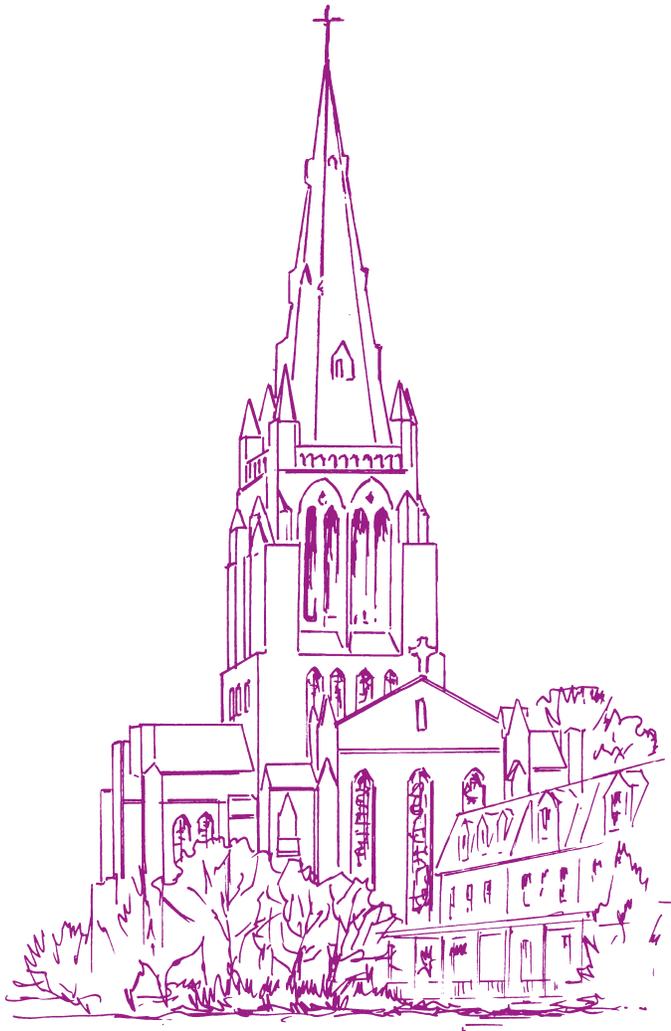


CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Third Sunday of Advent
December 15, 2013
9 a.m. at the Crossing
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

Prelude *Verset on the Magnificat* Heinrich Scheidemann

*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 *Holy God, holy and mighty* *(all sing together three times)*

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 35:1-10

Psalm 146:4-9 *All say together.*

The Epistle

James 5:7-10

The Holy Gospel *All standing*

Matthew 11:2-11

Response before the Gospel Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Response after the Gospel Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Reverend Carol Henley

The Nicene Creed *Congregation 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

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 *Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord* HYMNAL, 437
All stand and sing together.

Eucharistic Prayer B BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 367

Sanctus *Holy, holy, holy Lord* All sing together HYMNAL, S 124

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en 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.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

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.

Music at Communion *Advent Message* Martin How

Come, Lord Jesus! Amen, come, Lord Jesus.

O come quickly! Come, Lord Jesus!

The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness,

"Prepare ye the way of the Lord.

Make straight in the desert a highway for our God."

Come, Lord Jesus! Yea, come quickly. Amen.

—Text from Revelation 22:20 and Mark 1:3

Postcommunion Prayer *All say together* BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 365

Recessional Hymn *The King shall come when morning dawns* HYMNAL, 73

Dismissal *All respond* Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Fugue on the Magnificat* Johann Sebastian 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

The Third Sunday of Advent
December 15, 2013
11 a.m. at the High Altar
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II



A faithful Episcopal Church welcoming all in the name of Christ

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

Two versets on the *Magnificat*

Heinrich Scheidemann

Introit

Lord, we beseech thee

Adrian Batten

*Lord, we beseech thee, give ear unto our prayers,
and by thy gracious visitation lighten the darkness of our hearts,
by our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. —Collect for the Third Sunday of Advent (1549)*

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 *Holy God, holy and mighty* (all sing together three times)

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.*

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant 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 35:1-10

Psalms 146:4-9

setting by Alan Lewis

The Choir sings the Refrain, and all repeat it

I will sing prais - es to my
God: Hal - le - lu - jah!

