

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**DECEMBER 9, 2018**

8:00 A.M.		Rite I: beginning on page 323 (red book)
10:30 A.M.		Rite II: beginning on page 355 (red book)
Prelude		Simple Gifts, J. Brackett Jr, arr. Ferrari
Opening Hymn	<i>Comfort, comfort ye my people</i>	67 (blue book)
Opening Acclamation		355 (red book)
Hymn of Praise		S 92 (front blue book)
Collect of the Day		211 (red book)
I reading Baruch 5:1-9		
Canticle 16		92 (red book)
II reading Philippians 1:3-11		
Gradual Hymn	<i>O come, o come Emmanuel</i>	56, v 4, 5 (blue book)
Gospel Luke 3:1-6		
Homily		The Rev. Catherine Carpenter
Nicene Creed		358 (red book)
Prayers of the People		392 (red book)
Confession		360 (red book)
The Peace		
Offertory		
Presentation of Alms	<i>Prepare thy way O Zion</i>	65, v 1 (blue book)
The Great Thanksgiving		367 (red book)
Sanctus	<i>Holy, holy, holy, Lord</i>	S 125 (front blue book)
Memorial Acclamation		S 138 (front blue book)
Amen		S 147 (front blue book)
Fraction Anthem		S 156 (front blue book)

All baptized persons regardless of denomination, including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you would like to receive communion but cannot approach the altar rail, please notify an usher and it will be brought to you. Gluten-free wafers are available, simply tell the celebrant "gluten-free".

Communion Hymn

Christ be our light

Bernadette Farrell

Christ, be our light! Shine in our
hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your
Church gath - ered to - day.

When Eucharistic Visitors are to visit those unable to attend, they are sent at this time.

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Post Communion Prayer

366 (red book)

Blessing

Closing

There's a voice in the wilderness crying

75 (blue book)

Dismissal

366 (red book)

Postlude

Adagio from Toccata Undecima, Georg Muffat

GRACE'S MISSION STATEMENT

*To be a visible sign of Christ's love, seeking
and serving Christ in all persons.*

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

92 (red book)

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.

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



WELCOME TO GRACE

We welcome all newcomers and visitors and we ask that you complete a card from pews or welcome table or sign our newcomer book (located in the front of the building). After the service please join us in the Welcome Area for coffee and hospitality. We are glad that you are here with us today.

ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES for the hearing impaired are available from the ushers.

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