



ST. GABRIEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Rt. Rev. Kevin Nichols, Bishop
The Rev. Dr. David R. Green, Rector
The Rev. Sally Bosler, Deacon/Pastoral Care Missioner
Charles Glandorf, Organist/Choirmaster
Phoebe Kelleher, Music Associate

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10:30AM - 12/2/2018

Rite II Holy Eucharist

Welcome to St. Gabriel's. We invite you to be an active participant in the worship of God! This service is the Holy Eucharist, as it is found in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

Organ - "Wachet auf! ruft uns die Stimme (Awake! a voice is calling) J. S. Bach

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD OF GOD

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Opening Hymn #56 "O come, o come, Emmanuel" vs.1-4 *Veni veni Emmanuel*

THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. BCP 355

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

KYRIE Taize Chant *Jacque Berthier*

("Kyrie eleison" means "Lord have mercy". The choir will sing the entire Kyrie once; a cantor then intones each petition, and the congregation answers with the following response.)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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 FIRST LESSON (*the people sit*) **JEREMIAH 33:14-16**

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM 25:1-9

1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *

let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *

let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O Lord, *

and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *

for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *

for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *

remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

SECOND READING

1 THESSALONIANS 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God*

Sequence Hymn-#61 "Sleepers, wake!" vs. 1-2

Wachet auf

THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 21:25-36

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sequence Hymn-#61 "Sleepers, wake!" v. 3

Wachet auf

Silence

SERMON - The Rev. Faith D'Urbano, Guest Preacher & Celebrant

THE NICENE CREED (*standing*)

BCP 358

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Response to each petition: Come, O Lord, and save us.

Final Response: To you, O Lord, our God.

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

THE PEACE (*standing*)

BCP 360

Offertory Anthem- "Watchman tell us of the night"

Dale Wood

Watchman, tell us of the night, What its signs of promise are. Trav'ler, o'er yon mountains height, See that glory beaming star. Watchman, does its beauteous ray Aught of joy or hope foretell? Trav'ler, yes it brings the day, Promised day of Israel.

Watchman, tell us of the night; Higher yet, that star ascends. Trav'ler, blessedness and light, Peace and truth its course portends. Watchman, will its beams alone gild the spot that gave them birth? Trav'ler, ages are its own; See it bursts o'er all the earth.

Watchman, tell us of the night, for the morning seems to dawn. Trav'ler darkness takes its flight, Doubt and terror are withdrawn. Watchman, let thy wand'rings cease. Hie thee to thy quiet home. Trav'ler, lo! the Prince of Peace, Lo! the Son of God is come! *Text: John Bowring 1825*

At the Presentation: #74 v. 1 “Blest be the King whose coming” *Valet wil ich dir geben*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B BCP 367

SANCTUS - S 130 (*front of Blue Hymnal*) Franz Schubert

THE LORD’S PRAYER (*people and celebrant*) BCP 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD BCP 364

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.*

AGNUS DEI S 164 (*front of Blue Hymnal*) Franz Schubert

THE INVITATION BCP 364

(All are welcome to receive communion at St. Gabriel’s. Drink from the common cup, or dip your bread in the chalice as it is offered to you. If you wish no wine, fold your arms across your chest after receiving the bread. To receive a blessing only, fold your arms across your chest as you approach the person with the bread.)

COMMUNION SOLO “‘For behold darkness’ & ‘The people who walked in darkness’” G.F. Handel

For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee and his glory shall be seen upon thee, and the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

The people that walked in darkness, have seen a great light, and they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

From “Messiah” James Ofalt, Bass

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (*All stand*) BCP 365

THE BLESSING

Closing Hymn #486 “Hosanna to the living Lord!” *Hosanna*

CHOIR FAREWELL AND BLESSING TO FATHER DAVID

“A Gaelic Blessing” (*Congregation may be seated*) John Rutter

Deep peace of the running wave to you, Deep peace of the flowing air to you,
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you, Deep peace of the shining stars to you,
Deep peace of the gentle night to you. Moon and stars pour their healing light on you,
Deep peace of Christ, the light of the world to you, Deep peace of Christ to you.

Willow Swidler Notté - Harp

DISMISSAL (*The people are dismissed*) BCP 366

People respond: *Thanks be to God.*

We thank The Rev. Faith D’Urbano for being our Preacher & Celebrant this morning!



PARISH FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED OF SPECIAL PRAYERS 30 DAY LIST: the Jacobs family; Rick Miller; Nancy; Miss Amy Reed; Linda Wray; Gloria Yoder & family.

