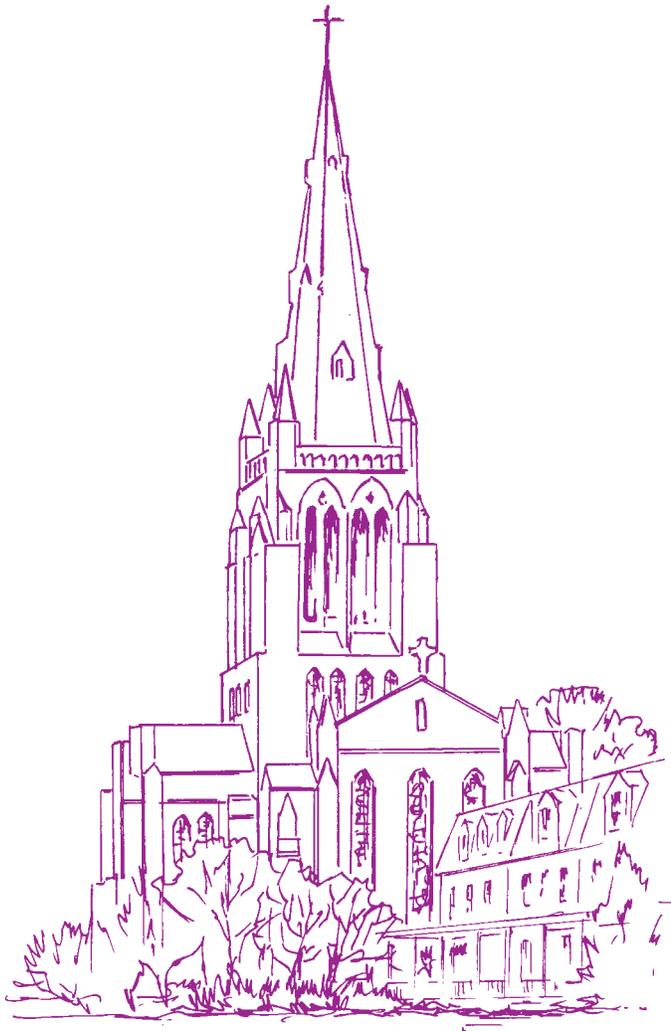


CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The First Sunday of Advent
November 30, 2014
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 Versets on *Veni redemptor gentium*

Samuel Scheidt

*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)*

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 64:1-9

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18 *All say together.*

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

The Holy Gospel *All standing*

Mark 13:24-37

Response before the Gospel Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Response after the Gospel Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Reverend Leslie G. Reimer

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 *Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding* HYMNAL, 59
All stand and sing together.

Eucharistic Prayer B BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 367

Sanctus *Holy, holy, holy Lord All sing together* HYMNAL, S 130

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 *Creator of the stars of night* HYMNAL, 60
All sing together, seated or kneeling

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 *Fantasia on Veni redemptor Gentium* Scheidt

*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.*

MUSICAL NOTES

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Prelude Versets on *Veni redemptor gentium*

Samuel Scheidt

Introit *Matins Responsory*

Thomas Foster

I look from afar; and lo, I see the power of God coming, and a cloud covering the whole earth.

Go ye out to meet him, and say, "Tell us, art thou he that should come?"

Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come to reign over thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. I look from afar...

-Text from the medieval office for Advent Sunday

THE WORD OF GOD

Entrance Hymn *Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding*
All sing together.

HYMNAL, 59

Opening Acclamation

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 355

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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 64:1-9

Psalms 80:1-7, 16-18

setting by Alan Lewis

The Choir sings the Refrain, and all repeat it

Re - store us, O God of hosts; show the
light of your coun - te - nance, and we shall be saved.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Sequence Hymn *Creator of the stars of night* *HYMNAL, 60, stanzas 1, 2, & 6*

The Holy Gospel

Mark 13:24-37

Response before the Gospel Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Response after the Gospel Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Leslie G. Reimer

The Nicene Creed *All standing*

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The Prayers of the People *Congregation standing*

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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 *Drop down, you heavens*

Richard Lloyd

*Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour forth righteousness:
let the earth be fruitful, and bring forth a Savior.*

Be not very angry, O Lord, neither remember our iniquity for ever.

