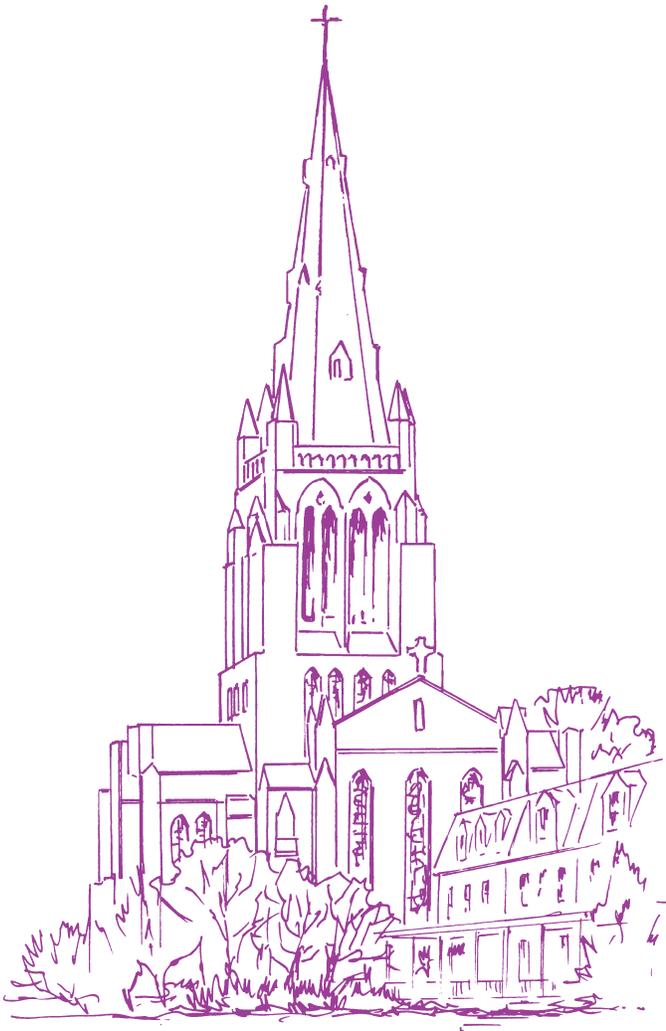


CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Second Sunday of Advent
December 4, 2016
9 a.m.
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II



A faithful Episcopal Church welcoming all in the name of Christ

9:00 A.M. The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Two Preludes on *Savior of the nations, come*

Johann Sebastian Bach

*The Congregation is asked to sit as far forward as possible,
using the front pews of the Nave and of the Transepts.*

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand as the ministers enter.

Opening Acclamation

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 355

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

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

Collect for Purity

Trisagion (*all sing together three times*)

HYMNAL, S 102

Hymnal "S"—numbers refer to Service Music, printed at the front of the Hymnal.

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Setting: Ver. Hymnal 1982, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

Collect of the Day

The Readings *All sit for the Lessons and Psalm.*

The Lesson

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 *All say together.*

The Epistle

Romans 15:4-13

Gospel Alleluia-Verse *A cantor sings Alleluia, and all repeat it*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Prepare the way of the LORD, make his paths straight.

—Matthew 3:3b

The Holy Gospel *All standing*

Matthew 3:1-12

Response before the Gospel Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Response after the Gospel Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Reverend T.J. Freeman

The Nicene Creed *Congregation standing*

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 358

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor: Come, O come, Emmanuel,

People: come and save us.

Confession and Absolution

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 360

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

All may greet one another.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn *On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry*

HYMNAL, 76

All stand and sing together

Eucharistic Prayer B

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 367

Sanctus *Holy, holy, holy Lord*

All sing together

HYMNAL, S 129

Hymnal "S"—numbers refer to Service Music, printed at the front of the Hymnal.

The service continues on page 368 of THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

The Lord's Prayer *All say together*

The Breaking of the Bread *(A brief silence is kept.)*

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Those not wishing to receive Communion may come forward for a blessing.

Parents are encouraged to bring children to receive Communion or a blessing.

