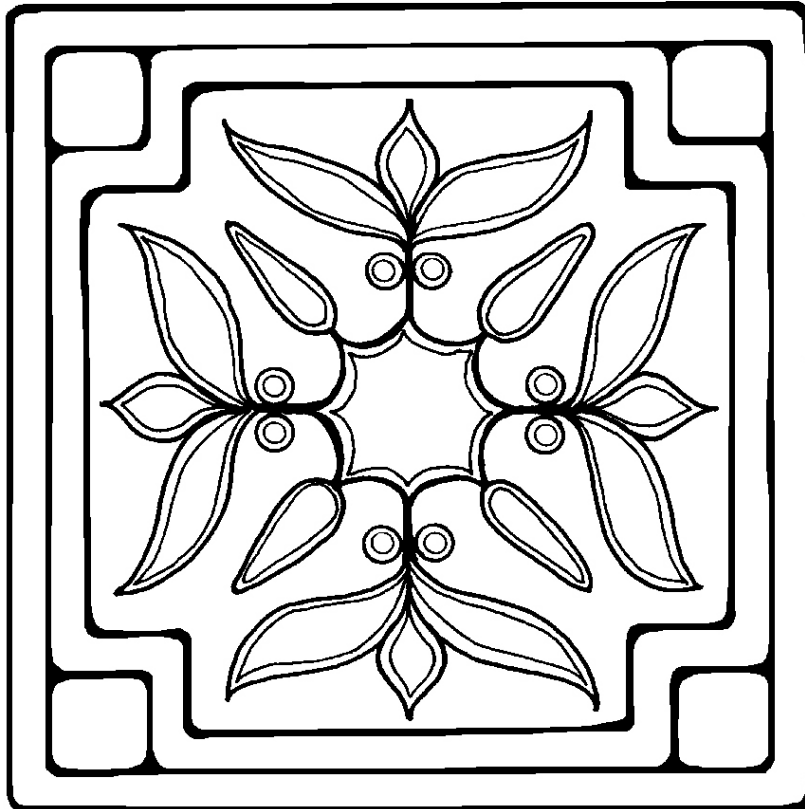


The First Sunday in Advent
November 24, 2024 - 10:15 a.m.



St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church
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through the love of Jesus Christ.*

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Welcome! We are a diverse community committed to carrying out Christ's mission in the world around us, strengthened, nurtured, and guided by the presence of the Holy Spirit. Some of us were born into the Episcopal Church, some of us were received into it as adults, and some of us are discovering it for the first time. We come from various occupations, family configurations, educational backgrounds, interests, and talents. We have found hospitality here, and invite you to join us.

Our religious tradition is best known for the beauty of its Anglican music and liturgy. Contemporary issues are tested by the standards of scripture, tradition, reason, and experience. The conscience of the individual is highly respected, and corporate worship is the means by which Christ shapes our moral values, nurtures and guides our spiritual formation, shapes the character and community of the faithful, and equips us for mission and ministry. If you are not currently active in another congregation, please accept this invitation to worship with us, and to make our church your own.

**The First Sunday in Advent
December 1, 2024**

10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Hymn 59

Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding

Merton

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Canticle 20 S-280

Gloria in excelsis

Powell

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray:

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 for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

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."

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-9

- 1 To you, O God, 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.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O God, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 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.
- 5 Remember, O God, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O God.
- 7 Gracious and upright are you; *
therefore you teach sinners in your way.
- 8 You guide the humble in doing right *
and teach your way to the lowly.
- 9 All your paths are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

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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.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 63, vss. 1-2

O Heavenly Word

Plainsong

Luke 21:25-36

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn 63, vss. 3-4

O Heavenly Word

Plainsong

Sermon

The Rev. James Hughes

The 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.

