



ST. GEORGE'S
Episcopal Church
Dayton, Ohio

The First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2024
11:00am

ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS

WITH HOLY EUCHARIST



Prelude Comfort, Comfort Ye My People by G. Bohm

Standing, sung by all

Opening Hymn #56 vv. 1-2 O come, O come, Emmanuel

Opening Sentence

Officiant Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

People **Our King and Savior draws near,
O come let us adore him.**

Hymnal S102 Trisagion

Sung by all

Holy God

Holy and Mighty

Holy Immortal One,

Have mercy upon us

Collect of the Day

BCP, p. 212

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant 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 Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Congregation is seated

Station of the Crèche & Lighting of the Advent Wreath

All Children are invited to come forward for the Station of the Crèche and Lighting of the Advent Wreath .

Bidding Prayer for Advent Lessons & Carols

from the Book of Occasional Services, p. 29

The congregation is seated for the lessons, and stands for the carols.

After each lesson,

Lector The Word of the Lord.

Response **Thanks be to God.**

- The First Lesson Carol** Amos 9:8-15
#66, Come, thou long expected Jesus
- The Second Lesson Carol** Malachi 3:1-4, 4:1-5
#65, Prepare the way, O Zion
- The Third Lesson Carol** Isaiah 40:1-8
#67, Comfort, comfort ye my people
- The Fourth Lesson Carol** Luke 1:5-17
#232, By all your saints still striving, vv. 1-3
v. 2: *The Nativity of St. John the Baptist*
- The Fifth Lesson Carol** Matthew 3:1-12
#76, On Jordan's bank

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

Announcements

The Offering *You may give your offering in the plates passed by the ushers or give online stgeorgesdayton.org or mail offerings, 5520 Far Hills Ave. Dayton, OH 45429-2204.*

Offertory Music E'en So Lord Jesus by Paul Manz

Presentation Hymn #43 v. 4 *Standing, sung by all*
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord;

People **And of your own have we given to you.**
Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer B *BCP p.367*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant continues with Preface... 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:

S125 Sanctus "S" denotes "Service Music" section at front of Hymnal
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer...

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

People **We remember his death,**

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer. At the conclusion, the people join, Amen.

Celebrant and 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

Celebrant O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People **Grant us your peace.**

The Weekly Messenger

Directions for receiving Holy Communion

- All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive; if you have not been baptized, you are welcome to cross your arms for a blessing.
- Gluten-free wafers are available, please indicate your need when receiving.
- If you prefer to drink from the chalice, please remain at the rail after receiving your wafer.
- If you prefer to intinct (dip) your wafer, please hold up your wafer and a lay minister with a small intinction cup will see and come to you.
- If you prefer to receive only the wafer, please return directly to your pew after receiving your wafer.

Communion Anthem An Advent Alleluia by Wagner

Communion Hymn #655 O Jesus, I have promised *Sung by all*

Prayer after Communion *Standing, BCP p.366*

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Advent Blessing

Standing, sung by all

Closing Hymn #57 Lo! he comes, with clouds descending

Dismissal

Deacon gives a dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Savior of the Nations Come by J. Pachelbel

ENVELOPES FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

Envelopes are located in the pews and Welcome Lounge, the donation amount is voluntary. Checks should be made out to St. George's with "Christmas Flowers" in the memo line. Please include the name(s) of those in whose honor/memory the flowers are given. Memorials will be printed in the Christmas Eve bulletins if received by **Sunday, December 15.**



GIVING TREE



St. George's is once again partnering with Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County. We've committed to helping 56 children from 16 families, via the tree in our Welcome Lounge. Ornaments listing each child's age, gender and suggested items will be available on Dec. 1. If you would like to make a child's Christmas a little brighter, please sign out an ornament with one of our helpful volunteers. There is a \$30 maximum per child. Wrapped gifts (with corresponding ornaments attached) must be returned by Sun., Dec. 8. Questions? Contact Sharon Oldham (soldham@woh.rr.com or 937-829-1517).

FELLOWSHIP AT LOOSE ENDS BREWERY

Dec. 19 from 4-6pm join your church family for a time of casual fellowship at Loose Ends Brewing Company, located in Centerville.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT, LUMINARY WALK, & LIVE NATIVITY



Please join us for St. George's Christmas Concert on **Sunday Dec. 15 from 5-6pm.** This free concert features the music of local Sand Dollar Music Studio. After the concert grab some hot chocolate and enjoy the luminary walk and live nativity.



HANGING OF THE GREENS

Stay after the 11:00 service on **Sun. Dec. 22** to help decorate St. George's for Christmas and enjoy festive refreshments at coffee hour.



ADVENT & CHRISTMAS TIDE AT ST. GEORGE'S

Sunday, December 8 (Second Sunday of Advent)

9:00am—Holy Eucharist

10:00am—Education for all ages – LAST DAY OF PROGRAM YEAR

11:00am—Holy Eucharist



Sunday, December 15 (Third Sunday of Advent)

9:00am & 11:00am—Holy Eucharist

5:00pm - 6:00pm – Christmas Concert, Luminary Walk & Live Nativity

This free concert features the music of Sand Dollar Music Studio. After the concert grab some hot cocoa and enjoy the luminary walk and live nativity, put on by our youth and children's ministry families.

Sunday, December 22 (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

9:00am & 11:00am—Holy Eucharist

Noon—**Hanging of the Greens**

Stay after the 11:00am service to help decorate St. George's for Christmas!

Tuesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

6:30pm – Musical Prelude feat. St. George's Praise Team & The Miami Valley Brass

7:00pm – Christmas Eve Service w/ Holy Communion

**Nursery for ages 3 & under available

**Bring diapers & wipes which will be donated to a local women's shelter

9:30pm – Musical Prelude, featuring St. George's Choir & The Miami Valley Brass

10:00pm – Festive Holy Eucharist (w/ incense)

**Nursery closed at this service.

**Bring diapers & wipes which will be donated to a local women's shelter

Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas Day)—

Merry Christmas! No services scheduled.

December 29 (First Sunday of Christmas)

9:00am & 11:00am—Christmas Lessons & Carols with Holy Communion

January 5 (Second Sunday of Christmas)

9:00am & 11:00am—Holy Eucharist



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