Communion Hymn *Savior of the nations, come*

HYMNAL, 54

All sing together, seated or kneeling

Postcommunion Prayer *All say together*

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 366

The Four-fold Advent Blessing

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. *Amen.*

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. *Amen.*

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Hymn *Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding*

HYMNAL, 59

Dismissal *All respond* Thanks be to God.

Postlude on *Savior of the nations, come*

Bach

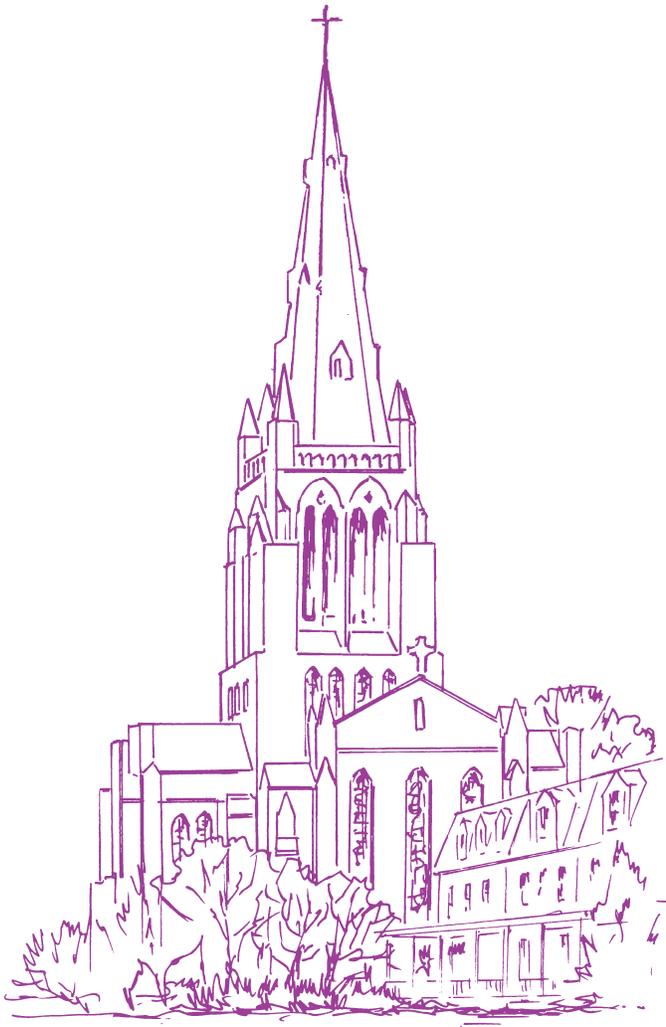
All who wish to listen to the postlude from the Choir Stalls are invited to do so.

Christian Formation classes for all ages begin at 10 A.M.

CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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December 4, 2016
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The Holy Eucharist, Rite II



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11:00 A.M. The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Two Preludes on *Savior of the nations, come*

Johann Sebastian Bach

Introit *Come, thou long-expected Jesus*

Alan Lewis

*Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
redeemer of the nations, come,
born to set thy people free,
reveal yourself in virgin birth.
From our fears and sins release us;
the birth which ages all adore,
let us find our rest in thee:
a wondrous birth, befitting God.*

*From human will you do not spring,
born thy people to deliver,
born from the Spirit of our God,
born a child and yet a king.
O Word of God, come, take our flesh,
born to reign in us forever,
and grow as child in Mary's womb;
now thy gracious kingdom bring.*

*By thine own eternal Spirit
you came forth from th'eternal God;
rule in all our hearts alone;
and you returned to that same source.*

*By thine all-sufficient merit
you suffered death and harrowed hell:
raise us to thy glorious throne.*

—Texts by Charles Wesley and Ambrose of Milan, tr. C. P. Price

THE WORD OF GOD

Entrance Hymn *Comfort, comfort ye my people*
All sing together.

