



# Advent Season

## Holy Eucharist – 10 am

### Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2010

### Liturgy of the Word

At the sound of the bell, all stand for the Entrance of the Ministers into the church. The Celebrant first intones the Introit:

(Antiphon) Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the skies rain down righteousness; let the earth open, that salvation may sprout forth. (Psalm) The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows God's handiwork. Glory to the Father, &c. Amen.

### Entrance Hymn 54

Savior of the nations, come

1 Sa - vior of the na - tions, come! Vir - gin's  
 2 Won - drous birth! Oh, won - drous child of the  
 3 Thus on earth the Word ap - pears, grac - ing  
 4 Come, O Fa - ther's sav - ing Son, who o'er

Son, make here your home. Mar - vel now, both  
 Vir - gin un - de - filed! Might - y God and  
 his cre - a - ted spheres; hence to death and  
 sin the vic - tory won. Bound - less shall your

heaven and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.  
 Ma - ry's son, ca - ger nose his race to run!  
 hell de - scends, then the heav - en - ly throne a - scends,  
 king - dom be; grant that we in glo - ries see.

### Penitential Order

*Celebrant*  
 Bless - ed be God: Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

*People*  
 And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Celebrant says

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8,9

The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Minister and People

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.

The Celebrant stands and says

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.

### Kyrie eleison

Sung by all.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -  
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
 on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.  
 Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### Collect of the Day

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

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The children of the parish now gather to light the Advent Wreath before going to Sunday School. They will rejoin the assembly during the Peace.

All four purple candles are lit today.

All join in saying the following prayer:

O Wisdom, holy Word of God, Jesus Christ, all things are in your hands, come and show us the way to salvation. Amen.

### Old Testament

All sit.

*Reader* A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, "Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test." Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you

to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted." (Isaiah 7:10-16)

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

**Psalm 80:1-7,16-18**

*Remain seated.*

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a **flock**; \*  
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the **cherubim**.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and **Manasseh**, \*  
stir up your strength and come to **help** us.
- 3 Restore us, O God of **hosts**; \*  
show the light of your countenance,  
and we shall be **saved**.
- 4 O LORD God of **hosts**, \*  
how long will you be angered  
despite the prayers of your **people**?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of **tears**; \*  
you have given them bowls of tears to **drink**.
- 6 You have made us the derision of our **neighbors**, \*  
and our enemies laugh us to **scorn**.
- 7 Restore us, O God of **hosts**; \*  
show the light of your countenance,  
and we shall be **saved**.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right **hand**, \*  
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from **you**; \*  
give us life, that we may call upon your **Name**.
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of **hosts**; \*  
show the light of your countenance,  
and we shall be **saved**.

**New Testament**

Reader A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (*Romans 1:1-7*)

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

**Sequence Hymn 265**

*The angel Gabriel from heaven came*

1 The an - gel Ga - bri - el from hea - ven came,  
2 "For know a bless - ed Mo - ther thou shalt be,  
3 Then gen - tile Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head,  
4 Of her, Em - man - u - el, the Christ, was born

his wings as drift - ed snow, his eyes as flame;  
"To gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee,  
in me be as it pleas - eth God," she said,  
"in Beth - le - hem, all on a Christ - mas morn,

"All hail," said he, "thou low - ly maid - en Ma - ry,  
thy Son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told,  
"my soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy his ho - ly Name."  
and Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say -

most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!  
most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!  
Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy, Glo - ri - a!  
"Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!

**Alleluia**

*All stand.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*The Celebrant sings this verse:*

A Virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and his Name shall be called Emmanuel.

*The People repeat the Alleluia Verse.*

**Holy Gospel**

*All stand.*

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do



# Liturgy of the Altar

During the Offertory Hymn, representatives of the congregation, with the children, bring the people's offerings of bread and wine for the Eucharist, money and food for those in need, to the Celebrant.

The people stand while the offerings are presented, placed at the Altar and censed.

