

Prelude O Come, O Come, Emmanuel arr. Michael Burkhardt

Tolling of the Bell & Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Standing, sung by all

Opening Hymn #56 vv. 1-2 O come, O come, Emmanuel

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

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

Collect for Purity

Confession of Sin

Kneeling, BCP p.360

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.

Absolution

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Lesson Isaiah 2: 1-5

Seated

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the Lord!

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 122 *Laetatus sum*

1 I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."

2 Now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem is built as a city
that is at unity with itself;

4 To which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord,
the assembly of Israel,
to praise the Name of the Lord.

5 For there are the thrones of judgment,
the thrones of the house of David.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
"May they prosper who love you.

7 Peace be within your walls
and quietness within your towers.

8 For my brethren and companions' sake,
I pray for your prosperity.

9 Because of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek to do you good."

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen**

Gradual Hymn #615 vv. 1-2 "Thy kingdom come!" *Standing, sung by all*

Gospel Matthew 24:36-44

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

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

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows,
neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days
of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days

before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Station of the Crèche

All Children are invited to come forward for the Station of the Crèche

Sermon The Rev. Benjamin Phillips

Seated

The Nicene Creed

Standing, BCP p.358

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.

The Prayers of the People

Standing

After each bidding the congregation is invited to offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud. See page 7 for a list of prayer requests.

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

We pray for the Universal Church, its members, its leaders, and its mission.

We pray for our Nation and all in authority.

We pray for the welfare of the world, for those regions troubled by violence

or unrest, especially those we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions

We pray for the needs and concerns of our local community.

We pray for all who are sick or in need, especially those we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions

We give thanks for the blessings of our lives, for those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and those thanksgivings we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions

We remember those who have died in the faith,

We pray for our sisters and brothers at St. Francis' Church and our

Discernment Year. We pray for clarity of mission and for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Celebrant adds a closing collect

The Peace

Standing

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offertory Music I Need Thee Every Hour

The Offering *You may give your offering in the plates passed by the ushers or give online stgeorgesdayton.org or mail offerings, 5520 Far Hills Ave. Dayton, OH 45429-2204..*

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer B

BCP p.367

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant continues with Preface... 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:

S125 Sanctus (Proulx)

Standing, sung by all

"S" denotes "Service Music" section at front of Hymnal

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer...

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

At the conclusion, the people join, Amen.

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

Celebrant O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People **Grant us your peace.**

Directions for receiving Holy Communion

- All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive; if you have not been baptized, you are welcome to cross your arms for a blessing.
- Gluten-free wafers are available, please indicate your need when receiving.
- If you prefer to intinct (dip) your wafer instead of drinking from the chalice, lay ministers with small intinction cups will be available on both sides. The larger chalices are only for drinking.
- If you prefer to receive only the wafer, please pass the lay ministers and return directly to your pew.

Communion Music 1er Dimanche de l'Avent by Alexis Chauvet

Prayer after Communion

Kneeling, BCP p.366

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Advent Blessing

Closing Hymn We Are One In the Spirit

Standing, sung by all

[1] We are One in The Spirit,

We are One in The Lord.

We are One in The Spirit,

We are One in The Lord.

And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

[Chorus]

And they'll know we are Christians by our love,

By our Love,

Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.

[2] We will work with each other,

We will work side by side.

We will work with each other,

We will work side by side.

And we'll guard each man's dignity

And save each man's pride. *[Chorus]*

[3] We will walk with each other,

We will walk hand in hand.

We will walk with each other,

We will walk hand in hand.

And together we'll spread the News

that God is in our land. *[Chorus]*

Dismissal

Deacon gives a dismissal

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying arr. Robert Hobby

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Celebrant & Preacher

Deacon

Organist

Praise Team

Verger

Lay Ministers

Acolytes

Ushers

The Rev. Benjamin Phillips, Rector

The Rev. Dr. William Sangrey, Deacon

Rachel Lammi

Charles Kennedy, Jeff Haas, Holly Litfin,

Catherine Phillips

Rob Johnson

Joe Schenk, Richard Carr, Nan Miller

Norah, Izzy, Audrey

Rick Hoffman, Nancy Wilda, Marilyn Judd



The Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God

And in thanksgiving for
Marty Cottrill's birthday
by Dave Cottrill

And in celebration of
Rachel's 15th birthday by
Chris & Megan Coffey

ADVENT AT ST. GEORGE'S

Sunday, December 7 (Second Sunday of Advent and Feast of St. Nicholas)

9:00am & 11:00am—Holy Eucharist

10:00am—Education for all ages

Sunday, December 14 (Third Sunday of Advent)

9:00am & 11:00am—Holy Eucharist

Education on break until January 18

5:00pm - 6:00pm – Christmas Concert, Luminary Walk & Live Nativity

Sunday, December 21 (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

9:00am & 11:00am—Holy Eucharist

Noon—Hanging of the Greens

Stay after the 11:00am service to help decorate St. George's for Christmas!



The Weekly Messenger

TODAY at St. George's ...

ADVENT WREATHS & CANDLES—SOLD OUT!

We were delighted to have so much interest on the first day of our sale! You may still pick up a free Advent prayer card in the Welcome Lounge.

GIVING TREE

St. George's is once again partnering with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Dayton. We've committed to helping 54 children from 18 families, via the tree in our welcome lounge. Ornaments listing each child's age, gender and suggested items will be available **TODAY** and **December 7**. If you would like to make a child's Christmas a little brighter, please sign out an ornament with one of our helpful volunteers. There is a \$40 maximum per child. Wrapped gifts (with corresponding ornaments attached) must be returned by Sunday, December 14. Questions? Contact Sharon Oldham (soldham@woh.rr.com or 937-829-1517).

Upcoming and Ongoing ...

DISCERNMENT YEAR UPDATE

Cal is worshipping at St. Francis' this Sunday. Join Ben for a visit at St. Francis' on **Sunday, December 14** or Cal on **Sunday, December 21 at 10:30am**.

Visit stgeorgesdayton.org/Springboro/ to learn more.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAL ENVELOPES

Envelopes are available in the pews and the Welcome Lounge. Memorials must be received by **Sunday, December 14**, to be included in the Christmas Eve bulletin.

HARPS OF GRACE CONCERT—December 1

Harps of Grace invites everyone to their free dress rehearsal Christmas concert at St. George's on **Monday, December 1 at 7pm**.

FELLOWSHIP AT EUDORA—December 11

December 11 from 4-6pm join your church family for a time of casual fellowship at Eudora Brewing Company located on Wilmington Pike in Kettering.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT & LIVE NATIVITY—December 14

Please join us for St. George's Christmas Concert on **Sunday, December 14 from 5-6pm**. This free concert features the music of local Sand Dollar Music Studio. After the concert grab some hot chocolate and enjoy the Luminary Walk and Live Nativity.

CONFIRMATION

St. George's will hold a confirmation class that officially **kicks off on January 25, 2026**, with dinner at 5pm in the Parish Hall. Please complete the [registration form online](#) or pick one up in the Welcome Lounge and turn it in in advance of the kick-off. Questions? Email rector@stgeorgeohio.org

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Income: \$22,150.00 YTD Income: \$653,641.14

Weekly Expenses: \$5,689.32 YTD Expenses: \$660,019.01

2026 Stewardship Pledges Received: 112 pledges @ \$512,158

Last year's pledges received for 2025: 146 pledges @ \$596,120