



SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Sunday, November 28, 2021

The First Sunday of Advent, Year C

10:00 AM: HOLY EUCHARIST

WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S

Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome here.

Please fill out a welcome card, found in the pew rack, then put it in the offering plate or give it to one of the clergy following the service so that we can be in touch with you. For more information about St. Andrew's, speak to the volunteer at the Information Table in the Chapel lobby.

If you have a hearing aid equipped with telecoil capability, please note that the church sanctuary has been equipped with this technology.

THE EUCHARIST

The celebration of the Holy Eucharist is an act of joy and praise, which draws its principal meaning from the Easter proclamation of the resurrection. All who are drawn to God and seek Christ are welcome to receive communion.

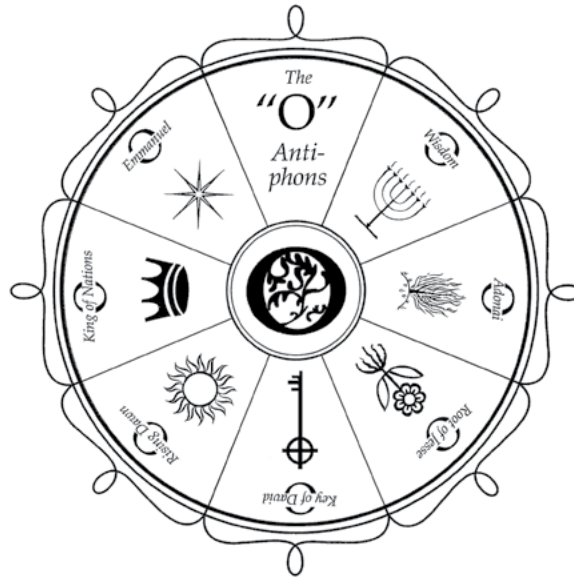
Wafers will be used for the communion bread. Wine will not be offered. Communion will be distributed at the foot of the chancel steps for those wishing to partake. Ushers will direct you to form a single line down the center aisle as you approach the altar.

CHILDREN

A Nursery for infants through toddler age is available during the 10:00 am service, located on the second floor of the Parish Hall. Children and youth in preschool through high school attend Church School from 9:45 am until they join their families during the Children's Entrance Hymn.

TODAY

Our stock of winter supplies for the Breakfast guests has been depleted! **The Breakfast is once again collecting NEW ADULT-SIZED hats, gloves, and socks for our guests.** Please leave donations in the basket outside the church office by Wednesday, December 15. If you have any questions, please contact Shannon Floyd at breakfast@standrewsaa.org.



THE "O" ANTIPHON SERVICE

Development of an Advent liturgy occurred early in the church. By the sixth century, an elaborate order of worship had emerged as preparation and anticipation for the Festival of Christmas.

The origin of the "O" Antiphons is not known. They have been found in manuscripts from the ninth century and are frequently attributed to St. Gregory the Great. Although the original number of antiphons appears to be seven, later monastic practice added to the "Great Seven" increasing their number to eight, nine, and frequently twelve, apparently according to local need and purpose. The Antiphons were chanted before and after the *Magnificat* at Vespers on the days immediately preceding Christmas. Each one presents a name given to Christ in the Old Testament (Wisdom, Adonai, Root of Jesse, Key of David, Rising Dawn, King of Nations, and Emmanuel) and a petition asking for the fulfillment of a Scriptural promise or prophecy. The antiphon texts are the basis for the verses of the beloved Advent Hymn *O Come, o come Emmanuel*.

In our own century, it has become a custom in many places to hold special

services during the Advent season in preparation for the celebration of the Festival of Christmas. *A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols* made famous by the broadcasts and recordings from King's College Chapel in Cambridge, England, has served as a model for similar services throughout the Christian world.

The "O" Antiphon Service is a reworking of that traditional service using the Great "O" Antiphons in sequence to form its basic structure. It attempts to bring past and present together and to help the worshipper focus on the true meaning of the Advent ("Coming") in our own time. Each part of the service begins with the singing of the "O" Antiphon, followed by the scripture reading on which it is based and a carol or hymn amplifying its symbolism, and concludes with a prayer challenging us to prepare ourselves and our world to receive Christ in the true spirit of these Advent prophecies.

We sincerely hope that this service will help each of you as you prepare to receive Christ during the Advent Season.

