eager to extend the reach of these prayers by making them available at our 8am, 10am, and 5pm Sunday services.

The way healing prayers will be offered is as follows. During the time people are receiving communion at the front altar rail, one of the clergy will be on duty at the transept altar to offer healing prayers for anyone who wishes to be prayed with. If you want to have healing prayers, go to the communion rail at the transept altar after you have received communion at the front rail. You are welcome to kneel or stand at the rail.

The clergy person will ask you quietly and discreetly what you wish to pray for. To be clear, requests for healing prayers are not just for health issues. In fact, they are usually for non-physical challenges that an individual may be facing family, work, relationship difficulties, etc. You can request a prayer for yourself or for someone else. For example, someone might say, "please pray for my husband facing a difficult time at work," or "please pray for my mother facing an operation," or "please pray for my son having a tough time at college." In response, the clergy will quietly and discreetly offer a healing prayer for the situation. One point I do wish to make is that the introduction of healing prayers will not add any time to the length of the service. Once everyone has received communion the service will continue as normal even if there are still people receiving healing prayer at the Transept Chapel.

Again, healing prayer is an ancient Episcopal tradition, and by making it more widely available at St. Andrew's we will be joining Christians down through the ages who have prayed in this way for God's healing presence to be with them. If you have any questions about healing prayer please do not hesitate to speak with me or one of the other clergy.

Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole



Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the 10am service hosted today by Linda & Peter Lull, and Tim & Nora Tracy Phillips.

Serving St. Andrew's this week

Altar Guild Jo Dermer, Linda Gallo, Blair Glennon, Sarah Harris, Wendy Haering, Pam Henrikson, Carol Jankowski, Donna Kell, Debbie Lorenz, Pat MacKinnon, and Linda Reineman Flower Guild the whole flower guild

Serving at 8am

Lay Reader/Chalice Bearer Debbie Lorenz
Usher Harriet Thompson

Serving at 10am

Acolytes Crucifer: Isabella MacKinnon; Torch: Drew Donahue;
Torch: Cameron Cowperthwaite; Gospel: Henry MacKinnon; Banner: Conor Donahue

Chalice Bearers Joanna Horobin, Suzy Littlefield,

Paige Manning, and Keileigh McReynolds

Lay Readers Michael Kemp, Eliot Heher, and Jen Martin

Ushers Steve Beach, Harry Condon, Greg Hunter,

Scott Jones, Peter Lull, and Jeff Waldron

Intercessions from the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Parishes of the Alewife Deanery
Episcopal Chaplaincy at Harvard, Cambridge
Lutheran Episcopal Chaplaincy at MIT, Cambridge
The Society of St. John the Evangelist, Cambridge
Hospital Chaplaincies & Healthcare Chaplains



About The Readings

From Preparing for Sunday http://standrewswellesley.org/worship_reading.html

Isaiah 7:10-16 Today's reading carries two levels of meaning-one in the context of the politically troubled times in which it was written and the other in its use by Matthew in reference to the birth of Jesus. Through Isaiah, the Lord's word came to encourage Ahaz, the king of Judah, to remain calm in the face of the threats of the kings of Israel (Ephraim) and Syria. These kings hoped to force Judah to join their coalition against the Assyrian empire or, if Ahaz would not cooperate, to overthrow him and put another king on the throne. Through Isaiah, God invites Ahaz to ask for a sign, but Ahaz refuses. But the sign will occur despite Ahaz's refusal, and it will be a sign both of hope and of disaster. Before the child can discern good from evil, Israel and Syria will be devastated, but in the long run Judah will suffer also.

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18 This lament of the nation and cry for deliverance probably comes from the northern kingdom, whose tribes are enumerated (v. 2). The "Shepherd of Israel" (the only occurrence of this phrase in the psalms) is pictured as enthroned over the ark between the wings of the cherubim. The psalm's refrain (vv. 3, 7, 19) echoes the blessing given by Aaron in Numbers 6:24-26.

Romans 1:1-7 Paul introduces himself to the community in Rome by establishing his credentials with them. First, he asserts his authority as an apostle to the Gentiles and thus to them. He calls himself a "servant (or slave) of Jesus" (v. 1). The term "servant of God" was applied in the Old Testament to such figures as Abraham, Moses and Joshua, but is now applicable to all Christians. Second, Paul goes on to show that he preaches the same gospel that the Roman church had heard proclaimed among them. He points out the role of the Old Testament in showing the promises of God. Then he gives a brief creed-like statement (1:3-4), which may be a pre-Pauline credal summary known to the Roman Christians.

