



# First Sunday in Advent

## Order of Worship

December 1, 2019

### GATHERING MUSIC

### RINGING OF THE STEEPLE BELL

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**INTROIT**            *Come, Thou Redeemer Of The Earth*            Traditional Melody, M. Praetorius  
arr. by David Willcocks

*Come, thou Redeemer of the earth, And manifest thy virgin birth: Let every age adoring fall; Such birth befits the God of all. Begotten of no human will, But of the Spirit, thou art still The Word of God in flesh arrayed, The promised fruit to man displayed.*

### The Light Enters

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Herta and Wolfgang Wulff

### Response

The Word became flesh and lived among us,  
and we have seen his glory.

**Alleluia!**

**Choral Response**            *Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah* (first verse)

✠ **HYMN** no. 82 *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

### RESPONSIVE PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

Roxanne Kiefer-Mollo

Your light shines in the darkness, O God,

**and we confess that sometimes we prefer to hide under cover of darkness,**

where we are free to participate in injustice,

**to hurt others and ourselves,**

to do whatever it takes to get ahead,

**to operate only in our comfort zone without challenge.**

We forget that your light of true freedom will shine,

**calling us to a more excellent way.**

We forget that the promise of a child is a promise for the future — that there is more  
beyond us,

**beyond our desires,**

beyond our brokenness,

**beyond our understanding.**

Forgive our short-sightedness.

**Forgive our hardened hearts.**

Forgive our complicity in systems that hurt and abuse your earth, your people, your church, your world.

**Shine your light again this day, that we may see and follow your path.**

*(time for silent confession)* Amen.

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

God's light is in the world, and the darkness did not overcome it.

God's grace is in the world, and our sins will not overcome it.

**We are loved, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

## ✠ SUNG RESPONSE no.87 *Comfort, Comfort Now My People* (first verse)

*"Comfort, comfort now my people; tell of peace!" So says our God.*

*"Comfort those who sit in darkness mourning under sorrow's load.*

*To my people now proclaim that my pardon waits for them!*

*Tell them that their sins I cover, and their warfare now is over."*

## SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION no. 288 *Spirit of the Living God*

*Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me...melt me, mold me, fill me, use me...*

## FIRST LESSON                      Isaiah 2:1-5

## ANTHEM                                      *Sleepers, Wake!*                                      J.S. Bach

Verse 1: *Sleepers, wake! A voice astounds us, the shout of rampart guards surrounds us: Awake, Jerusalem arise!*

Verse 2: *Midnight's peace their cry has broken, their urgent summons clearly spoken: The time has come, O maidens wise!*

Verse 3: *Rise up, and give us light; the Bride-groom is in sight Alleluia! Your lamps prepare and hasten there, that you the wedding feast may share.*

## SECOND SCRIPTURE READING      Romans 13:11-14

## SERMON                                      *"The World Is About to Turn"*                                      Rev. Kate Jones Calone

## ✠ HYMN no.100 *My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout*

## OFFERTORY

## ✠ DOXOLOGY

*We invite you to sing any of the following versions of the Doxology, or words that are familiar to you.*

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

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## ✠ DEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

Holy One, this Advent season we wait in hope, and we give in hope.

Hope for your coming reign; hope because of your presence with us even now.

Receive these generous offerings, and use them for your work of healing and hope in our world. Amen.

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

### THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise....**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*"debts," hymnal page 35*

### SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

*Please join in singing the communion hymns as the elements are distributed, and we will partake together after all are served. The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) practices an open communion. Visitors and children are welcome to partake of the Lord's Supper. Please note that all shared Communion bread is gluten free, and all "wine" is grape juice.*

#### Communion Hymns

**Hymn no. 525 *Let Us Break Bread Together***

**Let us break bread together on our knees;**

**let us break bread together on our knees.**

**When I fall on my knees, with**

**my face to the rising sun,**

**O Lord, have mercy on me.**

**Let us drink wine...**

**Let us praise God.**

**Hymn no. 507 *Come to the Table of Grace***

**Come to the table of grace.**

**Come to the table of grace.**

**This is God's table; it's not  
yours or mine.**

**Come to the table of grace.**

**Come to the table of ...peace...**

**...love...**

**...hope...**

**...joy**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of new beginnings,  
you draw near to us in word and sacrament  
to strengthen and renew us.  
Kindle in us the fire of your Spirit.  
May your light so shine through us  
that all may welcome your Son at his coming.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Emmanuel. Amen.