(Notes compiled by Carl Crosier, from Fritz Fritschel and Richard Gieseke)

Prelude *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*..... arr. Mark Hayes (b. 1953)

The congregation stands as the procession enters the nave.

Processional Hymn *Lo! He Comes*..... Hymnal, no. 57

Salutation *(and response)*

Kyrie *Deutsche Messe* Hymnal, no. S-96

The Bidding Prayer

Officiant Dear friends in Christ, in the stillness and quiet of this church, we have gathered again at the beginning of an Advent Season, a season of waiting upon the Lord, who once came in the flesh as Savior and Redeemer of the world, and who will come again in glorious majesty to establish a rule of justice, peace and righteousness for all the earth.

Let us listen carefully to the readings which prophesied the first coming of “Emmanuel – God with us.” And in remembering the promises fulfilled in the past, find within ourselves a renewed sense of the presence of the one whose life and kingdom dwell in us.

During this service let us also pray for a renewed vision of God’s reign, that through our ministries and works the ancient prophesies may again be fulfilled in our time. And through our passionate commitment to the poor and the oppressed, the sick and the destitute, prisoners and hostages, the forgotten and the outcast, we may hear, see, and know God’s gracious rule both within our hearts and in the common life of our society.

May God give us ears to hear, minds to perceive and understand, and hearts ready to receive the Redeemer.

May God bless us with grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and to the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

All remain seated for the singing of the “O” Antiphons, readings, and anthems.

All stand for the collects and hymns.



Sapientia

Wisdom

Antiphon *O Sapientia*Plainsong, Mode II and Peter Hallock (1924-2014)

*O Sapientia, quae ex ore Altissimi prodisti, attingens
a fine usque ad finem, fortiter suaviter disponensque
omnia: veni ad docendum nos viam prudentiae.*

O Wisdom, You came forth from the mouth of the Most High, and reach from one end of the earth to the other, mightily and sweetly ordering all things: Come and teach us the way of prudence.

Reading Wisdom 7:24-8:1

Anthem *Where Shall Wisdom be Found*Peter Moger (b. 1964)

The Saint Andrew's Adult Choir

Where, where shall wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding? Truly the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom: and to depart from evil is understanding..

Collect O WISDOM, your words uttered in the beginning generated a world of beauty and goodness, giving purpose and value to each creature: instruct us in the way of prudence that we may nurture the world with justice and joy, that its beauty and goodness may flourish; through the one whom we know as the Wisdom of the Ages, even Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



Adonai

Lord of Might

Antiphon *O Adonai* Peter Hallock

O Adonai, et Dux domus Israel, qui Moysi in igne flammae rubi apparuisti, et ei in Sina legem dedisti: veni ad redimendum nos in brachio extento.

O Adonai, ruler of the house of Israel, you appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush; on Mount Sinai you gave him your law: With outstretched arm, come and redeem us.

Reading Exodus 3:1-12

Hymn *The God of Abraham Praise*

1. The God of A-br'ham praise, By whose al-might-y hand
 2. God's mys-ter-y sub-lime, In un-con-sum-ing flame
 3. In maj-es-ty and awe, The Lord of pow'r and might
 4. Great Ad-o-nai, our Lord, Whose pow'r the heav-ens sing,

Showed Is-rael on her pil-grim ways A prom-ised land.
 An-nounced the sa-cred name di-vine, The great I Am.
 Made ho-ly cov'-nant by the law On Si-nai's height.
 Is born in-car-nate, ho-ly Word, A child, our king.

Our Lord will lead us, too, Through des-erts and the sea,
 From bond-age cap-tives freed, Their hope and faith re-stored,
 And now our knees we bend To one who sets us free,
 As in-fi-nite, yet small, Whom worlds can-not con-tain,

That we may hear in all we do, "I am with thee."
 By one who filled their ev-'ry need, E-ter-nal Lord.
 To serve with love un-til the end In loy-al-ty.
 He dwells as Lord with-in us all From there to reign.

Text: Fritz Fritschel, 1988 from *Exodus 3*
Tune: Hebrew, arr. Meyer Lyon, c. 1770

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Collect O ADONAI, Master of the universe and ruler of the house of Israel, your mighty acts have rescued remnants of your people from the midst of slavery, exile, war and holocaust: raise your scepter over us that the condition of human dignity may be extended to all people, in all places; for the sake of him whom we know as Lord of all, even Jesus the Christ. *Amen.*



Radix Jesse

Root of Jesse

Antiphon *O Radix Jesse*Peter Hallock

O radix Jesse, qui stas in signum populorum, super quem continebunt reges os suum, quem gentes deprecabuntur: veni ad liberandum nos, jam noli tardare.

