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St. Peter's Church

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*THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
NOVEMBER 28, 2021 ~ 10:30AM Service*

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

We light this first candle of Advent to proclaim the coming of the
Light of Christ into the darkness of our lives.

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

Priest and People:

Grant us, Lord, the lamp of charity which never fails, that it may burn in us and shed its light on those around us, and that by its brightness we may have a vision of that holy City, where dwells the true and never-failing Light, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest: Our King and Savior now draws near.
People: Come let us adore Him.

ADVENT HYMN #56 (stanza 1)

O come, O come Emmanuel
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!

Thou art Peter and upon this rock I

and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it

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10:30 A.M. ~ HOLY COMMUNION AND SERMON

~ Sunday School and Child Care ~

+ PRELUDE	SLEEPERS WAKE! A VOICE IS CALLING	J. S. BACH
+ PROCESSIONAL HYMN	61 SLEEPERS WAKE!	WACHET AUF
	LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH	
OPENING AFFIRMATION		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 323
+ KYRIE ELEISON	HAROLD DARKE IN E	PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 324
COLLECT FOR THE DAY		SEE INSERT
THE FIRST LESSON		ZECHARIAH 14:4-9
THE PSALM		PSALM 50:1-6
THE EPISTLE		1 THESSALONIANS 3:9-13
+ HYMN	66 COME, THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS	STUTTGART
+ THE HOLY GOSPEL		LUKE 21:25-31
	SERMON ~ THE REV. HELENE PATTERSON	
	DEACON AT ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SCHUYLerville, NY	
+ THE NICENE CREED		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 327
THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 328
THE GENERAL CONFESSION		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 330
ABSOLUTION		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 332
THE PEACE		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 332
OFFERTORY ANTHEM	CAROL OF THE ADVENT	ARR. NEIL KEEN
DEACON'S PRAYER		
THE LORD'S PRAYER		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 336
AGNUS DEI	DARKE	PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 337
PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 337
COMMUNION HYMN	332 O GOD, UNSEEN YET EVER NEAR	ST. FLAVIAN
COMMUNION MOTET	HOW BEAUTIFUL UPON THE MOUNTAINS	JOHN STAINER
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 339
THE BLESSING		
+ RECESSIONAL HYMN	59 HARK! A THRILLING VOICE IS SOUNDING	MERTON
POSTLUDE	LORD CHRIST, GOD'S ONLY SON	J. S. BACH

(+ All Standing)

THE ADVENT WREATH is given to the **Glory of God**
and in memory of Donald Cramer Martin given by Diana Martin

THE USHERS at the 10:30AM Service are Mark Lundberg and Michele Lundberg

~ **Parish Notes** ~

Coffee Hour: Please join us for coffee hour after the 10:30AM Service. All are welcome.

Newcomers: If you are interested in receiving more information about St. Peter's Church please feel free to call the church office or fill out an information card that is located in your pew. If you would like to be added to the church directory please call the church office.

Guest Preacher: Today we welcome back Deacon Helene Patterson as our guest preacher. Deacon Helene joins us today from St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Schuylerville, NY. We thank her for her time and her continued willingness to serve in our time of transition.

Advent: Advent begins today. Advent calendars will be distributed and Advent wreaths and candles will be available to the congregation.

Advent Wreath Prayer Leaflet: The Advent Wreath Prayer Leaflet is available on the table in the back of the church. It is also available on the church website for you to print out. On the home page of the website click on the "Info Center" tab and when it opens up click on "Advent Wreath Prayers".

The 8:30AM Service Returns For Advent: We are happy to announce that the 8:30AM Service returned today and will continue for the 3 remaining Sundays in Advent. Please join us for a Service of Holy Communion on the following Sundays: December 5th, 12th, and 19th.

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal: Next Sunday, December 5th, all children that want to participate in our Annual Christmas Pageant should report to the Sunday School rooms to get your parts, try on costumes and do a little rehearsing. The pageant will be performed during the 10:30AM service on Sunday, December 19th.

HANGING OF THE GREENS: The annual Hanging of the Greens in which we decorate the church for Christmas with pine and balsam will take place immediately following the 10:30AM service on Sunday, December 19th. The traditional ham luncheon will be served at 1PM. We ask you to please dress comfortably and bring a dish to share. We are looking for cooks, servers, set-up and clean-up help. We hope that you will join us for this long-time festive tradition.

Christmas Poinsettia/Hanging of the Greens Donation Form: The deadline to submit your requests is Sunday, **December 19th** (See Insert). The form can also be downloaded from the church website. On the home page of the website click on the "Info Center" tab and when it opens up click on "Christmas Poinsettia Form".

Christmas Eve Choral / Family Service: Friday, December 24th at 4:30PM. All the children of St. Peter's are invited to join in the procession of the Crèche. Each child will carry a piece of the manger to be put together before the service. Please meet in the Pumpelly Room for your piece. Questions? Give Laura Rulison a call at (518)368-4284.

Christmas Eve Choral Service: Friday, December 24th at 10PM. Prior to this service the choir will sing a choral prelude at 9:30PM.

Christmas Day Service: No services will be held on Christmas Day.

Church Office Closed: In observance of Christmas and New Year's, the church office will be closed on Friday, December 24th, Monday, December 27th and on Friday, December 31st, respectively.

Please remember in your prayers: Betsy Ballard, Ruth Bornt, Sharon Bornt, Willard Bridgham, Fred Buse, Inga Carpenter, Liam, Ann Collins, Bill Collins, Morris Daly, Nicky Desso, Anne deVos, Marie Dolan, Hunter Dolbert, Donna Hershey, Doreen Johnson, Christy Judge, Neil Keen, Mark Lundberg, Kevin Mastro, Ed Murphy, Lindsay Norville, Donna Ohlman, Grant Ohlman, DeeJ Patterson, Sonya, Moriah, Vicky Pautler, Bill Purdy, Edmund Schupp, Cyndy Shaffer, The Rev. Dr. Brad Smith, Eileen Smith, Frank Spath, Carol Stafford, Earl Stafford, Dean Tessitore, Carol Tripp, Christer Westin, Christina Wright, Aunt Rosie and Family.

Birthdays: 11/28 ~ Fred Lincoln; 11/30 ~ Connor Scala; 12/2 ~ Mari Bennett

Anniversaries: 11/28 ~ James Perry & Cindy Foster

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 28th

8:30AM Holy Communion and Sermon
10:30AM Holy Communion and Sermon, Sunday School and Child Care

Wednesday, December 1st

No Holy Communion

Thursday, December 2nd

5:30PM - 7:00PM Full Choir Rehearsal

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR DECEMBER

- **Advent Calendars:** Will be given out today Sunday, November 28th
- **Advent Wreaths & Candles:** Available today Sunday, November 28th
- **DOK Meeting:** Sunday, December 12th at 11:45AM
- **Vestry Meeting:** Tuesday, December 14th at 5:15PM
- **Angels in Training:** Saturday, December 18th ~ 11AM to 1PM
- **Christmas Pageant:** Sunday, December 19th during the 10:30AM service
- **Lessons and Carols:** Sunday, December 19th during the 10:30AM service
- **Hanging of the Greens:** Sunday, December 19th following the 10:30AM service with ham luncheon served at 1PM.
- **Christmas Eve Service with Crèche:** Friday, December 24th ~ 4:30PM
All children participating in the Crèche procession should arrive by 4PM.
- **Christmas Eve Choral Holy Communion Service:** Friday, December 24th ~ 10PM
Prior to this service the choir sings carols beginning at 9:30PM.
- **Christmas Day:** Saturday, December 25th ~ no services