



ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS

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*Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son,
and shall call his name Immanuel. — Isaiah 7:14*

Welcome to St. Luke's Episcopal Church and this service of Advent Lessons and Carols. Advent is a season of both quiet reflection and joyful expectation. This service is intended to be a time of spiritual preparation, as we watch and wait for the coming of the Kingdom of God. Through our experience of sacred Word and music, the story of the coming of Christ gradually unfolds and deepens our understanding of God's message of love and redemption. May these words and this music propel you quietly toward the true joy of Christmas.

Change Ringing

St. Luke's Guild of Change Ringers

Voluntary

Three Versets on 'Conditio alme siderum'
Nun komm, der heiden heiland, BWV 659
Forlana, from "Five Bagatelles"
Veni Emmanuel

Jehan Titelouze (ca. 1563-1633)
J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
Gerald Finzi (1901-1956)
Pamela Decker (b. 1955)

Please stand at the sound of the bell.

Introit (standing)

Matin Responsory, *sung by the choir*

David Valentine Willcocks (1919-2015);
after Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

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
To reign over thy people Israel?
High and low, rich and poor, one with another.
Go ye out to meet him and say:
Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep,
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:
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
To reign over thy people Israel?

—First Responsory of Advent Sunday in the Office of Matins, early medieval Roman rite

The Bidding Prayer (standing)

Dear People of God: In the season of Advent, it is our responsibility and joy to prepare ourselves to hear once more the message of the Angels, to go to Bethlehem and see the Son of God lying in a manger.

Let us hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of God's loving purpose from the time of our rebellion against him until the glorious redemption brought to us by his holy Child Jesus, and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise.

But first, let us pray for the needs of his whole world, for peace and justice on earth, for the unity and mission of the Church for which he died, and especially for his Church in our country and in this city of Atlanta.

And because Jesus particularly loves them, let us remember in his name the poor and helpless, the cold, the hungry and the oppressed, the sick and those who mourn, the lonely and unloved, the aged and little children, as well as all those who do not know and love the Lord Jesus Christ.

Finally, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother Mary, and that whole multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in Jesus, we are one for evermore.

And now, to gather all these petitions, let us pray in the words which Christ himself has taught us, saying:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Almighty God bless us with God's 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.**

Hymn in Procession (*standing*)

The Hymnal 56 "O come, O come, Emmanuel"

Veni Emmanuel

Descant: Andrew Carter (b. 1939)

Stanza 1: Soloist; Stanza 2: Upper Voices; Stanza 3: Lower Voices

Stanzas 4-8: All



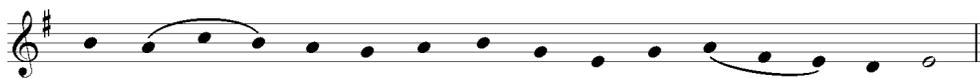
1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from
 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen
 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on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



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



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



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

The people are seated.

The First Lesson • Genesis 3:1-15

Lector: Bruce Gunter

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

Anthem

Rosephayne Powell (b. 1962)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was
God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and
without him was not any thing made that was made. —*John 1: 1-3*

The Second Lesson • Isaiah 40:1-11

Lector: Ray Uttenhove

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. "Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins." A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken." A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!" See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

Anthem

People, look east

Craig Phillips (b. 1961)

People, look east. The time is near
Of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
Trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the guest, is on the way.

Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,
One more seed is planted there:
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,
That in course the flower may flourish.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the rose, is on the way.

Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
Guard the nest that must be filled.
Even the hour when wings are frozen
God for fledging time has chosen.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the bird, is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
One more light the bowl shall brim,
Shining beyond the frosty weather,
Bright as sun and moon together.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the star, is on the way.

Angels, announce with shouts of mirth
Christ who brings new life to earth.
Set every peak and valley humming
With the word, the Lord is coming.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the Lord, is on the way.

—*Eleanor Farjeon*

The people stand as able.