HYMNAL, 67

Opening Acclamation

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 355

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

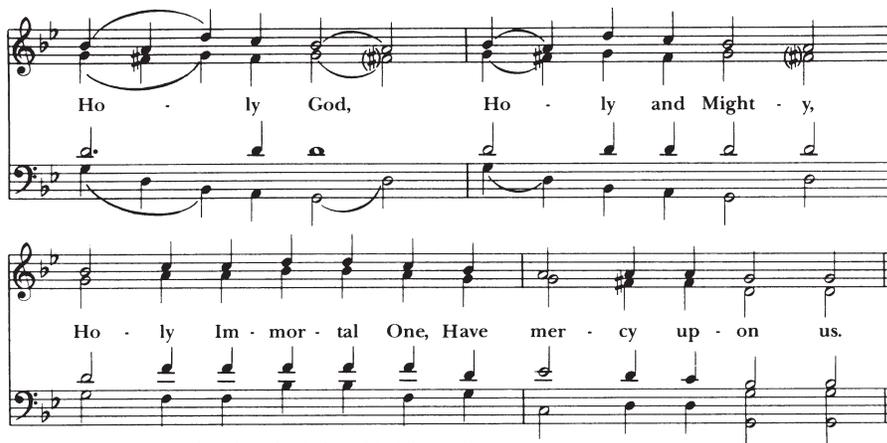
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Trisagion *(all sing together three times)*

HYMNAL, S 102

Hymnal "S"—numbers refer to Service Music, printed at the front of the Hymnal.



Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Setting: Ver. Hymnal 1982, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

The Collect of the Day *All remain standing.*

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray. *The Priest prays the Collect; all say Amen.*

The Readings *All sit for the Lesson and Epistle. The texts of the Readings are printed on the Insert.*

The Lesson

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19

Tone 8

The Choir sings the antiphon, and all repeat it



All kings shall bow down be - fore him.

The Epistle Romans 15:4-13
 Sequence Hymn *Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding* HYMNAL, 59
 The Holy Gospel Matthew 3:1-12
Response before the Gospel Glory to you, Lord Christ.
Response after the Gospel Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Reverend T.J. Freeman
 The Nicene Creed *All standing* BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 358
 The Prayers of the People *Congregation standing*
Intercessor: Come, O come, Emmanuel,
People: come and save us.

Confession and Absolution BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 360
 The Peace *All may greet one another in the Lord's name.*
 Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem *The Wisdom of God* Roland Martin
The Creator, the Wisdom of God draws near. The mist of the prophet's promise is dispersed. Joy clears the skies, truth is resplendent, the dark shadows are dispelled, the gates of Eden are opened, Adam dances in exultation. Our Creator and God wills to fashion us anew.
 —Text from the Orthodox liturgy

Presentation Hymn *All stand and sing the hymn together*



1 Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
 2 Praise to God, from whom all bless-ings flow to earth un- cease - ing - ly.



from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
 Praise the Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit, Three-in- One and One- in- Three.

Words: stanza 1, Charles Wesley (1707-1788), stanza 2, A.L.
 Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra*, 1715, adapt. & harm. W. H. Havergal (1793-1870)

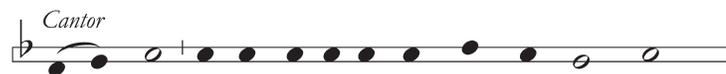
The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 367

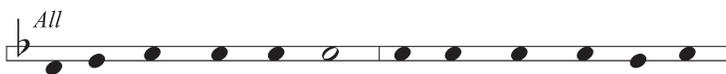
Sanctus (*all sing together*) *The congregation may stand or kneel.* HYMNAL, S 122

The service continues on page 368 of THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.
The congregation may stand or kneel.

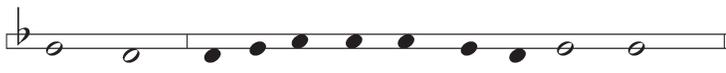
Memorial Acclamation



There - fore, ac-cord-ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,



We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -



rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

Ambrosian Anaphora Chant, adapt. Mason Martens

The Lord's Prayer *all say together*

The Breaking of the Bread *(A brief silence is kept.)*

Fraction Anthem *Lamb of God*

HYMNAL, S 160

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. An usher will guide you to the altar rail or pulpit station. At the altar rail, kneel or stand, with hands cupped one on top of the other, to receive the consecrated bread. Please guide the chalice containing the wine to your lips. If you do not wish to receive directly from the chalice, you may dip a portion of the wafer carefully into the wine, or you may simply cross your arms over your chest as the Chalice Bearer passes.

