

SAINT MATTHIAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
EAST AURORA, NEW YORK



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
DECEMBER 9, 2018

PEACE

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Welcome to Saint Matthias' Church! Your presence blesses us,  
and we pray that your worship and time with us will be a blessing to you.

Please add your voice to our worship. Hymns and Service Music are generally found in the blue **Hymnal 1982**. Music references that begin with "S-" are in the front section of the Hymnal. Hymns beginning with WLP are found in the green **Wonder Love and Praise** hymnal. BCP page numbers on the right are found in the red **Book of Common Prayer**.

## HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

### THE ENTRANCE RITE

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Welcome & Announcements

Introit *Benedictus Dominus Dei*

The Hymnal, No. S-190

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Entrance Hymn *Rejoice! rejoice believers*

The Hymnal, No. 68

**Opening Sentences and Collect for Purity**

BCP, p. 355

Song of Praise

8:00 Trisagion (Holy God, Holy & Mighty, etc.)

BCP, p. 356

10:00 Trisagion

The Hymnal, No. S-100

Collect of the Day

BCP, p. 357

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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First Lesson: Baruch 5:1-9

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem,  
and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God.

Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God;  
put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting;  
for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven.

For God will give you evermore the name,  
"Righteous Peace, Godly Glory."

Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height;  
look toward the east,  
and see your children gathered from west and east  
at the word of the Holy One,  
rejoicing that God has remembered them.

For they went out from you on foot,  
led away by their enemies;  
but God will bring them back to you,  
carried in glory, as on a royal throne.

For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low  
and the valleys filled up, to make level ground,  
so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God.

The woods and every fragrant tree  
have shaded Israel at God's command.

For God will lead Israel with joy,  
in the light of his glory,  
with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

#### Canticle 16

BCP, p. 92

8:00 Spoken

10:00 Plainsong chant, sung by the choir

#### Second Lesson: Philippians 1:3-11

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

#### Sequence Hymn

8:00 *Prepare Me, O Lord*

Dennis E. Northway

Prepare me, O Lord, prepare me, O Lord, prepare my heart,  
prepare my soul, prepare me, prepare me O Lord!

10:00 *Comfort, comfort ye my people*

The Hymnal, No. 67

Gospel Lesson: Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.

Every valley shall be filled,  
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,

and the crooked shall be made straight,  
and the rough ways made smooth;

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

The Sermon	The Very Rev. Ann M. Tillman
The Nicene Creed	BCP, p. 358
Prayers of the People - Form IV	BCP, p. 388
Confession of Sin	BCP, p. 360
The Peace	BCP, p. 361

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THE LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION

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**The Offertory**

United Thank Offering

Offertory Music

8:00 Hymn	<i>Comfort, comfort ye my people</i>	The Hymnal, No. 67
10:00 Anthem	<i>E'en So Lord Jesus Quickly Come</i>	Paul Bouman
Presentation	<i>All praise, eternal Son, to thee</i>	The Hymnal, No. 76, v.5

**The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B**

BCP, p. 367

Sanctus

8:00 Spoken		BCP, p. 367
10:00	<i>Holy, holy, holy Lord</i>	The Hymnal, No. S-124

The Lord's Prayer

8:00 Spoken		BCP, p. 367
10:00	<i>Our Father, who art in heaven</i>	The Hymnal, No. S-119

## The Breaking of the Bread and Communion

Fraction Anthem

8:00 Spoken

10:00 *Lamb of God*

BCP, p. 364

The Hymnal, No. S-161

*All who desire to be strengthened by the Presence of Christ in the Sacrament are welcome to receive Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

Communion Hymn *There's a voice in the wilderness crying*

The Hymnal, No. 75

Post Communion Prayer

BCP, p. 366

The Advent Blessing

Closing Hymn *People, look East*

WLP, No. 724

Dismissal

Postlude

The flowers this morning are given to the greater Glory of God  
and in loving memory of Mary Baum.

Readings for Next Week (Third Sunday of Advent, Year C):  
Zephaniah 3:14-20; Canticle 9; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18

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