

## 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>Gesu Bambino</i>	Pietro A. Yon
<b>Entrance Hymn 56</b>		<i>Veni, veni Emmanuel</i>
	O come, o come Emmanuel ( <i>st. 1,2,7</i> )	
<b>Opening Acclamation</b>	Book of Common Prayer	page 323
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<b>Prayers of the People</b>		
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<i>Everyone:</i>	<b><i>Hear our prayer.</i></b>	
<b>Confession and Absolution</b>		page 331
<b>The Peace and Announcements</b>		
<b>Offertory Voluntary</b>	<i>Ye Who Claim the Faith of Jesus</i>	David Hurd
<b>Offertory Hymn 380</b> ( <i>st. 3</i> )		<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>		
<b><i>Response: And of thine own have we given thee.</i></b>		
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<b>Dismissal Hymn 65</b>	Prepare the way	<i>Bereden väg för Herran</i>
<b>The Dismissal</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Frei dich sehr, o meine Seele (I Am Very Glad, Oh My Soul)</i>	Böhm

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## 10:00 a.m. — Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Gesu Bambino</i>	Pietro A. Yon
<b>Entrance Hymn 56</b>	O come, o come Emmanuel	<i>Veni, veni Emmanuel</i>
<b>Opening Acclamation</b>		page 355
<b>Gloria S-280</b>	<i>Powell</i>	Pew Card
<b>The Collect</b>		
Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. <i>Amen.</i>		
<b>Isaiah 7:10-16</b>		
Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."		
<b>Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18</b>		
1	Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *	shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
2	In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *	stir up your strength and come to help us.
3	Restore us, O God of hosts; *	show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
4	O Lord God of hosts, *	how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?
5	You have fed them with the bread of tears; *	you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
6	You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *	and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
7	Restore us, O God of hosts; *	show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
16	Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *	the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
17	And so will we never turn away from you; *	give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
18	Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; *	show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

## Romans 1:1-7

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, to all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Sequence Hymn 66** Come, thou long expected Jesus *Stuttgart*

## Matthew 1:18-25

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,  
and they shall name him Emmanuel,"

which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

**Sermon** The Rev. Canon Lisa Fry

**The Nicene Creed** page 358

## Prayers of the People

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

**Confession and Absolution** page 360

## The Peace and Announcements

**Offertory Anthem** *Comfort Ye!* by Natalie Sleeth Youth and Senior Choirs

*Comfort ye, comfort ye, Listen and hear:  
Soon the Anointed of God will appear;  
The time is at hand and the hour is near;  
Comfort ye, comfort ye, Be of good cheer!*

*Behold, a Virgin shall conceive;  
Awake! Arise! Rejoice! Believe  
And comfort ye, comfort ye, listen and hear;  
Soon the Anointed of God will appear.*

*Every valley shall be exalted,  
Every mountain and hill made low;*

*Yea, the wilderness, too, shall blossom;  
 All the land with joy o'erflow,  
 So, comfort ye, comfort ye, listen and hear:  
 Soon the Anointed of God will appear;  
 The time is at hand and the hour is near;  
 Comfort ye, comfort ye,  
 Be of good cheer!  
 Comfort ye,  
 Comfort ye,  
 God is near!*

**Offertory Hymn 380 (st.3)**

*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*

*Old 100<sup>th</sup>*

*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 71** Hark! the glad sound! Bristol

**Postcommunion Prayer** page 365

**Blessing**

**Dismissal Hymn 65** Prepare the way Bereden väg för Herran

**The Dismissal**

**Postlude** *Frei dich sehr, o meine Seele  
 (I Am Very Glad, Oh My Soul)* Böhm

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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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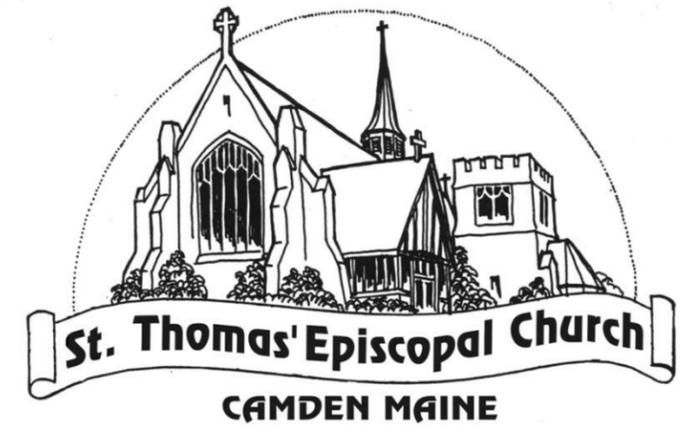
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**Fourth Sunday of Advent  
 December 22, 2019**

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



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