The Epistle

James 5:7-10

Sequence Hymn *Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding*

HYMNAL, 59

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 11:2-11

Response before the Gospel Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Response after the Gospel Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Ruth Bosch Becker

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

Magnificat (Service in E flat)

Charles Wood

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm;

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

—Luke 1:46-55, with Gloria Patri

Advent Doxology

All stand and sing the hymn together

1 Come, thou long - ex - spect - 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 *Psalmody 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)*

HYMNAL, S 124

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en 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.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

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

The congregation may stand or kneel.

Memorial Acclamation

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

HYMNAL, S 154

(Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.)
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
(Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.)

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

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

Esurientes (from *Magnificat*) Johann Sebastian Bach
Esurientes implevit bonis He has filled the hungry with good things,
et divites dimisit inanes. and the rich he has sent away empty. —*Luke 1:53*

Advent Message Martin How
Come, Lord Jesus! Amen, come, Lord Jesus. O come quickly! Come, Lord Jesus!
The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord.
Make straight in the desert a highway for our God." Come, Lord Jesus!
Yea, come quickly. Amen. —*Text from Revelation 22:20 and Mark 1:3*

Communion Hymn

I'm just a poor, wayfaring stranger Lift Every Voice & Sing II, 19

Post-Communion Prayer BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 365

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.*

Recessional Hymn *The King shall come when morning dawns* HYMNAL, 73

Dismissal *All respond:* Thanks be to God.

Postlude Fugue on the *Magnificat* 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

Despite the focus upon John the Baptist in today's Gospel-reading, the Song of Mary, or *Magnificat*, is appointed as an optional replacement for the Gradual Psalm. This canticle, Mary's response to her kinswoman Elizabeth's greeting, "Blessed art thou among women," has deep roots in the Hebrew scriptures, and particularly in the "Song of Hannah," the acclamation uttered by Samuel's mother after his birth, in 1 Samuel 2. It came to have a central place in the daily prayer of the Church, becoming a regular feature of the sundown office of Vespers, and (in Anglican circles) at Evensong.

The various *Magnificat*-settings heard this morning spring from diverse contexts. Scheidemann, a mid-seventeenth-century north German Lutheran, likely composed his organ-settings for elaborate Vespers services in which organ "versets" would have alternated with chorally chanted verses; during this canticle, the various altars in the church would have been approached with incense; the time required to accomplish this gave rise to quite expansive organ-settings. The second of the two verses heard this morning seems to have been designed to exploit the coloristic potential of the seventeenth-century German organ, with echo-effects and various solo-sonorities.

Charles Wood, an Anglo-Irish composer and musical academic in the Cambridge University orbit, composed a considerable volume of choral music for the Anglican rite, including a number of very lovely settings of the Evening Canticles (the *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis*, together). The first service in E-flat dates from 1891, and is typical of his fine workmanship. Bach's *Magnificat* for choir, soloists, and orchestra, originated in the first year of his tenure at Leipzig, 1723; his organ fugue based on the melody associated with a German hymn-paraphrase of the canticle, likely dates from a decade or so earlier.

■ WELCOME TO CALVARY CHURCH

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 II*. 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.

PARISH COUNCIL invites you to stop by our "Welcome and Join-in" booth in the Parish Hall.

Participants in Today's Services

8:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant and Preacher . . .The Reverend Carol Henley
Lector Jim Miller
Chalice Bearer Judy Kimblin

9:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant The Reverend Leslie G. Reimer
Preacher The Reverend Carol Henley
Acolyte Isabella Victoria
Lectors Nancy Bromall, Colleen Sari
Chalice Bearers Adele Eley, Robert Eley

11:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant The Reverend Leslie G. Reimer
Preacher The Reverend Ruth Bosch Becker
Assisting The Reverend Walter Szymanski
Verger Jamie McMahon
Acolytes Greta Bould, Peyton Skinker, Liam Weaver,
Ali Weaver, Ian Jackson, Annalise Weaver,
Lowrie Woodside
Lectors Stuart Knoop, John Becker, Claire Mazur
Chalice Bearers Vanessa Sterling, Normandie Fulson,
Walter Bowman
Altar Guild Melissa Crimmins' Team
Flower Delivery Lee O'Nan, Judie Compher

*Following the 11 o'clock service, please join us for coffee and fellowship in the Parish Hall, hosted by **The Architectural History Group.***

Our Parish Life



Fresh Holly Sale

LOCA, the post confirmation class, is selling fresh holly for the Christmas season. Bunches will be available in 2 sizes—small (\$5) and large (\$10). Orders can be placed until the 18th of December and delivery will be after each Service (8, 9 and 11 o'clock) on December 22 in the Parish Hall. We will have order forms, order form drop box and a fresh display in the Parish Hall each Sunday until delivery day. Orders can also be placed to patriciaschauf@gmail.com. Payment will be due on delivery day with cash or checks made out to Greg Norton. Thank you for your support!



The Envelope Please...

Offering envelopes for those who have requested them are available in the Parish Hall. Please pick them up to help defray the unnecessary costs of mailing.

Electronics Recycling Event

On Saturday, December 28 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. we will hold another **Electronics Recycling Event**. We will accept any type of electronics, such as computers, printers, telephones, cassette and record players and small appliances. [Tube televisions are NOT accepted, but these can be recycled for free at **Construction Junction**, located at 214 North Lexington Street, just off Penn Avenue in Point Breeze.]

Next Step Group of the Sam Shoemaker Community

Everyone is invited to join us on Saturdays, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

Seasonal Displays

Please visit the seasonal displays in the elevator lobbies on levels B, E, and F. Next year we hope to display crèches belonging to Calvary families.

Celebrating Baptism

Holy Baptism will be celebrated at Calvary Church on **Sunday, January 12, 2014** during the 11 o'clock service. If you have a child to be baptized on that day, or are an adult interested in baptism, please call the church office to let us know.

Save The Date:

Saturday, February 8, 2014 will be the Chili Fest. All parishioners and their children are invited to this event. And especially, we invite new members of the church. Watch for more information and the posted sign-up sheet.

Soup Season

We will not meet in December to make soup, but deliveries continue! We are stocked and ready for the cough and cold season so we encourage everyone to be a soup deliverer. Soup is located in the freezer in the pantry. We will meet again on **January 3, 2014** in the Calvary kitchen at 10 a.m. to make more soup. Please join us. If you have a favorite recipe, bring it along. Email the ingredients to me, and I'll be happy to do the shopping.

—Adele Eley, 412.371.6921, adele.eley@gmail.com

Sisterhood Meetings

On Sunday, January 5 we will not have a 10 o'clock meeting but the Sisterhood is invited (including husbands) to a luncheon at my house, 6337 Jackson Street after the 11 o'clock service. Sisters are asked to bring a crèche if they would like to share it with the group. I will have my collection of crèches on display. More details will follow.

—Charlotta Ross, 412.361.3862

THE BOOKSTORE AT CALVARY

Now offering Advent and Christmas merchandise to make this important season simpler and more meaningful, including ---

- * Advent candles, wreaths and calendars
- * Christmas books for children and adults
- * CDs of Advent and Christmas Music
- * Nativity sets from many countries
- * Ornaments, wall hangings, plaques

Always in stock:
our large selection of Bibles,
hymnals and prayer books, and
a wide variety of religious and
secular books.

December Store Hours: Tuesday thru Friday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.;
Saturdays (until Christmas) 10 a.m to Noon
Sunday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Proceeds from the Bookstore go to support local outreach programs.

**Please add some straw to the manger
as you offer a prayer for peace.
Help us prepare to welcome the child
who comes as Prince of Peace.**



For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given:
and the government shall be upon his shoulder:
and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor,
The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

2013 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 Monday, December 16.

