

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CLINTON PARISH
Diocese of Washington
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THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PROPER 29

THE REIGN OF CHRIST

9:00 AM

NOVEMBER 22, 2020



The Rev. Fanny Sohet Belanger, Priest-in-Charge

*We welcome you as we worship together this morning.
So we can all worship in unison, please try to speak just a little slower than
the leader each time you are invited to participate in prayer.
And remember to mute your microphone at all other times.*

PRELUDE "At the Name of Jesus"

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELCIS

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Service continues on the next page.

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS *The people sit.*

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel 34: 11 – 16, 20 – 24

(LECTOR)

For thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their

shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

Leader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 100 *Jubilate Deo*

(LEM 2)

Read responsively at the asterisk

1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

2 Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

4 For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Lessons continue on the next page.

A reading from The Letter of Paul to the Ephesians 1: 15 – 23 **(LEM 1)**

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please note that from now on everyone, except the Officiant and preacher, will be automatically muted before the Gospel through the end of the sermon. There are instructions for unmuting both laptops and phones following the sermon

The Gospel begins on the next page.

Officiant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Matthew 25: 31 – 46

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "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, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

After the gospel

Officiant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

MESSAGE

The Rev. Fanny Sohet Belanger

Sermon link: <http://fifth.belanger.fr>

*After the sermon you can unmute your laptop, by clicking on the unmute button and to unmute from a phone, you need to press *6.*

HYMN "Before the Lord's Eternal Throne"

THE NICENE CREED *Officiant and People*

(LEM 1)

**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.**

INTERCESSION

(LEM 2)

Let us pray for the following:

For the Anglican Communion:

Pray for The Church of Bermuda

(Extra-Provincial to the Archbishop of Canterbury)

The Rt. Revd. Nicholas Dill – Bishop of Bermuda

For the Diocese:

St. Andrew's Church, College Park

St. Andrew's Church, Leonardtown

Church of the Holy Comforter, DC

Daughters of the King

Thanksgiving Day (November 26) Pray for our national life and all of God's blessings.

For the healing of body, mind and spirit:

Jock Banks

Pamela Banks

Helen Becker

Christine Bileduy

Mary Blouin

Philippe Borel

Edith Curley Brown

Christine Buchanan

Cassandra Burton

Malachi Burton

David Carr

Aaron Chambers

Daphne Chambers

Sharon Clements

Gregory Crowe

Kristie Davis

Brandon Davis

Alice Dove

Karen Dunlop

Brooke Emerson

Rhonda Evans

Lynn Ferris

Abner Gibson, Jr.

Nicole Grant

Jessica Hershman

Tatiana Holland

Robert Holmes

Desirae Hurley

Sharon Kramarich

Bob Lau

Gloria Lau

Lynne Lau

Mike Maine

Christine Mansuy-Rivera

Jeraldine Massey

Diana Morris

Dorothy Mundy

Cheryl Owens

Diane Owens

Joyce Ramsey

Charles Ramsey

Kelly Rice

Rosetta Robinson

Arline Russell

George Russell

Renate Schlett

Sylvia Spruill

Roberta Taylor

Diana Terry

Marilyn Thompson

Gary Thompson

Marge Travis

Joseph Gabriel Travis

John Travis

Diana Trzaskowski
Ruth Vincent

Cynthia Veale
Scott Vining

Jim Williams
Judy Williams

For those who are homebound: Laura Mack and Hilda Norwood

For those serving in the US Armed Services:

Alex and Taylor Carr – Grandsons of Jim and Ruth Carr

Christopher Conti – Son of Cynthia Allen

Joseph (JD) Lau- Grandson of Bob and Lynne Lau

Chris Orrison – Husband of Kim Orrison

Demarais Roach – Godson of Ernest Norwood

Phil Lance – Grandson of Janet Sullivan

Don LaVoe Wright, Jr. – Son of Billie Jean Wright

Tregenza Henry – Husband of Jean Henry

Sylvan Evald Smith – Granddaughter of Christina Evald

Andrew and Luke Travis – Grandsons of Marge Travis

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM I

(LEM 2)

The Leader and People pray responsively

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying,
“Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God,
and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church
of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishops Mariann and Chilton, for our Priest-in-Charge, Fanny,
and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, President-elect, for the leaders of the nations,
and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Prayers continue on the next page.

For this community of Clinton, for every city, town and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, those sick with COVID, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed, and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Prayers continue on the net page.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering
and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us,
O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves,
and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN *Officiant and People*

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you
We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves,
and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
The evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

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

Collect and prayers continue on the next page.