Hymnal 65 "Prepare the way, O Zion"

Bereden väg för Herran



1 Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!
2 He brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heaven a - bove.
3 Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sa - vior's rule em - brace.



Let ev - ery hill and val - ley a lev - el way ap - pear.
His rule is peace and free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love.
His tid - ings of sal - va - tion pro - claim in ev - ery place.



Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry.
Lift high your praise re - sound - ing, for grace and joy a - bound - ing.
All lands will bow be - fore him, their voic - es will a - dore him.



Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

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The people are seated.

The Third Lesson • Jeremiah 31:31-34

Lector: Matthew Michael Brown

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Anthem

O thou the central orb

Charles Wood (1866-1926)

O Thou the central orb of righteous love,
Pure beam of the most high,
Eternal light of this our wintry world,
Thy radiance bright awakes new joy in faith,
Hope soars above, above.

Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine,
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays divine.

Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move,
As stars about thy throne, set in the height
of God's ordaining counsel, as Thy sight
gives measur'd grace to each, Thy power to prove.

Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin,
Our nature all shall feel eternal day,
In fellowship with Thee,
Transforming day to souls while ere unclean,
now pure within, now pure within. Amen.

—H.R. Bramley

The people stand as able.

Hymnal 66 "Come, thou long-expected Jesus"

Stuttgart



1 Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;



from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870). alt.

The people are seated.

The Fourth Lesson • Micah 5:2-4

Lector: Carrie Teegardin

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth.

Anthem

Mark Sirett (b. 1952)

Thou shalt know Him when he comes
not by any din of drums,
Nor his manners nor his airs,
nor by anything he wears.
Thou shalt know him when he comes,
not by his crown or by his gown,
But his coming known shall be
by the holy harmony which his coming makes in thee.
Thou shalt know him when he comes. Amen.

—*Anonymous*

The Fifth Lesson • Isaiah 35:1-10

Lector: Mary Hair Graham

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.

The people stand as able.

Hymnal 597 "O day of peace that dimly shines"

Jerusalem

Introduction



1 O day of peace that dim - ly shines through all our
2 Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the



hopes and prayers and dreams, guide us to jus - tice, truth, and
fierce de - vour the small; as beasts and cat - tle calm - ly



love, de - liv - ered from our self - ish schemes. May swords of
graze, a lit - tle child shall lead them all. Then en - e -



hate fall from our hands, our hearts from en - vy find re -
mies shall learn to love, all crea - tures find their true ac -



lease, till by God's grace our war - ring world shall see Christ's
cord; the hope of peace shall be ful - filled, for all the

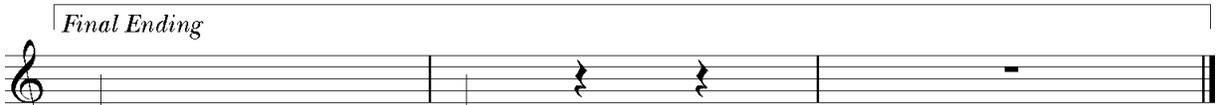


prom - ised reign of peace.
earth shall know the (Lord.)

Interlude



Final Ending



Lord.

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The people are seated.

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it.

The people stand as able.

Hymnal 59 “Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding”

Merton

Descant: Alan Gray (1855-1935)

Descant

2 Wak - ened by the sol - emn warn - ing, from earth's bond - age let us rise;
5 Hon - or, glo - ry, might, and bless - ing to the Fa - ther and the Son,
1 Hark! a thrill - ing voice is sound - ing: "Christ is nigh," it seems to say;
2 Wak - ened by the sol - emn warn - ing, from earth's bond - age let us rise;
3 Lo! the Lamb, so long ex - pect - ed, comes with par - don down from heaven;
4 so when next he comes with glo - ry, and the world is wrapped in fear,
5 Hon - or, glo - ry, might, and bless - ing to the Fa - ther and the Son,

2 Christ, our sun, all sloth dis - pel - ling, shines up - on the morn - ing skies.
5 with the ev - er - last - ing Spi - rit while un - end - ing a - ges run.
1 "Cast a - way the works of dark - ness, O ye child - ren of the day."
2 Christ, our sun, all sloth dis - pel - ling, shines up - on the morn - ing skies.
3 let us haste, with tears of sor - row, one and all to be for - given;
4 may he with his mer - cy shield us, and with words of love draw near.
5 with the ev - er - last - ing Spi - rit while un - end - ing a - ges run.

