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*Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.*

Offertory Anthem	Steal away
Text: Traditional	Music: arranged by Carl Haywood
<b>Refrain:</b> Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus!	
Steal away, steal away home, I ain't got long to stay here!	
My Lord he calls me, he calls me by the thunder.	
The trumpet sounds within a my soul I ain't got long to stay here. <b>Refrain</b>	
Green trees are bending, poor sinner stands a-trembling,	
The trumpet sounds within a my soul. I ain't got long to stay here. <b>Refrain</b>	
My Lord, he calls me, he calls me by the lightening.	
The trumpet sounds within a my soul. I ain't got long to stay here. <b>Refrain</b>	

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**The Communion** *All who seek God and are drawn to God through Christ are welcome at God's table. We usually receive the bread in our hands and sip from the chalice, or carefully dip (intinct) the bread into the wine. If you do not wish the bread and wine, please come forward for a blessing—just cross your arms over your chest!*

*Members of our prayer ministry are available in the Chapel during Holy Communion to pray with you about any need or thanksgiving.*

<b>Communion Voluntary</b>	Johann G. Walther	
<i>Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme</i>		
<b>Communion Hymn 314</b>	Humbly I adore thee	<i>Adoro devote</i>

Postcommunion Prayer	page 833
A Prayer attributed to St. Francis	

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we

receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

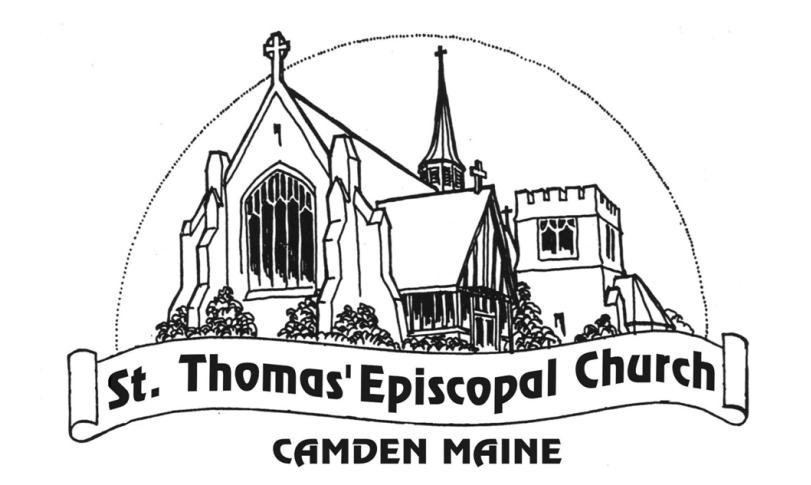
<b>Blessing</b>		
<b>Dismissal Hymn 72</b>	Hark the glad sound!	<i>Richmond</i>
<b>Dismissal</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding</i>	Gerald Near



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## First Sunday of Advent

December 2, 2018

7:30 am — Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
10:00 am — Family Friendly Eucharist, Rite II



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7:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite I		
<i>Children are always welcome in the church. Please be sure your cell phone is inaudible.</i>		
Prelude	<i>Adoro devote</i>	Sam Batt Owens
Entrance Hymn	57 (st.1) Lo! he comes, with clouds descending	<i>Helmsley</i>
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<i>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!</i>		
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Dismissal		
Postlude	<i>Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding</i>	Gerald Near



## 10:00 am—Family Friendly Eucharist, Rite II

*Nursery is available in the room past the Sun Room.  
Please be sure your cell phone is inaudible.*

Prelude	<i>Adoro devote</i>	Sam Batt Owens
Member of the Choir sings one stanza of <i>Veni, veni, Emmanuel</i>		
Entrance Hymn	57 Lo! he comes, with clouds descending	<i>Helmsley</i>
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Lighting of the Advent Candle

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Holy God *Trisagion*

Setting: Ver. *Hymnal 1982*, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

### The Collect

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.*

### Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

### Psalms 25:1-9

1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;  
my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, \*  
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

### 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Sequence Hymn 61 (st.1) Sleepers, wake! A voice astounds us *Wachet auf*

### Luke 21:25-36

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."