

SAINT MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH ✠ ISSAQUAH, WASHINGTON

Illuminating Christ's love on the Eastside

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 1, 2019 • HOLY EUCHARIST • 8:00AM

Lamb's bells ring; the People stand as able

THE COMING OF THE ADVENT LIGHT

Musician O come, O come, Emmanuel,
People **and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice, Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**

Priest ✠ Blessed art thou, Holy and Living One:
People **Thou comest to set thy people free.**

Priest People of God: awake! The day is coming soon when you shall see God face to face. Remember the ways and works of God. God calls you out of darkness to walk in the light of his coming. Lord, make us one as we walk with Christ today and for ever. **Amen.**

An Advent lamp is lighted

Musician O come, thou Wisdom from on high,
People **who orderest all things mightily; to us the path of knowledge show,
and teach us in her ways to go.
Rejoice! Rejoice, Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**

THE KYRIE ELEISON

Priest Lord, have mercy upon us.
People **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Priest Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Priest Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy 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 quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

The People are seated

Isaiah 2:1-5

Lector A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 122

1 I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."

2 Now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself;

**4 To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD,
the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.**

5 For there are the thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you.

7 Peace be within your walls and quietness within your towers.

8 For my brethren and companions' sake, I pray for your prosperity.

9 Because of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek to do you good."

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 13:11-14

Leader A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Leader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

The People stand as able

Matthew 24:36-44

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the disciples, “But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

Priest **The Gospel of the Lord.**

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

The People are seated

The Rev. Katherine Sedwick

THE NICENE CREED

The People stand as able

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. 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Priest Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Leader Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

People **O Wisdom, we prepare the way for you by illuminating your love.**

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

People **O King of the nations, we prepare the way for you by working for equity and peace.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

O Root of Jesse, we prepare the way for you by caring for creation.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

O Key of David, we prepare the way for you by ministering to those in need.

Comfort and heal [N. and] all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

O Adonai, we prepare the way for you by reaching out to all who are sick or suffering.

We commend to your mercy [N. and] all who have died, ✠ that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

O Morning Star, we prepare the way for you by praying for those who dwell in your eternal presence.

Priest Hasten, Holy God, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate.

People **O Emmanuel, we prepare the way for you. Amen.**

Priest With humble and contrite hearts, let us confess our sins to God.

The People kneel or remain standing

Together **Eternal Light, shine into our hearts; Eternal Goodness, deliver us from evil; Eternal Power, be our support; Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance; Eternal Compassion, forgive our sins and have mercy upon us: that with all our heart and mind and soul and strength, we may seek your face and be brought by your infinite mercy to your holy presence, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Priest Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE & GOOD NEWS ABOUT GOD'S PEOPLE AT SAINT MICHAEL'S

The People stand as able

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

THE OFFERTORY

All are invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Many support St. Michael's through pledged offerings and other gifts made by bank account, or credit/debit card. You may give via PayPal—no PayPal account is required. Just open the QR code to the right with your smart phone's camera. Together our gifts help to illuminate Christ's love on the Eastside.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer II

Priest The Lord be with you. People **And with thy spirit.**
 Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
 Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. **It is meet and right so to do.**

Priest It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God; because thou didst send thy 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 with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Together **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**
 ✕ **Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The People may kneel or continue to stand as able

Priest All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ. And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies.

Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to pray,
Together **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

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread in silence

<i>Priest</i>	<i>People</i>
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,	have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,	have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,	grant us thy peace.

**ALL WHO SEEK GOD AND LIFE IN CHRIST ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE COMMUNION
IF YOU WOULD LIKE A GLUTEN-FREE WAFER, SIMPLY ASK THE PRIEST**

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Priest Let us pray. *The People kneel or stand as able*
Together **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy**

favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL *The People stand as able*

Priest May Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you,
scatter the darkness from before your path,
and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;
and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Priest Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT SAINT MICHAEL'S

