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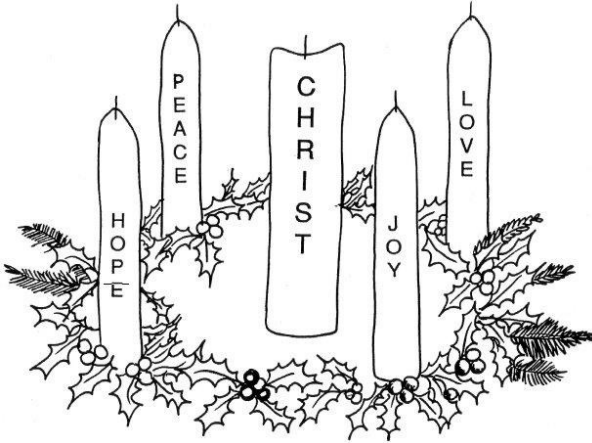
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INTENTION FOR THE YEAR:

**Proclaiming and Sharing The Good News of Jesus Christ
In A Challenging Culture**

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The Rector is out of Office on Mondays

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Celebrant: Jesus says, “Surely I am Coming Soon!”

All: Amen, Come, Lord Jesus!

Celebrant: Blessed be God Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: Blessed be God’s Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: Today is the First Sunday of Advent and we will light the Candle of Hope.

Introduction to the observance of Advent - Sunday School (All sit)

THE BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH (All stand)

Celebrant: Dearly beloved, now we stand in the house of the Lord, at the center of a universe which is not ours as we know it. As we prepare to worship the living God, let us call to mind in silence the divine Presence that surrounds our lives. It is our Holy God who calls us by name and draws us into the mystery of Christ Jesus who is alive and in our midst.

Silence

Celebrant:

You are just, O Holy One, great and amazing are your deeds, Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, King of the nations! As you reveal your majesty in your son Jesus Christ at His first coming, so may this Advent Wreath and Candles be to us a sign of your presence this Advent tide Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

The Candle of Hope

The Christian Hope is rooted in Christ risen and ascended, who will come again in glory and in power to judge. He will make all things new. “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.” (Matthew 25:31-32) Our hope also is to live with confidence in newness and fullness of life, and to await the coming of Christ in glory, and the completion of God’s purpose in the world. (BCP pg.413)

Celebrant: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Hymn: O come, Emmanuel (first stanza only)

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the son of God appear.

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Celebrant: On this First Sunday of Advent, we light the candle of Hope.
(First Candle is lit)

Celebrant: Hope is like a light shining in a dark place.

People: As we look at the light of this candle we celebrate the hope we
have in Jesus Christ.

Celebrant: let us pray:

**All : God of Abraham and Sarah and all the Patriarchs of old, you are our
Father too. Your love is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, Son of God, and
son of David. Help us today and every day to worship you, to hear your
word , and to do your will by sharing your hope with others. We ask it in
the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen**

THE TRISAGION

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: The Lord is here.

People: His Spirit is with us!

President: Let us pray.

The Collect:

First Sunday of Advent

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MINISTRY OF THE WORD (All sit)

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Leader: Lord, you are ever among us. Open our eyes to your presence, that your church may be true to its mission, that each congregation may proclaim your goodness, that all of us may show forth your glory. We pray for shepherds of your flock, for all ministers of your word and sacrament for John, Archbishop, Howard, Diocesan Bishop, Robert and Leon, Suffragan Bishops, for Sirrano, Orlando, Andrea, and all clergy and church workers.

Lord, come down

All: Come in, come among us

Leader: Lord of the Nations, we pray for our nation and leaders; for Patrick, Governor General, Andrew, Prime Minister, Portia, leader of the Parliamentary Opposition, members of the House of Representatives and for all members of the judiciary that they may serve justice, protect and promote the welfare and well-being of our people.

Lord, come down

All: Come in, come among us

Leader: To our homes as we prepare for your coming, to our loved ones as they reveal to us your love, to our work, that it may show forth your presence, into our leisure and into our pleasures. We pray that we may be protected from the ravages of hurricane, storms, drought and flood.

Lord, come down

All: Come in, come among us

Leader: To all who long for release, to all who cry in pain to the sick in body, in mind and spirit, to those who can no longer cope, to all who are oppressed and in darkness, to all who watch, wait and weep for you. We pray for the sick and shut-in...

Lord, come down

All: Come in, come among us

Leader: That we may know that life is eternal, that loved ones departed are in your keeping that we may rejoice in hope, that we may come to your glory. We commend to you all our loved ones and friends who have departed this life especially....

Lord, come down

All: Come in, come among us

Visioning Prayer

Almighty and ever-living God, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth, and by whose grace we have been called into a goodly fellowship of faith: Send down upon our bishops, other clergy, and all your faithful people an outpouring of your Holy Spirit for the renewal and mission of your Church. Give us a vision of where you would lead your Church, and so discern new things that you are doing in your Church and the world. By your grace, save us from unnecessary distractions, so that we may be able to determine your will for us, go forward perceiving that which is right, and have the courage to pursue the same, to the end that we may utilize the gifts which you have given to each of us for the furtherance of your will in simplicity, confidence and steadfastness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SICK AND SHUT - IN

Heron Wright

Hilary Phillips

Marjorie Stewart

Mildred Johnson

John Patterson

Charles Henry

Atheline Mantock

Myrtle Smith

Carol Lawla

Beryl Gillies

Faith Formation and Christian Education

Did you know?

As members of the Anglican Church we believe that Christ will come again in Glory to judge the living and the dead. At His coming God will raise us up from death in the fullness of our being that we may live with Christ in the communion of the saints (BCP 1994).

Quote for reflection

Jesus promised that He will come again and He will. We are [therefore] called to live lives that are holy, pure and right before God. If we do so, then Jesus gives a wonderful promise. He says that when He does come again, He will bring His reward with Him, so that each of us can be rewarded for what we have done. (Jan de Wet, *Words of Jesus for daily living*, 2007).

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK Nov. 27 - Dec. 3

Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	4:00 p.m.	Mothers' Union
Wednesday	6:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist - St. Andrew the Apostle
	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion to sick and shut-in. (Clergy)
	5:30 p.m.	Festal Evensong
Thursday	5:30 p.m.	SAPC Choir Rehearsal
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
Saturday	11:00 a.m.	Little Brothers
	2:00 p.m.	Alleluia Choir Rehearsal
	5:00 p.m.	Youth Fellowship

PARISH NEWS

Birthdays for this week: Jennifer Goodison and Ashleigh Davis 11/27, Shaun James, Donna Evelyn and Julianne Teape 11/28, Gwendolyn Saunders and Kaye-Anne Parke 11/29, Dawn Seaton, Jacqueline Mighty and Hazel Bell 12/01, Javan Patel 12/02, Gloria Laing and Michael Grant 12/03.

Congratulations to Leonard and Stephanie Green who will celebrate 64 years of marriage on the 29th.

A Festal Evensong will be held at 5:30 p.m. on St. Andrew's Day, Wednesday, November 30, 2016.

The Friends of the St. Andrew Parish Church Sunday School's annual Christmas Cake & Pudding sale is on every Sunday from November 9 - December 18, 2016.

Our Diocese has launched a Haiti relief fund. Cheques should be made payable to "Diocesan Church Fund", and on the back Haiti Appeal. Contributions should be delivered to Church House by November 30, 2016.

Patronal Festival will be celebrated on Sunday Dec. 4, 2016 at 7:30 a. m. We will have **ONLY ONE** service as we worship as a church family.

January and November Rally Groups will be meeting in the Fellowship Court immediately following the 8:00 a.m. service today.

Our Annual Gift Days will be from December 11 - 18, 2016

The Harvest Supper Committee would like to thank everyone for their support and contributions in making this year's supper a success.

This year's Carol Service will be held on December 11 at 6:00 p.m. "Daily reflections for Advent and Christmas"; St. Jude's writers, are

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 27, 2016 - Year A

Stewardship of Creation and the Environment

6:30 a.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST

Old Testament
Psalm 122
BCP (page 641)
Epistle
Gospel
Prayer of Intercession

Isaiah 2:1 - 5 Cyril Bridge
Refrain: (All sit) *"I rejoiced when I heard them say;
Let us go into the house of the Lord"*
Romans 13: 11 - 14 Sharon Northover
Matthew 24: 36 - 44
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8::00 a.m.

SUNG EUCHARIST AND SERMON

(Corporate for the Altar Guild)

Processional
Old Testament
Psalm 122
BCP (page 641)
Epistle
Gradual
Gospel
Sermon
Prayer of Intercession
Offertory Hymn
During Communion
Sunday School
Recessional

35 - Tune Aurelia
Isaiah 2:1 - 5 Tryphena Goldson
Refrain: (All sit) *"I rejoiced when I heard them say;
Let us go into the house of the Lord"*
Romans 13: 11 - 14 Paulette Hollingsworth
300 (Children leave for Sunday School)
Matthew 24: 36 - 44
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10:30 a.m.

SERMON AND HOLY BAPTISM

Processional
Old Testament
Psalm 122
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Epistle
Gradual
Gospel
Sermon
The Nicene Creed
Prayer of Intercession
Offertory Hymn
During Communion
Recessional

35
Isaiah 2:1 - 5
Refrain: (All sit) *"As the salvation
of our God" Alleluia*
Romans 13: 11 - 14
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Matthew 24: 36 - 44
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5:00 p.m.

JOINT FELLOWSHIP GROUP SERVICE