Thy holy cities are a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation:

Our holy and our beautiful house, where our father praised thee.

Drop down, ye heavens...

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, my salvation shall not tarry:

I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions: Fear not, for I will save thee:

For I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer.

Drop down, ye heavens...

—Advent Prose

Alix Dixon-Ernst, treble solo

Doxology *Praise God from whom all blessings flow!* *HYMNAL, 380, stanza 3*

All stand and sing the hymn together

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 367

Sanctus *(all sing together)*

HYMNAL, S 130

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

The congregation may stand or kneel.

Memorial Acclamation

Cantor

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

Cantor 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*

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, page 364

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

Fraction Anthem *Christ our Passover*

HYMNAL, S 164

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Today's passage from Isaiah has long been associated with the season of Advent, and has received a variety of musical treatments over the centuries. The one sung at the Offertory today was composed by the long-time Organist of Durham Cathedral, casting the text as alternation between a solo treble refrain and choral verses, with the merest suggestion of an organ part to anchor the pitch.

The classic spiritual, *My Lord, what a mornin'*, likewise finds its roots in today's passage from Isaiah. Its choral adaptation is by a Pennsylvania native, Harry T. Burleigh (1866-1949), who grew up in Erie, singing in churches (including St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral) before moving to New York, where he studied with Dvorák (then the director of the National Conservatory of Music) and enjoyed a long musical career as a singer and composer, serving as the bass soloist at St. George's Episcopal Church for half a century.



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.

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.

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 Leslie G. Reimer
Lector/Chalice BearerLiz Pentin

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

CelebrantThe Reverend Jonathon W. Jensen
PreacherThe Reverend Leslie G. Reimer
AcolyteReece Basehore
Lector/Chalice Bearers . . .Phillip Parr, Katie Wooldridge
UshersRick Booth, Henry Johnston, Lyn Orr

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

CelebrantThe Reverend Jonathon W. Jensen
PreacherThe Reverend Leslie G. Reimer
AssistingThe Reverend T.J. Freeman
VergerSarah Wilson
AcolytesClaire Mazur, Eliana Jackson, Sam King,
Lowrie Woodside
LectorsMichael Braxton, Mary Ellen Leigh, Stuart Knoop
Chalice BearersVanessa Sterling, Phillip Parr, Diane Eldridge,
Grace Abbs
UshersMark Nabuda, Matt Lancaster, Clint Van Dusen,
Nick Langner

5:00 p.m. – A Service of Lessons and Music for Advent

VergerMichael Braxton
AcolytesPeter Heinricher, Lowrie Woodside, Catie Summers
Flower DeliveryEllen Maye
Altar GuildJean Robinson's Team

Please join us for coffee in the Parish Hall following the 11 o'clock service,
hosted by **The Lectors**.

Our Parish Life

A Note from Judi Eversman

To my Calvary Friends – I want to thank you for your prayers and good wishes as I underwent lung surgery on October 17. I'm getting better every day, and know your prayers were heard. At this season of thanksgiving, I am thankful for all of you! Please stay in touch, juditheversman@gmail.com. Love and blessings, Judi.

Women of Calvary Holiday Home Eucharist

Home eucharists are meaningful and memorable occasions for both a social and spiritual experience. Please come on **Wednesday, December 10** beginning at 6 p.m. The Reverend Leslie Reimer will celebrate the eucharist and a light supper will be served. Hosted by Michele Bender, 105 Millview Drive, 15238 (Fox Chapel).

Please RSVP by December 5 to Michele at 412.968.5997 or mbbender@gmail.com.

If anyone is interested in carpooling from Calvary, please contact Margie Muldoon at 412.362.1780.

Silence as an Advent Spiritual Practice

Centering prayer is a contemporary name for an ancient Christian contemplative practice dating back at least to the 4th Century. It is a simple form of meditation, and, in this Advent season, it could be a way to “prepare ourselves in heart and mind to hear again the message of the angels” as the Advent Lessons and Carols bidding prayer encourages us to do.

Here are the basic instructions:

1. Choose a sacred word as the symbol of your intention to consent to God's presence and action within.
2. Sitting comfortably and with eyes closed, settle briefly and silently introduce the sacred word as the symbol of your consent to God's presence and action within.
3. When engaged with your thoughts, return *ever-so gently* to the sacred word.
4. At the end of the prayer period, remain in silence with eyes closed for a couple of minutes.

You can practice on your own (even a few minutes a day makes a difference) and/or you are welcome to sit with the Calvary group on Mondays at 7 p.m., in the Evans Room, where we will have some beginner-oriented meetings during Advent season. Questions: Catherine Davidson 412.874.7345. All are welcome!

Calvary Young Adult Ministry

Our next gathering is for Brunch at Social in Bakery Square on **Sunday, December 7**. A full schedule appears on the Calvary website.

EECM Food Pantry “Food of the Month”

East End Cooperative Ministry operates the second largest food pantry in Pittsburgh. **On their “Wish List” in December is Rice.** Of course, feel free to donate any food items, cleaning or paper products that you care to give. Please leave your donations in the shopping cart in the Parish Hall. Thank you!

Deadlines for Publication

The deadline for submissions for the next issue of *Agape* is **Friday, December 5, 2014**. Please e-mail your text to calvary@calvarypg.org or deliver it to the church office. Notices for the Sunday service bulletin must be received by the end of the day on Wednesday.

The 2014 EECM Holiday “Berry” Gifts and Giant Eagle Gift Cards are needed by 5 p.m. TODAY!

This Christmas, Calvary has committed to helping 75 participants of East End Cooperative Ministry programs. Each person has requested three items: something they want, something they need, and a book or calendar. These requests have been coded onto individual berries, which are posted in the Parish Hall. These gifts relieve the financial burden on many East End families at Christmas, and brighten their holidays. Calvary has been a strong supporter of this program, and we request your help again this year. To participate, please:

1. **Choose** one or more berries and **sign out** each berry on the corresponding sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall.
2. **Bring** each wrapped gift, with the berry securely attached (code showing) to the Parish Hall **by 5 p.m. TODAY**. Please include a **gift receipt** for clothing items. The gifts will be taken to the EECM building for delivery to the families on December 2. The deadline is so early because EECM needs to deliver these gifts before they start their massive holiday food distribution.

In addition, we are collecting **\$25 Giant Eagle gift cards** for distribution to families that participate in the EECM Food Pantry program. Gift cards should be dropped off at the Calvary reception desk by **5 p.m. TODAY**.

Thank you for your support of this EECM program. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Ros Stone (Roslyn@pitt.edu or 412.781.9329) or John Wilson (jww@pitt.edu).

About the Giant Eagle Gift Cards...

EECM has again asked us to provide Giant Eagle gift certificates for the “Berry” Project families at Christmas time this year. Why? Because the families find it very difficult to carry home their Christmas gifts plus bags of food, EECM believes that giving each family a gift certificate is a more reasonable way to help with some of their food needs during the holiday season.

Please bring in Giant Eagle gift cards to share with our East End neighbors in need. \$25 is the suggested amount, but any amount will be welcome. You can pick these up at any Giant Eagle store, and then bring them to Calvary. Please leave the cards with the receptionist or in the box at the reception desk.

In order that these certificates not get lost, do not leave them in the grocery cart or with the “Berry” Project family gifts. **Thank you!**

The 2014 BAZAAR was great because...

