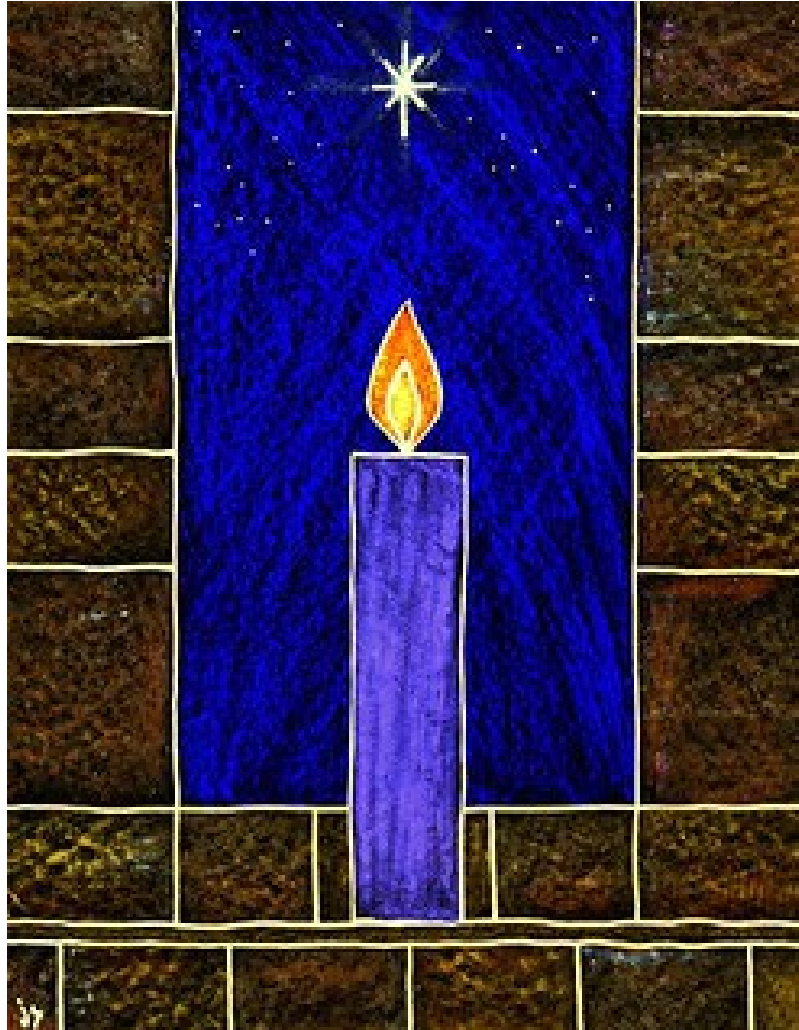


The First Sunday of Advent



Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 1, 2024

8:30 a.m.

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Episcopal Church

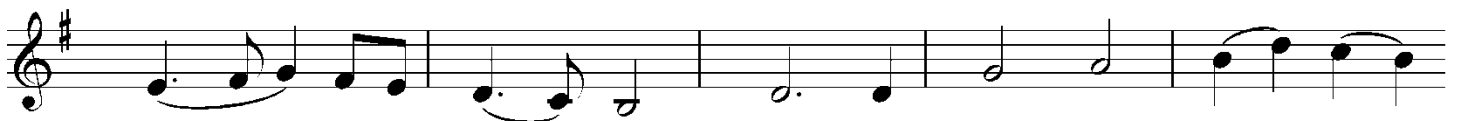




1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

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The Liturgy of the Word

✠ *Worship in the form of quiet meditation begins with the prelude.*

PRELUDE

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme

Johann Sebastian Bach

HYMN IN PROCESSION

Lo! He comes, with clouds descending

HELMSLEY

(See hymn on opposing page)

