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The Second Sunday of Advent

December 6th, 2020

Services: 7:00 A.M & 9:00 A.M.

The Second Sunday of Advent

YEAR B

7:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST
President: The Rev'd Dr. Marcus Lashley

9:00 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST
President: The Rev'd Canon George Knight

ANNOUNCEMENT

Emergency Management (COVID-19) Churches (No. 3) Directive, 2020

The following protocols will be enforced: Temperature Checks upon arrival; Wearing of Masks, Designated Seating; the Use of an Offering Box; Physical Distancing- Three (3) feet apart; No physical exchange of the Greeting of Peace; and Sanitization of Hands before entering the Cathedral and before Communion.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

The Opening Hymn ~ 45 *"Ye servants of the Lord,"*

The Second Candle of the Advent Wreath is lit (See leaflet).

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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. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 40:1-11

Lectors: **7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Alicia White**

9:00 A.M. ~ Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw (L.E.M.)

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Book of Isaiah, chapter forty, beginning at the first verse.

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken." A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field.

The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!" See, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

READER: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

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"You have been gracious to your land, O Lord, you have restored the good fortune of Jacob."

Second Lesson: **2 Peter 3:8-15a**

Lectors: **7:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Zida Hunte**

9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Victor Small

A Reading from the word of God, written in second Letter of Peter, chapter three, beginning at the eighth verse.

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed. Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

READER: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual Hymn ~ 42 “On Jordan’s bank the Baptist’s cry”

The Holy Gospel: **Mark 1:1-8**

Gospeller: The Very Rev’d Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

READER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

GOSPELLER: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark, written in the first chapter, beginning at the first verse.

ALL: **Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.
As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way;
the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.’”

John the baptiser appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptised by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptised you with water; but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.”

GOSPELLER: This is the Gospel of Christ.
ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

The Sermon:

7:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Dr. Marcus Lashley
9:00 A.M. ~ The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

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Intercessor:

7:00 A.M. ~ Professor Anne St. John, GCM
9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. John Moore (M.F.)

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Welcome, Remarks, Birthdays and Anniversaries

THE EUCHARIST

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The Administration of Communion

The Anthem ~ *“People look East”* (Steel)

Communion Hymn ~ 611 *“O Food that weary pilgrims love,”*

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The Recessional Hymn ~ 53 *“Thy kingdom come, O God,”*



The Second Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-11

Comments: *“God’s coming to the exiles”*

The first reading is a **message of comfort and new hope to God’s**

people. The time of exile in Babylon is coming to an end. A new way is made through the desert, and the mighty Lord comes, bringing peace and pardon to Jerusalem. Though all human powers fail, the Lord's word will stand. Like a shepherd, God will care for the people.

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

The psalm both celebrates and prays for the Lord's gracious favour, for God's forgiveness, deliverance, and justice.

The Second Lesson: (The Epistle) 2 Peter 3:8-15a

Comments: *"Waiting for day of God"*

This lesson is a reminder that, **the divine perspective on time can be very different from that of human beings.** Many wonder why the Lord seems so slow to fulfil the promises of salvation and judgement. God, however, is patient and has divine purposes. Still, the day of the Lord will come suddenly, bringing a new heaven and earth. Christians must live both in patience and with a zeal for righteousness and peace in readiness for that judgement.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

Comments: *"John appears from the wilderness"*

The Gospel of **Mark begins with the ministry of John the Baptist.** He is the messenger spoken of in the scriptures, the voice that cries aloud in the wilderness. He is sent to prepare the way of the Lord through his call for repentance and baptism in water for the forgiveness of sins. The people flock to him, but he tells of a mightier one still to come who will baptise with the Holy Spirit.



THEME FOR THE WEEK

"The Advents of our lives are always times of comfort and healing."



CATHEDRAL NEWS



Household Worship: Members are encouraged to pray the office of Morning Prayer daily. The Daily Office can also serve as a personal or family discipline. The Daily Office Lectionary begins on page 736 in the Book of Common Prayer. Note further that this year is Year 1, and the readings for Monday, December 7, 2020 are Isaiah 5:8-12,18-23, Psalm 25, and 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11.

Stewardship of Treasure: During the period of lockdown, members were unable to make their regular financial contributions to the church in the usual manner. However, several persons made use of the options which were provided, and we are grateful for their contributions. For the convenience of all, online payments may be made to the St. Michael's Cathedral, CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account # 27193-02; Transit # 09606.

Christmas Flowers: Donations of flowers are welcomed to decorate the church for Christmas. Please contact the Administrative Assistant to offer your donation.