Matthew 1:18-25 Matthew describes neither the event of Jesus' conception nor of his birth, but rather the reactions and responses of others to these happenings. For Matthew, the significance of today's gospel lies first in Jesus' origin and second in Joseph's actions. The child's name, Jesus, (the Greek form of the Hebrew name Joshua, meaning "Yahweh is salvation") shows that "he will redeem Israel from all its iniquities" (Psalm 130:8). For the first of many times

Matthew makes his announcement of fulfillment–the time of fulfillment is now begun in Jesus' birth. The name "Emmanuel...God with us" (v. 23) is for Matthew a central statement of Jesus' identity and his relationship to his people, the Church. Joseph's response to Jesus' origin assures Jesus' Davidic descent and thus his Messiahship. Betrothal was a binding promise to marriage, and although

infidelity by the betrothed was punishable by death, the wronged husband could choose to quietly break the marriage by sending the betrothed back to her family. Yet Joseph was obedient to the Lord's command and took the crucial legal step of recognition by naming the child, thus making the necessary connection in the genealogy.



Christmas & Epiphany Services

Intergenerational Choir Rehearsal today, December 22, 11:30am

An opportunity for people and families, big and small, all ages, all music levels (shower singers to aspiring rock stars!) to be a part of the 5pm Christmas Eve service. Amanda and Wardie will teach, then there will be a pizza lunch after all the hard work is done!

Christmas Eve Services Tuesday, December 24

Children's Service at 3pm

This half-hour service aimed at young children is attended by about 250. We sing carols, hear the Christmas story, and have a children's homily (no Holy Communion).

The service is followed by cake and refreshments.

Family Eucharist at 5pm

This hour-long Holy Communion service, with 600 to 700 people attending, has babysitting available, the intergenerational choir singing, and a sermon. The service ends with the church lights darkened and everyone holding a candle as we sing "Silent Night."

Choral Service & Holy Eucharist at 10pm

This is a traditional service with communion, carols, a sermon, and choral anthems; about 300 attend. A 20-minute musical prelude precedes the hour-long service with the full choir and a string quartet. The service ends with the church lights darkened and everyone holding a candle as we sing "Silent Night."

Christmas Day Service Wednesday, December 25 at 10am

This is a relaxed one-hour service with communion, Christmas carols, and a short homily. The service is usually attended by about 50 people.

Christmas Lessons & Carols Sunday, December 29 at 10am

This 45-minute service takes the traditional Lessons & Carols form: five bible readings interspersed with five Christmas carols (no Holy Communion).

Epiphany Fireside Service Sunday, January 5 at 5pm

This Holy Communion service—in the parish hall with a roaring fire—is attended by an intergenerational congregation of about 100. We hear a short Epiphany homily and sing Epiphany hymns. This is a popular service followed by a potluck.



Notices & Announcements

Holy Communion Instructions

We welcome all to share communion bread and wine at St. Andrew's. Communion is at the front rail in two stations—one starting at the pulpit and the second at the brass eagle lectern. The ushers will direct you when you arrive at the front of the church. Fill in each station fully, from right to left. The clergy and chalice bearers will serve everyone before starting over with a new group.

Once you receive the communion bread or wafer (if you require a gluten-free wafer, please indicate that to the clergy and a wafer and special cup will be brought to you), you may partake of the wine from the large chalice or by dipping your wafer into the smaller intinction cup. If you take from the larger chal-ice, please assist the chalice bearer by holding the chalice and guiding it. Anyone to receive a blessing, rather than communion, please cross your arms over your chest.

Once you have received both the bread and the wine, the custom is to wait at the rail until the person next to you has received and then exit the rail. Please do not remain at the rail—your personal prayers should be under-taken back in your pew.

- Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole
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A Gift for You!