COLLECT FOR RACIAL JUSTICE

Gracious and loving God, you have made us in your image, and called us to be the body of Christ. We have not honored your image in one another; we have not loved others as you have loved us. Forgive us our sin of not seeing you in each other. This pandemic has highlighted the racial disparities in our communities. The violence toward people of color has sickened us. Now give us strength to stand up and work with all the strength we possess to bring racial justice in our church and in our community. Give us the will to do your will in this work. In the name of Jesus, who always stood with people who were oppressed, even when it cost him his life. **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR THE SICK *BCP, p. 458*

O Father of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need: We humbly beseech you to behold, visit, and relieve your sick servants for whom our prayers are desired. Look upon them with the eyes of your mercy; comfort them with a sense of your goodness; preserve them from the temptations of the enemy; and give them patience under their affliction. In your good time, restore them to health, and enable them to lead the residue of their lives in your fear, and to your glory; and grant that finally they may dwell with you in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR DOCTORS AND NURSES *BCP, p. 460*

Sanctify, O Lord, those whom you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing, and to the prevention of disease and pain. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that by their ministries the health of the community may be promoted and your creation glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 830, # 50

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant as he/she begins another year. Grant that he/she may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his/her trust in your goodness all the days of his/her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers continue on the next page.

ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who settest the solitary in families: We commend to thy continual care the homes in which thy people dwell. Put far from them, we beseech thee, every root of bitterness, the desire of vain glory, and the pride of life. Fill them with faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness.

Knit together in constant affection those who, in holy wedlock, have been made one flesh. Turn the hearts of the parents to the children, and the hearts of the children to the parents; and so enkindle fervent charity among us all, that we may evermore be kindly affectioned one to another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE TRAVELING *The Book of Common Prayer, p. 831, # 53*

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE EXCHANGE OF THE PEACE

All stand.

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

You are invited to participate in communion by placing before you a small amount of bread or crackers and wine or juice. Place your hands on them as the Celebrant recites the words of consecration. Please, eat and drink reverently as you would do in church and don't keep any leftovers.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer B*

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Officiant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

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 in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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:

Officiant and People

THE SANCTUS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest

Then the Officiant continues on the next page.

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." (*Touch the bread*)

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." (*Touch the cup*)

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Officiant and People

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

The Officiant 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.

(Touch the bread and the cup)

Officiant continues Eucharistic Prayer on the next page.

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 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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Officiant and people

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

(Break the bread)

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Officiant continues with The Fraction on the next page.

THE FRACTION

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.

(Eat and drink)

COMMUNION ANTHEM “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!”

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Officiant says

Let us pray.

Officiant 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.

THE BLESSING

To make a difference in someone’s life, you don’t have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful or perfect. You just have to care.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PRAYER

O God, give me clean hands, clean words and clean thoughts. Help me to stand for the hard right against the easy wrong. Save me from habits that harm. Teach me to work as hard, and play as fair in thy sight alone as if the whole world saw. Forgive me when I am unkind, and help me to forgive those who are unkind to me. Keep me ready to help others at some cost to myself. Send me chances to do a little good every day, and so grow more like Christ. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

LEM: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

POSTLUDE “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”

Assisting in the Service:

Organist: Gregory Crowe

LEMS: Quentin Banks (LEM 1); Art Taylor (LEM 2& POP);
Joshua Lee (LECTOR)

Lessons for The First Sunday of Advent, December 29, 2020:

Isaiah 4: 1 – 9; Psalm 80: 1 – 7, 16 – 18; 1 Corinthians 1: 3 – 9;
Mark 13: 24 – 37

LEMs for The First Sunday of Advent, December 29, 2020:

Luan George (LEM 1); Deirdre Lee (LEM 2 & POP); Joy Lee (LECTOR)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In light of the developments surrounding the COVID-19 virus in this diocese, there will be NO indoors Sunday Services offered at Christ Church until further notice. Worship will take place via Zoom / Zoom conference call every Sunday at 9:00am and outdoors at 11:00am. The bulletins will be posted on line: <https://christchurchclinton.org/news/>

All church activities including Thrift store, AA, OA have been cancelled and the church doors will remain closed until reopening, possibly in September. The church staff is to working from home and the church volunteers are asked to suspend all their activities. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to reach out to Rev Fanny by phone 571 431 9373 or email: rev.fanny.belanger@outlook.com

VACATION. Rev. Fanny will be on vacation from 11/29 through 12/5. We need someone to volunteer to officiate and preach a service of Morning Prayer on 11/29. Please let Rev. Fanny know if you would like to volunteer to officiate and/or preach on 11/29.

ANNUAL REPORTS. It's that time of year again. In order to be included in the Christ Church Annual Report, organization and committee 2019 reports are due in the church office no later than December 11, 2020. They can be emailed to the church at christchurchclinton@verizon.net. The Annual Meeting will be held on January 24, 2021, following the 9:00 AM service.



SUNDAY SCHOOL. Calling all kids – pre-k through high school – online Sunday School meets via Zoom every Sunday at 1:00 PM. The Zoom link will be emailed every week. Contact Jo Appold or Rev. Fanny to add your child's name and email address to the Sunday School List.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAY AT 11:30AM. Don't forget to join us, as we will gather on the deck in Cassandra Burton Fellowship Grove for a short service of midday prayer, from *A New Zealand Prayer Book*. The bulletin will be downloadable on the church website.

