



# CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

~ where everyone is welcome ~

## 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2022

10:30 A.M. Eucharist, Rite Two

## *HOPE*

*I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope.*

*Psalms 130:5*

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

#### Introduction: Week One

Advent is a time of joyful expectation of the coming of the Lord. It is a time of conversion and renewal, a time of watching and waiting, a time of new beginnings, a time to experience the power of God. It is above all else a time of hope, peace and joy. One of the most beautiful symbols of the Advent season that can be used is the Advent wreath.

The Advent wreath carries with it many rich symbols. The circle represents eternity. A circle has no beginning and no end, just as God's love and forgiveness have no beginning and no end. The evergreen symbolizes life, hope and growth, because it is always green. The candles symbolize the light that the gospel has brought into the world. With this light we should look into ourselves and recognize our need for the coming of Christ. At this time we will have the lighting of the first candle.

#### Reading for Week One

The first candle we light will help us to remember that we always need to watch for Christ's coming. Just as the people waited for the first coming of Christ, we also wait for his second coming. In Mark 13:32-37 it says:

But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time is. It is like a man going to a far country, who left his house and gave authority to his servants, and to each his work, and commanded the door keeper to watch.

Watch therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house is coming - in the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning - lest, coming suddenly, he find you sleeping. And what I say to you, I say to all: Watch!"

Let us Pray: Father of lights, today we begin our time of preparation for the birthday of your Son. May the light of this candle remind us that you have given hope to a people who have walked in darkness. As we look upon this candle may we remember that we are to always watch and wait for your coming. **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### OPENING SONG - Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

*Lord I lift your name on high  
Lord I love to sing your praises  
I'm so glad you're in my life  
I'm so glad you came to save us*

*You came from heaven to earth  
To show the way  
From the earth to the cross  
My debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave  
From the grave to the sky  
Lord I lift your name on high*

### WELCOME AND ACCLAMATION

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Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

***And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.***

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN AGES 5 THRU 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE MAY FOLLOW THE CROSS TO CHILDREN'S CHAPEL DURING THE KYRIE

**KYRIE ELEISON** (Chris Tomlin)

1. *Lord have mercy  
Christ have mercy  
Hear our cry and heal our land  
Let kindness lead us to repentance  
Bring us back again*
2. *Who is this God who pardons all our sin  
So ready to forgive  
You delight to show your mercy (REPEAT)*

**Chorus:**  
*For your name is great and your heart is grace  
Kyrie Eleison  
Over all you reign you alone can save  
Kyrie Eleison  
Lord have mercy Christ have mercy on us now  
  
Lord have mercy Christ have mercy  
Lord have mercy Christ have mercy on us now*

**THE COLLECT**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

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 the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE LESSONS** (See Insert - Response is Thanks be to God)

A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH

Isaiah 2:1-5

THE PSALM

Psalm 122

A READING FROM ST. PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS

Romans 13:11-14

**SEQUENCE HYMN 56 - O Come O Come Emmanuel**

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!**
2. **O come, thou Wisdom from on high,  
who orderest all things mightily;  
to us the path of knowledge show,  
and teach us in her ways to go.**
3. **O come, O come, thou Lord of might,  
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height  
in ancient times didst give the law,  
in cloud, and majesty, and awe.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SERMON**

Fr. Ralph

**SERMON RESPONSE**

**THE NICENE CREED** (standing)

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**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven:**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

**he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,**

**and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**

**He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,**

**and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As we keep awake for the coming of the Lord, let us offer prayers to God who prepares a light for our path.

For the coming of Jesus Christ in power and glory.

***Come, O Lord, and save us.***

For the coming of Wisdom to teach and guide us.

***Come, O Lord, and save us.***

For the coming of Emmanuel, the hope of all people.

***Come, O Lord, and save us.***

For the peace of the world, and for our unity in Christ.

***Hear us, Lord.***

For the church throughout the world and the faithful in every place.

***Hear us, Lord.***

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai, Héctor, and Scott, our Bishops; Ralph, our Priest; Jeremy, our Curate; Nancy, our Deacon, and for all the holy people of God.

***Hear us, Lord.***

For the leaders of the nations and all in authority.

***Hear us, Lord.***

For justice, peace, and freedom among peoples of the earth.

***Hear us, Lord.***

For travelers, for the sick and the suffering, for the hungry and the oppressed, for those in prison, and for those we name now, either silently or aloud.

***Hear us, Lord.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially \_\_\_\_\_.

*(You may offer prayers either silently or aloud)*

***Hear us, Lord.***

For those who rest in Christ, especially \_\_\_\_\_.

***Hear us, Lord.***

For our deliverance from all afflictions, strife, and need.