Parents are encouraged to bring children to receive Communion or a blessing.

Those not wishing to receive Communion may come forward for a blessing.

Gluten free wafers are available upon request at the pulpit station

After receiving Communion, those who would like to receive laying on of hands and prayers for healing may go to the altar rail in the Lady Chapel.

Music at Communion *Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming*

Hugo Distler

*Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming
from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming
as seers of old have sung.
It came, a blossom bright,
amid the cold of winter,
when half-spent was the night.*

*Isaiab 'twas foretold it,
the Rose I have in mind.
With Mary we behold it,
the Virgin Mother kind.
To show God's love aright,
she bore to us a Savior
when half-spent was the night.*

—15th century German, tr. Theodore Baker

There is no rose of such virtue

Anonymous

There is no rose of such virtue, as is the rose that bare Jesu.

For in that rose contained was heaven and earth in little space: Res miranda {wondrous thing}.

By that rose we may well see that he is God in persons three: Pari forma {of equal forms}.

The angels sungen the shepherds to: Gloria in excelsis Deo: Gaudeamus {let us rejoice}.

Leave we all this worldly mirth, and follow we this joyful birth: Transeamus {let us go there}.

—Medieval English carol

Communion Hymn *Redeemer of the nations, come*

HYMNAL, 55

Post-Communion Prayer

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 366

Said by all together, kneeling.

The Four-fold Advent Blessing

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. *Amen.*

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. *Amen.*

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Hymn *Prepare the way, O Zion*

HYMNAL, 65

Dismissal *All respond: Thanks be to God.*

Postlude on *Savior of the nations, come*

Bach

All who wish to listen to the postlude from the Choir Stalls are invited to do so.

Coffee and fellowship follows in the Parish Hall.

MUSICAL NOTES

The Latin hymn *Veni redemptor gentium* (Redeemer of the nations, come), sung at Communion today, is one of the earliest Christian poems included in our Hymnal. Attributed to Ambrose, the great fourth-century bishop of Milan (whose commemoration in the Church's calendar is next Wednesday), the Latin words have most often been associated with Christmas itself, but its German adaptation by Martin Luther into a more avowedly Advent-oriented text has led to its use in this season, as well. The music associated with the Latin hymn is thought to be later – but Ambrose so long predates the technology of music-writing that what its “original” tune might have been remains unknowable. (The 12th-century origin of the tune we sing today is probably sufficiently ancient to satisfy most history-minded singers.)

Ambrose's hymn also furnishes the inspiration for some of this morning's other music. Its melody, also as adapted by Luther, is the foundation Bach's chorale-settings framing the service. And its text and tune, interwoven with lines from a familiar Advent hymn by Charles Wesley, furnishes the substance of the Introit.

Hugo Distler (1903-42) was a prominent German composer and church-musician of the inter-war years. The great patrimony of Lutheran chorale-melodies furnished him with considerable material for his works, both choral and instrumental, including the brief treatment of the well-known chorale heard today at Communion. In the service of the independence of the separate voice-parts, Distler and his contemporaries tolerated and cultivated a level of dissonance that can seem harsh to some ears, but that dissonance also propels the music toward ultimate resolution. (This particular rose, then, is not without thorns, but is also a beautiful flower.)

On Saturday, December 17, at 8 p.m., Chatham Baroque presents a Christmas-oriented concert, including the exuberant *Gloria in excelsis* by Handel. Tickets are available at the door, or through www.chathambaroque.org. And on Sunday, December 18, at 5 p.m., the Calvary Choir presents a Christmas-themed service of Lessons and Carols, to which all are cordially invited.

MUSIC AT CALVARY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17 at 8 P.M.



Chatham Baroque's Christmas Concert

Soprano Pascale Beaudin and lutenist David Walker join Pittsburgh's own Baroque Trio to perform Handel's youthful *Gloria*, a Christmas cantata by Alessandro Scarlatti, and sacred works from Claudio Monteverdi's late collection *Selva morale e spirituale*. Tickets available through www.chathambaroque.org, or at the door.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18 at 5 P.M.