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The people are seated.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Anthem

Franz Biebl (1906-2001)

Trio: Susanne Burgess, *soprano*; Robert Torre, *counter-tenor*; Cain-Oscar Bergeron, *tenor*

Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariae The angel of the Lord made his annunciation to Mary
et concepit de Spiritu sancto. and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum; Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;
benedicta tu in mulieribus, blessed are you among women,
et benedictus fructus ventris tui Jesus. and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Maria dixit: Ecce ancilla Domini; Mary said, "Behold the servant of the Lord;
fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum. let it be unto me according to Your word."

Et verbum caro factum est And the Word was made flesh
et habitavit in nobis. and dwelt among us.

Sancta Maria, mater Dei, Holy Mary, mother of God,
ora pro nobis peccatoribus. pray for us sinners.
Sancta Maria, ora pro nobis Holy Mary, pray for us
nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen. now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Welcome

Peace be to you and grace from him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood
That we might saved be.

Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
The Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
Sing holy, holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven,
all ye that dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming soon!

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light, nor lamp, nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!

—*Revelation 22, adapted by Ruth Manz*

The Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

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.**

The 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 the One 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 Christ's second Advent be rewarded with unending life. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, holy eternal Majesty, holy incarnate Word, holy abiding Spirit be among you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The people stand as able.

Hymnal 57 "Lo! He comes, with clouds descending"

Helmsley

Descant: Paul Berry (b. 1977)

1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on
our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the
saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine
train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Helmsley*, melody Augustine Arne (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

Voluntary

Praeludium in E minor, BWV 548a

J.S. Bach

A reception follows the service in Budd Hall.

All are welcome.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Lunchtime Live! An Advent Series
30-minute concerts each Friday throughout the season of Advent.
A boxed lunch will be available following each performance in Budd Hall.

Friday, December 3, 12pm
Georgia State University Guitar Studio
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Sunday, December 12, 7pm
Atlanta Boy Choir In Concert
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Advent AT ST. LUKE'S



CHRISTMAS FLOWER DEDICATIONS

Make a contribution to the Flower Guild for the church's Christmas arrangements in memory of or thanksgiving for the special people in your life. Use the QR code to go online to make and pay for your dedications. Or, if you prefer, you can pick up a form from the Reception Desk or tract racks. There is a box on the Reception Desk where you can submit your form and check, or you can mail it to the church. Dedications received by **noon on Tuesday, December 14** will be acknowledged in the Christmas Eve worship booklets



EUCHARIST ON WORLD AIDS DAY

This Wednesday, December 1 at 6:30 p.m., St. Luke's will offer a World AIDS Day Eucharist, remembering and praying for those we have lost to HIV/AIDS and those currently living with HIV/AIDS; their families, friends and caregivers; those who work to find a cure and those who work to bring about just programs and systems associated with HIV/AIDS. We also recall St. Luke's role as a stronghold for love and social justice from the beginning of the AIDS crisis. Music for the service will include hymns and anthems by American composers who succumbed to the virus. Please make plans to attend.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS BY EMAIL

Scan the QR code to sign up to receive the Advent Devotions daily in your inbox.



Music for Advent



45th Annual MESSIAH SING ALONG

Sunday, December 5 at 7 p.m.

The performance will feature members of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Herbert Buffington, St. Luke's Associate organist and artist-in-residence. Soloists include Adelaide Boedecker, soprano; Gabrielle Beteag, mezzo-soprano; Sam Hagan, tenor; and Calvin Griffin, bass. This year St. Luke's is partnering with the Atlanta Community Food Bank. Everyone who attends is asked to bring a plastic jar of peanut butter as their admission to the concert. Music scores will be available for purchase for \$15. A reception will follow the performance in Budd Hall.

