# A Service of Advent Lessons and Carols



Manakin Episcopal Church Midlothian, Virginia Sunday, December 10, 2023 10:00 am **The Prelude:** Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland (Savior of the Nations Come)

J. S. Bach

The congregation shall sit

# **Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

The Howell Family

The Matin Responsory Palestrina

The congregation shall stand.

**The Processional Hymn:** Come, Thou Redeemer

Puer Nobis

Come, Thou Redeemer of the earth, And manifest Thy virgin birth: Let every age adoring fall; Such birth befits the God of all.

Begotten of no human will, But of the Spirit, Thou art still The Word of God in flesh arrayed, The promised Fruit to man displayed.

The virgin womb that burden gained With virgin honor all unstained; The banners there of virtue glow; God in His temple dwells below.

All laud eternal Son to Thee, Whose advent sets thy people free, Whom with the Father we adore, And Holy Ghost forevermore. Amen.

### The Bidding Prayer

Dear People of God: In the season of Advent, it is our responsibility and joy to prepare ourselves to hear once more the message of the Angels, to go to Bethlehem and see the Son of God lying in a manger. Let us hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of God's loving purpose from the time of our rebellion against him until the glorious redemption brought to us by his holy Child Jesus, and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise. But first, let us pray for the needs of his whole world, for peace and justice on earth, for the unity and mission of the Church for which he died, and especially for his Church in our country and in this city. And because he particularly loves them, let us remember in his name the poor and helpless, the cold, the hungry and the oppressed, the sick and those who mourn, the lonely and unloved, the aged and little children, as well as all those who do not know and love the Lord Jesus Christ. Finally, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother, and that whole multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in Jesus, we are one for evermore. And now, to sum up all these petitions, let us pray in the words which Christ himself has taught us, saying:

Our Father . . . .

*Priest* The Almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and to the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. *Amen*.

The congregation shall sit

The Prophet proclaims good news to a people in exile

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD's hand double for all her sins. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it. The voice said, Cry. And he said, what shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field: The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the LORD bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

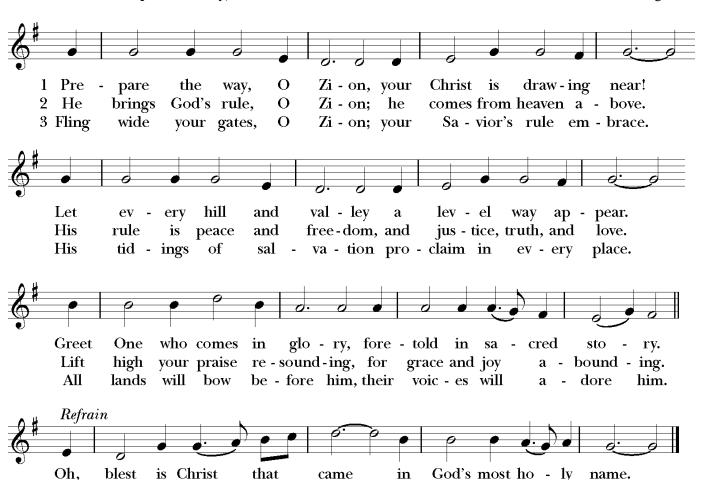
The Carol: Adam Lay Ybounden

Phillip Ledger

Tune: Bereden väg för Herren

The congregation shall stand

The Carol: #65 – Prepare The Way, O Zion



The congregation shall sit

The Lord promises to send his people a righteous King.

Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, the Lord our Righteousness.

**The Carol:** Veiled In Darkness

Glenn Rudolph

Llangloffan

The congregation shall stand



The congregation shall sit

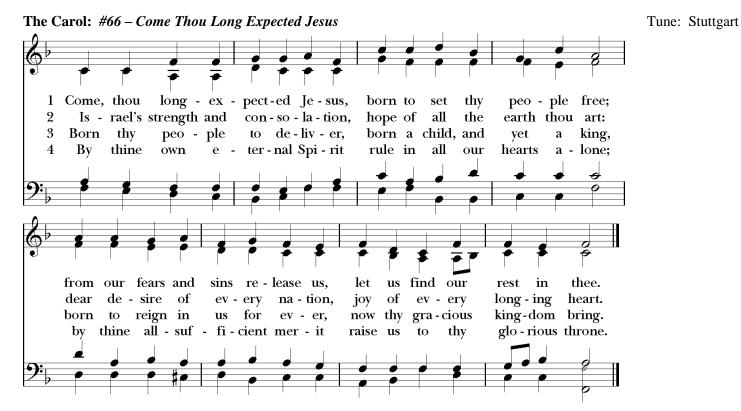
The Lord promises that the King will come to Israel in peace.