Lessons & Carols for Christmas

The Calvary Choirs and soloists mark the transition from Advent to the coming of Christmas in this service, tracing the promise of redemption and its fulfillment at Bethlehem.





The Second Sunday of Advent
December 4, 2016

NEWCOMERS AND GUESTS are always welcome at Calvary Church. Our service uses the three books located in the pew: *The Book of Common Prayer*, *The Hymnal 1982*, and *Lift Every Voice and Sing*. Directions in the service bulletin indicate where it is customary to stand or kneel. We invite you to participate as you are able. We hope you will take a moment to read and complete the Welcome Card in the pew, and place it in the offertory plate as it passes.

CHILDREN OF ALL AGES are welcome in worship services. Packets of materials for children are available from the ushers. *Nursery Care available during the 9 a.m. and the 11 a.m. services.* The Infants' and Toddlers' Nursery is downstairs on the Christian Education level.

WEEKLY OFFERING CARDS that say "My gift comes electronically or by mail" can serve as a visible sign of your gift. Look for the purple cards in a basket in the Narthex or by the North Transept door each week, take one, and place it in the offering plate.

Participants in Today's Services

8 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant & PreacherThe Reverend T.J. Freeman
Lector & Chalice Bearer . .Deborah Moncrieff

9 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

CelebrantThe Reverend T.J. Freeman
PreacherThe Reverend Leslie G. Reimer
AcolyteDominic Victoria
LectorsCharles Altman, Nancy Bromall Barry
Chalice BearersRichard Howland, Elizabeth Slaymaker

11 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

CelebrantThe Reverend T.J. Freeman
PreacherThe Reverend Leslie G. Reimer
VergerJim Cassaro
AcolytesReese Basehore, Will Koontz, Emma Koontz,
Ben Maye
LectorsDerek Whordley, McKenzie Ross, Janet Retseck
Chalice BearersAdele Eley, Robert Eley, Diane Eldridge
Flower DeliveryRobin Kamin, Lisa & Sheldon Knight
Coffee Hour HostsThe Architectural History Committee

5 p.m. – CandleMass

CelebrantThe Reverend T.J. Freeman
LectorJean Ferguson Carr
Chalice BearerDavid Eichelberger

Altar GuildMelissa Crimmins' Team

Our Parish Life

Soup Group Sale Today

The Soup Group would like to offer everyone an opportunity to enjoy some delicious soups. **Today we will be selling soup from our inventory of over 10 varieties.** We have plenty of soup that is free of charge and available for parishioners to take to a friend, relative, or fellow church members. Soup will be sold after all services in the Parish Hall for \$10 per quart and \$5 per pint. Proceeds from the sale will benefit a future project of the Rector's discretion.

2016 Holiday "Berry" Program

Wrapped gifts for the East End Cooperative Ministry's Berry Program are due by 5 p.m. today. Your gifts, with the berry firmly attached (code showing), should be brought to the Parish Hall.

We also are collecting \$25 Giant Eagle gift cards for food pantry families that are not participating in the designated gift program. Giant Eagle gift cards should be dropped off at the reception desk. **Thank you for your support!**

The Bookstore at Calvary

The Bookstore has many items to celebrate the season of Advent. A variety of nativities from around the world, Advent books for both adults and children, and candle sets for your Advent wreath are available. In addition, there are an assortment of Advent calendars for children of all ages, some with envelopes for mailing or giving, one that folds out to stand up, one with stickers, and many others. The Bookstore is open Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Tuesday through Friday 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. We will be open on Saturdays during December from 10 a.m. to Noon. Cash, check, Discover®, MasterCard®, and Visa® are accepted.

