

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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8 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

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The Opening Acclamation

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Merciful God, who didst send thy 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 liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson (*printed in the 10 AM service*)

Malachi 3:1-4

The Response (*printed in the 10 AM service*)

The Song of Zechariah - Luke 1:68-79

The Second Lesson (*printed in the 10 AM service*)

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10 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

In this Advent season, as we intentionally enter into the quiet and darkness of the time as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ, we invite you to enter into the church service in silence and with prayer.

RINGING OF BELL, *inviting us into prayerful quiet as we prepare for worship.*

PRELUDE

WELCOMING & PRAYER

RINGING OF THE TOLLING BELL, *calling us into worship.*

(Standing)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 1982 Hymnal #65 *Prepare the way, O Zion.*



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 LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Light of the world, in grace and beauty, mirror of God's eternal face, transparent flame of love's free duty, You bring salvation to our human race.

Reader 1: Sacred Mystery, we light the second candle of Advent for faith and healing.

The second candle is lit.

Reader 2: We kindle it with faith. As mighty God and tender infant, you come. Prepare our hearts to be transformed by you.

Sacred Mystery, look upon your world. Give us faith and courage so we can repair the breach created through injustice and oppression. Help us to heal your land and your people. This Advent, teach us, like you, to be tender and just. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.
People You come to your people and set them free.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.
People Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE *The Song of Mary (See white pew card for the music or refer to the words below.)*

The Song of Mary, verse 1 and 2

*My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great,
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn,
So from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?*

*Refrain: My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.*

*Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,
And your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn,
You will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn.*

*Refrain: My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

(Sitting)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET MALACHI

Malachi 3:1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight- indeed, he is coming says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fuller' soap, he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SONG OF ZECHARIAH (*Prayed responsively by whole verse.*)

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

A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE PHILIPPIANS **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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

(Standing)

GRADUAL HYMN 1982 Hymnal #65 (verses 1,2,3, and 4) O come, O come, Emmanuel



(Dec. 23) 1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
(Dec. 17) 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
(Dec. 18) 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
(Dec. 19) 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from
(Dec. 20) 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen
(Dec. 21) 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us
(Dec. 22) 7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the
(Dec. 23) 8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som



1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge
3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the
4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to
5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on
6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of
7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions
8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.
3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.
4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!
5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.
6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.
8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 3:1-6

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.
People **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 Iturea 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.’”

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

(Sitting)

THE SERMON

(A time for silent reflection.)

Mother Barbara

THE NICENE CREED

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.**

(Standing or kneeling)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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;

People **Come, great Redeemer, come.**

Leader 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.

Silence.

People Fill the valleys, make low the hills,
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.

Silence.

People Fill the valleys, make low the hills,
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.

Silence.

People Fill the valleys, make low the hills,
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. Today we especially pray for Stan, Gardner Lane, Dorothy Nichols, Laura, Berk and Carol, Margo, Drustan and family, Melanie, Rachel and Joshua, Jan, Ellen, Frank, Brandon, Susan and Robert, Roseann and Jack, Kathleen, Amy, Wanda, Susan and Dan, Kevin and Karen, and Brian.

We also pray for God's peace and protection to be upon those who are in active duty in our military: Brooke Callaway, Andrew Harkins, Caleb and Kelley Reeder, and Kyle Hubert.

And now let us offer silently or aloud the names of those on our hearts who need our healing prayers;

Silence.

People Fill the valleys, make low the hills,
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.

Silence.

People Fill the valleys, make low the hills,
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.

Silence.

People Fill the valleys, make low the hills,
Come, great Redeemer, come.

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

(Kneeling)

Celebrant and People

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 your Son 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.

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

People **Amen.**

(Standing)

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People may greet each other in the name of the Lord.

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

(Standing)

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS 1982 Hymnal #380 vs. 3

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies let
2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and
*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's
truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!
shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*Eucharistic Prayer B*)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues.

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

SANCTUS #S-114 *Blue Hymnal*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -
- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

(*Standing or kneeling*)

The Celebrant 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 the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. *(Singing bowl is rung.)*

On the night before he died for us, our Lord 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." *(Singing bowl is rung.)*

After supper, he 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." *(Singing bowl is rung.)*

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death.
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.**

The Celebrant continues.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord 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 to your Son in his sacrifice that we may be acceptable through him, 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 St. Andrew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