Celebrating 125 Years, A Pictorial History, 1894 to 2019 marks the completion of this year's anniversary celebration. The 64-page full color history chronicles St. Andrew's journey from its beginnings as a truly moveable service travelling between Waban Hall and the town hall, to its first parish picnic, to the early Bargain Hauls, to the now annual Blessing of the Animals. These years of journey have been marked by parishioners who have joined in St. Andrew's many events and who have served faithfully, and by the clergy who have guided their footsteps, and the development of the church.

Celebrating 125 Years will be available today, Sunday, December 22. One copy per family and you may pick up your copy at coffee hour following the 10am service.

Merry Christmas! —Sandra Rigney

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2019 Pledges

The 2019 Pledge payments have arrived at a slower rate this fall. Please make your payments: St. Andrew's has bills to pay. Thank you. — Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole

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9am Christian Learning

Join us **Sunday, December 22,** for *Sharing Icons and Images of Mary, the Mother of God.*

- Rev. Margaret Schwarzer
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Church School/Rite-I3 Schedule

There will be no church school, Kids' Place, or Rite-13 on **Sunday**, **December 22 or 29**, as the parish comes together to celebrate Christmas. There will be no church school or Rite-13 on the morning of **Sunday**, **January 5**, as all ages are invited to celebrate Epiphany at a special celebration at 5pm. Kids' Place will be available in the morning. All programs are on for **Sunday**, **January 12**!

- Rev. Maria Kano
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Childcare—Christmas Eve 5pm

Babysitting will be available during the 5pm service on **Tuesday**, **December 24**, in **Kids' Place**. Feel free to drop your children in childcare for all, or part of the service.

- Susan Jackson
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Intergenerational Choir Signup

We are looking for people and families, big and small, all ages, all music levels, to be part of the 5pm Christmas Eve Intergenerational Choir. This choir is an opportunity to make your Christmas Eve at St. Andrew's even more special by singing in the choir with your family and friends! Come to rehearsal today!

• Today, December 22, 11:30am to 1:30pm: Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary. Pizza

- after rehearsal!
- Tuesday, December 24, 4pm: Meet in the choir room for warm-ups and a final rehearsal. Sing at the 5pm service.
- Amanda Kern
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A Note from the Treasurer's Office

Please help us identify where your donations should be applied. St. Andrew's has so many options at this time of year. Your donation could be for a 2019 pledge, 2020 pledge, capital campaign, holiday dinners, Christmas flowers, Alternative Gift Fair (AGF), outreach, or Christmas. Also, payments received by December 26, 2019 are appreciated so that we have time to deposit them before the end of the year. Thank you for all your gifts! — Ruth Hubert

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Mitten Tree

The St. Andrew's mitten tree is in the parish hall. This is a long-standing outreach ministry. Please bring new hats, gloves, and mittens, until the end of the month, for those in need this winter. — Heidi Harper

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Mia's Ordination to the Priesthood

God willing and the people consenting, the Rt. Rev. Alan M. Gates, bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts will ordain Maria Benjamin Kano to the sacred priesthood on **Saturday, January 11, 2020** at **10:30am** here at St. Andrew's. Wear red! Reception to follow. — Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole

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Sunday Parking on Denton Road

Please be very careful that you do not obstruct the driveways of our neighbors. We wish to maintain good relations with our neighbors and to extend to them the courtesy we would expect from others parking in our own roads. Thanks for your help with this! — Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole

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Pledging for 2020

Thank you to all who have sent in pledges for the 2020 Stewardship Campaign. The results are very encouraging, but we still have a way to go. If you have not pledged, please do so as soon as possible so we can finalize our budget. You can send in a pledge form by mail, put one in the plate, or pledge on the GIVE tab of our website. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to me, a member of the stewardship campaign, the wardens, or the rector. — Allen Jones

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Collecting Coats for Kids and Adults

As the cold weather sets in, there are thousands of people in our area who are without a warm winter coat. Gently used warm coats of all sizes—infant through adult XXL—are accepted. Donated coats will be cleaned free of charge by Anton's Cleaners and then distributed through the Coats for Kids Distribution Partners network. This collection will continue **through December 31**. Please check your closets and drop your unwanted coats in the collection box in the office corridor. — Joanna Horobin

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Epiphany Fireside Service & Potluck

Please join us in celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany on Sunday, January 5, at 5pm in the parish hall. We will sing the great hymns of Epiphany and share the Eucharist in front of a warm, roaring fire. This is a lovely service for all ages! Afterwards, we invite you to stay for homemade soup and a baked potato bar, hosted by the fellowship committee. Please bring a salad, side, or dessert to share. Looking forward to seeing you!