In the military: Jacob Bennett; Kyle Connor; Connor Cooper; Nick English; Zach English; Vince Frasure; Alex & Gesine Ftorski; Adrienne Hunt; Jacoby Kellog; Jason Killian; Jeff Lydic; Ben Martin; James Martin; Shannon McCorkle; Ross Morrison; Matthew Pawlik; Jason Robbins; Ben Skean; Daniel E. Vroman

(LONG TERM): Mary Jane Amoroso; Joan Andres; Dave Aument; Telisha Baker; Ray & Pat Bailey; George Bartalsky Jr.; Mary Bartalsky; Bobbie; Kathy Borneman; Christopher Browne; Carol & Carl Burkhardt; Caroline Coyne; Margaret Crummy; Danny; Jed Dean; Joe DeMayo & family; Sandy Douros; Kathryn Ellwanger; Mark Endy; Natasha Ewa; Tina Fanjoy; Kathleen & Mary Flannigan; Nancy Flohr; Gail; Thomas Gentile; Elizabeth George; Tracy Germano; Bob Green & family; Jeffrey & Ayla Gummel; Matthew Hall; LuAnn Hanley; Theresa & Christine Hawkins; Trevor Heinrich & family; Carroll Hine; Lynn Jackson; Debra Bird Jarvis; Jeanne M.; Debby Khateeb; Arnav Krishna & family; Liz Landes; Aytza Ledezma; Lorraine S.; Drew Mancuso; Charlie Mandrachia; Bernadette Massaro; John Mazzone; Lorraine McCorkle; the McKeon family; Safaa Mohammed; Rosann Mosteller; Frank Owsiany; Louise Parsons; Patti; Elliot Phillips & family; Rosemary Pollock; Ember Poppeti; Troy Richie & family; Bill Roberts; James Rooks; April Rosenbaum; Ernie Runge, Jr.; Lee Sartell; Romy L. Schaeffer; Cathi Schrosder; Kristen & Jon Simchick; Tom Spangler; Sharron Specht; Rita Starkey; Heather Stefanik; Chris Stewart; Blair Stockton; Kathleen Sweeny; Mary Lou Tate; Caroline Terrell; peace in Venezuela; Rich Vila; Jack Vondwinglow & wife Mary Jane; Christine Wesoloski; Judy Wink; Tony Yanos; the York family.

WE ALSO PRAY FOR Diocesan Staff & Youth & Young Adult Ministry of the Diocese of Bethlehem; Hopewell Love; Common Ground Recovery Community, worshipping at Atonement Lutheran, Trinity Lutheran & St. Gabriel's; Mission Developer Russ McClellan & Pastor Tom Scornavacchi; Good Shepherd Learning Center.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Jo Rivera in memory of her mother, Betty Bartholomew.

THE BULLETIN is sponsored by Gloria Yoder in loving memory of her mother, Grace Klein.

THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE is sponsored by Fred Spiezio in memory of his mother, Mary Keinart and his cousin, Teresa DeRoberts

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE is given by Betty Webster in memory of loved ones.

IN OUR PARISH CYCLE OF PRAYER we pray for the children, families, and staff of the Good Shepherd Learning Center.

IN THE DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER we pray for the clergy and people of St. Peter's. Tunkhannock.

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER we pray for the clergy and people of The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain.

WE PRAY FOR THE DIOCESE OF KAJO-KEJI in South Sudan, Bishop Emmanuel, and the clergy and people of St. Mark Rodo Parish.



→ ANNOUNCEMENTS ←

PLEDGE FORMS ARE DUE THIS SUNDAY, PLEASE

THANK YOU to all who gave their time, talent, and treasure to support the Community Meal! What a perfect way to share your gratitude by helping Hopewell Love feed our community.

FAREWELL CELEBRATION FOR FATHER DAVID This Sunday after the 10:30 service, we will celebrate our time with Father David. Please come to Adams Hall to celebrate his time with us!

SANTA MAKES A VISIT NEXT WEEK!! North Pole says Santa will be stopping by next Saturday morning to share breakfast with St. Gabriel's and make sure we've all been good! He'll be arriving at 9 but you can come at 8 for breakfast

RETURN OF A FAVORITE! Holidays are fast approaching, so the **Hat/Mitten Tree** is ready to be filled with hats, coats, mittens, & scarves. All donations go to Hopewell Love to keep our community's young & old warm this year. The Outreach Ministry appreciates and thanks you for your donations!

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS St. Gabriel's youth are preparing Christmas food baskets for five families at Monocacy Elementary school. Each basket will feed 6-8 people in a family. We need monetary donations to help purchase the items for each of the baskets. If you would like to donate, please contact Anna Miller, 610-970-8911

JUST 4 SEW is collecting hotel size personal care items to create individual gifts for our Laundry Love event in December. Box is under the coat rack.