- *There were so many hard working volunteers
- *The Calvary Staff out did themselves helping
- *The products were so attractive
- *The Luncheon and Café were outstanding
- *The donors were so generous
- *The customers were so plentiful and ready to buy



**How glad all of us who worked so hard are to have so much to give
to our grant recipients!**

—Susie Prentiss, Bazaar Chair

Christian Formation

The First Sunday of Advent

Today at 10 o'clock all children, youth, and interested adults are invited to the Evan's room for a "Happy Church New Year" celebration. We will make Advent cards and gifts for the shut in members of our parish family. There will a story and snacks for everyone. Please join us.

Christmas Pageant Sign Up

Please look in the hallway outside the Parish Hall for the sign-up sheet for the Calvary's Annual Christmas Pageant. The children and youth of Calvary will be presenting the 2014 Pageant on **Sunday, December 21 at the 11 o'clock service**. The usual cast of sheep, cattle, shepherds, and angels will be there, as well as the traditional donkey and other live animals. The camel is scheduled to be here and we hope you will be here, too!

Adult Forum 10 a.m., in the Refectory.

TODAY – Pilgrimage. The Rev. Carol Henley will share reflections and pictures from her October 2013 pilgrimage in England and Scotland with a group led by the Rev. Herbert O'Driscoll, well known scholar and authority on Celtic Spirituality.

Sunday, December 7 – "My pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela." T.J. Freeman, our Curate, will share pictures and stories from his time on the Camino de Santiago, reflect on the nature of pilgrimage as a Christian discipline and prayer practice, and facilitate a discussion on how to live the pilgrim's way in our modern context.



Sunday, December 7 is the CYG the Christmas Party at church from 1 – 3:30 in the Refectory. Please plan to join us for an afternoon of merriment, fellowship and of course games. Lunch will be provided. Bring a friend.

Early January: Lock-In at Calvary with Youth from the Diocese. Look for details in the coming weeks.

The Next Step Group

We are a group that concentrates primarily on receiving spiritual nurturing and guidance to help us navigate life's many challenges. We use the teachings of our former rector, Dr. Sam Shoemaker, Father Richard Rohr, Desmond Tutu and others to help direct us in our daily thinking and doing. We are not an addiction recovery group but from time to time we use the strength and wisdom of *The Twelve Steps* to help guide our discussions.

Tuesdays, (December 2, 16) and (January 6, 2015) from 7:30-8:30 p.m. We use short excerpts from Father Richard Rohr's writing to reflect upon as we share the week's events in our personal spiritual journey. **And**

Saturdays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. We are a structured small group discussion with a topic and a leader as follows:

December 13: "Healing," group member, Nan Neureither;

December 27: "Grace," group member, Elizabeth Slaymaker;

January 10, 2015: "Humility," group member, Jenifer Mule (Mew-Lay').

Groups meet in the Conference Room at Calvary Church; coffee and fellowship before and after each meeting. *Come as often as you wish and at your convenience. Tuesday and Saturday meetings do not duplicate each other. For more information: visit us on the Calvary website at www.calvarypg.org.*

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 November 30, 2014

The First 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. Christian Formation Classes
10:00 A.M. Adult Forum
11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
12:15 P.M. Hospitality Hour
4:00 P.M. Choir Call
5:00 P.M. Service and Music for Advent

6:00 P.M. EfM

6:30 P.M. Beginnings Board Meeting

Thursday December 4, 2014

John of Damascus, Priest, c. 760

8:30 A.M. Beginnings
9:30 A.M. EfM
9:45 A.M. ESL
7:00 P.M. Welcome Committee Meeting
7:30 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday December 5, 2014

Clement of Alexandria, Priest, c. 210

Agape Deadline

10:00 A.M. Soup Group Cooking

Saturday December 6, 2014

Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, c. 342

9:00 A.M. Centering Prayer

Sunday December 7, 2014

*The Second Sunday of Advent;
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day*

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. Sisterhood
10:00 A.M. Christian Formation Classes
10:00 A.M. Adult Forum
11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
12:15 P.M. Hospitality Hour
12:30 P.M. CYG Christmas Party
12:45 P.M. Young Adult Ministry
(at Social, Bakery Sq.)

