



St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH
COLD SPRING HARBOR



Holy Baptism

The Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022

Prelude
Introit
Hymn 59

Praeludium on "Veni, Emmanuel"
O come, O come Emmanuel
Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding

Marilyn Biery
Veni, Veni Emmanuel
Merton

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.

Words: Latin, ca. 6th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, alt. Music: Merton, William Henry Monk (1823-1889); desc. Alan Gray (1855-1935).

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*
Priest There is one Body and one Spirit;
People *There is one hope in God's call to us;*
Priest One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People *One God and Father of all.*

The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*
Priest Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Reading from the prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

The Word of the Lord

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 : *Deus, iudicium*

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen.

*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*

1. Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to set us free and
 2. With prom - ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e - nant re - call, the
 3. My child, as pro - phet of the Lord you will pre - pare the way, to

rais - es up new hope for us: a Branch from Da - vid's tree. So
 oath once sworn to A - bra - ham; from foes to save us all; that
 tell God's peo - ple they are saved from sin's e - ter - nal sway. Then

have the pro - phets long de - clared that with his might - y arm God
 we might wor - ship with - out fear and of - fer lives of praise, in
 shall God's mer - cy from on high shine forth and nev - er cease, to

would turn back our en - e - mies and all that wish us harm.
 ho - li - ness and right - eous - ness to serve God all our days.
 drive a - way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944). Music: *Shepherd's Pipes*, Annabeth McClelland Gay (b. 1925).

The Gospel

Matthew 3: 1-12

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
 People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise

up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. "I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

Mary Beth Mills-Curran

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

The Priest says The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents *We present Theodore Turner Schnier to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.*

Priest Will you be responsible for seeing that this child you present will be brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents *We will, with God's help.*

Priest Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents *We will, with God's help.*

Then the Priest asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the Candidates

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer *I renounce them.*

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer *I renounce them.*

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer *I renounce them.*

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer *I do.*

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer *I do.*

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer *I do.*

Priest Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People *We will.*

The Baptismal Covenant

The Priest then says: Let us join with Theodore who is committing himself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Priest Do you believe in God the Father?

People *I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

Priest Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

He will come again to judge the living and the dead

Priest Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People *I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.*

Priest Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Priest Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Priest Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Priest Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Priest Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Prayers for the Candidate

The Priest then says to the congregation: Let us now pray for Theodore who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver Theodore, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Open his heart to your grace and truth.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

The Priest says: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Priest blesses the water, first saying:

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Priest We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Priest touches the water.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Baptism

Each candidate is presented by name to the Priest who then pours water upon, the candidate, saying:

I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying:

You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

Priest Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Priest Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Priest and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Comfort ye, Ev'ry Valley; *Messiah*

G.F. Handel

The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

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Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

Eucharistic Prayer A

Priest It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S 130

Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes" (first system), "in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na" (second system), and "in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est." (third system). The music features a mix of chords and moving lines, with some notes held over across bar lines.

Music: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Priest and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer (*People and Priest*)

*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 Breaking of the Bread

Priest Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Post Communion Prayer

Priest Let us pray.

All *Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Blessing

The priest blesses the people.

Hymn 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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Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Organ Motet on "Veni, Emmanuel"

John Hebden Schaffner

Service Participants

10 am Service

Acolyte: Woodford Pollach
Lectors: John Hildebrand and Diana Collins
Lay Eucharistic Minister: Townsend Weekes

Ushers: Scott Evans and Sally Cynar
AV Support: Bill Lister
Organist: Dr. Carol Weitner

Pastoral Care

For all those serving our nation overseas, for the nation of Haiti and in particular our partner school and church, St. Matthias in Deslandes; and for those who are ill: Chloe Clancy, Scott Clancy, Suzanne Cremins, Mike Daniels, Elisa Deane, Luke Demarest, Vanessa Gullo, George Harstedt, Karen Maloy Johnson, Marie Lee, Tony Leonardo, Virginia Martinez, Alan Moore, Peter Morris, Robin O'Brien, Peter Pawelko, Luna Perrone, Jack Santaniello, Jay Walsh, and Donna Lee Wieland, and for those who have died: Rafael Roper.

Caring Connection for December

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The Wardens and Vestry of St. John's Church

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Jeremy Bradford, *Warden*
Nancy Cashin
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Sally Cynar
Kristin Dennehy
Scott Evans

Jon Hatch, *Treasurer*
James Hoover
Seamus Mitchell, *Warden*
Matthew O'Connell
The Very Rev. Gideon L. K. Pollach, *Rector*
James Sanna
Mary Gay Townsend
Jack Weidinger

This Week at St. John's

12/04	Sunday	8 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II
		9 am	Breakfast Club (3rd-6th grade)
		10 am	Holy Baptism Rite II
		11:30 am	<i>The Dawn Chorus</i> Reflection group
		11:30 am	Christmas Pageant Costuming and Casting
		12 pm	Lessons and Carols Open Rehearsal
12/05	Tuesday	10 am	Church Staff Meeting
12/06	Wednesday	5pm	Junior Choir
12/07	Thursday	5 pm	Bell Choir
		7:30pm	Chancel Choir
12/10	Saturday	2 pm	Christmas Caroling in Cold Spring Harbor (<i>meet at the Firehouse Museum</i>)
		4 pm	Jingle and Mingle Party (<i>Bleecker Hall</i>)
12/11	Sunday	8 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II
		9 am	Breakfast Club (3rd-6th grade)
		10 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II
		11:30 am	<i>The Dawn Chorus</i> Reflection group
		6:30 pm	Youth Group (<i>at St. John's Huntington</i>)

Links to all online and activities on Zoom can be found in the St. John's calendar, on the website www.stjcs.org, or in the latest *At St. John's e-newsletter*



Special Events for Advent & Christmas 2022

The Dawn Chorus: An Advent Devotional on the Wonders of Birds

Sundays in Advent, November 27, December 4, 11, and 18, 11:30 am

Christmas Pageant Casting and Costuming

2nd Sunday of Advent, December 4, 11:30 am

Open All-Choirs Rehearsal for Lessons and Carols

2nd Sunday of Advent, December 4, 12-3 pm

Christmas Caroling in Cold Spring Harbor Village & Jingle and Mingle Party

Saturday, December 10, 2pm - meet at the Firehouse

4 pm - reception in Bleecker Hall at the Parish House

Greening of the Church with Cookies and Singing

Saturday, December 17, 3 pm

Festival Service of Lesson and Carols

4th Sunday of Advent, December 18, 10 am

Christmas Eve Services, Saturday, December 24

Hymn Sing & Christmas Pageant, 4 pm

Holy Eucharist with Harp and Chancel Choir, 6 pm

Holy Eucharist with Harp and Vocal Soloists, 10 pm

Christmas Day Service, Sunday, December 25

Holy Eucharist, 10 am

All events are at St. John's Church unless otherwise noted.