***Come, O Lord, and save us.***

Joining our voices with the blessed Virgin Mary and with all the saints and angels of God, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

***To you, O Lord our God.***

*Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.***

## ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.** (*The Peace is exchanged - please maintain social distance.*)

## THE OFFERTORY - **Creator of the Stars of Night**

### **1. Creator of the stars of night**

***Thy people's ever lasting light***

***O Christ redeemer of us all***

***We pray you hear us when we call***

### **Chorus:**

***Come oh come***

***Come oh come***

***Come oh come to us***

### **2. When this old world drew on toward night**

***You came but not in splendor bright***

***Not as a monarch but a child of Mary***

***Blameless mother mild***

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

## THE DOXOLOGY

***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.***

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might;**

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**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.**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,**

**We proclaim his resurrection,**

**We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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| <b>1. Our Father in heaven</b>          | <b>Your kingdom come</b>               |
| <b>Holy is Your name</b>                | <b>Your will be done</b>               |
| <b>Forgive us our sins Lord</b>         | <b>Your kingdom come</b>               |
| <b>As we forgive</b>                    | <b>Your will be done</b>               |
| <b>Your kingdom come</b>                | <b>On the earth as it is in heaven</b> |
| <b>Your will be done</b>                | <b>Let it be done on the earth</b>     |
| <b>Your kingdom come</b>                | <b>Amen amen</b>                       |
| <b>Your will be done</b>                |  |
| <b>2. Our Father in heaven</b>          |  |
| <b>Give us our bread</b>                |  |
| <b>Lead us not into temptation</b>      |  |
| <b>But deliver us from the evil one</b> |  |

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

These are the Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

	Gluten Free hosts are available for communion. Please make yourself known to the priest at the altar rail.
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***If you have a special prayer need, step into the side chapel after you receive communion, and a member of the Prayer Team will pray with you.***

**COMMUNION SONG 1 - Come (Blessed Trinity)**

**Come Holy Father  
Master and maker of man,  
You're the King and mighty law giver  
You're the great and holy I Am.**

**Chorus:  
Come Holy Father, Come Holy Son,  
Come Holy Spirit, Come blessed Trinity,  
You have come to set us all free.**

**Come Holy Son,  
You, who walked among us,  
Our beloved Lord Jesus,  
You conquered our sin with your blood.**

**Now come Holy Spirit,  
Cleanse us in your holy fire.  
Heal us in your anointing,  
Comfort and lead us with your love.**

**COMMUNION SONG 2 - Emmanuel**

**Emmanuel Emmanuel  
His name is called Emmanuel  
God with us revealed in us  
His name is called Emmanuel**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**BLESSING**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** (these words may differ from time to time)

**CLOSING SONG - One Thing Remains (Your Love Never Fails)**

**1. Higher than the mountains that I face  
Stronger than the power of the grave  
Constant in the trial and the change  
One thing remains  
One thing remains**

**2. On and on and on and on it goes  
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul  
And I never ever have to be afraid  
One thing remains  
One thing remains**

**Chorus:  
Your love never fails  
It never gives up  
Never runs out on me  
(REPEAT)  
Your love**

**In death in life I'm confident and  
Cover'd by the power of Your great love  
My debt is paid there's nothing that  
Can separate my heart from Your great love  
(REPEAT)**

**THE DISMISSAL**

Alleluia, Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. (these words may differ from time to time)  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by George & Wendy Doherty  
in thanksgiving for our anniversary & Jordan & Michael Crowe's anniversary**

**Please Sign Up To Donate Altar Flowers**

**Enhance Our Worship + Thank God for a Blessing + Remember A Loved One**

The notebook to sign up for altar flower offerings is in the Narthex.

Please stop by and sign up, contact the church office, or sign up online at

<https://www.calvaryrichmond.org/page/Altar%20Flowers>. The cost is \$50, to be paid in advance.

**POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS**

**It's time to order the poinsettias that add to the beauty of our church at Christmas. The suggested donation is \$20 per plant. Order forms are available in your bulletin or in the Narthex.**

**For more information contact the Church Office.**

**Join us in the Parish Hall today for Coffee and "Cookie Time"  
Following the 10:30AM worship service**

**Calvary Giving QR Code**





## Calvary Episcopal Church

### Advent and Christmas

**Sunday, Nov. 27 @ 9:00 AM**

**Sunday, Dec. 4 @ 9:00 AM**

**Sunday, Dec. 11 @ 9:00 AM**

**Sunday, Dec. 11 @ 5:00 PM**

**Sunday, Dec. 18 @ 9:00 AM**

**Wednesday, Dec. 21 @ 10:00 AM**

**Advent 1 - Advent Wreath Making**

**Advent 2 - Ornament Making with Santa**

**Advent 3 - Decorating Christmas Cookies**

**Lessons and Carols (reception to follow)**

**Advent 4 - Children's Costume Fitting**

**Greening of the Church - all are welcome!**

### Christmas Worship Times

**Saturday, Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve**

**Children's Nativity and Sing Along @ 4:30 PM**

**Family Service @ 5:00 PM**

**Traditional Service @ 10:30 PM**

**Sunday, Christmas Day, Dec. 25**

**Christmas Service @ 5 PM**

**Saturday, Dec. 31**

**New Year's Eve - No Service**

**Sunday, Jan. 1**

**New Year's Day Service @ 11:00 AM**