Advent Vespers	Wednesday, Dec. 4	7 PM
Soul Care: The Church Year	Saturday, Dec. 7	9 AM–12:30 PM
Advent Vespers	Wednesday, Dec. 11	7 PM
Sing & Play Along Messiah	Sunday, Dec. 15	2:30 PM
Advent Vespers	Wednesday, Dec. 18	7 PM
Greening of the Church	Saturday, Dec. 21	9:30 AM
CHRISTMAS EVE	Tuesday, Dec. 24	
4 PM	Children's Pageant and Holy Communion with carols	
6 PM	Holy Communion with carols and chamber choir	
10 PM	Holy Communion, carols, & music for harp and choir	
CHRISTMAS DAY	Wednesday, Dec. 25	10 AM • <i>one service only</i> •
Christmas Lessons & Carols	Sunday, Dec. 29	10 AM • <i>one service only</i> •
Twelfth Night Dinner	Saturday, Jan. 4	5:30 PM • <i>feasting & fun!</i> •
The Epiphany	Sunday, Jan. 5	8 & 10:30 AM

In Advent, simple greens grace our altar

SERVING TODAY AT 8 O'CLOCK

VESTRY PERSON	Linda Browning	COFFEE HOST	Pat Randall
GREETERS	Mary & Tom Blakney	BREAD BAKERS	Stephanie Carlson, Eva Lin
LECTOR	Mary Blakney	ALTAR GUILD	Priscilla Kaufmann, Eva Lin,
WORSHIP LEADER	Robb Mitchell		Monica Pak

WELCOME, VISITORS! JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP AFTER THE SERVICE.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Michael's Giving Tree Make Christmas brighter for local families through the Issaquah Food & Clothing Bank **Holiday Gift Barn**, and La Iglesia Episcopal de la **Resurrección in Mount Vernon**.

- **Unwrapped** Gift Barn presents are due today!
- **Volunteer at the Gift Barn on Thu., Dec. 4, 3:30 -7:30 PM.** Sign up by the Giving Tree.
- **Resurrección ornaments** are available!
Wrapped gifts must be returned **Sun., Dec. 15.** For clothes size, B=pants/bottoms, T=shirt/sweater/top, and S=shoes.

TODAY! Home Advent Wreath Making following the 9:15 and 11 AM services. Bring clippers and greens. \$10 for all materials.

WEDNESDAY! Advent Vespers: Candlelit Contemplative Prayer—Dec. 4, 11, and 18, 7 PM. Wednesday evening prayer takes on seasonal vesture as the Great O Antiphons interweave with poignant scripture foretelling Christ's coming, simple plainchant, healing prayers, and Holy Communion.

SATURDAY! Soul Care: The Church Year at Home, Sat., Dec. 7, 9 AM—12:30 PM The program includes breakfast and time with Katherine+ and Jason as they explore Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany home observances. \$10 per person; max. \$15 per family. **Sign up by Tue., Dec. 3** in the narthex or call Julie at 425-392-3215.

Sing & Play Along Messiah: Sun., Dec. 15, 2:30 PM
Come sing, play, or hear the Christmas portion of Handel's *Messiah*! Invite your friends and neighbors. All donations benefit Issaquah Community Services. Since 2009, we have raised over \$14,800 for ICS.

Christmas Flowers and Music Donations Give in honor or memory of a special thanksgiving or loved one by Dec. 15. Give online or place funds in the specially marked pew envelope and put it in the offering plate.

Greening the Church: Sat., Dec. 21, 9:30 AM - 12 Noon Help make arrangements of greens, hang wreaths on doors, and make two large swags. Bring clippers, work gloves, and greens from your yard—holly with berries, variegated holly, true pine, spruce, cedar, and juniper are needed. If you have any questions, see Jason Anderson.

Altar Flower Donations 2020 Sign-up sheets to donate altar flowers in 2020 are now posted in the narthex. Honor, remember, or give thanks for loved ones. \$40-50 per Sunday and the cost can be shared with another family.

Sunday morning schedule change begins Jan. 5
As communicated in worship on Nov. 24 and via email on Nov. 26, **beginning on Jan. 5, the 9:15 and 11 AM services will combine in worship at 10:30 AM.** Adult Forum will begin at 9:30 AM and Youth Group will begin at 10 AM (on 1st and 3rd Sundays). Child-care will be available from 9:30 AM—12 Noon.

LESSONS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR A)

Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12

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