

*With God's help, we the people of Saint Andrew's Church seek to know and accept God's love in Jesus Christ for all people and to witness to God's love in word and action.*

**December 20, 2020**

**10:00 a.m.**

### Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Ferger-Markowski family

*(Pre-recorded prior to the service. See video on our Facebook page.)*

### Prelude "The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came" Franklin D. Ashdown (b.1942)

### Hymn 56 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

*Veni, veni, Emmanuel*

Verses 1, 5, 6 and 8



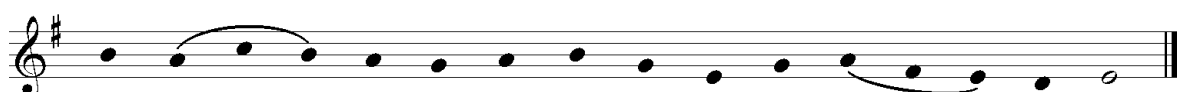
(Dec. 23) 1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som  
 (Dec. 17) 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest  
 (Dec. 18) 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy  
 (Dec. 19) 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from  
 (Dec. 20) 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen  
 (Dec. 21) 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us  
 (Dec. 22) 7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the  
 (Dec. 23) 8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som



1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile  
 2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge  
 3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the  
 4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to  
 5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on  
 6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of  
 7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions  
 8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
 2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.  
 3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.  
 4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!  
 5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.  
 6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.  
 7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.  
 8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Priest: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

**The Collect for Purity**

BCP 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**Trisagion** (*sing three times*)

Hymnal S102

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

**The Collect of the Day:** Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**The First Reading:** *2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16*

Reader: Marisa Ferger

When the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you." But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be

prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Canticle 3 - The Song of Mary**

*Magnificat*

Hymnal S185

1. My soul doth mag - ni - fy the Lord, and my spi - rit  
hath rejoiced in God my Sav - ior. 2. For he hath re - gard - ed  
the low - li - ness of his hand - maid - en. 3. For be - hold from hence - forth  
all gen - er - a - tions shall call me bless - ed. 4. For he that is  
might - y hath mag - ni - fied me, and ho - ly is his Name.  
5. And his mer - cy is on them that fear him through - out all gen - er - a - tions.  
6. He hath showed strength with his arm; he hath scat - tered the  
proud in the imagi - na - tion of their hearts. 7. He hath put

down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the  
humble and meek. 8. He hath filled the hungry with good things,  
and the rich he hath sent empty away. 9. He re-  
membering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,  
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever. [Ant.]  
*(Gloria Patri may be omitted)*  
10. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

**The Second Reading:** *Romans 16:25-27*

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith-- to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**The Gospel:** *Luke 1:26-38*

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be

afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I am a virgin?” The angel said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.” Then Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **The Sermon**

The Rev. Jeffrey A. Packard

### **The Nicene Creed**

BCP 358

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **Prayers of the People, Form II**

BCP 385

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

Let us pray for the Church and the world.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Audrey, our Bishop; for Jeffrey, our priest; for Joe, our deacon; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people; for Donald, our President; Joe, our President-elect; Tom, our Governor; and all our elected and appointed leaders.

Pray for justice and peace. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

We pray for our companion parish, St. John's, Bellefonte.

Pray that they may find and be found by him. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have died, especially Dorothy Danis and Mildred Lalich Weber, mother of Melody Chisholm. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for those who have been commended to us on our Parish Prayer List.

Pray for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. *Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*

*The celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

## **Confession of Sin**

BCP 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Priest and People*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## **The Peace**

BCP 360

## **The Holy Communion**

### **The Offertory**

**Offertory Anthem** “Virgin-Born, We Bow Before Thee” arr. A. J. Greening

*Kevin Barron, tenor*

*TEXT:*

Virgin-born, we bow before thee;  
blessèd was the womb that bore thee;  
Mary, mother meek and mild,  
blessèd was she in her child. Blessèd was  
the breast that fed thee;  
blessèd was the hand that led thee;  
blessèd was the parent's eye  
that watched thy slumbering infancy.

Blessèd she by all creation,  
who brought forth the world's Salvation,  
blessèd they for ever blest,  
who love thee most and serve thee best.  
Virgin-born we bow before thee;  
blessèd was the womb that bore thee;  
Mary, mother meek and mild,  
blessèd was she in her child.

**The Great Thanksgiving**

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

**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.**

**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:

**Priest and People**

Holy, holy, holy Lord

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord,

Hosanna in the highest,



Priest

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 according to his command, O Father:

*Priest and People*

**We remember his death.**

**We proclaim his resurrection.**

**We await his coming in glory;**

Priest

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Andrew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

## The Lord's Prayer

BCP 336

**People:** 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:** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**People:** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## The Communion of the Faithful

**My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

*(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)*

## Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 365

**Priest:** Let us pray.  
**People:** 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.

## The Blessing

# Hymn 438 "Tell Out, My Soul"

Woodlands



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!  
 2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name!  
 3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!  
 4 Tell out, my soul, the glo-ries of his word!



Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;  
 Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
 Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.  
 Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.



ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;  
 his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;  
 Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,  
 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord



in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.  
 his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.  
 the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
 to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

## Dismissal

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Lynn L. Petersen (b.1962)

### Those For Whom We Pray

Teri, Dick, Molly, Don, Joan, Jane, Beckett, Emmet, Denise, Kevin, Diane, Sara, Emily, David, Robbie, Vicki, Frank, Beth, Martin, Barbara, Stu, Anthony, Mavis, Martin, Michael, Anna, Maddy, Traci, Marion, Sandy, Carol, Gwen, Lois, Barbara, Vera, Gloria, Ray, Jule, Daniel, Bob, Lance, Blake, David, Anna, Sophie, Mark, Sheri, Carol

### Those in the Armed Forces and First Responders

Zach, Christie, Matt

### The Faithful Departed

Dorothy Danis; Mildred Lalich Weber, Mother of Melody Chisholm

### Our Companion Parish

St. John's, Bellefonte



# Christmas at St. Andrew's

## Christmas Eve, December 24

- 2 - 4:00 p.m. Distribution of consecrated Communion to be consumed at home, in the church
- 4 - 4:30 p.m. Christmas Carol Sing-along (outside, in front of church) Live AND on Zoom (*The Zoom link will be provided prior to 12/24.*)  
*You can join in the singing in person on the steps of the church OR via Zoom which will allow you to hear and see all the action from your home. Carols will be led by Walter Wells and Gwen Catchen with guest appearances from several talented parishioners!*
- 5:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Pageant (R)  
*You will receive an email at 5 p.m. with a link to the pageant.*
- 5:30 p.m. Choral Prelude (FB) (R)
- 6:00 p.m. Solemn Eucharist for the Feast of the Nativity (FB) (R)

## Christmas Day, December 25

There will be no service on Christmas Day.

(FB) on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/standrewsc/](http://www.facebook.com/standrewsc/))

(R) previously recorded

(LIVE) streaming live

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The Rev. Joe DeLauter Deacon

## SERVICE SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist  
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### WEDNESDAY

12:15 p.m. Noonday Prayer  
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## EDUCATION

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and Youth  
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Natalie Gahm Nursery Coordinator

### MONDAY – SATURDAY

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
via Zoom  
5:15 p.m. An Order for Compline  
[www.facebook.com/StAndrewSC](http://www.facebook.com/StAndrewSC)  
(Monday through Friday)

## MUSIC

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