



BISHOP
SEABURY ANGLICAN
CHURCH

**For the earth will be filled with the knowledge
of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.**

HABAKKUK 2:14 (ESV)

**Surely the Lord is coming soon, Amen.
Come Lord Jesus!**

The Second Sunday of Advent

December 6, 2015



Servers:	The December Vestry Host is our Treasurer Pat Caton.			
	Today: December 6, 2015		Next Week: December 13, 2015	
	8 AM	10:30 AM	8 AM	10:30 AM
Greeter		Shelley Steendam		Joey Bacon
Usher	Jackie Bacon Joey Bacon		Jackie Bacon Joey Bacon	
Altar Guild	Eric Anderson	Terry Lawrence	Helen Carnes	Eleanora Lawrence
Celebrant	Father Jay	Father Jay	Father Jay	Father Jay
Lay Reader	Mike France	Ruth Walsh	John Knaff	Juan Rivera
Lector	Laurel Skinner	Laurie Lewis	Barbara Stiles	Charles Gruhzit
Acolyte	Robert Robertson	Zach Christina	Mark Leone	Sharon Finlayson
Accompanist	James Conover	Mace Lewis	James Conover	Mace Lewis
Music		The Worship Band		The Worship Band
Offertory		Seabury Singers		
The Sanctuary Arrangement Ministry, Saturday December 5 at 3pm for set up Dana Parfitt and Tom.				
Next Week:	Readings and Collect:	Collect	The Third Sunday of Advent	
The Third	<i>Lectionary</i>	The Lesson	Zephaniah 3:14-20	
Sunday of Advent	<i>Year C</i>	The Psalm	Psalm 85	
December 13, 2015	<i>RCL</i>	The Epistle	Philippians 4:4-7(8-9)	
		The Gospel	St. Luke 3:7-18	

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The Celebration of Holy Communion

Book of Common Prayer (BCP)	8AM Rite I	10:30AM RITE II
Prelude		<i>Service on Overhead</i>
Hymn/ Worship Music	Come Thou Long Expected Jesus	<i>and found in BCP</i>
St. Nicholas		
The Lighting of The Second Advent Candle		
<u>The Word of God</u> <i>Lectionary Year C RCL</i>		
Prayer of Salutation	BCP P323	BCP P355
Collect of the Day Advent 2		
The Lesson	Malachi 3:1-4	
The Psalms	Psalm 126	
The Epistle	Philippians 1:3-11	
Hymn		
The Gospel	St Luke 3:1-6	
<i>Children age 5 through 10 may now be dismissed to attend Children's Chapel. The children will return during The Peace.</i>		
The Sermon	The Reverend Cannon Jay Cayangyang	
The Nicene Creed		
Prayers of the People	BCP P328	BCP P359
The Peace	BCP P332	BCP P360
<u>The Holy Communion</u>	BCP P332	BCP P361
<small>Any who are baptized and regularly attend their local church are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's Table by coming forward and kneeling at the altar rail. For those not receiving Holy Communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. Please indicate your intention by crossing your arms across your chest when you kneel at the altar rail.</small>		
Offertory at 8:00	Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming	See insert
Offertory at 10:30	O Come, Emmanuel, Come Soon	William Byrd; H.H. Hopson, arr.
Doxology		
<i>Offering plates are not passed; opportunities to give your tithes and offerings are available in the baskets provided for you.</i>		
The Great Thanksgiving	BCP P333	BCP P361
The Lord's Prayer	BCP P336	BCP P364
The Breaking of the Bread	BCP P337	BCP P364
Communion Hymns		
Prayer of Thanksgiving	BCP P339	BCP P365
Announcements		
The Benediction	BCP P339	BCP P365
Hymn in Recession	Prepare The Way, O Zion	See insert
Dismissal		

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Readings and Collect:

The Second Sunday of Advent

Collect: **Traditional**

Merciful God, who sent thy 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 liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Collect: **Contemporary**

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The Lesson: **Malachi 3:1-4**

3 “Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. **2** But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. **3** He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the LORD.^[a] **4** Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

The Psalm: **Psalm 126 In convertendo**

1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.

3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The LORD has done great things for them."

4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Epistle: **Philippians 1:3-11**

Thanksgiving and Prayer

³ I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, ⁴ always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶ And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷ It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, ^[a] both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸ For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. ⁹ And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰ so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

The Gospel: **St Luke 3:1-6**

John the Baptist Prepares the Way

3 In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, ² during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³ And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁴ As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, “The voice of one crying in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord, ^[a]
make his paths straight.

⁵ Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall become straight,
and the rough places shall become level ways,
⁶ and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”

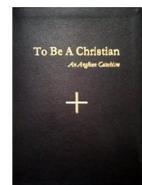
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To Be a Christian: An Anglican Catechism

Today’s catechism questions are

28. What is in the Old Testament?

The Old Testament contains the record of God’s creation of all things, mankind’s original disobedience, God’s calling of Israel to be his people, God’s law, God’s wisdom, God’s saving deeds, and the teaching of God’s prophets. The Old Testament points to Christ, revealing God’s intention to redeem and reconcile the world through Christ.



29. What is in the New Testament?

The New Testament contains the record of Jesus Christ's birth, life, ministry, death, resurrection and ascension, the Church's early ministry, the teaching of the Apostles, and the revelation of Christ's coming eternal Kingdom.

30. How are the Old and New Testaments related to each other?

The Old Testament is to be read in the light of Christ, incarnate, crucified and risen, and the New Testament is to be read in light of God's revelation to Israel. As Saint Augustine says, "the New is in the Old concealed, the Old is in the New revealed." (Hebrews 8:1-7; Augustine, *Questions in the Heptateuch* 2.73)

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Next Sunday catechism questions are

31. What does it mean that Holy Scripture is inspired?

Holy Scripture is "God-breathed," for the biblical authors wrote under the guidance of God's Holy Spirit to record God's Word. (2 Timothy 3:16)

32. What does it mean that the Bible is the Word of God?

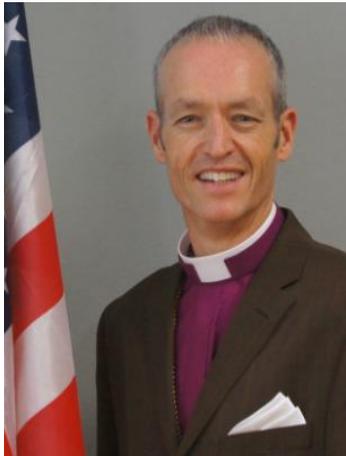
Because the Bible is inspired by the Holy Spirit, it is rightly called the Word of God written. God is revealed in his mighty works and in the incarnation of our Lord, but his works and his will are made known to us through the inspired words of Scripture. God "has spoken through the prophets" (Nicene Creed), and continues to speak through the Bible today. (Hebrews 1:1-2; 3:7-11; 10:15-17; 12:25-27)

33. Why is Jesus Christ called the Word of God?

The fullness of God's revelation is found in Jesus Christ, who not only fulfills the Scriptures, but is himself God's Word, the living expression of God's mind. The Scriptures testify about him: "In the beginning was the Word" and "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us." Therefore, "ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ." (John 1:1, 14; Jerome, *Commentary on Isaiah*, prologue)



A Memorial Service for Debbie Price will be held this afternoon at 2pm. The Service will be held at Gales Ferry Landing. The Parish Family is invited to attend.



Advent 2015 Selected Studies in Thessalonians



Our Bishop Julian Mark Dobbs
presents an online video teaching
series for Advent 2015.

Bishop Dobbs says, "The Advent 2015 series is a journey through two New Testament letters written by the Apostle Paul. I hold a very firm conviction that the Living God still speaks through what He has spoken and that nothing is more necessary for the life, health and growth of a Christian than what the Spirit is saying to them through the Word of God written."

Available now: Part One please go to <https://vimeo.com/145344862>. Part Two please go to <https://vimeo.com/146626217>. Part Three please go to <https://vimeo.com/146649602>.

On Wednesdays, at 1:00, we will present Bishop Dobbs' Advent 2015 series.

All are invited, (especially those who have no/limited capacity for receiving electronically delivered messages). Meet in the classroom that is to the right of the church office on Wednesday. Wednesday, December 9:

"What is Successful Evangelism?" Let your "yes be yes" and your "no be no".



**Junior Rejoicers present:
Operation Christmas Child**
Please join us as Unit 1225 presents
the true meaning behind
Franklin Graham's shoebox ministry.
Performance is
Sunday December 13, 2015 at 2pm.

Christ Memorial Flower Gifts

Once again the time to think about decorating our Altar and Sanctuary is upon us. Envelopes for giving are either in your service booklet or on the greeter table. Please take a moment to fill in the information that you would like to appear in the bulletin for Christmas, make your check payable to BSAC, put Altar Guild Flowers on the memo line. Please be sure to add your envelope # too. Place it in any offering basket or hand it to Judy Miceli or Sara Munro. We need your request by Sunday, December 13 to be sure the information gets into the bulletin. You may also email the church office by the 1pm Tuesday deadline on December 15 at office@seaburyanglican.org. Monies can be turned in right up through Christmas, but your information may not be in the bulletin.



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Christmas Food Basket

A big THANK YOU to all who helped and supported the Holly Berry Craft Fair this year. It was a great day and a wonderful way to reach out to our local community. In order to continue the outreach, we are going to use some of the proceeds to create Christmas food baskets for 10 military families. If you would like to help, there is a needs list on the table in the hallway at the rear of the sanctuary. All donations need to be brought in by December 13 so we can deliver the baskets on December 20. God bless you for your generosity.

**ALTAR GUILD ALL CLEAN EVENT
Saturday, December 19**

The Altar Guild Team and any other interested men and women are invited to gather at 9AM to clean the Sacristy and Chapel, polish silver and brass to get ready for Christmas. Coffee and light refreshments will be served. Thank You.

The Mitten Tree

We are collecting mittens,
gloves, hats and scarves
To be delivered to school
children before Christmas.



Merry Christmas
and Thank You!

Today is
The Feast of
St Nicholas.

St Nicholas will be
here for the 10:30AM
Service to collect gifts
for children.



St. Nicholas, the saint of children, also known in various countries as Santa Claus, Kris Kringle and Pelznickel, was born at Patara in Lycia in the third century. Later in his life, after he had been made Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor (present-day Turkey) Nicholas suffered imprisonment for his faith. He died tranquilly in his episcopal city pronouncing the words, "Into Thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit" - words which have become the short responsory of Compline.



TO KNOW JESUS AND MAKE HIM KNOWN

Celebrating 140 Years

Our vision is to become the visible presence of God's hope and healing for our community by glorifying God through reverent and joyful worship, and transforming lives through the faithful proclamation of God's Word.

The Reverend Canon Jerome R. Cayangyang, Rector
The Reverend Stanley R. Price, Curate

Sunday	8:00AM	Rite I Holy Communion
	9:00AM	Coffee and Fellowship
	9:30AM	Christian Education for all ages September –June
	10:30AM	Rite II Holy Communion Nursery available weekly for children through age 4 Children's Chapel available weekly for children ages 5-10
Wednesday	7:00PM	Healing Prayer 1st Sunday of the month in the Gales Ferry Landing Chapel
	7:00PM	Holy Communion 1928 Book of Common Prayer In the Gales Ferry Landing Chapel

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