

ST.GEORGE'S CHURCH FLUSHING

Leadership

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| Priest in Charge 主理牧師 | The Rev. Paul Xie |
| Associate Priest 副牧師 | The Rev. Carrie Lu Zhang |
| Deacon 會吏 | The Rev. Majorie Boyden-Edmonds |
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Sunday Services

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| 9:30 AM English Service | 11:00AM Chinese Service: | 1:00PM Spanish Service |
| 9:30 AM Servicio en inglés | 11:00AM Servicio en chino | 1:00PM Servicio en español |
| 上午9:30 英文崇拜 | 上午11:00 中文崇拜 | 下午1:00 西班牙文崇拜 |

Wednesday Services

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| 10:00AM Chinese Service |
| 10:00AM Servicio en chino |
| 上午10:00 中文崇拜 |

Thursday Morning Prayer

10:00AM English, in the Chapel

All are welcome!

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Welcome

You are all one in Christ Jesus —Galatians 3:28

Second Sunday of Advent

English Service
December 10, 2023
9:30 am



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Welcome to St. George's

Welcome! Whoever you are, whatever your origin, wherever you are in your spiritual pilgrimage, you are one of us: *a child of God.*

St. George's Parish is a Christian community that celebrates the wondrous diversity of God's people; we are an inter-cultural church where worship is offered each week in three languages: English, Mandarin and Spanish.

We trust that God has called you here today. Please complete a visitor's envelope so we can tell you more about St. George's.

If you are unfamiliar with the pattern of worship in the Episcopal Church, simply relax in the liturgy and allow the rest of those present to carry you along in your worship, participate and be comfortable. You are invited to share Holy Communion with the congregation and we hope you will come to the coffee hour in the Parish Hall following this service.

Once again, welcome to this very old church that ministers in the present for the sake of a vibrant and faithful future.

In preparation for worship please silence all cell phones.

Communion Hymn - 339 & 693

Post Communion Prayer

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Hymn in Procession - 559

Postlude

Sunday December 10, 2023

A Big Welcome To All Who Visit Us This Morning!

Intentions for intercession

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: For the Anglican Communion

Diocesan Cycle: For the Diocese of Long Island

Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Diocesan Bishop Lawrence Provenzano. Assisting Bishops GERALYN WOLF and WILLIAM FRANKLIN, DANIEL ALLOTEY. Our Parish Clergy Fr. Paul Xie, Rev. Carrie Lu Zhang and Deacon Marjorie Boyden-Edmonds.

We remember in our prayers for healing of Body, Mind and Spirit the following persons:

Lida & Lloyd Watson, Kevin Pilgrim, Elveta Ford, David Lee, Kenny Brown, Robert Paul Ramirez, Emma Morales, Gladys Gonzalez, Lois Newland, Henry Chang, Alison Murray, Nadine Wilkinson, Jason Ramsay, Daniel Mason, Desmond Chambers, Debbie Rainford, Deshaine Rainford, Dwight Phillips, Merle Solomon, Candice Mothersille, Beverly Dixon, Carlos Morales, Naylin Vega, Olga Gooding, Hilary Mears, Diane Ruiz, Thelma Browne, Venita Turner, Rebecca Gardner and Winnifred Barnett, Muriel Paisley-Prawl & Eric Prawl and Dana Corbie.

*Please note that names will remain on the prayer list for 3 months.
Please call the office, (718) 359-1171, to renew your prayer request.*

THANK YOU

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

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 baptizer 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 baptized 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 baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

Sermon**The Nicene Creed**

BCP p. 358

The Prayers of the People

Form III

BCP p. 387

Confession of Sin

BCP p. 360

Peace**Presentation**

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THE LITURGY OF EUCHARISTY**The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A**

BCP p. 361

Sanctus and Benedictus - S 125**The Lord's Prayer - S119**

Plainchant

Breaking of the Bread

BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem - S 164

Schubert

Second Sunday of Advent**Prelude****Gathering and Entrance Rites****Hymn in Procession – 76****Advent Candle Lighting****Leader :**

Almighty God, grant that the love of your son, Jesus Christ, may so light our whole lives that we need never again walk in darkness. Amen.

All :

Two candles, burning bright,
Chasing away the darkness from light.
Two candles, glowing light,
The blessing of God, giving new sight.

Prayer Hymn:**The Hymnal 1982 #56 (3&4 Verses)****Holy Eucharist: Rite II****BCP355****HYMN: Holy God #S102**

Collect of the Day

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.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 40:1-11

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 forever. 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.

Psalm: 85:1-2, 8-13

- 1 You have been gracious to your land, O Lord, you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
- 2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your people and blotted out all their sins.
- 8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.

- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

The Second Reading

2 Peter 3:8-15a

But 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.

The Gospel Acclamation

||:Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia :||

Whoever Keeps the Word of Christ,

The Love of God is Truly Perfected in him.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia