



Third Sunday of Advent: December 13, 2020

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church!

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Office Hours: The Church Office is closed with staff working remotely until further notice.

Service Times

SUNDAY

10:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

WEDNESDAY

Noon . . . NOONDAY PRAYERS (VIA ZOOM)

Morsel for Meditation

From the beginning, writers of the Christmas story have been bothered by the inn, with the stable and manger close at hand. That is where we find ourselves: not by the shepherds, whose poverty and simplicity we lack; and not by the wise men, whose watchfulness and decisiveness we lack. We are, at best, guests at the inn. We sleep, we follow our own plans and dreams. Can we be awakened by the angels' news? That is the question.

Rudolf Otto Wiemer: from the foreword to the play "The End of the Night"

Lay Ministry

10:30 AM LECTOR

12/13: SUZANNE TAYLOR

ACOLYTES

12/13: TBD

ALTAR GUILD

12/13: LAURA FUNK, GEORGIANNA HARRISON,
GAIL ROLSTON

VESTRY PERSON OF THE DAY

12/13: JOE BLEIER, DEBBIE SHAFFER

12/20: DANA MEDFORD, FRANK MCKEE

CIRCLE OF CARE (WEEKLY)

ON HOLD UNTIL IN-PERSON MEETINGS RESUME

INTERCESSORY PRAYER (WEEKLY)

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Jesus Christ, *Head of the Church*

The Rt. Rev. Dr. George R. Sumner, *Bishop*

The Rev. Dr. Nicholas Funk, *Rector*

The Rev. Gordon Miltenberger, *Assisting Priest*

David Gish, *Music Director*

John Shasteen, *Organist*

Angela Dryer, *Parish Administrator*

Order of Worship

Pray for the Church, the Body of Christ
Please pray for those on our prayer list this week:
Rita Woods, Ken Gunter, Dana Medford, Bill Rolston,
Father Gordon, Dolores Miltenberger, Mike Lavigne,
and Paula Reeves. We also pray for our Daughters of
the King Ministry as they bring their strength and ser-
vice together by praying for friends and for the people.
**Contact our church office to add a name to our
prayer list.**

December 6
Offering: \$3,673.00
Attendance: 21

Cover Art: Raphael, *The Alba Madonna* (Wash-
ington DC: National Gallery, 1510), oil on panel
mounted on canvas. Diameter: 94.5 cm (37.2 in)

BCP = Book of Common Prayer (black)
H= Hymnbook (red)
A3 = Alleluia III (yellow)

10:30 — HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

Prelude
Processional Hymn *H #56*
O come, O come, Emmanuel vs 5-8
(Veni, veni, Emanuel)
Opening Sentence BCP 355
Collect for Purity BCP 355
Summary of the Law BCP 351
Trisagion *H #S101*
The Collect BCP 159
The Lessons
First Reading Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11
Psalm Canticle 15
Epistle 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
Gospel Hymn *H #76*
On Jordan's bank (Winchester New)
Gospel John 1:6-8, 19-28
The Nicene Creed BCP 358
Sermon The Rev. Dr. Nicholas Funk
Prayers of the People (Form I) BCP 383
The Confession. BCP 360
The Peace. BCP 360
Announcements
Holy Communion
Offertory *H #81*
Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming (Es ist ein ros)
Offertory Anthem *A3 #221*
Doxology (Old 100th)
The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer D) . . BCP 372
The Lord's Prayer BCP 364
Agnus Dei *H #S157*
Communion Hymns
Sing Alleluia to the Lord *A3 #145*
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light . . *A3 #81*
Post Communion Prayer BCP 365
The Blessing & Dismissal BCP 366
Recessional Hymn *H #68*
Rejoice! rejoice, believers (Llangloffan)

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion.

Christmas Eve at St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Two Service Times:

7:00 pm & 11:00 pm.

**Christmas carols in the
church at 10:30 pm**

Artwork: Federico Barocci, *The Nativity* (Madrid, Spain: Museo del Prado, 1597), oil on canvas. Height: 154 cm.; Width: 103 cm.

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