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: Arleen Walter, 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)

Sunday December 15, 2013

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
9:30 A.M. Adult Forum
10:00 A.M. Adult Choir Warm-Up
11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
12:15 P.M. Hospitality Hour
12:15 P.M. Choristers' Christmas Party

11:30 A.M. Beginnings Holiday Lunch

3:00 P.M. CLASP

4:30 P.M. Choristers' Rehearsal

4:30 P.M. Finance Committee Meeting

6:00 P.M. EfM

Thursday December 19, 2013

Lillian Trasher, Missionary in Egypt, 1961

9:30 A.M. EfM

4:30 P.M. Troubadors

7:30 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Saturday December 21, 2013

Saint Thomas the Apostle

9:00 A.M. Centering Prayer for Peace

10:00 A.M. Pageant Rehearsal

10:00 A.M. Peanut Butter and Jam Concert

10:30 A.M. The Next Step

11:30 A.M. Peanut Butter and Jam Concert

Monday December 16, 2013

Ralph Adams Cram, 1942, and Richard Upjohn, 1878, Architects, and John LaFarge, Artist, 1910

5:30 P.M. Bookstore Committee Meeting

6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist

6:30 P.M. Personnel Committee Meeting

7:00 P.M. Centering Prayer

Sunday December 22, 2013

The Fourth 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

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

10:30 A.M. Pageant Cast Call

11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist and Christmas Pageant

12:15 P.M. Hospitality Hour

Tuesday December 17, 2013

William Lloyd Garrison, 1879, and Maria Stewart, 1879, Prophetic Witnesses

8:30 A.M. Beginnings

10:00 A.M. Staff Meeting

1:00 P.M. Beginnings
Extended Day Program

6:00 P.M. Calvary PIIN Team Meeting

7:00 P.M. Pastoral Care Committee

Wednesday December 18, 2013

7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist

8:30 A.M. Beginnings

9:45 A.M. ESL

10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist

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

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Christmas Eve – Tuesday, December 24

4 p.m. – The Holy Eucharist, and music with choirs, brass, & organ.

The Rt. Rev. Dorsey McConnell, Bishop of Pittsburgh, celebrant and preacher

Music beginning at 3:30

11 p.m. – Procession, the Holy Eucharist, and music with choir, brass, & organ.

The Rev. Jonathon Jensen, Rector Elect, preacher

Music beginning at 10:30

Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 25

Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m., with Homily & Hymns

Christian Formation _____

It is never too late to join in the fun of Calvary's 2013 Christmas Pageant. If you would like to participate in a non-speaking role, please contact me and I will add your name to the cast list. If you cannot come to rehearsal on Saturday, December 21, just make your way to the Refectory on Sunday morning, December 22 at 10:30. I will help you get in line with the rest of the cast members. The costumes and more information can be found outside my office on Level E. Please call me with any questions.

—Adele Eley, Coordinator for Christian Formation,
aeley@calvarypgh.org; 412.661.0120 x 116



10 a.m., in the Refectory

TODAY – The Cosmic Christ. The birth of Jesus that we celebrate on December 25 marks the extraordinary manifestation of God in human history. The child that is born is both fully human and also fully divine. This union of two natures (human and divine) in one person is the mysterious union called the Incarnation of God (God into flesh) without the divinity being diminished. To celebrate the full import of this birth we will turn our attention to the meaning of God taking on our humanity. We will seek to learn more about who we are and how we are and what is God's plan for us.

The Christ, as second person of the Trinity, is "at the beginning", in the moment of creation. The import of the connection in the Incarnation is that the Christ becomes the new Adam, restoring the union which was lost (redemption). This birth makes known the plan of God (the will of God) to redeem the whole creation. This truth should expand our ideas about ecumenism. Since it has been shown scientifically that the universe is expanding (evolution), then our humanity must logically be developing as well. The Rev. John Fetterman will be our presenter.

December 22 – Annual Christmas Pageant. No formation classes.

December 29 – No formation classes

January 5, 2014 – Epiphany: A Season of Light for the World. Beginning with the arrival of the Wise Men at the stable, we see that the birth of Christ is meant for all the peoples of the earth. How do we live that reality as Christians today? The Rev. Leslie Reimer will offer reflections for the season of Epiphany.

