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Welcome to St. Monica's Episcopal Church

St. Monica's Music Ministry
and Friends of Music

present

7th Annual Advent Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 11, 2022

4:00pm

O Come, thou Day spring from on high,
and cheer us by thy drawing nigh;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadow put to flight.

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!

St. Monica's Episcopal Church

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Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Jonathan W. Evans

Handbell Prelude

Advent Hope

Derek Hakes

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
St. Monica's Handbell Choir

Arr. Hart Morris

Please stand as you are able.

Choir in Procession

Organ Improvisation on Veni, veni Emmanuel (15th Century Processional)

Choral Introit for Advent

Arise, the Kingdom Is at Hand

Christopher Tye

Sung by the Choir

Arise, the kingdom is at hand, the King is drawing nigh.
O come with joy, thou faithful band, to meet the Lord most high!
Look up, ye souls weighed down with care, the Sov'reign is not far.
Look up, faint hearts, from your despair, behold the Morning Star!

Advent Hymn

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Hymn 56

Verses 1 & 2 - Choir Only

Verse 3 - All

Verse 4 - All Men

Verse 5 - All

Verse 6 - All Women

Verses 7 & 8 - Congregation and Choir

Please remain standing as you are able.

Officiant Light and peace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Officiant It is not ourselves that we proclaim; we proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your servants, for Jesus' sake. For the same God who said, "Out of darkness let light shine," has caused his light to shine within us, to give the light of revelation - the revelation of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 4 : 5-6

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The candles at the Altar are now lighted, as are other candles and lamps as may be convenient.

The Lighting of the Candles


Phos hilaron

Richard Proulx

Choir: O gracious light, pure brightness of the everlasting Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Refrain:

Congregation:



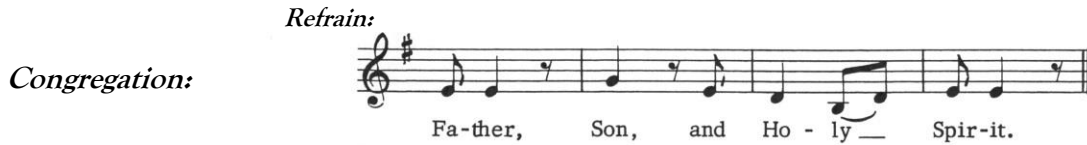
O gra-cious light, pure bright-ness of the ev-er-last-ing



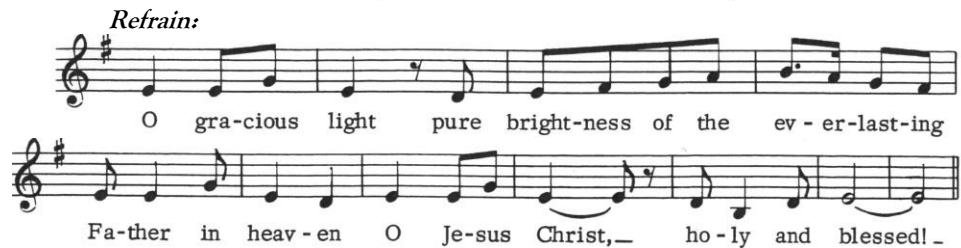
Choir: Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light, we sing your praises, O God:



Choir: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



Choir: You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of life,



A Bidding Prayer

The Rev. Jonathan W. Evans

Dear People of God: In the season of Advent, it is our responsibility and joy to prepare ourselves to hear once more the message of the Angels, to go to Bethlehem and see the Son of God lying in a manger. Let us hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of God's loving purpose from the time of our rebellion against him until the glorious redemption brought to us by his holy Child Jesus, and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise. But first, let us pray for the needs of his whole world, for peace and justice on earth, for the unity and mission of the Church for which he died, and especially for his Church in our country and in this city. And because he particularly loves them, let us remember in his name the poor and helpless, the cold, the hungry and the oppressed, the sick and those who mourn, the lonely and unloved, the aged and little children, as well as all those who do not know and love the Lord Jesus Christ. Finally, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother, and that whole multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in Jesus, we are one for evermore.

And now, to gather all these petitions, let us pray in the words Christ himself taught us, saying:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sin as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Officiant The Almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and to the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. *Amen.*

Lesson 1

Genesis 3:1–15

Ava Louise Smith-Landwehr

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’ The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, “Where are you?” He said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.” God said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.” Then the Lord God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent tricked me, and I ate.” The Lord God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.”

Reader The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Anthem

The Lord at First Did Adam Make

Arr. June Nixon

Sung by the Choir

The Lord at first did Adam make out of the dust and clay, and in his nostrils breathed life,
e'en as the scriptures say. And then in Eden's paradise he placed him to dwell,
that he within it should remain, to dress and keep it well:

Refrain

*Now let all Christians all begin an holy life to live,
and to rejoice and merry be, for soon is Christmas Eve.*

And thus within the garden he was set therein to stay; and in commandment unto him
these words the Lord did say: “The fruit which in the garden grows to thee shall be for meat,
except the tree in the midst thereof, of which thou shall not eat.” *Refrain*

“For in the day thou shalt it touch or dost to it come nigh, if so, thou do but eat thereof
then thou shalt surely die.” But Adam he did take no heed unto that only thing,
but did transgress God's holy law, and so was wrapt in sin: *Refrain*

Now mark the goodness of the Lord, which he for mankind bore:
his mercy soon he did extend, lost man for to restore. And therefor to redeem our souls
from death and hellish thrall, he said his own dear Son should be the Savior of us all: *Refrain*

Lesson 2

Isaiah 64:1-9a

Sue Adams

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence – as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil – to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself, we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hands. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever.