O Root of Jesse, you stand as an ensign to the peoples; before you kings shall keep silence, all nations bow in worship: Come and save us, and do not delay.

Reading Isaiah 11:1-4a, 10

Anthem *A Tender Shoot*Kerensa Briggs (b.1991)
The Saint Andrew's Adult Choir

A tender shoot hath started up from a root of grave, as ancient seers imparted, from Jesse's holy race, it blooms without a blight, blooms in the cold bleak winter, turning our darkness into light. This shoot Isaiah taught us from Jesse's root should spring; the Virgin Mary brought us the branch of which we sing; our God of endless might gave her this child to save us, thus turning darkness into light.

Collect **O ROOT OF JESSE**, you reach deep down into the darkness of the earth and stir the world's longings for deliverance and hope: raise up within our own lives a spirit of courage and strength, of wisdom and insight, that we may add to the coming of the kingdom; through the merits of the One we know as the beginning of the ages, even Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



Clavis David

Key of David

Antiphon *O Clavis David*Peter Hallock

O Clavis David, et sceptrum domus Israel: qui aperis, et nemo claudit; claudis, et nemo aperit: veni, et educ vincitum de domo carceris, sedentem in tenebris et umbra mortis.

O Key of David, Scepter of the house of Israel, you open and no one closes; you close and no one opens: Come and deliver us from the chains of prison, we who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Reading Isaiah 22:20-24

Hymn *Hark the Glad Sound! the Savior Comes*Hymnal, no. 72

Collect **O KEY OF DAVID** and throne of glory, you open the way to a promising future and no one closes; you close the way to a formative past and no one opens. Release us and all your people from the oppressions of the past that we may face the future with boldness and purpose; through the merits of the Son of David, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



Oriens

Rising Dawn

Antiphon *O Oriens* Peter Hallock

O Oriens, splendor lucis aeternae, et sol justitiae: veni, et illumine sedentes in tenebris et umbra mortis. O Rising Dawn, brightness of the light eternal, sun of righteousness: Come and enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Reading Isaiah 41:25; 42:1-7

Anthem *Veiled in Darkness* Glenn Rudolph (b. 1951)
The Saint Andrew's Adult Choir

Veiled in darkness Judah lay, waiting for the promised day, while across the shadowy night streamed a flood of glorious light, heav'nly voices chanting then, "Peace on earth, good-will to men." Still the earth in darkness lies, up from death's dark vale arise voices of a world in grief, prayers of men who seek relief; now our darkness pierce again, "Peace on earth, good-will to men." Light of light, we humbly pray, shine up on Thy world today; break the gloom of our dark night, fill our souls with love and light, send they blessed word again, "Peace on earth, good-will to men."

Collect O RISING DAWN, you shine with warm brightness and clean freshness, chasing the fearsome shadows of the night away: enlighten the lives of your people with ideal visions of harmony and mutuality, so that all that is alien may finally join in the fullness of life together; for the sake of him we call the Light of the world, Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



Rex Gentium

King of Nations

Antiphon *O Rex Gentium* Peter Hallock

O Rex gentium, et desideratus earum, lapisque angularis, qui facis utraque unum: veni, et salva hominem, quem de limo formasti. O King of nations and their desire; You are the cornerstone that binds two into one: Come and save the creature whom you have fashioned from clay.

Reading Isaiah 33:20-22

Hymn *The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns* Hymnal, no. 73

Collect O KING OF NATIONS, your reign spreads through all the lands, you defend the cause of the poor and plead for the wretched of the earth: come and fashion us into a commonwealth of free and responsible creatures, that all may discover the depth of meaning and the grace of belonging; in the name of him we know as King of Kings, Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord. *Amen.*



Emmanuel

God with us

Antiphon *O Emmanuel* Peter Hallock

O Emmanuel, Rex et legifer noster, expectatio gentium, et Salvator earum: veni ad salvandum nos Domine Deus noster.

O Emmanuel, our King and Lawgiver, the desire of the Nations and their salvation: Come and save us, O Lord our God.