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass. And I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim, and the horse from Jerusalem, and the battle bow shall be cut off: and he shall speak peace unto the heathen: and his dominion shall be from sea even to sea, and from the river even to the ends of the earth.

The Carol: O Radiant Dawn

James MacMillan

The congregation shall stand



The congregation shall sit

### The Fourth Lesson: Haggai 2:6-9

*The Prophet foretells the advent of the desire of all nations.* 

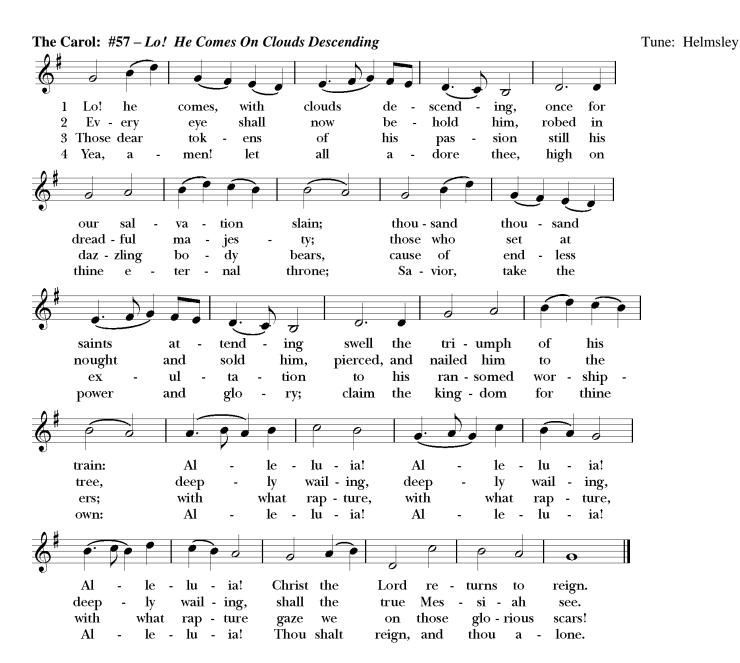
Martha Redstrom-Plourd

For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the LORD of hosts. The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the LORD of hosts.

The Carol: E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come

Paul Manz

The congregation shall stand



The congregation shall sit

### The Fifth Lesson: Isaiah 35:1-6

The Prophet foretells the glory of the kingdom of God.

Hank Schepker

The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the LORD, and the excellency of our God. Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompence; he will come and save you. Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.

**The Carol**: *The White Dove*Johannes Brahms

The congregation shall stand.



The congregation shall sit.

The Sixth Lesson: Luke 1:26-35, 38

The angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary.

John Kochensparger

And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the angel, how shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

The Carol: Ave Maria Franz Schubert

Elisabet Goodwyn, soprano

*Translation:* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.

*The congregation shall stand for the seventh lesson.* 

The Seventh Lesson: Mark 1:1-15

The Rev. Gini DiStanislao

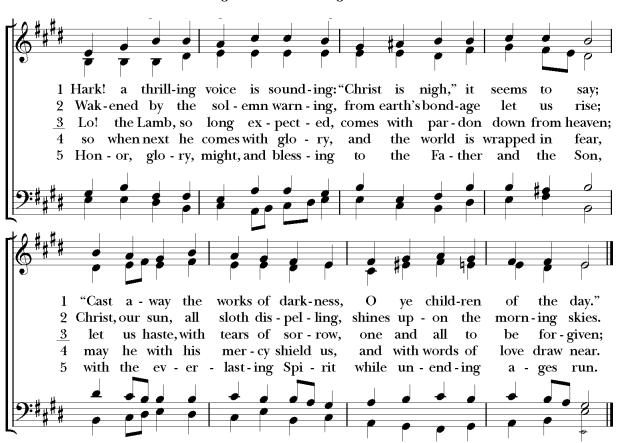
Jesus proclaims the coming of the kingdom of God.

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God; as it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. The voice of one crying in the wilderness, prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. And there went out unto him all the land of Judaea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins. And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locusts and wild honey; and preached, saying, there cometh one mightier than I after me, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose. I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost. And it came to pass in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan. And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him: And there came a voice from heaven, saying, thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. And immediately the spirit driveth him into the wilderness. And he was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted of Satan; and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered unto him. Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

*The congregation shall sit.* 

The Carol: People Look East Malcolm Archer

The congregation shall stand.



Tune: Merton

# The Vesper Responsory

Cantor: Judah and Jerusalem, fear not, nor be dismayed.

People: Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.

Cantor: Stand ye still and ye shall see the salvation of the Lord.

People: Tomorrow go you forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.

Cantor: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

People: Tomorrow go ye forth, and the Lord, he will be with you.

# **The Collect**

Cantor: We wait for thy kindness, O <u>Lord.</u>

*People:* In the midst of thy temple.

