ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL MEMORIAL CHURCH

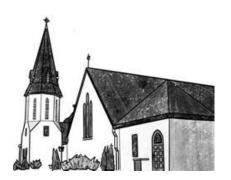
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by Alekz Thoms

OUR DIVINE PURPOSE STATEMENT

WE BELIEVE that through Jesus Christ we are meant to faithfully and joyfully serve God and our neighbors.

WE WORSHIP as a community of believers who make people feel welcome from every walk of life. We value and welcome the diversity of all people.

WE SERVE seekers inside and outside the church to live in accordance with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Office Hours: Monday—Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Pastoral emergency? Call Pastor Steve Sathre at 701-255-6708

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 10, 2023

Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 The Word of God

Prelude

Introit Creator of the stars of night Choir

Opening Hymn #65 Prepare the way, Zion Hymnal 65

Advent Candle Lighting Insert

Opening Acclamation BCP, 355

Trisagion #S-102 Hymnal, S-102

Collect of the Day Insert

 $\begin{array}{cc} 1^{st} \ Reading & Insert \\ The \ Psalm & Insert \\ 2^{nd} \ Reading & Insert \end{array}$

Sequence Hymn #76 On Jordan's bank (v 1-3) Hymnal, 76

The Gospel Insert

Sequence Hymn #76 On Jordan's bank (v 1) Hymnal, 76

Sermon Pastor Steve Sathre

The Nicene Creed BCP, 358

Prayers of the People

Peace & Announcements

Offertory

Doxology #380 (v 3)

The Holy Communion

Eucharist Prayer B

Sanctus: #S-130

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, 367

Hymnal, S-130

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, 364

Fraction Anthem: #S-164

Communion #56 O come, o come Emmanuel

Hymnal, 56

Post Communion Prayer

BCP, 365

Closing #59 Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding (vs 1-3)

Hymnal, 59

Dismissal

Postlude



The prophets who foretold the birth of Jesus

Leader: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Leader: Today is the Second Sunday of Advent and we will light the Candle of Peace.

Last Sunday we lit the First Candle in our Advent Wreath, and celebrated the patriarchs, this First Candle reminded us of our hope in Christ. We light it again as we remember our Saviour, born a king in the line of King David. Jesus was born in Bethlehem, and we believe that he will come again to fulfill all of God's promises to us, to rule the world wisely and bless all nations.

(A person lights the First Candle, the Candle of *Hope*)

Today we light the Second Candle of Advent, the Candle of Peace. We remember the prophets who spoke of the coming of Christ, of how a Saviour would be born, a king in the line of King David. The prophet Isaiah called Christ "the Prince of Peace". They told us how he would rule the world wisely and bless all the nations.

When Jesus came he taught people the importance of being peace-makers. He said that those who make peace shall be called the children of God. When Christ comes to us he brings us peace and he will bring everlasting peace when he comes again. We light the Candle of Peace to remind us that Jesus is the Prince of Peace and that through him peace is found.

(A person lights Second Candle, the Candle of *Peace*)

Peace is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at this candle we celebrate the peace we find in Jesus Christ.

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Lord Jesus, Light of the World, the prophets said you would bring peace and save your people from trouble. Give peace in our hearts at Christmastide. We ask that as we wait for you to come again, that you would remain present with us. Help us today, and everyday to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your peace with each other. We ask it in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH - The Church of Pakistan (United)

Church of the Advent, Devils Lake: Don Leroux, Deacon; Kristin Kenner, Senior Warden; and for the Canons Committee: Leo Wilking, chair.

PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE AND PEACE We pray for peace, but maybe we don't have the words. We pray that the lives of innocents and the lives of any human child of God will be spared. We pray that our leaders will find a diplomatic way, a nonviolent way of solution. But we don't know how to pray as we are. So, the Spirit must intercede for us at this time.— The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church. PRAYERS REQUESTED - Karen N., Peggy H., Bishop Tom, Dolly, Ron & Carol, Tom O., Carol K., Fr Randy K., Terri S., Adella R.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS - Drew Reynolds (Dec 10), Norma Boutrous (Dec 12), Ellee Koch (Dec 12), William Helphrey (Dec 13), Tayte Bender (Dec 13), Averie Gendron (Dec 14), Adella Red Stone (Dec 15) and Kylee Olson (Dec 16).

CALENDAR

December 10: 9:00 a.m. Christmas Old & New with Pastor Steve

December 10: 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist; 11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

December 10: 11:30 a.m. Piecemaker's Silent Auction & Fundraiser

December 13: 5:00 p.m. Organ Music by Arlene Gray

December 13: 5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist; 6:00 p.m. Potluck

December 13: 6:45 p.m. Choir Practice

December 14: 6:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

December 15: 10:00 a.m. Deliver Sr. Meals

December 16: Cookie Ingathering; Cookie Drop-Off No Later Than 1:00 p.m.

December 17: 9:00 a.m. Christmas Old & New with Pastor Steve, Rita Murphy Hall

CHRISTMAS OLD AND NEW

Join Pastor Steve for a look at why we celebrate Christmas the way we do. Our current traditions and stories weren't always how Christians observed the holiday. The second week we will take a close look at the original stories in the Bible.

TREE OF LOVE

The Tree of Love has evolved over the years from buying gifts for families in need to donating extra funds to the Rector's Discretionary Fund. This year we again would like to ask for donations to be added to the discretionary fund. Pastor Steve knows the true needs of the congregation and has agreed to distribute funds as he sees fit. Please donate whatever you would like to this fund by submitting a check or cash and labeling it Tree of Love.

LEADERSHIP

MINISTERS

ALL ST. GEORGIANS

Provisional Bishop, Diocese of North Dakota	Tom Ely
Canon Ministry on the Margins	Zanne Ness
Interim Pastor	Pastor Steve Sathre
Deacon	Beth Lipp
Deacon	Ed Wos
Sunday Bulletin Monthly Calendar & Newsletter	Kim Gullickson
Choir & Music Director Cellist	Traci Juhala
Organist & Pianist	Arlene Gray
Guitarist & Pianist	David Sorenson
Housekeeping	Renae Volk
Sr Warden ('23)	Keith Henderson
Past Sr Warden ('23)	Joanne Lassiter
Jr Warden ('23)	Colette Rudolph
Operations Treasurer ('23)	David Martin
Investments Treasurer ('23)	Steve Tillotson
Vestry ('23)	Tom Hopkins
Vestry ('23)	Olasupo "Supo" Olagoke
Vestry ('24)	Jason Thoms
Vestry ('24)	Jacinda Simmons
Vestry ('25)	Jannelle Combs
Vestry ('25)	Dan Dailey
Vestry Clerk	Jacinda Simmons