- Jennifer Sawyer
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Nametags

Get to know folks and help everyone feel welcome by wearing a nametag. The membership committee offers reusable magnetic nametags for all members. If you would like a new or replacement nametag, contact Becky Hamlin • dbhamlin@comcast.net

MLK Breakfast

St. Andrew's will be sponsoring a table at the annual MLK breakfast again, hosted by the World of Wellesley. The Kuumba Singers of Harvard College and the Wellesley High School Step Dancers will perform. The breakfast is **from 8 to 10am on Monday, January 20**, at the **Alumnae Hall, Wellesley College**. If you would like to go to the breakfast and represent St. Andrew's, please let me know. — Rev. Adrian Robbins-Cole

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MLK Day of Action

Live out the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. through the MLK Day of Action! On Monday, January 20, 2019, volunteers will gather at St. Andrew's in the morning to drive into the South End of Boston and spend the day (from approximately 9am to 2pm) working on projects at the Blackstone School, a partner of St. Stephen's Church, our sister parish. All ages are invited; children below grade nine should bring a parent. See the sign-up genius on the SERVE page of the website.

- Cam McCormick
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Sox Box

Winter is fast upon us, as is the December sock delivery to Roseanna Means, M.D. of Health Care Without Walls. The need for socks is crucial, as our homeless brothers and sisters do not have the option of changing shoes or boots. Since 2007, St. Andrew's has generously donated 9,457 pairs of socks. Can we top the 10,000 mark by donating 543 more pairs by mid-December? Please be a part of this vital ministry. It is one small way for each of us to make a huge difference in the lives of those less fortunate than we. You

can contribute in two ways:

- Buy white socks & place them in the Sox Box outside the parish library.
- Send a check to St. Andrew's with "Sox Box" in the memo line.

This donation will show in your church statement and socks will be purchased.

— Donna Kell • <u>donnalb.kell@gmail.com</u>

Portrait Photos from the Gala.

If you are excited about viewing the portrait photos from the gala, Jennifer Waddell, has posted two albums for your viewing pleasure: Saint Andrew's 125th Celebration and Saint Andrew's Reception. (At this point you'll have to scroll down pretty far to view them.) You can find a link to the albums in our e-Pistle or at https://jenniferwaddellphotog-raphy.pixieset.com/ You need to sign in with your email address to view the albums. If you would like a high-resolution photo, please contact Jennifer directly at jen.waddell@gmail.com. The photos are magnificent, and she has more than are posted. — Kate Clark

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- In an emergency, please contact Adrian on his cell phone: 603/831-4938.
- The clergy are available to assist you if you email or call them if you or a member of your family expects to be in the hospital and wishes to be visited.
- Please let us know of names that should be added to our prayer list.

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Weekly Calendar

- The **Holy Eucharist** is celebrated on **Sundays at 8am, 10am and 5pm**, and every **Wednesday at 7:30am**—we offer healing prayer at these services; **Silent Contemplative Prayer** is also offered weekdays **at 8:50am**, unless otherwise noted.
- Senior Choir rehearsal is on Thursdays at 7:30pm, and Sundays at 9am; Junior Choir rehearsal is on Sundays at 9am.
- Parish Office hours are Monday through Thursday, 9am to 5pm, and Friday, 9am to 12pm.
- **12-Step Programs** Al-Anon, Tuesdays, 7:30pm; Men's AA, Wednesdays, 8pm; Women's AA, Thursdays, 7pm; Emotions Anonymous, Saturdays, 9:30am; Step Sisters, Saturdays, 10:30am.

Please note: There will be NO Silent Prayer December 23 through January 3, and NO 7:30am Holy Eucharist on Wednesday, December 25 or January 1

Sunday, December 22

9am Christian Learning
9:45am NO Kids' Place, Church School,
Rite-13
11:30am Intergenerational Choir
Rehearsal
NO 5pm Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, December 24

3pm Children's Service 5pm Family Eucharist 10pm Choral Service & Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, December 25

Christmas Day
Parish Office closed
10am Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 29

NO Kids' Place, Church School, Rite-13 10am Christmas Lessons & Carols NO 5pm Service