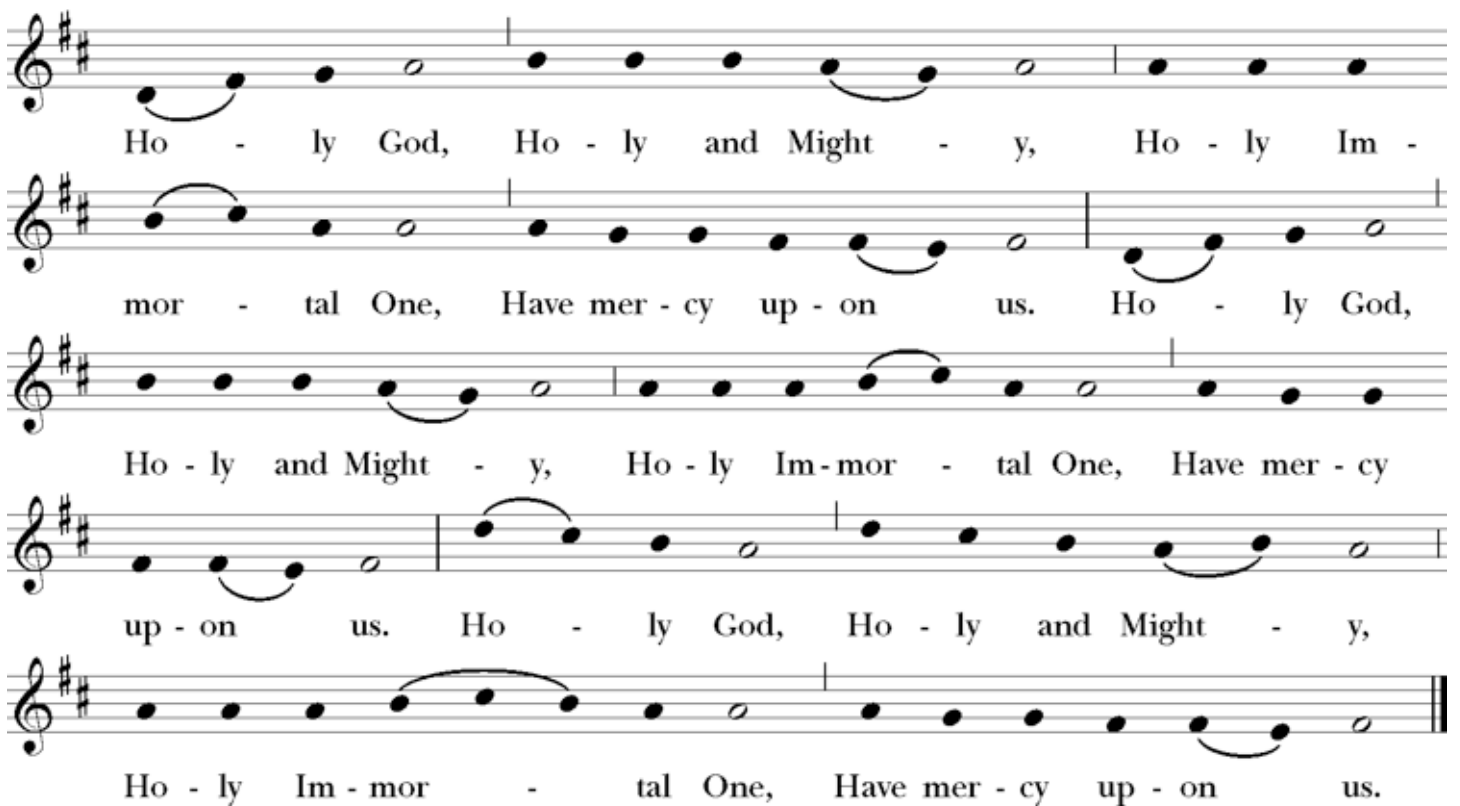
OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People *You come to your people and set them free. Amen.*

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
 mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
 Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
 up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
 Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

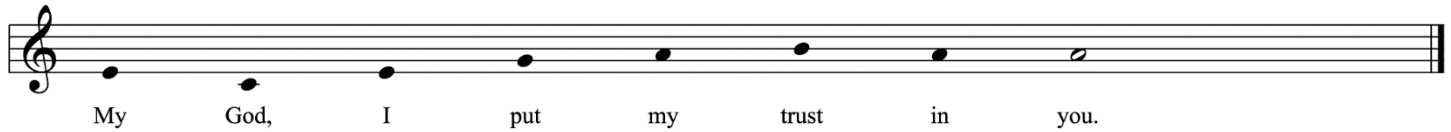
People And also with you.

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 forever. *Amen.*

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."



To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
 my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

Antiphon

Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.

Antiphon

Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

Antiphon

Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Antiphon

THE EPISTLE

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Descant

4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, thy wel - come

1 Hark! the glad sound! the Sa - vior comes, the Sa - vior
 2 He comes, the pris - oners to re - lease in Sa - tan's
 3 He comes, the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed - ing
 4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, thy wel - come

shall pro - claim; and heaven's e - ter - nal
 prom - ised long; let ev - ery heart pre -
 bond - age held; the gates of brass be -
 soul to cure; and with the trea - sures
 shall pro - claim; and heaven's e - ter - nal

arch - es ring with thy be - lov - ed Name.
 pare a throne, and ev - ery voice a song,
 fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.
 of his grace to en - rich the hum - ble poor.
 arch - es ring with thy be - lov - ed Name.