## Offertory Hymn 56

O come, O come, Emmanuel

(Dec. 23) 1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som  
 (Dec. 17) 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest  
 (Dec. 18) 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy  
 (Dec. 19) 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from  
 (Dec. 20) 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen  
 (Dec. 21) 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us  
 (Dec. 22) 7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the  
 (Dec. 23) 8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som

1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile  
 2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge  
 3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the  
 4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to  
 5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on  
 6 by thy draw - ing night; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of  
 7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions  
 8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile

1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
 2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.  
 3 low, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.  
 4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!  
 5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.  
 6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.  
 7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.  
 8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.

Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

## Great Thanksgiving

Remain standing.

*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.

The Celebrant proceeds

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

Through the faithfulness of blessed Mary, the power of the Holy Spirit, and the obedience of blessed Joseph, you gave us your Son Emmanuel, God with us, so that we might have the perfect example of how to live and love.

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

## Sanctus (Hymnal S130)

All sing.

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.

The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

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."

*Celebrant and People*

*Celebrant*  
There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,  
*Celebrant and People*  
We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -  
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

*The Celebrant continues*

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 the Blessed Virgin Mary, James of Jerusalem, Lillian, Thomas the Apostle, Lottie, Henry 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 for ever. AMEN.

### The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant*  
As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,  
*Celebrant and People*  
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,  
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.  
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread,  
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us,  
Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,  
now and for ev - er. A - men.

### Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

### Fraction Anthem (Hymnal S164)

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.

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

*We welcome and encourage all baptized persons, including children, to receive Holy Communion. The response when receiving is "Amen."*

*To receive by intinction, hold your hands together in prayer, and the Priest will communicate you. If you do not wish to receive Communion, please come forward for a blessing from the Priest.*

*A period of quiet recollection follows the Holy Communion.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Solemn Advent Blessing

*The priest blesses the people, saying*

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. *Amen.*

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. *Amen.*

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. *Amen.*

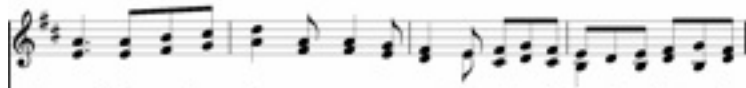
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

## Postcommunion Hymn WLP 724

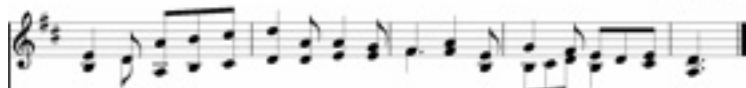
*People, look East*



1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near of the crown-ing of the  
2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is plant - ed  
3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build, guard the nest that must be  
4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl shall  
5. An - gels, an - nounce with shouts of mirth Christ who brings new life to



1. year. Make your house fair as you are a - ble, trim the hearth and set the  
2. there: give up your strength the seed to nour - ish, that in course the flow'r may  
3. filled. E - ven the hour when wings are fro - zen God for fledg - ling time has  
4. brim, shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er, bright as sun and moon to -  
5. earth. Set ev - ery peak and val - ley hum - ming with the word, the Lord is



1. ta - ble. Peo - ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the guest is on the way,  
2. flour - ish. Peo - ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the rose is on the way,  
3. cho - sen. Peo - ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the bird is on the way,  
4. geth - er. Peo - ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the star is on the way,  
5. com - ing. Peo - ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the Lord is on the way.



## Dismissal

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia.

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*The Mass being ended, the Celebrant removes the chasuble. The Celebrant and altar party proceed to the Lady Shrine to pray the Angelus, as is our custom on 3rd Sundays.*



## The Angelus

*Celebrant* The angel of the Lord announced unto Mary.  
*People* And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

*Celebrant* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

*People* Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. *Amen.*

*Celebrant* Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

*People* Be it done unto me according to your Word.

*Celebrant* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

*People* Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. *Amen.*

*Celebrant* And the Word was made flesh.

*People* And dwelt among us.

*Celebrant* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

*People* Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. *Amen.*

*Celebrant* Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

*People* That we may be made worthy of the promises  
of Christ.