Priest: Let us pray.

O God, who makest us glad with the yearly expectation of thy coming, Grant that we, who with joy receive thy only-begotten Son our Redeemer, may without fear behold him when he shall come to be our Judge, even thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen*.

Cantor: We wait for thy loving kindness, O Lord.

*People:* In the midst of thy temple.

Priest: Let us pray.

# The Blessing

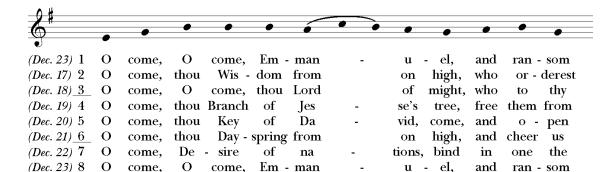
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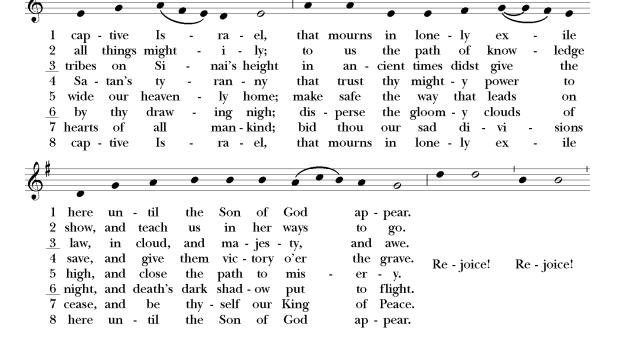
Open wide, O Lord, the gates of heaven and visit thy people in peace; send forth thy Spirit from on high that their hearts may be uplifted unto thee; O Lord, who for our sake wast of a virgin born, make holy thy people; and bless thine heritage; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and abide with you for ever. *Amen*.

vs.1 All, vs. 2 Women; vs. 3 Men; vs. 7 Choir; vs. 8 All

The Hymn: #56 – O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Veni, Veni Emmanuel





The Postlude: *The Fifers*Anonymous

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The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Tricia and Gunnar Kohlbeck in honor of Tricia's mother, Patsy Draper.

**OFFICIANT** – The Rev. Gini DiStanislao

**LAY READER** – Craig Akers

**ACOLYTE** – Libby Hott

ALTAR GUILD - Diane Mahoney, Pat DuPont, Tricia & Gunnar Kohlbeck, Pat Rock

MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST – Rita Busse Gulliksen

**COFFEE HOUR** – The Hodgins Family

NURSERY TEAM – Marrica Hazelwood & Jenny Karluk

**USHER** – Jack Norton

<u>VIDEO STREAMING TEAM</u> – Gunnar Kohlbeck, Katie Harrison, Brent Deekens

# When you pray, please remember the following:

Anika Kapur, Susan Seaver, Sue Parsons, Holly Dean Schlotterer, Graham Lighthiser, Peggy Lighthiser, Anne Dull, Sue Stroson, Harry Bowen, Jr., Nick Hanak, Michael Foreman, Kaitlin DeCesare, Phil Frank, Verity Jones, Jane Gerring, Lynn Shepley, Ben Durrant, Parker Ann Martin, Nancy & Tom Dawson, Jake Anderson, Amanda Looney, Robert Johnston, Eddie Oliver, Lee & Janet Showalter, June Stertz, Michelle Fisher, David Wolcott, Larry Rock, Viola Muller, Tom Walker, Sharon Hoyle, Marcy, Connie Rosenbaum, Alan Rosenbaum, Barbara Akers, Christy Darlington, Lucy & John Goode, Wally Groom, Lawrence Mitchell, Sally & Jay Fiedler, Harry Broaddus, Jim Smith, Bentley Wetzel, Brad Rose, Goldie Groom, Sandy Litz, Jamie Owens, Carol Perenzin, Mickey Stokes, Elizabeth Felicetti, Don Akers, Carolyn Burns, Grady Hebert, Brent Hodges, Judy Jones, Brian, Chip, Laura, Ed Mulreany, Peggy Loeper, Christy Allen, Donna Crane, Dennis McArdle, Les Fillgrove, Annette Sherman, Marissa, Jean Duke, Guy Ross, Tommy Collins, Barry Akers, Hersch Goldberg-Polin, Susan & Dave Woods, Jamie Owen, Polly Akers, David Wilson, Carol Migacz, Travis Scarborough, Karl Grotos and Peter Plourd.