If you want to participate, please read and send back by **mail or email only** the Regathering Covenant you will find on the Diocesan website: https://www.edow.org/files/2015/8998/3088/Covenant_for_Regathering_in_Worship.pdf. The Regathering Covenant must be emailed or mailed to the church office.

As you come to worship, you will be asked to **wear a mask covering your nose and mouth at all times** during the service. You need to bring your own seat and keep at least 6 feet from all people who aren't from your household.

If you're feeling unwell, have been recently sick or if a member of your family is sick, you are asked to stay at home.

The building will be closed and there will be no possibility to use the facilities, except in case of emergency.

The service may be cancelled at any time, due to weather concerns or safety issues. If you need to make sure the service is being held, please call Dave Jackson or Rev. Fanny.

In spite of all those limitations, we are looking forward to seeing you there. We hope you'll enjoy this opportunity to worship on our beautiful grounds and see each other again (even if from a distance)!

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY. Bible Study meets every Tuesday at 6:00 PM. We'll discuss the readings for the next Sunday and then have a short service of prayer, called Compline. The ancient office of Compline derives its name from a Latin word meaning 'completion' (*completorium*). It is above all a service of quietness and reflection before rest at the end of the day.

The readings are listed in the Sunday bulletin every week. They are also posted on the Adult Education page of the church's website (christchurchclinton.org).

The meeting is on Zoom only - you can connect either from your laptop or from your phone. (Note: Joining Zoom from your phone is as simple as joining for church conference call on Sunday)

Use the following link:

<https://bbbwisegivingalliance.zoom.us/j/94331032184?pwd=V3JHNEY3MjIHTlhKTlg5VmZ1NiZaQT09> or call: 301 715 8592 and ID 943 310 321 84. If you would like some guidance on how to use Zoom, you can reach out to Art Taylor.

ADVENT VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY. Based on the book "Incarnation" by Adam Hamilton. Every Friday of Advent at 7pm

Learn the meaning behind the names of Christ and the difference He makes in our lives this Christmas.

His parents gave him the name Jesus. But the prophets, the shepherds, the wise men, and the angels addressed him by other names. They called him Lord, Messiah, Savior, Emmanuel, Light of the World, and Word Made Flesh. In Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas, best-selling author Adam Hamilton examines the names of Christ used by the gospel writers, exploring the historical and personal significance of his birth. This Advent season church families will come together to remember what's important. In the face of uncertainty and conflict, Christians reclaim the Christ child who brings us together, heals our hearts, and calls us to bring light into the darkness. Now more than ever, we invite you to reflect upon the significance of the Christ child for our lives and world today!

We will meet on Fridays Nov 27, Dec 4, Dec 11 and Dec 18 at 7:00 PM via Zoom or by phone call – Use the same access you use to connect for Sunday Service.

Order your book now!

Announcements continue on next page.

HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE. There will be a service on Thanksgiving Day at 9:00 AM via Zoom. During Advent we will be using Rite 1 for Morning Prayer and Eucharist. On Christmas Eve, we will have an outdoor service at 3:00 PM. The second Christmas Eve service will begin at 6:00 PM via Zoom.

VOLUNTEER PEN PAL OPPORTUNITY. Interfaith Action for Human Rights is looking for volunteers to become Pen Pals for people who are incarcerated. Please, be in touch with Rev. Fanny for more details or go on line: <https://www.interfaithactionhr.org/> for more information

FOOD FOR THE POOR HURRICANE ETA RELIEF

Dear Friend,

Hurricane Eta has wreaked havoc on countries in the Caribbean and Latin America. Communities already struggling with the impact of the coronavirus pandemic are now dealing with flooding and deadly mudslides. This has caused great damage to homes and agriculture, leaving thousands of children and their families hungry and homeless.

Since our humble beginnings 38 years ago, the church has been the first to come to our aid in portraying God's love in action. The generosity of the Body of Christ, and our well-suited location in South Florida, have empowered Food For The Poor to become extremely efficient in responding to disasters in a timely and cost-effective manner.

We have both short-term and long-term plans to help the thousands suffering in poverty whose plight has been worsened by this crisis. As our faithful partner, we ask that you, together with your congregation, become beacons of God's love by answering the fervent prayers of these traumatized people. You can be the light of Christ in this painful darkness for families in dire need.

In the meantime, we ask that you stand by for updates. We earnestly request your prayers, and those of your congregation, for all those affected by this devastating storm.



A toddler is carried over a flooded street in the aftermath of Hurricane Eta in Jerusalem, Honduras. Eta made landfall in Nicaragua as a Category 4 hurricane on Tuesday Nov 03, 2020, and has devastated much of Central America, with severe flooding, mudslides, and a rising death toll while displacing thousands from their homes, (AP Photo/Delmer Martinez)

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