*The Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

We beseech you, O Lord, pour forth your grace into our hearts, that as we have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The Celebrant and altar party proceed to the Sacristy for brief prayers after Mass. The candles are extinguished. The Celebrant returns immediately to greet the people.*

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# St. James of Jerusalem Episcopal Church

December 19, 2010



## Service Schedule for the Christmas Season



### Quietly consider...

What good is it if Mary gave birth to the Son of God two thousand years ago if I do not also give birth to Him in my heart today?

### Prayer Starter

O God, if in the busyness of this day I sometimes forget you, thank you for not forgetting me...

### Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Ann	Mae Clarke	Alan Mason
Eleanor	Bob Cottrell	Eileen McCarthy
Ellen	Laurie Hasin	Craig Perry
John	Patricia Hasin	Nick Primavera
Kay	<b>Quentin Hunter</b>	Linda Roganti
Marc	Ellen Kase	Bill Salvesson
Melody	Bernie Keller	Audrey Washinger
Steven Bank	John W. King	Darlene Wells
Ann Carlo	Suzanne Leguerre	

### Celebrations

Taylor McNamee (B 12/19), Ethan Kemler (12/24),  
Denis Nicholson, Jr. (12/24)

### Saints & Holy Days

Lillian Trasher (12/19), St. Thomas the Apostle (12/21), Lottie Moon (12/22), Henry Budd (12/22)

*Coffee hour hospitality today is being provided by Helene Oliviera. Thank you, Helene!*

- ◆ *Please remember to continue bringing **food donations** for the offertory and distribution to the poor.*
- ◆ ***Bible Study will not meet this week.** We will resume on Thursday, December 31 at 6:30 pm. In the Vicarage.*
- ◆ *Help make Sunday hospitality special - volunteer to "**host**" coffee hour. Sign up sheet on the information table or contact Moses Powell: medmass2000@yahoo.com.*

**Offertory Sentence:** To all of you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace in the name of the Lord.

### Reflection & Response

In today's gospel, Joseph faces a dilemma: reject Mary and the child, which he knows is not his, or swallow his own pride and accept Mary and the child. Though Joseph had the right to send Mary back to her family in disgrace as damaged goods, to his credit he planned on doing this as quietly as possible.

Enter the God of surprises, who reveals the child is not from some other man but God's own conception! Joseph earns his "St." when he is willing to trust the word of this God of startling revelations. Many men would have been suspicious of angels, dreams, promises and conceptions by the Holy Spirit. But Jo-

### Christmas Eve Solemn High Mass *Friday, December 24 at 7:30 pm*

This beautiful and traditional nighttime service will be followed by a festive coffee hour in the undercroft. *Please bring something to share!*

### Christmas Day Mass

*Saturday, December 25 at 9 am*

Our more quiet Christmas morning service with music. Come welcome the Christ Child in all tranquility of heart.

### First Sunday after Christmas Day

*Sunday, December 26 at 8 & 10 am*

Continue your celebration of the Twelve Days of Christmas by attending Mass on the Lord's Day. This is also the Feast of St. Stephen, or "Boxing Day".

### Feast of the Holy Name

*Saturday, January 1 at 10 am*

Get your New Year off to the right kind of start with this simple service of the spoken Word and Sacrament, in honor of the Name above every name, the Holy Name of Jesus.

### Second Sunday after Christmas Day:

#### Feast of the Holy Family

*Sunday, January 2 at 8 & 10 am*

On this day, we honor the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. We will also celebrate the Blessing of the Chalk, for the Epiphany marking of doorways at home.

### Baptism of the Lord

#### with the Great Blessing of the Waters

*Sunday, January 9, 8 & 10 am*

In this extraordinary service, the Church recalls Christ's baptism in the Jordan and our baptismal incorporation into Him. At the 10 am service, we will also bless holy water using a special liturgy for the day.