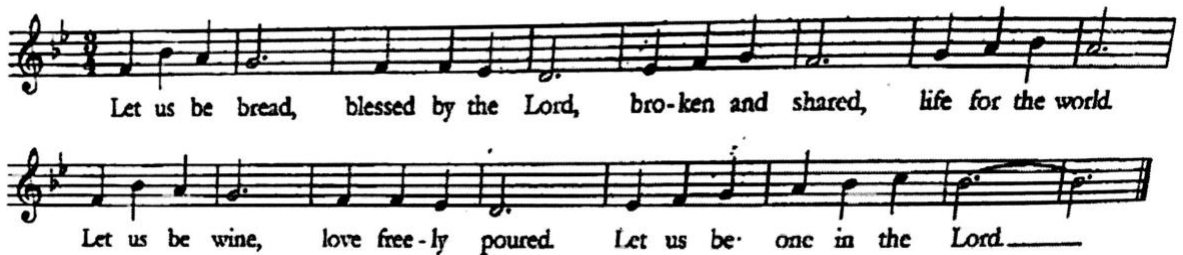
THE BREAKING OF BREAD

A moment of silence is held at this holiest of moments.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM



Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, broken and shared, life for the world.

Let us be wine, love free-ly poured. Let us be one in the Lord.

THE INVITATION

Celebrant

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

All baptized persons, regardless of their former or present denomination, are welcome to receive Communion. Anyone who desires a blessing instead, please come forward, kneel, and cross your arms across your chest.

COMMUNION MUSIC Chanting of the Song of Zechariah

Lisa Turchi

HEALING PRAYERS

You are invited to come forward to receive healing prayers and anointing so that you may experience the grace and healing presence of our Risen Christ. Please come forward to receive communion, and before returning to your seat, please go into the sacristy (the room right off the church) where a healing minister will be waiting with open heart to offer prayers for the healing balm of Christ.

(Standing or kneeling)

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Dearest Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we all cannot at this time receive communion in the consecrated bread and wine, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with our hearts, souls, and minds. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Holy eternal Majesty, Holy incarnate Word, Holy abiding Spirit, Bless you for evermore.
Amen.

CLOSING HYMN 1982 *Hymnal #657*

Love divine, all loves excelling

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
 2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
 3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

8 a.m.

Verger: Mike Stitt
Greeters: Jim and Carolyn Holt
Crucifer & Intercessor: Nichol Free
Lector: Jeanine Goodwin
Celebrant & Preacher: Mother Barbara
Healing Ministers: Jeanine Goodwin
Eucharistic Minister: Sue Davis

10 a.m.

Verger: Mike Stitt
Greeter: Jeff & Doris Guenther
Crucifer: Thomas Williams
Lectors: Jeff Guenther, Mary Beth Williams
Church Musician: Kevin Gorman
Celebrant & Preacher: Mother Barbara
Healing Prayer Ministers: Jeanine Goodwin & Kathy Hettinga
Eucharistic Minister: James Williams
Counters: Susan and Keith Tyler

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, we continue to welcome Kathy Hettinga as our Field Placement Intern. Kathy comes to us from St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Mechanicsburg. She is a Postulant in the Diocesan Ordination Process for the Priesthood and has one year left in her academic studies through the Stevenson School for Ministry. Her field placement here with us will provide her experience in liturgical and sacramental leadership, teaching and formation opportunities, missional opportunities connecting St. Andrew's parishioners with the ministry opportunities at the Community Cares Family Shelter, and working with the vestry and congregation with the development and implementation of our Shaped by Faith Plan (to be announced at our Annual Meeting) which will expand our feeding ministry further into our community. Kathy comes to us with the gifts of teaching and of being a visual artist, having taught art at Messiah College for years. Her learning goals center around finding ways within the Episcopal Church to utilize the visual more, so that she can build on her strengths as she stretches and grows in her leadership with our parish. Her goal is to work with a priest and congregation open to creative ideas, using imagery, digital work, design work, and formation work alongside the priestly calling to proclaim the Word and administer the sacraments. Please welcome her warmly into the heart and life of our parish.

Our Advent Packets have been mailed to you early this week. If you have not received one and would like one, please let Mother Barbara know and she will prepare one for you. And of course, we are so hopeful everyone will find a way to contribute to the glory of our Christmas Day Dinner, which in so many ways, is our touchstone event of the year. Please see or email Mike Stitt with your interest in the Christmas Dinner.

Our families with young people have been sent a special Advent package this week which will have meaningful and fun activities to help the families share the joy and wonder of this season. Activities include building their own Moravian light-up star, creating their own manger scene, and having a special ornament to hang on their trees. Special Advent calendars will also be included. If anyone is not receiving these packages and would like to, please email Mother Barbara (rector@standrewsship.org) and she will be very happy to send one to you or your grandchildren.

Contemplative Lessons and Carols Service will be held at St. Andrew's on December 11th at 5 p.m. This will be a very special time of music that draws us deeper into this season of hope and wonder.