Amnesty International Pittsburgh Write-a-Thon

Join Amnesty International Pittsburgh (group 39) and many other inspiring Pittsburgh rights groups and community leaders on **Wednesday, December 7, 2016** for our annual Write-a-thon and Human Rights Festival from 6-9 p.m. here at Calvary. Visit amestypgh.org. Contact: amnesty39@gmail.com

Flatboat Fair Traders and Beginnings

Beginnings is partnering with Flatboat Fair Traders, a gift shop in Highland Park, for a holiday fundraiser. Store owner Amy Kofmehl-Sobkowiak has generously offered to give Beginnings 30% of all purchases made by Calvary parishioners and Beginnings families from **December 3-17**. The store features many unique items like hand-carved balsa wood ornaments, hand-thrown ceramic luminaries, purses and wallets made from recycled materials (including inner tubes), clothing and accessories, handmade stationary, and jewelry. Pick up a flyer with more information in the Parish Hall. Flatboat Fair Traders is located just off North Highland Avenue at 5901 Bryant Street in Highland Park. 412.404.2817. [Facebook.com/flatboatfairtraders/about/](https://www.facebook.com/flatboatfairtraders/about/)

Pilgrimage and Poem:

Advent Silent Saturday with the Rev. T.J. Freeman

Mark the Advent season with a morning of contemplative prayer and a presentation by Rev. T.J. Freeman entitled "Pilgrimage and Poem" on **Saturday, December 10, from 8:45-11:30 a.m.** in the Evans Room. Sponsored by the Calvary Centering Prayer group. All welcome. Bring friends! Questions: Catherine Davidson 412.874.7345.

Women of Calvary Holiday Home Eucharist

Home eucharists are meaningful and memorable occasions for both a social and spiritual experience. Please come on **Thursday, December 15 beginning at 6 p.m.** The Rev. Leslie Reimer will celebrate the eucharist and a light supper will be served. Hosted by Margie Muldoon, 362 Lehigh Avenue, Shadyside, 15232. Please R.S.V.P. to Margie at 412.216.1049 or by an email to margiemuldoon@msn.com.

Christmas Eve – Saturday, December 24

4 p.m. and 11 p.m.

The Rev. Jonathon Jensen, *celebrant*;

The Rev. T.J. Freeman, *preacher*

Holy Eucharist and Sermon, with carols and special music for choir, brass, and organ.

Music begins 30 minutes before each service.

Childcare will be provided during the 4 p.m. service.



Christmas Day – Sunday, December 25

9:30 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist with sermon and Christmas carols.



The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Sunday, January 1, 2017

The Holy Eucharist, at 8, 9 & 11 a.m.

No Christian Formation classes; the Nursery will be closed.

Spiritual Reflection

Our meetings enhance our Christian faith and encourage spiritual growth through small group sharing, reflection, and discussion. Rotating topics will concern how our faith can manifest in and enrich our daily lives. Meetings will be group led; no preparation is needed. **Our final meeting for 2016 will be 7–8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 13.**

For further information, contact Matt Muldoon (mattmuldoon@msn.com) or Sondra Krimmel (sskrimmel@gmail.com).

Presiding Bishop to Preach at Calvary

The Most Reverend Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, will be visiting Pittsburgh February 3–5, 2017. He will be our guest preacher at **9 a.m. on Sunday, February 5.** Mark your calendars!

Chili Fest 2017

Please make plans to join us on **Saturday, February 4, 2017, beginning at 6 p.m.** This is a family friendly event, so bring the children. You are invited to bring your favorite chili recipe, or a salad or cornbread. Full details will be announced soon.

2016 Christmas Memorials

If you would like to have your loved ones remembered in the Christmas Eve Order of Service, please fill out this form and return it, with your donation, to the church office by Friday, December 16, 2016.

Name (as you would like it to appear): *please print*

Donor's name: _____

Donor's telephone: _____

Please circle your preference: *Flowers Music Where needed*

Please clip and mail to: Lynda Kennedy, Financial Secretary
Calvary Episcopal Church
315 Shady Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15206.



The Calendar

Weekday Eucharists

Monday: 6 P.M.; Wednesday: 7 A.M., 10:30 A.M. (Healing Service)

Office Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Sunday December 4, 2016

The Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 A.M. Coffee
8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
9:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
9:00 A.M. Choristers' Warm-Up
9:00 A.M. Bible Study
10:00 A.M. Adult Forum
10:00 A.M. A Study on The Book of Acts
10:00 A.M. Christian Formation Classes
10:00 A.M. Adult Choir Warm-Up
11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
12:00 P.M. Hospitality Hour
12:45 P.M. Calvary Young Adult Ministry
(at Panera)
5:00 P.M. CandleMass
6:00 P.M. Reception

