

# Saint Patrick's Anglican Church Brevard, North Carolina

*"Biblical Faith and Morals, Traditional Anglican Worship"*

## The Third Sunday in Advent



**December 12, 2021**

**Zoom Invitation – All Services.**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7981670560?pwd=c0xCeGxod2h1R0YyTzNEOG93MUJBUT09>

Click on this link, or copy/paste into your browser. (This link is only available during services.)

Advent II service, in case you missed it:

<https://www.facebook.com/SaintPatricksAnglicanChurch/videos/463937498405565>

(Or on the website Sermons page.)

## Advent Devotional

[www.TheDeaneryofAppalachia.com](http://www.TheDeaneryofAppalachia.com)

or

<https://www.stpatricksbrevard.org/Spiritual-resources.html>

### From the Vicar

Please note this coming Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday are the Ember Days. On the quarterly Ember Days, we pray for our clergy and most especially for those who are following or discerning a call to the ministry. It is important to remember the personal sacrifices so many of our clergy make to serve. Very few of our clergy earn more than a fraction of what they could following secular careers. As our supply of elderly retired clergy diminishes, the future of this Jurisdiction depends on getting our congregations to the point they can provide the kind of incomes necessary for younger men with families.

Looking ahead, I will be away from December 25<sup>th</sup> through January 9<sup>th</sup>. Deacon Bob will be conducting services, and will be available to provide pastoral ministry, or if something is needed which requires a priest, to arrange for that ministry.

Sometimes, in the hurly-burly of all we do here at Saint Patrick's, I forget to say how grateful I am for all you do to keep this mission running. As a small congregation it takes all of us working together to make it go. So, as we begin this new church (and shortly secular) years, on behalf of all our membership, and especially on behalf of our Lord and Savior, let me simply say, "Thank you."

Yours in Christ,  
Nick+

### Treasurer's Corner

Donations for November (through Nov. 28, 2021)

<b>General Fund:</b>	\$ 6,035
<b>Designated:</b>	<u>\$ 32,389</u>

**Total Giving:**

\$ 38,424

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Respectfully submitted,  
Kathryn Hackett-Fields

**Upcoming Events:**

**Dec. 7, 2021** 10:00 Deanery of Appalachia Clericus, here.  
**Dec. 8, 2021** 12:15 St. Ambrose  
**Dec.12, 2021** 10:30 Advent III  
**Dec.15, 2021** 12:15 Lucy  
**Dec.19, 2021** 10:30 Advent IV, Mission Committee, Potluck.  
**Dec.22, 2021** 12:15 Thomas  
**Dec.24, 2021** 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve  
**Dec.26, 2021** 10:30 Saint Steven, Intake for Sharing House.  
**Dec.29, 2021** 12:15 Holy Innocents  
**Jan. 2, 2021** 10:30 Christmas II, VOM, Update Prayer List.  
**Jan. 5, 2021** 12:15 Epiphany  
**Jan. 9, 2021** 10:30 Epiphany I

**This week:**

**Committee Member of the Day:** Bob Shoup

**Preacher:** The Rev. Nicholas Henderson.

**Lector:** Kathryn Hackett-Fields

**Epistler:** Bill Shank

**Server:** Philip Sheppard.

**Birthdays and Anniversaries:** (None this week.)

**Music:**

101 Prelude *A Virgin Pure*, Lebeque

102 Pro 10 *On Jordan's Bank*

103 702 *Merbecke-Kyrie*

104 Sequence 249 *Thy Gospel Jesus*  
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106 Sermon 3 *Wake, awake for night is flying*  
    Offertory *I know a rose tree blooming* (Trumpet solo, Bill Shank.)  
108 *Doxology*  
109 702 *Merbecke-Kyrie*  
110 706 *Merbecke-Agnus Dei*  
111 Com 201 *Strengthen for service*  
112 Rec 1 *Come thou long expected Jesus*  
113 Postlude *Christe, Du Lamm Gottes*, Bach

### **Proper Lessons (Sunday)**

#### **The Collects**

O LORD Jesus Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee; Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy 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 quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. *Amen.*

#### **Old Testament Lesson**

##### *Isaiah 35*

*(The lesson is written in the 35<sup>th</sup> chapter of the Book of Isaiah the Prophet.)*

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. And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes. And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein. No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there: And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

*(Here endeth the Lesson.)*

## **Psalms**

### Psalm 85

- 1 LORD, thou art become gracious unto thy land; \* thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.
- 2 Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people, \* and covered all their sins.
- 3 Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure, \* and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation.
- 4 Turn us then, O God our Saviour, \* and let thine anger cease from us.
- 5 Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever? \* and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation to another?
- 6 Wilt thou not turn again, and quicken us, \* that thy people may rejoice in thee?
- 7 Show us thy mercy, O LORD, \* and grant us thy salvation.
- 8 I will hearken what the LORD God will say; \* for he shall speak peace unto his people, and to his saints, that they turn not again unto foolishness.
- 9 For his salvation is nigh them that fear him; \* that glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth are met together: \* righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall flourish out of the earth, \* and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.
- 12 Yea, the LORD shall show loving-kindness; \* and our land shall give her increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, \* and shall direct his going in the way.