Monday December 1, 2014

Saint Andrew the Apostle (tr. from 11/30)

6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist
7:00 P.M. Centering Prayer

Tuesday December 2, 2014

*Channing Moore Williams, Missionary Bishop in
China and Japan, 1910*

8:30 A.M. Beginnings
10:00 A.M. Staff Meeting
7:00 P.M. AHC
7:30 P.M. The Next Step

Wednesday December 3, 2014

Francis Xavier, Missionary to the Far East, 1552

7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
8:30 A.M. Beginnings
9:45 A.M. ESL
10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist
3:30 P.M. CLASP
4:30 P.M. Choristers' Rehearsal

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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.

**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.

The Prayers of the People

For the Anglican Communion, and for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury:

Falkland Islands (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury) –
The Right Reverend Stephen Venner.

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. Paul's Episcopal Church, Kittanning; and Shepherd Wellness
Community, Scott Peterman, director.*

For those serving in the armed forces: Will Furlow, Carson Wilson, Fred Ingram,
Christine DeForest, Tres Mellor.

For those who are ill or convalescing: Betty Gentilcore, Judi Eversman,
Julie Grimstad, Lowrie Ebbert, Don Stanier, Will Reeby,
Stephanie Spaulding, Holly Best, Ros Stone, Dale and Will Templin.

Let us remember those who continue in our prayers: Nimo Tirimanne,
Dora Graff, Charles Mullen, Ann Wardrop, Joan Rice Rollins.

For those who have been commended to our prayers: Trip Levis, William Marchl+,
Julia F., Mimi Howard, Lynda Warner, Joe Norton, James Campbell,
Mary Carson+, Gareth Davies, Mark Cook, Jack Stait, Ann Lee, John and
Evelyn Nickel, Ceil Sugar, Peggy Hilliard Martin, Mary and Charlie,
Ron Johnston, Jasmine, Craig and Greg, Peggy Van Meter,
Henry Edward Albee, Dale Martin, Jerold Stone, Denise Stone, Barb Huff,
Garrett Allen, Jackie and James Rogers, Heather, Harmony Harwell,
Lovette Ewing, Jim, Steve Katz, Emily, Barb Menner, Niall, Sally Robinson,
Leslie, Jane Miller, Stephen Shandor, Sr., David Williams, Jetta Jenkins,
Bernadine T., Laura B., Joane K., Thomas W., Margaret Briggs.

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: Mark Tessecini.

For those in whose memory altar flowers are given:

High Altar E. Robert Christner, *by Bruce Dzeda.*

Lauren Deis, *by her family.*

Molly Peter, *by the Verghis family.*

William P. Snyder IV, *by Alice, Lynn and Will.*

Lady Chapel Helena Albright and Mary Poropatich, *by Cheryl Fogarty.*

*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 }



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First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 2014

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah [64:1-9]

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence – as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil – to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 O Lord God of hosts, *how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

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- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- 18 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
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 First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians [1:3-9]

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind – just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you – so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

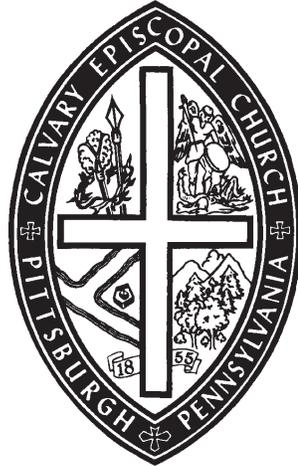
**The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark
[13:24-37]**

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

Jesus said to his disciples, “In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.” (Jesus said,) “Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake – for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

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

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