# **Happy birthday to the following:**

Katie Cole 12/14 Frank White 12/16

Julia Eliades 12/16

# **Happy anniversary to the following:**

Donna & Bill Wohlford 12/14

# **Announcements**

- Sunday Morning Children's Time at 9:45 AM: The children will meet in Denny Hall.
- ❖ Poinsettia orders will be accepted now until TODAY. Our final count is due to our vendor by December 11. The price per plant is \$12. Order forms and envelopes are on the table under the bulletin board in Denny Hall. Please indicate the number of plants you would like to order on the form. Also indicate if the order is in memory/in honor of someone. Finally, indicate if you want to pick up or donate your plants. Make your check payable to "Manakin Episcopal Church" and write "poinsettias" on the memo line.
- Tuesday Bible Study will meet Tuesday, December 12, at 9:30 AM. Join Zoom meeting: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/97704697365?pwd=TkhIMUtQbXhVMS9TeHVQazl5L0piZz09;">https://zoom.us/j/97704697365?pwd=TkhIMUtQbXhVMS9TeHVQazl5L0piZz09;</a> Meeting ID: 977 0469 7365; Password: 371567.
- **★ Ladies Night Out Wednesday, December 13,** at **5:30 PM** at Palermo's in Westchester. Please contact Beverly Whitley at 804-499-0886 by **Monday, December 11** if you plan to attend.

- ❖ Men's Bible Study Wednesday, December 13, at 9:15 AM: Please join us for coffee, doughnuts and lively conversation. Each week we will look at the lectionary readings for the following Sunday. This study will be for all levels of learners. We hope that you will join us.
- ❖ Annual Christmas Party For The Whole Family! Sunday, December 17 following the 10 AM worship service. Bring a dish to share. Beverages will be provided. Please bring a nonperishable item for the Food Pantry. Come and enjoy great food and fellowship.
- ❖ Choir Practice: The Chancel Choir (adults) rehearsals Thursday, at 7:30 PM. If you would like to join the choir, call Rita Gulliksen (804) 272-0505.
- ❖ Christmas Pageant Sunday, December 17: We are excited for all our children and grandchildren to participate in this joyous event. Rehearsal will be held on Sunday, December 10, at 11:30 AM. Contact Marion if you are interested at <a href="marion@manakin.org">marion@manakin.org</a>.
- ❖ Backpacks Of Love: We will be helping Backpacks of Love by collecting snacks such as individual bags of chips and Pop Tarts and proteins (pop-top cans of beefaroni/ravioli are especially welcome). Please place these items in the marked bin in Denny Hall. Join us on the first Friday of the month. You can meet us at Manakin at 9 AM or at the site at 9:30 AM, 3035 Lower Hill Road, Powhatan. If you have any questions, contact Penny Sawyer at 804-794-5609.
- ❖ Food Donations: We continue to accept donations for the Powhatan Food Pantry. The collection bins are in the Denny Hall entrance. They appreciate all donations of nonperishable food items and current needs beef and chicken soups and pop tarts. Thank you for all your help.
- ❖ Powhatan Animal Shelter gladly accepts donations of dog food (wet/dry Pedigree or Purina Adult & puppy), laundry items (detergent/softener/dryer sheets/bleach), towels, blankets, toys (such as "Kongs"), treats, medium collars/harnesses/leashes and peanut butter. Please put these items in the marked bin in Denny Hall. You can also support them with a monetary donation to their medical fund at Claws and Paws by phone at 804-598-8030 or send your donation to Claws and Paws with the note "Powhatan Animal Control Medical Fund" to 4313 Anderson Highway, Powhatan, VA 23139. Thank you!
- Please consider signing up to host Coffee Hour. Use the following link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0445A4A922A5FD0-coffee

# Advent and Christmas Offerings at Manakin Episcopal Church

**December 17 – 10 AM** – Christmas Pageant and Parish Christmas Party following with a visit from St. Nicholas!

**December 21 – Noon- 6 PM** – A Day of Prayer for Peace

**December 24 – 8 AM and 10 AM** – Advent 4 services

**5 PM** – The Nativity of Our Lord – Christmas music provided by the Chancel Choir with service following.

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Cell Phone: (804) 921-0629

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Video Streaming Team—Gunnar Kohlbeck, Katie Harrison, Holly & Michael Walker, Brent Deekens

# **Vestry Members:**

Michael Walker

Traci Badin	(2024)	Senior Warden—Gunnar Kohlbeck
Stephany Breed	(2024)	<b>Junior Warden</b> —Hank Schepker
Coleman Brydon	(2025)	<b>Register</b> —Traci Badin
Elisabet Goodwyn	(2024)	Treasurer—Chuck Catlett
Chris Hott	(2025)	Assistant Treasurers—Randy Blunt
John Kochensparger	(2023)	Beth Norton
Gunnar Kohlbeck	(2023)	Paul Winslow
Hank Schepker	(2023)	

# **Elected Vestry Members:**

Katie Harrison	(2026)
Jeff Lighthiser	(2026)
David Martin	(2026)

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(2025)

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