Reading Isaiah 7:13-14

Anthem *Advent Carol* Peter Niedemann (b. 1960)

The Saint Andrew's Adult Choir

The people of the world confessed, no law makes way to happiness. No strife in ages gone before lasting peace, and souls restored. How long before the world can know the end of Satan's deadly woe? How long till blindness, deaf'ning fear will cease, and touch of love draw near?

Isaiah saw his glimpse of God in majesty above, and awed; while angels soared and sang for Him the Sanctus of the seraphim. "How long," he asked, "till all can see with opened eyes, and hear of Thee? How long before Thy truth above will touch all hearts with fire of Love?"

The leaves of prophecy unfold, Isaiah's dream of Love is told. A vision full of power and might, a Lord of light beyond all light! How long before we see love's face, and hearts are touched by saving grace? How long till Zion's songs are heard, and mankind knows God's healing Word?

The temple, shaken, filled with smoke. Then, touched with fire, the prophet spoke in open answer to God's call, to bring this message to us all: when Jesus comes, we'll see God's face. His tiny hands will touch our race. In infant laughter heaven sings the pow'r of Love above all things!

Collect O EMMANUEL, Child of Promise and sign of hope, you come from a distance far beyond our reach, yet to be closer to us than we are to ourselves: remain with us in our own days of expectation that we may give birth to what is just, true, beautiful and good; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit, abides with us, one God now and forever. *Amen.*

Hymn *People, Look East*

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1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near
 2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare.
 3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
 4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
 5. An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth

Of the crown - ing of the year.
 One more seed is plant - ed there:
 Guard the nest that must be filled.
 One more light the bowl shall brim,
 Him who brings new life to earth.

Make your house fair as you are a - ble,
 Give up your strength the seed to nour - ish,
 E - ven the hour when wings are fro - zen
 Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er,
 Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley hum - ming

Trim the hearth and set the ta - ble.

Gospel Matthew 24:36-44

Nicene CreedPrayer Book, page 358

Prayers of the People (Form I)Hymnal, S-106

The Confession, Absolution and the Peace Prayer Book, page 360

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn *Soon and Very Soon*..... LEVAS, no. 14

Children's Entrance Hymn *Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord* LEVAS, no. 11

We will repeat this hymn for a month to better allow our Church School members to participate in the Children's Entrance Hymn.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B Prayer Book, page 367

SanctusHymnal, S-130

The Lord's Prayer (Contemporary) Prayer Book, page 364

Fraction Anthem Hymnal, S-152

Music during Communion

Hymn *Jesus Came Adored by Angels* Hymnal, no. 454

Hymn *Wait for the Lord* Reprinted under OneLicense.net A-718890

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

Text: Isaiah 40, Philippians 4, Matthew 6-7; Tazé Community, 1984
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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Postcommunion Prayer Prayer Book, page 365

Blessing

Procession into the World *Sleepers, Wake!* Hymnal, no. 61

Dismissal

Postlude *Wachet Auf, uns Ruft Die Stimme, BWV 645* Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)



LEADERS IN TODAY'S LITURGY

Altar Guild III: Anna Dutton, Felicity Thompson, Susan Wakefield, Robert Westveer

Celebrant: Sally Boelter

Assistant: Walter LaBatt

Director of Music & Organist: Deborah Friauff

Choir Accompanist: Minji Kim

Acolytes: Harry McLaughlin, Chris Rochman, Kaitlin McCreadie

Lectors: Mary Bates, Barbara Mackey King, Jeanie Powers, Suzanne Schluederberg,
Merilynne Rush, Felicity Thompson, Carol Bennett, Mary Bates

Ushers: Liz and Kurt Hagemeister

THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 28

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)
9:15 am Family Service (Cpl)
9:45 am Church School Classes
10:00 am Holy Eucharist
O Antiphons (C)

Monday, November 29

No Events Scheduled

Tuesday, November 30

No Events Scheduled

Wednesday, December 1

7:00 am Holy Eucharist (Cpl)
4:30 pm Cherub Choir (CL)
4:30 pm Junior Handbell Choir (C)
5:15 pm Junior Choir (CL)
6:00 pm Evensong (Cpl)
6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal (C)

Thursday, December 2

10:00 am Bible Study (Zoom)
7:15 pm Adult Choir (CL)

Friday, December 3

12:15 pm Holy Eucharist (Cpl)

Saturday, December 4

No Events Scheduled

Sunday, December 5

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)
9:15 am Family Service (Cpl)
9:45 am Church School Classes
10:00 am Holy Eucharist (C)
7:15 pm Music for Meditation 3 (C)
8:00 pm Compline (C)

Christmas Adopt-A-Family

For the safety of our parishioners and Community Center client families, we will collect your gifts of \$50 for each child or parent you wish to support this year. These gifts will be combined into a single contribution from the parish to the Ann Arbor Community Center.

