

Cassie Segal, 8:45 am

Maranatha, Lord Messiah
arranged by Kathy Powell

Gracious God of Wisdom, Who hears Your people's cry,
teach us ways of prudence, O Breath of God Most High. (R)
Come and make Your home among us. Let us see Your birthing star.
Mighty Voice of Sinai, Whom Moses heard in awe,
Adonai, now lead us, with holy arm and awe. (R)
Fragrant Bud of Jesse, Whose blooming Kings revere,
root Your words within us, God's words for all to hear.
Jesus, be God with us, Emmanuel foretold.
Feed us like a shepherd, in safely gathered fold. (R)
Refrain Maranatha, Lord, Messiah, long awaited from afar.

Rebecca Sullivant, 11 am

I Wonder as I Wander
arranged by Benjamin Britten

I wonder as I wander out under the sky how Jesus, our Savior, did come
for to die. For poor ordinary people like you and like I. I wonder as I
wander out under the sky. When Mary birthed Jesus, 'twas in a cow stall
with wise men and shepherds and farmers and all. On high, from God's
heaven, the stars' light did fall. And the promise of the ages it did then
recall. If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing, a star in the sky or a bird on
the wing or all of God's angels in Heaven for to sing, He surely could have
had it, for He was the King.

SCRIPTURE

Luke 1:68-79

HOMILY

The Benedictus: We are blessed...

Rev. Marissa Teauseau Horvath

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION*

8:45 am see insert

One Bread, One Body 620

We welcome you, as your mask remains on, to come forward to share the Bread and Cup. Upon receiving the Meal, simply remove your mask at that moment, then return to your pew with your mask on. Or, if you would like to remain where you are, we welcome you to utilize the Communion packet at your pew.

HYMN

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

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BENEDICTION

Go now in peace.
Stand firm in your faith. Be strong. Be brave.
Let everything you do be done in love.

POSTLUDE

Präludium in d minor Dietrich Buxtehude, 11 am

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**THE SECOND SUNDAY
OF ADVENT**

December 5, 2021



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Linda Smith
by Brandy and Matt Smith
and
Andrew Smith and Joseph Tate.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE GOSPEL

Welcome to All!

All are invited to participate in any of our activities,
and to become a part of this community of faith and love.

GATHERING

"God of promises, sometimes we wait generations for the dawn from on high; sometimes only years. We wait for justice and hope and light and kindness to mingle in the tangle of our days. And we age while we hope. So may we age and hope with tenderness and truth. Because you are tender and true even though we sometimes wonder. Amen."

Rev. Jay Hogewood

Corrymeela Community, Daily Prayer

PRELUDE

Prelude on *Veni Emmanuel* Charles Callahan, 11 am
Marcus St. Julien

CALL TO WORSHIP* *responsively*

A messenger calls, "Prepare the way of the Holy one. Make a pathway for our God straight into your hearts."

Blessed be the Holy One, who brings light into the deepest shadows.

A prophet proclaims, "Make way in the desert for the coming of God to live among us."

Blessed be the Holy One, who comes to live among us in peace.

Are you ready for the coming Day of God?

Let us worship the one who calls us into life and light and love.

HYMN* *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* 211 (verses 1 and 2)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Lynn and Mike Coatney, 8:45 am
Kathy Novak and Tyler Adams, 11 am

Upon hearing the news that his son would be a prophet of the Most High Zechariah broke into a song of praise. And you, child, will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of Salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins.

May we seek peace in all that we say and do.

Lighting of the second candle, which signifies peace.

We light the second Advent candle as an act of praise that by God's mercy, the Messiah will come to give light to those in darkness, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Amen.

*The People Standing

RESPONSE

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

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Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.	Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King, born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.
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PRAYER

The hope of Jesus Christ and his reign be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray: **Redeeming Keeper of Promises, your messengers remind us that you are the source of peace, justice, mercy and loving-kindness. Help us to prepare for your coming in your Son, Jesus. Inspire us to shine as the radiant body of Christ that we may be light for a gloomy, broken world.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

11 am

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, forever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

11 am

Gertrude (Trudy) Adelaide Peters
Born on June 8, 2021
Parents, Megan and Blake Peters

THE RED STEP

A Special Time for Our Children

At this time, children age 3 years old through 2nd grade may attend children's church in the education building.

OFFERING

Ushers with offering plates will pass by each pew. Please pass your gift to the usher or place in the box on the table in the rear of the sanctuary.