### Epiphany Home Blessings

*January 6 – February 11 & February 24 – March 8*

It is traditional for the parish priest to bless homes during Epiphany. If you would like Father Chris to bless your home, please contact him at [frchris@stjameslongbeach.org](mailto:frchris@stjameslongbeach.org).

seph's willingness to cooperate is one of many stunners in a story filled with new directions.

Joseph's choice came early in a long series of radical breakthroughs. The shattering of narrow limits and the initiative that surpasses our wildest dreams continue. According to Nathan Mitchell, this God of Jesus refuses to act like we think God should. God's reign inaugurates a "divine new way of acting that defies all previous categories of perception and interpretation... It means that God's lot is now the human one, that henceforth God's power is exercised entirely on behalf of humankind."

# Christmas 2010 *A message from the Presiding Bishop*

By Katharine Jefferts Schori

*The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.* —Isaiah 9:2

That's how the first lesson of Christmas Eve opens. It's familiar and comforting, as the familiar words go on to say that light has shined on those who live in deep darkness, that God has brought joy to people living under oppression, for a child has been borne to us. The name of that child is Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace — and God is bringing an endless peace through an heir to the throne of David (vv 3, 4, 6, 7).

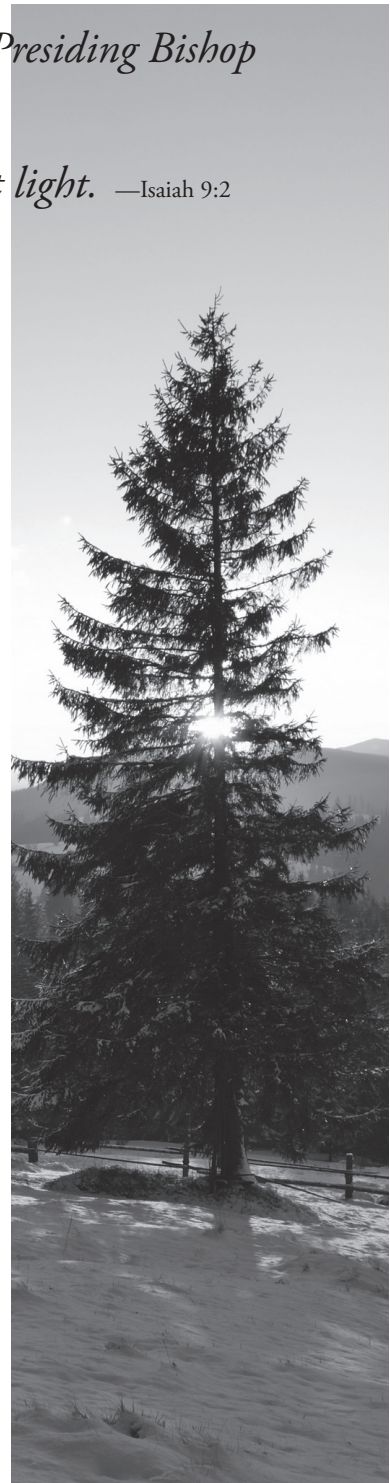


This year we're going to hear a bit we haven't heard in Episcopal churches before, in that missing verse 5. It's pretty shocking, but it helps explain why the hunger for light is so intense, and the joy so great when it comes: "For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire." The coming of this prince of peace will mean the end of all signs of war and violence. An occupied people will finally live in peace, without anxiety about who or what will confront them the next time they go out their front doors.

People in many parts of this world still live with the echo of tramping boots and the memory of bloody clothing. Many Episcopalians are living with that anxiety right now, particularly in Haiti and Sudan. Americans know it through the ongoing anxiety after September 11 and in the wounded soldiers returning to their families and communities, grievously changed by their experience of war. Remember the terror of war when you hear those words about light on Christmas Eve. Remember the hunger for peace and light when you hear the shocking promise that a poor child born in a stable will lead us all into a world without war. Remember the power of light when you go out into the darkness after hearing those words — and pray that you and those around you may become instruments of peace.

*Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!* —Luke 2:14

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