

7:30 a.m. — Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Children are always welcome in the church.  
Please be sure your cell phone is inaudible.

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Num komm, der Heiden Heiland (Savior of the nations, come!)</i>	J.S. Bach
<b>Entrance Hymn 76</b>	On Jordan’s bank <i>(st. 1,2)</i>	<i>Winchester New</i>
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<b>Offertory Voluntary</b>	Comfort, comfort ye my people	<i>Psalms 42</i>
<b>Offertory Hymn 380</b> (st. 3)		<i>Old 100<sup>th</sup></i>
	<i>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</i>	
<i>Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord.</i>		
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<b>Dismissal Hymn 54</b>	<i>Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland Savior of the nations, come! (st.1,4)</i>	
<b>The Dismissal</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Lob sei dem allmächtigen Gott (Praise Be to Almighty God)</i>	J.S. Bach
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10:00 a.m. — Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Nursery is available in the room past the Sun Room.  
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<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland (Savior of the nations, come!)</i>	J.S. Bach
<b>Entrance Hymn 76</b>	On Jordan’s bank	<i>Winchester New</i>
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<b>Gloria S-280</b>	<i>Powell</i>	Pew Card
<b>The Collect</b>		
Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. <i>Amen.</i>		
<b>Isaiah 11:1-10</b>		
A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.		
The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.		
His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.		
He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;		
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.		
Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins.		
The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.		
The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.		
The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.		
They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.		
On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.		
<b>Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19</b>		
1 Give the King your justice, O God, * and your righteousness to the King's Son;		
2 That he may rule your people righteously * and the poor with justice;		
3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, * and the little hills bring righteousness.		

- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; \*  
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \*  
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \*  
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*  
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, \*  
who alone does wondrous deeds!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! \*  
and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen.

Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name”; and again he says, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”; and again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”; and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.” May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Sequence Hymn 65 Prepare the Way, O Zion Bereden väg för Herran

Matthew 3:1-12

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’” Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. “I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

<b>Sermon</b>	The Rev. Canon Lisa Smith Fry
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Prayers of the People

Leader: We are your children.  
Everyone: Hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution page 360

The Peace and Announcements

Offertory Anthem Of the Father’s love begotten *Divinum Mysterium* Choir  
*Of the Father’s love begotten, ere the worlds began to be,  
he is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending he,  
of the things that are, that have been, and that future years shall see,  
evermore and evermore!  
O that birth for ever blessed, when the Virgin, full of grace,  
by the Holy Ghost conceiving, bore the Savior of our race;  
and the Babe, the world’s Redeemer, first revealed his sacred face,  
evermore and evermore!  
Let the heights of heaven adore him; angel hosts, his praises sing;  
powers, dominions, bow before him and extol our God and King;  
let no tongue on earth be silent, and every voice in concert ring,  
evermore and evermore!  
Christ to thee, with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost, to thee.  
hymn and chant and high thanksgiving, and unwearied praises be;  
honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory,  
evermore and evermore!*

Offertory Hymn 380 (st.3) Old 100<sup>th</sup>  
*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*

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord.  
Response: And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A page 361

Sanctus and Benedictus S-129 Powell Pew Card

The Lord’s Prayer page 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei S-163 Powell Pew Card

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! If you would like us to bring communion to you, stay in your seat and an usher will let us know.*

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

Communion Hymn 462 The Lord will come and not be slow York

Postcommunion Prayer page 365

Blessing

Dismissal Hymn 54 Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland  
Savior of the nations, come!

The Dismissal

Postlude Lob sei dem allmächtigen Gott J.S. Bach  
(Praise Be to Almighty God)  
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Birthday and Anniversary Prayer:  
*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.*

Prayer for Sending Eucharistic Visitors:  
Clergy: I send you forth in the name of God and this congregation bearing these Holy gifts that those who receive it may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood.

People: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.



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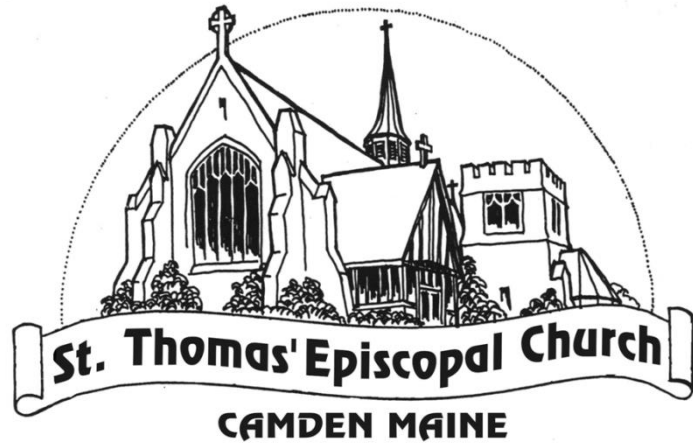
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Our Nursery Room is located past the Sun Room. Turn right. The Blue Room is the Nursery; the Yellow Room is the Sunday School room. Restrooms are located down the right aisle, past the Chapel, at the end of the corridor on the left side. Additional rest rooms are located in the basement down the same corridor, via the stairway on your left.



Second Sunday of Advent  
December 8, 2019

7:30 a.m. — Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
10:00 a.m. — Holy Eucharist, Rite II



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