Monday December 5, 2016

Clement of Alexandria, Priest, c. 210

6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist
6:30 P.M. Parish Council Dinner
and Meeting*
7:00 P.M. Centering Prayer

Tuesday December 6, 2016

Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, c. 342

8:30 A.M. Beginnings
11:00 A.M. Staff Meeting

Wednesday December 7, 2016

Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, 397

7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
8:30 A.M. Beginnings
9:45 A.M. ESL
10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist

3:00 P.M. CLASP (at Carnegie Museum)

4:45 P.M. Choristers' Rehearsal

6:00 P.M. EfM

6:30 P.M. Beginnings' Board Meeting

Thursday December 8, 2016

Richard Baxter, Pastor and Writer, 1691

8:30 A.M. Beginnings

9:30 A.M. EfM

9:45 A.M. ESL

7:30 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Saturday December 10, 2016

*Karl Barth, Pastor and Theologian, 1968;
Thomas Merton, Contemplative and Writer, 1968*

8:30 A.M. Centering Prayer
Advent Quiet Day

2:00 P.M. Cello Recital

5:30 P.M. Shelter Dinner Preparation
(at Community House)

Sunday December 11, 2016

The Third Sunday of Advent

7:30 A.M. Coffee

8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. Bible Study

9:00 A.M. Choristers' Warm-Up

10:00 A.M. Christian Formation Classes

10:00 A.M. Adult Forum

10:00 A.M. A Study on the Book of Acts

10:00 A.M. Adult Choir Warm-Up

11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

12:00 P.M. Hospitality Hour

5:00 P.M. CandleMass

6:00 P.M. Reception

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*To make reservations for starred events, for which a meal is being prepared,
please telephone the church office, 412.661.0120, extension 140.

Holy Baptism

On January 8, 2017, The Baptism of our Lord, we will be offering the sacrament of Holy Baptism at the 11 o'clock service. If you or someone you know desires to partake in this sacrament please contact the Reverend T.J. Freeman (tjfreeman@calvarypgh.org or 412.661.0120 ext. 112) by January 1, 2017, so that the appropriate preparation and arrangements can be made.

EECM Food Pantry "Food of the Month"

Please be generous in your donations to the Food Pantry this holiday season.

Each month, East End Cooperative Ministry makes a special appeal for a particular food pantry staple; however, donations of all non-perishable foods are always welcome!

The food for December is rice. Leave your donations in the shopping cart in the Parish Hall. Thank you so much.

Christian Formation _____

Christmas Pageant

Calvary's children and youth will present our annual Christmas Pageant on Sunday, December 18, during the 11 a.m. service. With costumes, carols, and a camel, the pageant is a beautiful and festive retelling of the Christmas story.

All children and youth are welcome and encouraged to sign up! There are parts for everyone. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Parish Hall. You may also call or email me to sign up. All information and updates will be emailed to families and posted in the Parish Hall.

We are also looking for a few grown-up volunteers! If you would like to help out in some way (from organizing costumes, to animal handling, to providing a snack, to general behind-the-scenes assistance on the day), please add your name and contact information to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall or contact me directly.

Please invite friends and family to join us on December 18 for this incredible story and wonderful Calvary tradition!
—Susan Roth, Coordinator for Christian Formation,
412.661.0120 ext. 116, sroth@calvarypgh.org

A Study on the Book of Acts

The class on the Book of Acts continues in McClintic Hall (choir room) at 10 a.m. It is led by the Rev. Jonathon Jensen and Mr. Chuck Esposito. The only text we are using is the actual book of the Bible itself which is 28 chapters. All are welcome.



10 a.m., meet in the Refectory unless noted

TODAY – John Magee, the Episcopal Church, and the Nanjing Massacre

The Rev. John Magee, a native son of Calvary, served as a missionary in China from 1912-1938 and was instrumental in saving 100,000 Chinese from death at the hands of the Japanese Imperial Army. Amazingly, his story was lost to us until a Chinese documentary filmmaker visited Calvary last year. Learn more about Magee, his life, work, and witness from Calvary archivist Becky Randall and from Chinese historian Vanessa Sterling, who recently visited Nanjing to learn firsthand about Magee's legacy. *(Postponed from an earlier date).*

Sunday, December 11 – Why the Incarnation Matters, part 2. As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, how do we understand what it means that “The Word became flesh and dwelt among us”? Beyond adoring the baby in the manger, how does the Incarnation shape our belief and our lives? Leslie Reimer will present this forum.