Prayers of the People by Nathan Harpine, Seminarian

God of Light, we pray together for this community, the church, and the world; saying In your Mercy, Hear our Prayer

You call us into your love; we pray for the unity and mission of the church of God, especially for the Diocese of Virginia, Our Bishops, Clergy, and Lay Leaders. In your Mercy,
Hear our Prayer

You call us into your service, we pray for all members of the church in their vocation and ministry. In your Mercy,
Hear our Prayer

You knit us into one body; we give thanksgiving and pray for our sister Parish, Igelisa Episcopal San Juan Baptisia, and the Diocese of Cuba. In your Mercy,
Hear our Prayer

You emptied yourself for our sake, we pray for all who hold authority, that they may use their power for the Good of all people. In your Mercy,
Hear our Prayer

You created the heavens and the earth, we pray for the wisdom to conserve the earth and to use its resources wisely. We pray for all those who work for peace, especially for those who are deployed. In your Mercy,
Hear our Prayer

You thought us to pray for our daily bread. We pray that all people may have good food to eat, shelter from the elements, and the opportunity to learn and grow. We pray to you especially for the work of FACETS, ACCA, Hypothermia Shelter and ASYP. In your Mercy,
Hear our Prayer

You healed the sick, we pray to you for all people who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, and those who care for them, especially the Caritas team and the Prayer Chain and everyone on the St. Barnaba's Prayer List. In your Mercy,
Hear our Prayer

You teach us in your way, we pray that we may learn from one another. We pray especially for Adult Christian Education, Sunday School, Children's Chapel, and those institutions of higher learning, and those in confirmation class. In your Mercy,
Hear our Prayer

You teach us by the example of your saints; we pray for all those who have died. Especially those we name either silently or out loud (*silence may be kept*)

That they may be united with you and that we may follow their example of faith. In your Mercy,
Hear our Prayer

You wept at the tomb of Lazarus, be present and comfort all who Mourn. In your Mercy,
Hear our Prayer

You know our needs before we ask, grant us in this life the wisdom to serve you and one another, and in the next life, union with you all of your saints. In your Mercy,
Hear our Prayer

The Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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 Priest 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.**

The Peace

All stand as able

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

The Prayers for Birthdays & Anniversaries

All those with Birthdays and Anniversaries this week are invited to come to the front for prayer.

Watch over your *child/children* [____], O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when they stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants [____ and ____ *etc*], that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Liturgy of the Table

Celebrant

May the peace which passes all understanding guard your hearts and minds, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Offertory

The Linden Tree Carol

Reginald Jacques

Doxology 380 v. 3

Praise to God

Old 100

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 1

Enriching Our Worship

The people stand in body or spirit. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is for the Celebrant and the second for the People. The third and fourth staves are for the Celebrant and People respectively. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

Celebrant

It is truly right, and good and joyful,
to give you thanks, all-holy God,
source of life and fountain of mercy.

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, joining with Angels and Archangels
and with the faithful of every generation,
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus S-130

Holy, Holy, Holy

Schubert

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image
and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care

that we might be your faithful stewards
and show forth your bountiful grace.
But we failed to honor your image
in one another and in ourselves;
we would not see your goodness in the world around us;
and so we violated your creation,
abused one another,
and rejected your love.
Yet you never ceased to care for us,
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah
you called us into covenant with you.
You delivered us from slavery,
sustained us in the wilderness,
and raised up prophets
to renew your promise of salvation.
Then, in the fullness of time,
you sent your eternal Word,
made mortal flesh in Jesus.
Born into the human family,
and dwelling among us,
he revealed your glory.
Giving himself freely to death on the cross,
he triumphed over evil,
opening the way of freedom and life.

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

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection,
we now present to you from your creation
this bread and this wine.
By your Holy Spirit may they be for us
the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Grant that we who share these gifts
may be filled with the Holy Spirit
and live as Christ’s Body in the world.
Bring us into the everlasting heritage
of your children,
that with the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Blessed Barnabas, and all your saints,
past, present, and yet to come,
we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

People and Celebrant

**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

Fraction Anthem S-154

Christ our Passover

David Hurd

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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

WLP 831
Hymn 72

Ubi Caritas
Hark! The Glad Sound

Taizé
Richmond

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**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.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

Hymn 73

The King Shall Come

St. Stephen

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Allegro, 2nd movement from Suite in G, HWV 441

Handel

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

Thank You for Your 2025 Stewardship Pledge

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to all those who have pledged to the 2025 Stewardship Drive. Your generous contributions are vital in supporting the many ministries and programs that sustain our parish community. Together, we can continue to grow in faith and service throughout the coming year.