HOLIDAY GIFT CARDS can be ordered at St. Gabriel's from many retailers. Each gift card purchased earns the church a rebate (1% - 13%). Check the list & instructions in the spinner rack & on the bulletin board. **ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SUNDAY DECEMBER 9 TO INSURE DELIVERY BY CHRISTMAS.** See Winkie Reed (Saturday service), Carolyn Nippert or Cissy McKeon (8AM service), and Carol Heist or Dory Reed (10:30 service) to place your orders. What an easy way to shop for the holidays!!

THE FIRST BLOOD DRIVE OF 2019 is scheduled for January 6th (Sunday). What a great way to start the New Year...saving a life! If you are able to donate please join us. A sign-up sheet is located in the Bell Tower. Thank You for taking the time to give such a precious gift!

ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE MOVING! As of December 2, announcements at the 10:30 service will be given before the service begins. This will make the transition from Peace to Holy Communion smoother. After the organ prelude, clergy will ask for announcements. After the announcements the bell will ring and the service will begin. This announcement time is for ***BRIEF urgent announcements that are NOT printed in the bulletin.*** Please do not repeat what is already in the Bulletin. Thank you!

GOD'S WORD, MY VOICE: A LECTIONARY FOR CHILDREN will be available each Sunday, back of church. Each lesson & Gospel is written for children and can be used to help discuss them with your children. Children in Sunday School will receive a copy in class. Please pick up a copy and use it with your family!

ST. GABRIEL'S BOUNTY COOKBOOKS are available for \$5 each. They make great Christmas gifts! Illustrated by our own Sharon McGinley, these cookbooks include recipes from many current and former St. Gabriel's cooks! See Carol Heist Proceeds will go to the Discretionary Fund.

Did you know...? Next Sunday (December 9) at the 10:30 service the **Salvation Army Angel Gifts** will be presented to the altar! Please grab a tag or two from the basket in the back of the church (if you haven't already) and bring your gifts (UNWRAPPED but placed in Gift Bags) to the service, or drop them off earlier.

WELCOME TO ST. GABRIEL'S!

Welcome to all in the name of the Lord! If you're visiting us for the first time, we ask that you please sign the guest book at the back of the church, and invite you to worship with us again! We warmly welcome children to our services. If you prefer, child care is available for infants - 3 year olds, during the 10:00 service. Please ask an usher to direct you to the nursery. You are welcomed to pick up your child prior to communion.

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THIS WEEK: December 2 - 9, 2018

Sunday

- 8:00AM. Rite I Holy Eucharist
- 9:15AM. Sunday School all ages
- 10:30AM. Rite II Holy Eucharist
- noon. Farewell Lunch to Celebrate Fr. David
- 1:00PM. Villa Independent Living Service
- 4:00PM. Cub Scouts
- 5:00-7:30PM. ALAnon
- 6:00PM. Boy Scouts
- 6:00PM. Cadette Girl Scouts

Monday

- 7:00PM. A.A.

Tuesday

- 6:30-9:30PM. Ringing Hills Chorus Rehearsal
- 7:00PM. Property Committee Meeting
- 7:30PM. A.A.
- 7:45PM. Karate Class

Wednesday

- 11:00AM. Villa Personal Care Holy Eucharist
- 12:15PM. A.A.
- 6:30PM. Prayer Shawl Knitting Group
- 6:30PM. Vestry Meeting
- 7:00PM. POUND Exercise Class

Thursday

- 9:15-10:15AM. GSLC Chapel/Storytime
- 7:00PM. Choir
- 7:00PM. Common Ground Recovery Service
- 7:45PM. Karate Class

Friday

- 9:00AM. WellnessMassage (by appointment only)
- 7:00PM. A.A.(Women's Meeting)

Saturday

- 7:00-8:00AM. A.A.(Serenity at 7)
- 8:00-9:00AM. A.A.(New Millennium)
- 8:00AM. Breakfast with Santa
- 5:00PM. Holy Eucharist in Church

2nd Sunday of Advent

- Sunday
- 8:00AM. Rite I Holy Eucharist
- 9:15AM. Sunday School all ages

10:30AM. Rite II Holy Eucharist w/ presentation of Angel Tag Gifts
1:00PM..... Villa Independent Living Service
4:00PM..... Cub Scouts
5:00-7:30PM. AlAnon
6:00PM..... Boy Scouts
6:00PM..... Cub Committee Meeting

† *Please remember the Church in your will.* †