The Adult Forum will return on Sunday, January 8, 2017.

Calvary Young Adult Ministry _____

TODAY – 12:45 p.m. – Brunch at Panera Bakery Square, 136 Bakery Square Blvd.

Friday, December 16 – 7 p.m. – Yule Ball, in the Refectory at Calvary.

It's not too early to start thinking about the Yule Ball, which is a chance to get dressed up and celebrate the season with one another. We need people to help plan, set up, and decorate for this event. Please let me know if you would be willing to help. Thank you! It is also worth noting that we have offered childcare or assistance with sitters for this in the past, if that enables you to attend. Questions? Please contact The Rev. T.J. Freeman, 412.661.0120 ext. 112, tjfreeman@calvarypgh.org.

The Prayers of the People

For the Anglican Communion, and for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury: Karnataka North, South India – The Right Reverend Ravikumar J. Niranjana.

For the Episcopal Church, and for Michael, Presiding Bishop.

For the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh and for The Right Reverend Dorsey W. M. McConnell, Bishop.

For the parishes of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh, especially Church of the Advent, Jeannette, and the Reverend Vicente Santiago; and the Growth Fund Committee.

Let us pray for those serving in the armed forces: Nolan.

For those who are ill or convalescing: Henry, SungWha Oh, Kate Fetterman, Diane Eldridge, Nimo Tirimanne, Susan Howard, Sandra Rogers, David Rollins, Wally Smith, Nancy, Gary, Joan Newland, Ann Gouirand, Harriet Schach, Alison Wardrop, Julie Grimstad, Jane Flucker, Cynthia McCormick, Jeanne Pfeilsticker.

Let us remember those who continue in our prayers: Charles Mullen, Dora Graff, Mary Ellen Leigh.

For those who have been commended to our prayers: Don Harrison, Joe Norton, Dan Christopher, Mary and Charlie, Jenna, Emily Gervais, Steve Shandor, Sr., Dave Tallman, Brian Embaugh, Joshua, Evelyn and John Nickel, Lorraine Balun, William Marchl+, Daniel McCormick, Jack and Mary Staite, Ayden Gora, Nancy H., Shirley Putra, Dave, Cynthia Scott, Myra, Jackie Rogers, Jennifer, Al Churley, Lynn, Tom Julien, William Fitzgerald, Bill, Meridith, Tom Dare, Paula Scully, Trip Levis, David Hulley, David and Meghan and their baby, Caitlyn Brannigan, Carl, Henry Gailliot, Marv, Becky Keevican, Mark.

For people throughout the world living with HIV and AIDS.

For all those with long-term or life-threatening illnesses.

For those in hospice care.

For caregivers.

For those who have died: Ann P. Wardrop, Naomi Brewer, Caroline O’Nan.

For those in whose memory altar flowers are given:

HIGH ALTAR Jesse L. Watson, May B. Watson, Robert S. Watson and Charles B. Watson

Laura Pearce Wright and J. Merrill Wright.

LADY CHAPEL Janet G. Ackerman, *by the Robinson family.*

{To add or remove names from the Prayer List, please call the church office}



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Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2016

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.*

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah [11:1-10]

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader: The Word of the LORD.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 18 Blessed be the LORD God, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen.
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 the Letter of Paul to the Romans [15:4-13]

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our LORD Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the LORD, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reader: The Word of the LORD.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew

{3:1-12}

Response before the Gospel: Glory to you, LORD Christ.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the LORD, make his paths straight.'" Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire " I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Response after the Gospel: Praise to you, LORD Christ.

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2018
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Brianna Jacoby
G. Frederic Roth
Jeff Bice

2019
S.P. Hewie
Richard Shafer
Kathleen Farrington
George Carvell

2020
Joe Bongiovi
Kelly Glass
John Ferraro
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2018
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2019
Julia Carr, *president*
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