Reader The Word of the Lord
People *Thanks be to God*

Anthem

Keep Your Lamps
Sung by the Choir

Spiritual, Arr. Andre Thomas

**Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.
Children, don't get weary 'til your work is done.
Christian, journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh.
Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.**

Lesson 3

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Frank Dowd

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt~ a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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Anthem

Behold the Days are Coming
Sung by the Choir

Paul Bouman

**Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,
and he shall reign as king. And this is the name by which he will be called:
"The Lord is our righteousness."**

Lesson 4

Zephaniah 3:14-18

Theresa Miller

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives

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The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore, let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Behold, the Lord shall come and all His saints with Him; and in that day the light shall be great.

Rejoice, O Jerusalem, behold, thy King cometh. Alleluia!

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Lesson 7

Isaiah 65:17-25

Lorraine Ciano

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord and their descendants as well. Before they call, I will answer; while they are yet speaking, I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent, its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God*Please stand as you are able*

Advent Carol

Hark! The Glad Sound! The Savior Comes

Hymn 72

Please remain standing as you are able

Lesson 8

Luke 1:26-56

The Rev. Jonathan W. Evans

Officiant A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy.

And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.” And Mary said, “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever.” And Mary remained with her about three months and then returned to her home.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

Evening Cantic

Magnificat in A Major
 Song of Mary

Michael Praetorius

(Text found in the Book of Common Prayer, Page 65)
 Sung by the Choir

Please stand as you are able.

Collect for Advent

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
 Officiant Let us pray.

Sir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please remain standing as you are able

Song of Simeon

Nunc dimittis in D Major

Michael Praetorius

(Text found in the Book of Common Prayer, Page 118)
 Sung by the Choir

The Dismissal

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.
 Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Advent Hymn

Blest Be the King Whose Coming

Hymn 74

Voluntary

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland
 (Now Come, Redeemer of Mankind)

Johann Pachelbel

All are welcome to attend a reception in the Parish Hall

*A special note of appreciation is extended to all
 those who have organized and prepared the reception.*

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Dr. Ronald Doiron, Director of Music Ministries & Organist

St. Monica's Choir

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Muriel Fishman
Constance Gaynor
Michael Gaynor

Carol Hedman
Wally Hedman
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Ralph Miano*

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Ariane Schoellner
Frank Shrewsbury
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St. Monica's Handbell Choir

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Gordon Brown
Sam Eash
Marge Gower

Ann Hoffman*
Joan Lazarus
Sue Lemons
Janet Ortenzo

Ariane Schoellner*
Jenny Wise
Stacey McCurdy
Heather Williamson

Guest Instrumentalists

Violin	Lisa Hallinan	Viola	Thomas Danzi
Violin	Celine Schauer	Cello	Anthony Toro
Violin	Cathy Pflieger	Trumpet	Antonio Castillo

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2022-2023 Friends of Music Concert Series

In addition to special instrumental accompaniment at our All Saints, Christmas, and Easter Services, our *Friends of Music* are offering the following special programs this year:

Monday, October 17, 2022 – 7:00 pm

The Naples' Nautilus Chamber Players presented A Hurricane Benefit Concert
Donations for this program totaled over \$500 for the Episcopal Relief Fund.

Sunday, December 11, 2022 – 4:00 pm

Seventh Annual Traditional Service of Advent Lessons and Carols

Sunday, January 8, 2023 – 2:00 pm

Haegg and Samson Scholarship Winter Concert
All are welcome to attend a concert performed by Junior and Senior High School students who receive scholarship funding through The Music Foundation of Greater Naples.

Saturday, February 11, 2023 – 6:00 pm

St. Monica's Annual Parish Dinner in the Parish Hall
A fun-filled evening with live entertainment presented by the FSW Jazz Quartet.
Cocktail Hour will be followed by a Catered Dinner and a Live Auction.
Proceeds benefit St. Monica's Capital Fund. Reservations required – please contact the church office

Sunday, March 26, 2023 – 4:00 pm

Cabaret Night! Featuring our Choir Section Leaders. Jazz, Broadway, and other popular styles of music accompanied by substantial Hors D'oeuvres and appropriate libations. A Sewanee Church Music Conference Fund Raising Event for our young singers. Reservations requested for food preparation.

Sunday, April 30, 2023 – 4:00 pm

St. Monica's Friends of Music Final Season Concert
St. Monica's Music Ministry and Friends of Music will present a Final Season Concert featuring the St. Monica's Choir accompanied by a professional string ensemble. A reception follows in the Parish Hall

Sunday, June 4, 2023 – 2:00 pm

Haegg and Samson Scholarship Summer Recital All are welcome to attend a concert performed by Junior and Senior High School students who receive scholarship funding through The Music Foundation of Greater Naples.

St. Monica's Episcopal Church

Welcomes You!

Season of Christmas Celebrations

Attend in person or online through our website:

www.stmonicasnaples.org

Saturday, December 24, 2022 – Christmas Eve

5:00 PM – Family Christmas Eve Service

Holy Eucharist Rite II with Choir, Organ, Violin and Trumpet

9:00 PM – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Holy Eucharist Rite II with Choir, Organ, and Instrumental Ensemble

Sunday, December 25, 2022

10:00 AM – Christmas Day

Holy Eucharist Rite II with Organ and Choral Ensemble

Sunday, January 1, 2022

10:00 AM – Feast of the Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Holy Eucharist Rite II with Organ and Carols

Saturday, January 7, 2023 – 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 8, 2023 – 10:00 am

Epiphany 1 – The Baptism of Christ

Holy Eucharist Rite II with Organ and Choir

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