# **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

# **DECEMBER 5, 2021**

Please wear a mask at all times while in the building. Masks are available at the entrance to the sanctuary.

8:00 A.M.	Rite I	323 (red book)	
Collec	159 (red book)		
Nicene Creed		326 (red book)	
Prayers of the People			328 (red book)
The Great Thanksgiving—Form II			340 (red book)
The Lord's Prayer			336 (red book)
Post-Communion Prayer			339 (red book)
11:00 A.M.	Rite II		355 (red book)
This service is livestreamed to the parish Facebook page			
Prelude		-	1 0
Opening Hy	mn	Prepare the way O Zion	65 (blue book)
Opening Acclamation			355 (red book)
Collect for Purity			
Hymn of Pra	ise $O$	come, O come Emmanuel 56,	verses 3-4 (blue book)
Collect of the Day			211 (red book)
I reading—Baruch 5:1-9			
Canticle 16		ne Song of Zechariah—Luke 1: 68-79	92 (red book)
II reading—Philippians 1:3-11			
Gradual Hyn	nn <i>Co</i>	omfort, comfort ye my people	67 (blue book)
Gospel—Luk	te 3:1-6		
Homily The Rev. Catherine Carper			. Catherine Carpenter
Nicene Creed	d		358 (red book)
Prayers of the People— Response "Lord, have mercy"			
The Peace			
Preparation of the Table There's a voice in the wilderness crying 75 (blue b			erying 75 (blue book)

The Great Thanksgiving—Prayer B 367 (red book)
Sanctus Holy, holy, Lord S-130 (blue book)
At the Breaking of the Bread Jesus, Lamb of God S-164 (blue book)

# Communion

All baptized persons, regardless of denomination, and including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Communion will be administered by the (masked) celebrant. The Bread will be intincted (dipped) in the Wine then handed to you. If you desire to receive the Bread only, raise your hand in a "stop" gesture before presenting your hands for the wafer. Please return to your seat before removing your mask to receive. If you wish a blessing instead, please cross your arms across your chest.

During Communion Wait for the Lord insert

Post Communion Prayer 366 (red book)

Seasonal Blessing

May God the Father, who loved the world so much that he sent his only Son, give you grace to prepare for life eternal. **Amen.** 

May God the Son, who comes to us as redeemer and judge, reveal to you the path from darkness to light. **Amen.** 

May God the Holy Spirit, by whose working the Virgin Mary conceived the Christ, help you bear the fruits of holiness. **Amen.** 

And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

Closing Hymn Hark a thrilling voice is sounding 59 (blue book)

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ 366 (red book)

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

# **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.

CANTICLE 16 The Song of Zechariah—Luke 1: 68-79 92 (red book)

#### PHILIPPIANS 1:3-11

in the light of his glory,

For God will lead Israel with joy,

with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

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 the rough ways made smooth;

and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."



## 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). 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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