LUNCHTIME LIVE! *An Advent Series*

Throughout the Advent season, join us each Friday at 12 p.m. for an informal 30-minute concert featuring exciting performances by Atlanta musicians. A boxed lunch will be available following each performance in Budd Hall. You may reserve lunch using the online form (which we prefer) or call the church office. If you'd like a box lunch, please let us know by 5 p.m. on the Monday preceding the concert. The concerts will also be streamed live online.



December 3, 12 p.m.
GSU Guitar Studio
Students of
Professor Luther Enloe

December 10, 12 p.m.
Portia Shuler Hawkins,
pianist

December 17, 12 p.m.
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THE ADVENT OUTREACH TREE

Make a donation to our Outreach ministries, in honor of family and friends, and receive an ornament to give to them explaining the use of your gift in their honor. Gifts of cash support the ministry and work of Crossroads, the Training and Counseling Center (TACC), The Ansley School, and Church of the Common Ground.

CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILIES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

St. Nicholas Visits St. Luke's from 4-5:30 p.m. in the Hamilton Room

Be sure to have the kids leave their shoes by the door for a big surprise. While the kids are visiting with the bishop (St. Nic), parents are invited for wine and cheese.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12 - Toy Tag for Emmaus House

This takes place during Youth Group from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

NOMINATIONS FOR VESTRY SOUGHT

The Vestry Nominating Committee is putting together a slate of four nominees to be voted on at the Annual Meeting on January 30, 2022. Richard Lee, as immediate past Senior Warden, is the committee chair. Members of the committee include Caroline Foosee, Bobby Mays, John Earles and Melba Hughes. If you would like to discuss the nominating process, including suggesting a candidate for consideration by the committee, please speak to Richard or any member of the committee prior to December 15. Per the By-Laws, to be a Vestry member a candidate must be:

- A "Member of the Parish" as defined in the By-Laws
- A "Communicant in Good Standing" (per the By-Laws) who is not less than eighteen years old
- A member of the Episcopal Church, either by confirmation or by reception
- A regular attendee of services in the year preceding the election (virtual attendance counts!)
- Known by the Treasurer to have made and maintained a stated financial commitment for church support in the year preceding the election

ADVENT TREE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed each Sunday in Advent from 8:30 a.m. until 1/2 hour after the conclusion of the 10 a.m. service to facilitate donations and ornaments. If you'd like to help, please contact David Clifton-Strawn by email: strawn.david@gmail.com.



If you have not already done so, please consider making a pledge to the ministry and mission of St. Luke's for 2022. We are better together and your support keeps our programs that form community going as well as our work in the community. Everyone matters!

HELP US MEET OUR GOALS FOR 2021

In 2020, St. Luke's parishioners stepped up and met the financial challenge St. Luke's faced during the first months of COVID. Like others, our church faced a loss of rental and events-based income and the addition of expenses associated with going virtual. Many of you paid your 2020 pledge earlier than usual and made additional gifts to help us through the year. The result was incredible—we shifted to a vibrant virtual church, kept staff on board, and worked to fulfill our mission to everyone we support in our church community and our city. We should all be proud of our accomplishments in 2020.

For 2021, your pledge commitments and our careful financial planning have enabled us to conclude our search process, install our new rector, and shift safely back to "live" worship. But as we come to the last quarter, it's time to ensure that we receive the pledge commitments we made for 2021— especially as we head into one of the busiest seasons of the church year.

We have the same simple request that we had in 2020: If you can fulfill your pledge, please do so now. And if you find yourself blessed with additional financial resources, consider an additional gift beyond your pledge to support St. Luke's at this exciting time in our history on our campus of miracles. Your gifts to God's work are much appreciated!

-The Finance Committee



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