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THE LEAFLET

1712 St. Peter's Church 2021

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*THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
DECEMBER 12, 2021 ~ 10:30AM*

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

We light these three candles of Advent to proclaim  
the great humility of God our Savior.

*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 6)**

O come, thou Dayspring from on high,  
and cheer us by thy drawing nigh;  
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
and death's dark shadow put to flight.

Rejoice! Rejoice!  
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

Thou art Peter & upon this rock I

and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it

**THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ DECEMBER 12, 2021**

**10:30 A.M. ~ MORNING PRAYER AND HOMILY**

**~ Sunday School and Child Care ~**

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<b>PRELUDE</b>	<b>LORD CHRIST, GOD’S ONLY SON</b>	<b>HEINRICH SCHEIDEMANN</b>
<b>+ PROCESSIONAL HYMN</b>	<b>56 O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL</b>	<b>VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL</b>

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**MORNING PRAYER ~ RITE ONE**

<b>CONFESSION OF SIN</b>		<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 41</b>
<b>+ VENITE</b>	<b>CHANT S-4</b>	<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 44</b>
<b>+ PSALM</b>		<b>PSALM 85:7-13</b>
<b>THE FIRST LESSON</b>		<b>ZEPHANIAH 3:14-20</b>
<b>+ BENEDICTUS ES, DOMINE</b>	<b>CHANT S-181</b>	<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 49</b>
<b>THE SECOND LESSON</b>		<b>PHILIPPIANS 4:4-9</b>
<b>+ BENEDICTUS</b>	<b>C. V. STANFORD IN B-FLAT</b>	<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 50</b>
<b>THE THIRD LESSON</b>		<b>LUKE 3:7-18</b>
<b>+ THE APOSTLES’ CREED</b>		<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 53</b>
<b>THE PRAYERS</b>		<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 54</b>
<b>COLLECT OF THE DAY</b>		<b>SEE INSERT</b>
<b>THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING</b>		<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 58</b>
<b>A PRAYER OF CHRYSOSTOM</b>		<b>PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 59</b>
<b>+ HYMN</b>	<b>68 REJOICE! REJOICE BELIEVERS</b>	<b>LLANGLOFFAN</b>

**HOMILY ~ DR. JOHN DAVIS**

**LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER, ST. PETER’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

<b>OFFERTORY ANTHEM</b>	<b>REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS</b>	<b>ANON. 16TH CENT.</b>
<b>+ DOXOLOGY AND VERSE 4 OF “AMERICA”</b>	<b>HYMN 380 ~ VERSE 3 AND HYMN 717 ~ VERSE 4</b>	
<b>CLOSING PRAYERS AND BENEDICTION</b>		
<b>+ RECESSIONAL HYMN</b>	<b>73 THE KING SHALL COME</b>	<b>ST. STEPHEN</b>
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	<b>FUGUE ON THE MAGNIFICAT</b>	<b>J. S. BACH</b>

**(+ All Standing)**

***THE GREENS ON THE MAIN ALTAR*** are given to the **Glory of God**  
and in thanksgiving for God's Blessings

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*THE USHERS* at the 10:30AM Service are William Collins, Kevin Creagan and Jeff Russom

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~ **Parish Notes** ~

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

**Guest Preacher:** Today we welcome back Dr. John Davis as our guest preacher. Many of you know John as a parishioner and a Lay Eucharistic Minister here at St. Peter's Church. We thank John for his service today and for his continued dedication to the St. Peter's Church Community.

**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 has returned and will continue for the remaining Sunday in Advent. Please join us for a Service of Holy Communion on Sunday, December 19th.

**Vestry Meeting:** The December Vestry meeting will be held this Tuesday, December 14th at 5:15PM in the Meeting Room on the second floor of the Guild House.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP - PLEASE: The Angels in Training** are in desperate need of your help! We invite you to join Laura Saffares Rulison, our Director of Christian Education, this Saturday, December 18th anytime you can give between 10:30AM and 2PM to help with food preparation, clothing and supply organization and distribution and clean-up or from 11AM to 1PM to serve meals. Thank you ALL for your donations, your time, and for helping me continue the ministry of feeding and clothing our community. For more information please call Laura at (518)368-4284.

**Christmas Cookies:** Laura Rulison, our Director of Christian Education, has reached out to the South End Children's Café to see what we could do for them in the way of Christmas gifts on our Giving Tree. At this time they are not looking for individual gifts for the children but have asked if our congregation would be interested in baking and donating undecorated sugar and/or cut-out cookies. The plan is to have the children of the Café decorate the cookies themselves and bring them home for Christmas. Therefore, we are asking you to bake a dozen sugar/cut-out cookies and bring them to church next Sunday, December 19th as Laura will be decorating the cookies with the children of the Café on Monday, December 20th. If anyone is interested in going with Laura to help the children decorate the cookies please call her at (518)368-4284. As always, thank you for your continued support in giving to those in need.

**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 next 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 next Sunday, December 19th (See Insert).

**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.

**Annual Parish Meeting:** On Sunday, January 30th, 2022 the Annual Parish Meeting will be held immediately following the 10:30AM service. We invite you to grab a cup of coffee and join us in the church.

**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, Diana Martin, 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:** 12/12 ~ Lynne Jonquieres; 12/13 ~ Caitlin Cehowski; 12/14 ~ Sharon Bornt; 12/15 ~ Kareem Chatman

**Anniversaries:** 12/15 ~ Tim & Sara Mastro

### OFFICE HOURS

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The Rt. Rev. Michael G. Smith

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### **Sunday, December 12th**

8:30AM Holy Communion and Homily  
10:30AM Morning Prayer and Homily, Sunday School, and Child Care

#### **Tuesday, December 14th**

5:15PM Vestry Meeting

#### **Wednesday, December 15th**

No Holy Communion

#### **Thursday, December 16th**

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

#### **Saturday, December 18th**

11:00AM - 1:00PM Angels in Training at St. Francis Soup Kitchen

### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR DECEMBER

- **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
- **Annual Meeting:** Sunday, January 30th ~ following the 10:30AM service