### Psalm 107:1–16

- 1 O GIVE thanks unto the LORD, for he is gracious, \* and his mercy endureth for ever.
- 2 Let them give thanks whom the LORD hath redeemed, \* and delivered from the hand of the enemy;
- 3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west; \* from the north, and from the south.
- 4 They went astray in the wilderness out of the way, \* and found no city to dwell in.
- 5 Hungry and thirsty, \* their soul fainted in them.
- 6 So they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, \* and he delivered them from their distress.
- 7 He led them forth by the right way, \* that they might go to the city where they dwelt.
- 8 O that men would therefore praise the LORD for his goodness; \* and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!
- 9 For he satisfieth the empty soul, \* and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.
- 10 Such as sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death, \* being fast bound in misery and iron;
- 11 Because they rebelled against the words of the Lord, \* and lightly regarded the counsel of the Most Highest;
- 12 He also brought down their heart through heaviness: \* they fell down, and there was none to help them.
- 13 So when they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, \* he delivered them out of their distress.
- 14 For he brought them out of darkness, and out of the shadow of death, \* and brake their bonds in sunder.
- 15 O that men would therefore praise the LORD for his goodness; \* and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men !
- 16 For he hath broken the gates of brass, \* and smitten the bars of iron in sunder.

## **The Epistle**

### *1 Corinthians iv. 1.*

*(The Epistle is written in the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Epistle of Saint Paul to the Corinthians beginning at the 1<sup>st</sup> verse.)*

LET a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self. For I know nothing against myself; yet

am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

*(Here endeth the Epistle.)*

## **The Gospel**

*St. Matthew xi. 2.*

NOW when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: the blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me. And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

## **Prayer Book Holy Days**

### **Morning Prayer Psalms and Lessons.**

THIRD SUNDAY	22:23 & 99	Jer. 1:4–10, 17–19	Luke 1:57
IN ADVENT	85, 107:1–16	*Isa. 35	1 Thess. 5:12–23
Monday	84	Isa. 29:1–4, 9–14	Mark 5:1–20
Tuesday	90	Isa. 30:8–17	Mark 5:21
Ember Wednesday	1, 15	Jer. 23:9–15	Luke 12:35–48
Thursday	96	Isa. 32:1–4, 15–20	Mark 6:1–6
Ember Friday	40:1–16	Jer. 23:23–32	2 Cor. 5:5
Ember Saturday	42, 43	Mal. 2:1–9	Matt. 9:35–10:15

### **Evening Prayer Psalms and Lessons**

THIRD SUNDAY	132, 134	Nahum 1:3–8, 15	1 Cor. 9:7–23
IN ADVENT	30, 130	Isa. 26:1–11	Matt. 9:35–10:15

Monday	75, 76	Isa. 29:15	Rev. 18:11
Tuesday	91	Isa. 30:18–26	Rev. 19:1–16
Ember Wednesday	92	Jer. 23:16–22	Matt. 28:16
Thursday	93, 98	Isa. 33:1–10	Rev. 20:1–6
Ember Friday	51	Jer. 26:1–7, 10-15	2 Tim. 3:14– 4:8
Ember Saturday	103	Mal. 3:1–6	Heb. 4:14–5:10

### **Prayer List (Before updates.)**

For the Lord’s blessings on Saint Patrick’s. For Sharing House and Holy Trinity Cathedral, Jammalamadugu. For an end to the coronavirus, and for all whose work exposes them to it. For all who suffer from natural disasters: covid, floods, fires, droughts, and earthquakes. For the return of domestic tranquility and civility. For all who suffer for their faith.

**Healing for:** Frs. Mark, Stephen, and Jeff, for Bishop David, Drew, Dolly, Bob and Betty, Jim, Dave, Francis, Khris, Brittany, Lorraine, Dulcie, Libby, Vicki, Karen, Faye, Mildred, Ted, Helen, Patty, Suzanne, Larry, Joe and Marilyn, Barbara, Brielle, Summer, Jeff and Vicky.

**Special Intentions for:** Jim, Julie, Bob and Sally, Dale, Lauren, Emily, Scott, Mathew and Jennifer, Patsy, Marie, Betty and Edwin, and Jessica.

**Fellowship Prayers:** Betty Jones.

*\*Changes in Prayer List – call/text (843) 200-6446 or email:  
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