A special thank you to the following parishioners for their pledges:

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Thank you for being a part of this important work!

CALENDAR

Sunday, December 1 *First Sunday of Advent*
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
10:15 AM Holy Eucharist *followed by Coffee Hour*
1:00 PM Oneness Mission Church (until 3:30 PM)
4:30 PM FACETS – Richardson Room
5:30 PM Ryder’s Rounders – Richardson Room (until 9:30 PM)
5:30 PM Ladies’ Night Out Al Anon – Lyles Room (until 7 PM)

Monday, December 2
10:00 AM Serenity Seekers Al-Anon – Richardson Room
(until 11 AM)
6:00 PM Al-Anon Holiday Party – Richardson Room

Tuesday, December 3
10:00 AM WOSB Business Meeting – Richardson Room
3:45 PM Annandale Safe Youth Project – Richardson Room
(until 6 PM)

Wednesday, December 4
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist – Library
3:45 PM Annandale Safe Youth Project – Richardson Room
(until 6 PM)
7:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal – Lyles Room
8:30 PM AA Barnabas Group – Richardson Room (until 10 PM)

Thursday, December 5
10:00 AM Tai-Chi – Richardson Room
3:45 PM Annandale Safe Youth Project – Richardson Room
(until 6 PM)
6:30 PM Ryder’s Rounders – Richardson Room (until 9:30 PM)

Saturday, December 7
9:00 AM Breakfast with Santa – Richardson Room (until 12PM)
5:00 PM Al-Anon “Hug and a Cookie” Holiday Party

Sunday, December 8 *Second Sunday of Advent*
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist
10:15 AM Holy Eucharist *followed by Coffee Hour*
1:00 PM Oneness Mission Church (until 3:30 PM)
5:30 PM Ryder’s Rounders – Richardson Room (until 8:30 PM)
5:30 PM Ladies’ Night Out Al Anon – Lyles Room (until 7 PM)
7:00 PM Vestry Meeting -- Zoom

Participants in the services today are:

8:00 a.m.

Vestry Leader/Closer

Acolyte

Lector

Chalicer

Opener

Leigh Kennedy

Michael Dugger

Dave Wright

Cindy McLaughlin

Wendy Williams

10:15 a.m.

Acolytes

Lectors

Chalicer

Usher

Coffee Hour

Flower Guild

Counters

Altar Guild

Joaquin Tamanaha, Francine Conteh, Joshua Dugger

Molly Newling, Hugh Agnew

Michael Dugger, Mark Patterson

Robin Erskine

Ken and Camille Mittelholtz

TBD

Robin Erskine, Ken Mittelholtz

Behn Ayala, Betty Jo Fortune, Jocelyn Leatherwood

Participants in the services of Holy Eucharist on December 8 are:

8:00 a.m.

Vestry Leader/Closer

Acolyte

Lector

Chalicer

Opener

Mark Patterson

Cindy McLaughlin

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Molly Newling

10:15 a.m.

Acolytes

Lectors

Usher

Coffee Hour Hosts

Flower Guild

Counters

Altar Guild

Joey Kennedy, Blue Kennedy, Pauline Kanu

Kathleen Stark, Michael Dugger

Jon Westerlund

Nancy Peyton, Linda Hartman

TBD

Linda Hartman, Norma Ricketts

TBD

Land Acknowledgement

We remember and honor the Indigenous people of the world, especially the Piscataway Conoy Nation, whose land we now occupy in this region that was once their home, and that was taken from them. We give thanks for them and their care for this land. May we always remember that the Earth does not belong to us; rather, we are charged with stewardship of the Earth, and are all members of our Creator's family. We ask God to help us learn from our past mistakes and be instruments of justice and peace for all people, particularly the original Indigenous inhabitants.