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Pamela Payne, Rector

NICENE CREED

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor As we prepare to meet the Lord Jesus, let us lift our hands in prayer and raise our heads in hope to the Lord who is our righteousness, saying: *Come, O long expected Jesus.*

For the Church: especially Sean our Presiding Bishop, Kevin our bishop, and Audrey bishop of Central Pennsylvania, that in the face of distress and anxiety, we may steadfastly proclaim the sure and certain hope of God's promised redemption. *Come, O long expected Jesus.*

For this parish family, that we may be attentive to God's presence and ready to act when God invites. *Come, O long expected Jesus.*

For all God's people, that among nations made desolate by conflict and violence, justice and righteousness may flower anew. *Come, O long expected Jesus.*

For all who live in fear and confusion, that whether rich or poor, unknown or famous, they may encounter the light of Christ that will show them the way to a fuller life. *Come, O long expected Jesus.*

For all those in any anguish of body, mind and spirit, remembering especially those we now name, that the disciples of Jesus may strengthen them with words of hope and deeds of love. *Come, O long expected Jesus.*

For those who have died, remembering especially those we now name, that they may be found blameless before God at the coming of our Savior Jesus Christ. *Come, O long expected Jesus.*

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer, St. Nicholas of Myra, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. *To you, O Lord our righteousness.*

Celebrant Holy and righteous God, hear the prayers we offer this day and raise our heads to greet the redemption that is drawing near: the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints. Glory to you forever and ever. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

The Liturgy of the Table

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Christ is the world's true light

Walter Kendal Stanton

Christ is the world's true Light, its Captain of salvation; the Daystar clear and bright of every race and nation. New life, new hope awakes wherever we own his sway; Freedom her bondage breaks, and night is turned to day. In Christ all peoples meet, their ancient feuds forgetting, the whole round world complete, from sunrise to its setting. When Christ is throned as Lord, we shall forsake our fear; To ploughshare beat the sword, to pruning hook the spear. One Lord, in one great Name unite us all who own thee; Cast out our pride and shame, that hinder to enthrone thee. The world has waited long, has travailed long in pain; To heal its ancient wrong, Come Prince of Peace and reign.

The Great Thanksgiving



Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and

great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

Hymnal S130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -".

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Andrew the Apostle, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *AMEN.*

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*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 sins
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,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.*



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



give us your peace, give us your peace.

COMMUNION

All are welcome at God's table. You may receive communion, or you may come for a blessing. The common cup is received only by sipping. Gluten-free wafers are available.

ANTHEM

Adam Lay Ybounden

Philip WJ Stopford

Adam lay ybounden, bounden in a bond; Four thousand winter thought he not too long. And all was for an apple, an apple that he took. As clerkes finden written in their book. Ne had the apple taken been, the apple taken been, ne had never our lady abeen heavene queen. Blessed be the time that apple taken was; Therefore we moun singen Deo gracias!

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

***God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Empower us by your Spirit
always to proclaim
your redeeming love to the world
and continue forever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.***

1. "Sleep - ers, wake!" A voice as - tounds us; the shout of ram - part
 2. Zi - on hears the night - watch sing - ing; her heart with joy - ful
 3. Lamb of God, the heavens a - dore you; let saints and an - gels


1. guards sur - rounds us: "A - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!"
 2. hope is spring - ing, she wakes and hur - ries through the night.
 3. sing be - fore you, as harps and cym - bals swell the sound.

1. Mid - night's peace their - cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons
 2. Forth he comes, the Bride - groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in
 3. Twelve great pearls, the cit - y's por - tals: through them we stream to

1. clear - ly spo - ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!
 2. truth vic - to - rious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.
 3. join th' im - mor - tals as we with joy your throne sur - round.

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Deacon  *People*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Wachet Auf"

Robert A. Hobby



Liturgical Ministers

December 1, 2024

The First Sunday of Advent

8:30 a.m.

Ann Szmania
Sara Klingner
Cole Hamel
Ross Mangina
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John Majczan

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Eucharistic Minister
Reader
Intercessor
Usher
Usher
Acolyte

Choir

Garry Applegate
Jonathan Boksan
Bailey Fulginiti
Stacy Gabel
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Joyce Meinke
Jody Miller

Sebastian Paff
Christina Shoemaker
Mark Shoemaker
Stephan Taylor

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK
December 1, 2024

Our Partner-Parish:

St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland in Emmaus

In the Diocese of Bethlehem:

The Rt. Rev. Kevin Nichols, our Bishop
St. Stephen's Pro-Cathedral, Wilkes-Barre

In the Anglican Communion:

Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan



Please pray for these friends in need:

Randy Alderman, Gary Battersby, Harold and Pam Basmadjian, Loretta Brobst, Maryann DiEdwardo, Joan Dawson, Jonathan Decker, Connie Evans, Eileen Gianguzi, Charles Gianguzi, Jr., George Kondash, Kay Mackewicz, Martocchio Family, Rheta and Dick Matthews, Patti Pasda, John Pierson, Michael Porter, Larry Ruppert, Jessica Sabol, David Stauffer, Carol and Jack Vickrey

To have a name placed on the parish prayer list, please send an email to:

prayerlist@trinitybeth.org - by noon on Wednesday.

Names will remain on the list for a month.

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