If you would like to help with this effort, please make your check payable to St. Andrew's, with "Community Center



DONATE NOW!

Christmas" in the memo line, or go online to standrewsaa.weshareonline.org/CommunityCenterChristmas. Please send/bring your check or make your online donation by Sunday, December 12.

If you have any questions, please contact Scott Gerstenberger (734.678.0914) or Liz Sweet (734.320.4968).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Music for Meditation, Program 3:

Sunday, December 5 at 7:15 pm. Minji Kim, choir accompanist for St. Andrew's, is an active soloist and chamber musician. An enthusiastic educator, she currently teaches at the University of Michigan as a Graduate Student Instructor. Minji Kim graduated from Seoul National University with a BM and BA. She is currently pursuing her DMA at UofM with Christopher Harding, and will play works by Schubert and Prokofiev.

The **62nd Annual Christmas Lessons and Carols** is Sunday, December 19 at 4:00 pm! The St. Andrew's Adult, Junior, and Cherub Choirs and the St. Dunstan Handbell Choir present this traditional Anglican service of nine lessons from Scripture alternat-

ing with sacred hymns, voluntaries and carols for the Christmas season. Childcare available.

Breakfast Benefit Concert: Multi-Grammy winner Lucinda Williams – an artist heralded by The New York Times as an “archetype in a lineage of rocking, literary American songwriters” – will headline a show at The Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor on Friday, February 11, 2022 at 7:30 pm to benefit the Breakfast at St. Andrew's. Tickets are on sale now via Ticketmaster and going fast! Michigan Theater's COVID safety protocols will be in place: everyone must wear a mask and show proof of vaccination or a recent negative COVID test to attend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nominations for Vestry and Deanery/Diocesan Convention Delegates are now being received. Any adult communicant (age 16 and over) of the parish is eligible for nomination. The Vestry meets monthly and is responsible for the care and management of the temporal affairs of the congregation. Deanery/Diocesan Convention Delegates represent the congregation at one meeting of the Huron Valley Deanery, and one meeting of the Diocesan Convention each year. If you would like to make a nomination for one of these offices, please speak with a member of the Nominating Committee: Dave Hunsche, chair; Sarah Inwood, Sandra Murchison, Luke Thompson or Susan Wakefield.

MUSIC NOTES

LEVAS 14: *Soon and Very Soon*

One of the main themes of Advent is the Second Coming of Christ, often presented as a warning of judgment to come: today's Gospel lesson has a foreboding tone. But the establishment of the full reign of Christ also gives us joy at the restoration and fulfillment of all good things, and this hymn

is one of the happiest expressions of that great hope. Written by the popular and influential Gospel songwriter and minister, André Crouch (1942-2015), this exuberant song has been widely published and translated since it was written in 1976. -- Donna Wessel Walker

RICE AND BEANS FOR WIDOWS AND CHILDREN

Greetings! Again I thank God for his continued healing hands for a stroke that struck me for one year now. I can now walk and use my hands though I cannot write with them yet. I am making progress and I immensely thank God! I want to also express my gratitude to the members of St. Andrew's Church who heard about my hospitalization and called me with prayers and greetings. Thank you very much and may God provide for you in your time of need.

For many years I have come to do Christmas SERV/Sales of my African artifacts at St. Andrew's that helped sustain my mini-project of providing rice and beans to widows, orphans, and elderly of my village.

Over the years, I have seen the number of widows in this group grow (61 families last year). Most of them are young widows with little children. With your help, I bought ten bags of rice and beans last year! You have been the reason these poor and indigent women and orphans have food on their tables at Christmas. Last year, you made a contribution of \$1,300. I cannot conduct the sales now because of my ill-health, but I am hoping once more that you can help me to put "food" on their tables this Christmas!

If you would like to contribute to the purchase of rice and beans, please make a check out to St. Andrew's with 'Stephen Uche' in the memo line by Sunday, December 5. May God bless you!

Sincerely, Stephen Uche