

SAINT ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 5, 2021 - 8:00 AM
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

*Please wear a facemask while in church buildings. Thank you.
The Order of Worship is in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP).
At the sound of the bell, please stand as you are able.*

Opening Acclamation		BCP 323
Collect for Purity		BCP 323
The Gloria		BCP 324
The Collect of the Day		BCP 159
The First Lesson	<i>Please be seated. The Lessons are printed on the next page.</i>	<i>Malachi 3:1-4</i>
Canticle 16	<i>The Canticle is read by the lector.</i>	BCP 92
The Second Lesson		<i>Philippians 1:3-11</i>
The Holy Gospel	<i>Please stand as you are able.</i>	<i>Luke 3:1-6</i>
The Sermon	<i>When invited, please sit.</i>	The Rev. Russell Bohner
Nicene Creed	<i>When invited, please stand as you are able.</i>	BCP 326
Prayers of the People		BCP 328
The Confession		BCP 330
The Peace	<i>The ministers and people greet each other in the name of the Lord.</i>	BCP 332
The Offertory		
The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer II		BCP 340
The Lord's Prayer		BCP 336
The Breaking of the Bread		BCP 337
Communion of the Faithful	<i>All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the consecrated bread, cross your arms across your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available on request.</i>	
Post-Communion Prayer		BCP 339
The Blessing		
Birthdays & Anniversaries		BCP 830
Announcements		
Dismissal		BCP 340

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON: Malachi 3:1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND LESSON: Philippians 1:3-11

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL: Luke 3:1-6

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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 Iturea 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.'"

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

2022 Pledge Campaign

Please make a financial pledge to support Saint Anne's in 2022. A financial pledge is a promise and sign of our commitment to the church. Our pledge is the total financial amount we will give to support Saint Anne's Church in 2022. To submit your 2022 pledge, please choose one of these two methods. 1) Complete a 2022 Pledge Card and mail it to the church. Or 2) email your 2022 pledge to Finance@SaintAnnesChurchDE.org. In deciding how much you will give to Saint Anne's in 2022, please reflect on the many ways that God blesses you and our families, friends, and neighbors through the church's worship, mission, and ministry. All pledges are kept strictly confidential.

Advent Reflections and Prayers via Zoom

Facilitated by The Rev. Celeste O. Cox - Tuesdays in Advent 6:00 PM

Advent is an especially appropriate season to explore quiet practices of waiting, watching, hoping, and rejoicing. Each session includes an Advent Devotion with intercessions; twenty minutes of peaceful centering prayer; then shared reflection on brief writings or verse sent in advance to participants via email invitation. December 7: The Fullness of Time, December 14: Joy in a Minor Key, December 21: Living in Hope. Send an email to Celeste Cox at Clergy@SaintAnnesChurchDE.org to register and receive the Zoom link. Questions? Call Celeste at (302) 653-4488.

Family Christmas Gifts Project

This Christmas, Saint Anne's is once again collaborating with the Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence to support mothers and children affected by domestic violence. We still have families that need to be adopted. Family sizes range from a mother with one child (2 people) to a mother with three children (4 people). **If you would like to adopt a family or adopt a second family, please contact Julie Quackenbush at 202-841-1990 or juliehollo@yahoo.com.** Thank you for helping these families receive a Christmas blessing.

CHRISTMAS AT SAINT ANNE'S CHURCH

These services are in-person and broadcast live

Christmas Eve - DECEMBER 24TH

Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist - 4:00 PM and 10:00 PM

Christmas Day - DECEMBER 25TH

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist: Rite II with Christmas Carols

Parish Prayers

We pray for Ed and Louise Barber, Meta Barrow, David Belitskus, Lewis Birmingham, Pam Brown, Jon and Christina Dorando, Rollyn Freeman, Eileen Gurecki, Paul Hollo, Velma Johnson, Monica and Ted Klimashko, Bryson Masten, Joanne Mayfield, Jean McGinnis, Sue Osborn, Jan Phillips-Mezier, Alena Quintero, Lisa Raker, William Raker, Jr., Allan Riemer, Ricky Seip, Robin Shupe, Anthony Smith, Paul Spence, John Stavlas, Mary Trejo, Nancy Trejo, Christine Tschampel, Janet Vines, Zachary Whalen, Alan White, Karen Zak, & Phyllis. We pray for Tristan Rhodes who has died.

In the Episcopal Church in Delaware, we pray for Saint Anne's and Saint Andrew's Schools, and Saint Peter's Church, Smyrna.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Anglican Church of Burundi.

Church Calendar for the Week of December 5, 2021

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Sunday, December 5 - The Second Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—8:00 AM

Sunday Children's Worship—8:50 AM

Broadcast Live through the Church Website

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—9:30 AM

This service is in-person and broadcast live

Youth Group 7th & 8th—6:00 PM—Sanctuary

Youth Group High School—7:00 PM—Sanctuary

Tuesday, December 7

Advent Reflections and Prayers by Zoom—6:00 PM

Saint Anne's Women's Book Club by Zoom—7:00 PM

Thursday, December 9

Bible Study by Zoom—8:00 AM

Bible Study LIVE—10:00 AM

Bible Study by Zoom—6:30 PM

Sunday, December 12 - The Third Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—8:00 AM

Sunday Children's Worship—8:50 AM

Broadcast Live through the Church Website

Holy Eucharist: Rite I—9:30 AM

This service is in-person and broadcast live

Youth Group 7th & 8th—6:00 PM—Sanctuary

Youth Group High School—7:00 PM—Sanctuary

For Church activities and announcements, please read *The Messenger*, which is posted on the website: www.SaintAnnes.Church. To receive *The Messenger* via email, please call the Church Office at 302-378-2401.

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