_____ *Calvary Youth Group* _____

Looking ahead: following the January 5 CYG meeting from 1–3:30 p.m. we ask CYG parents join us at 3:30 to discuss planning for the trip to the Elewana Education Project in Kenya in 2015. There is more information about Kenya available on Calvary website or contact Geoff or Julie Dixon-Ernst.

CYG had a busy and activity filled fall, including rock climbing and ziplining as well as church scavenger hunts and dressing up CYG leaders as Halloween mummies. At each of our gatherings there is always time for sharing a meal together, making new friends or enjoying the fellowship among the group. If you haven't come to CYG or it has been awhile make a New Year's resolution to join us in January. A calendar of events for the coming term is on the Calvary website: www.calvarypgh.org, choose Youth Group from the "Programs" drop down menu.

The Prayers of the People _____

For the Anglican Communion, and for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury:
Wusasa, Kaduna, Nigeria – The Right Reverend Ali Buba Lamido.

For the Episcopal Church, and for Katharine, 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
St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Scottsdale, and the Reverend
Charles Martin.*

For those serving in the armed forces: Carson Wilson, Fred Ingram, Sara Pelusi,
Will Furlow, Christine DeForest, Chip Mosle.

For those who are ill or convalescing: Pat Schuster, Margaret Jenkins,
Mary Anne Ferguson, Gary Abbs, Jean Oh, Mary Ellen Leigh,
Tom Godlewski, Betty Gentilcore, Susan Howard, Tom, Mariann Colonna,
Ann Wardrop, Charlie Merriman, Margaret McKinley.

Let us remember those who continue in our prayers: Nimo Tirimanne,
John Fetterman+, Charles Mullen, Don Stanier, Joan Rice Rollins,
Cora Fischer, Dora Graff, Bob Clark.

For those who have been commended to our prayers: Trip Levis, William Marchl+,
Ayden Gora, Julia Brooks, Patricia, Frances Yockey, David Morycz,
Gina Strain, Jason Hickman, Dave Mazur, Mary Lou Joseph, Renee,
Dave Gifford, Lynda Germano, Ellen, James Knight, Don Miller,
Jaylin Ewing, Peggy Hilliard Martin, Omar Doss and his family, Robin,
Nancy, Lynette Jackson, Liz Madden, Gretchen, Margaret Chilton, Marjorie,
Diana and Rob, Annika and Ethan, Margaret, Toni Kuchera, Sang Oh,
Pam Leake, Todd, Jeff, Lovette Ewing, Diana Maye, Steve Katz, MJ Tocci,
Christopher Carson, Naomi H., James Campbell, Mimi Howard,
Alan Isaac, Marinda S., Mary E., Joanne K., Laura B., Sarah J., Gabriella V.,
Barbara Boyd, Barry, Dave Farren, John Scanlon, Bob Smith.

For people throughout the world living with HIV and AIDS.

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

For caregivers.

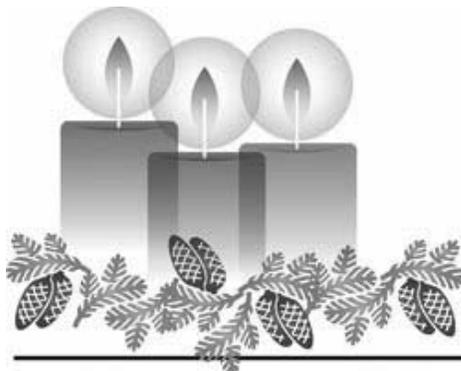
For those who have died.

For those in whose memory altar flowers are given:

LADY CHAPEL Fletcher Hodges, Jr. and Sarah Margaret Hodges,
by their family.

*For those who have died in Afghanistan this week, especially for the members of
our armed forces.*

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



Third Sunday of Advent

December 15, 2013

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Stir up your power, O LORD, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our LORD, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah [35:1-10]

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Reader: The Word of the LORD.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146:4-9

- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.
- 7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; *
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 The LORD loves the righteous; the LORD cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

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- 9 The LORD shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!
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.
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A Reading from the Letter of James [5:7-10]

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the LORD. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the LORD is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the LORD.

Reader: The Word of the LORD.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

**The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew
[11:2-11]**

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

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" Jesus answered them, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me." As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.' Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

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

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