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St. Peter's Church

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 5, 2021 ~ 10:30am Service

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

We light these two candles of Advent to proclaim the fire of God's judgment that the world may prepare for the coming of the Lord.

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 4)
O come, thou Branch of Jesse's tree,
free them from Satan's tyranny
that trust thy mighty power to save,
and give them victory o'er the grave.

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

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

~ Sunday School and Child Care ~

+ PRELUDE	COME, SAVIOR OF THE NATIONS	J. S. BACH
+ PROCESSIONAL HYMN	76 ON JORDAN'S BANK	WINCHESTER NEW
	LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH	
OPENING AFFIRMATION		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 323
+ KYRIE ELEISON	HERBERT SUMSION IN F	PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 324
COLLECT FOR THE DAY		SEE INSERT
THE FIRST LESSON		BARUCH 5:1-9
THE PSALM		PSALM 126
THE EPISTLE		PHILIPPIANS 1:1-11
+ HYMN	67 COMFORT, COMFORT YE MY PEOPLE	PSALM 42
+ THE HOLY GOSPEL		LUKE 3:1-6
	SERMON ~ THE REV. RICHARD B. LEHMANN ASSISTANT PRIEST AT CHRIST CHURCH IN BALLSTON SPA, 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	AND THE GLORY	G. F. HANDEL
+ SANCTUS/BENEDICTUS	SUMSION	PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 334
PRAYER OF CONSECRATION		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 334
AGNUS DEI	SUMSION	PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 337
PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 337
COMMUNION HYMN	321 MY GOD, THY TABLE NOW IS SPREAD	ROCKINGHAM
COMMUNION MOTET	THE TRUTH FROM ABOVE	R. VAUGHAN WILLIAMS
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING		PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 339
THE BLESSING		
+ RECESSIONAL HYMN	436 LIFT UP YOUR HEADS	TRURO
POSTLUDE	MARCH IN D	G. F. HANDEL

(+All Standing)

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

THE USHERS at the 10:30AM Service are Sharon DeBonis and Catherine Schunk

~ **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 The Rev. Richard Lehmann as our guest preacher. Fr. Lehmann joins us today from Christ Church in Ballston Spa. We thank him for his time and his continued willingness to serve in our time of transition.

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 2 remaining Sundays in Advent. Please join us for a Service of Holy Communion on the following Sundays: December 12th, and 19th.

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal: Today 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.

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 on 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 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).

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: 12/5 ~ Zachary Benson; 12/7 ~ Denis Leon; 12/8 ~ Fr. Paul Hartt; 12/11 ~ Michael Barnes

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, December 5th

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

Wednesday, December 8th

No Holy Communion

Thursday, December 9th

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

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR DECEMBER

- **Pageant Rehearsal:** Sunday, December 5th during the 10:30AM service
- **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