Gifts, Memorials and Thanksgiving: Members are invited to donate items for use in worship in memory of loved ones who have passed, and to celebrate birthdays, wedding and confirmation anniversaries and other achievements. Donation options may also include flowers to decorate the church on First Sundays or during the Church's Festivals. To offer your donation, you may contact the Administrative Assistant.



CATHEDRAL MINISTRIES

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Today, Sunday December 6th, 2020

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev'd Dr. Marcus Lashley

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon George Knight

5:00 P.M. ~ A Blue Christmas

'A Blue Christmas Service' is held in remembrance of deceased persons as a source of comfort and inspiration for their families. Families are invited to attend the service and to hang a white dove on the tree in remembrance of loved ones who have passed in recent time. (Doves will be provided)

Preacher:

The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

Wednesday, December 9th, 2020

10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

Preacher: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson

December 13th, 2020

The Third Sunday of Advent

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist





Christmas
Schedule

Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24, 2020

11:30 P.M. ~ Vigil and Sung Eucharist

Christmas Day, Friday, December 25, 2020

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M.~ Sung Eucharist

December 27, 2020

The First Sunday After Christmas Day

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

Thursday, December 31, 2020

11:00 P.M. ~ Watchnight Service

Congratulations to all celebrating birthdays in the month of
December 2020

Mrs. Chloe Grant ~ 1st
Ms. Yvonne V. Blenman ~ 2nd
Ms. Ella K. Russell ~ 3rd
Mr. Stephen L. White ~ 3rd
Mr. Victor E. Gittens ~ 4th
Ms. Muriel I. Oxley ~ 4th
Ms. Maureen Ward ~ 4th
Mr. Glynnil M. Warner ~ 4th
Ms. Orene L. Clarke ~ 5th
Ms. Jennifer D. Edwards ~ 5th
Mrs. Sheila Garnes ~ 5th

Mr. Henderson R. Downes ~ 6th
Ms. Joanne R. Griffith ~ 6th
Ms. Shaunette Blackett ~ 7th
Ms. Hyacinth Carter ~ 8th
Ms. Gwendolyn D. Evelyn ~ 8th
Mr. Martin L. Haynes ~ 8th
Mrs. Mary Walcott ~ 8th
Ms. Renee M. Thomas ~ 9th
Ms. Viola G. Cumberbatch ~ 10th
Mr. LaShawn X. Austin ~ 11th
Ms. Angela Y. Greene ~ 11th
Mr. Nicholas A. Smith ~ 11th
Ms. Margaret D. Browne ~ 13th
Ms. Olga E. Marshall ~ 13th
Mrs. Yvonne D. Rayside-Reid ~ 13th
Mr. Clyde B. Collins ~ 14th
Ms. Alma Deane ~ 15th
Mrs. Eucille E. Hinds ~ 16th
Mr. Sylvester A. Jones ~ 17th
Mrs. Marilyn Watkins-Ramdin ~ 17th
Ms. Wyndeen M. Ward ~ 20th
Ms. Gloria P. Collis ~ 21st
Ms. Marleyne Moore ~ 21st
Ms. Cerys Francis-Thornhill ~ 22nd
Mrs. Lynette A. M. Francis-Thornhill ~ 22nd
Mr. Clarence C. Sobers ~ 22nd
Mr. Arlington DaC. Watson ~ 23rd
Ms. Coral H. Martin ~ 25th
Ms. Tracia Lesley-Ann Collins ~ 27th
Mr. Wilbur Belle ~ 31st
Mrs. Jeanette Rollock ~ 31st



May God bless and strengthen you.



Please remember the sick or injured of our Parish and wider community, especially, Mrs. Colleen Byer, Mr. John Clarke (the Caterer), Ms. Eudora Cooper, Mr. Frank Harris, Mrs. Dawn Holder-Maxwell, Ms. Selina Jones, Mrs. Vida King, Mr. Blair Murray, Mr. Adrian Price and Ms. Winifred Trotman

**I pray to the Almighty
to bring you healing
and a speedy
recovery...
Get Well
Soon...**



Bereavement: Sincere condolences to the families of the late Ms. Andrea Holder (daughter of Ms. Olga E. Marshall) who died in N.Y., Ms. Colleen Thompson, and Mr. Clyde Harper (father of the Rev'd Roslyn Harper-Johnson)

May you know the blessedness of those who mourn.



SERMON NOTES

Sermon Text:

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Topic:

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Preacher:

Points to Ponder:

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What was God saying specifically to me during the Sermon?

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