✠ HYMN no. 516 *For the Bread Which You Have Broken*

*We invite children to bring their offerings forward and place them in the baskets on the tables.*

✠ BENEDICTION

*We say this blessing in solidarity with our sister church in  
San Antonio de los Baños, Cuba*

**The benediction of the God of Sarah, Hagar and Abraham,  
The benediction of the Son, who was born of Mary,  
The benediction of the Holy Spirit of love,  
Who watches over us like a mother for her children,  
Descend upon us all. Amen.**

CHORAL RESPONSE *Cuban Benediction*

Arr. by Mark Orton

*La bendición de Dios de Sar' Agar y Abram;  
La bendición del hijo que de María nació;  
La bendición del Santo Espiritu de' amor  
Que vela por nosotros, cual madre por sus hijos,  
Descienda sobre todos, Amen.*

POSTLUDE

✠ *please rise in body or in spirit; unison prayers are in bold.*

*On the first Sunday of each month when we celebrate the Lord's Supper together, we'll collect a special offering during the final hymn of the service for children to give to a nonprofit organization chosen by the Church School. Children and youth will be welcomed forward to share their gifts of any size and experience the joy of giving as part of the worship life of the whole congregation.*

*Portions of today's liturgy come from Sam Hargreaves/engageworship.org, Teri Peterson, and Feasting on the Word.*

## Next Sunday, December 8th, 2019

- 9:30 Worship Service and Church School  
10:30 Fellowship Hour  
11:00 Confirmation Class in Parlor  
11:00 Adult Education Class in Martha Jayne Room
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## December Special Services

### Friday, December 6

A Service of Wholeness at 8:00PM

*Jesus says, 'Come to me all you who are troubled and I will give you rest.' At this contemplative service we will hold together the full range of emotions that Advent Christmas can bring. It will be based on the Iona Community's Service of Prayers for Healing. We will gather in the Martha Jayne Room.*

### Sunday, December 15

Intergenerational Christmas Pageant;

*The Setauket Presbyterian Church will present an intergenerational Christmas Pageant during the 9:30AM service on Sunday December 15th. This year's script is written by Kenny Rogers and will be directed by Greg Senf. People of all ages are encouraged to participate. If you are interested, please email Greg at [greg.senf@gmail.com](mailto:greg.senf@gmail.com) or sign up on the sheet outside the sanctuary.*

Caroling to Homebound Members after Worship

*Gather in Fellowship Hall following the service, and we'll organize groups and routes.*

### Monday, December 16

Vigil for Gun Violence Prevention at 7:00 PM

### Sunday, December 22

Special Music shared by the SPC Choir

### Tuesday, December 24

Christmas Eve services

10:30AM *An informal and interactive service in the Martha Jayne Room, especially appropriate for children*

4:30PM *A Service of Worship and Blessing of the Animals*

7:30PM *Traditional Worship Service that concludes with an invitation to join the choir in singing the Hallelujah Chorus*

11:00PM *Candlelight and Communion Service*

### Sunday, December 29

Intergenerational Lessons and Carols Service at 9:30AM

# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 1ST

## SUNDAY

- 9:30 Communion Worship Service and Church School-Backwards Sunday
- 10:30 Fellowship Hour
- 11:00 Youth Group and Confirmation Class meet for Bowling  
No Adult Education Class
- 6:30 Feldenkrais in Parlor

## MONDAY

- 8:30-11:00 Music Lessons
- 3:30 Lyrical Children in Hall 001
- 7:00 Peace and Justice Committee Meeting in Parlor

## TUESDAY

- 9:30 Bible Study
- 7:00 Stewardship Committee Meeting in Parlor
- 7:30 Al-Anon & Al-Ateen Meetings in MJR

## WEDNESDAY

- 6:30 Early Christians in Fellowship Hall
- 2:00-9:00 Music Lessons
- 2:00 ODE Meeting in Parlor
- 4:00 Soup Kitchen in Port Jefferson
- 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous Meeting in FH
- 7:30 Nar-Anon in Hall 002

## THURSDAY

- 2:00-9:00 Music Lessons
- 2:00 Mah Jong in Parlor
- 7:00 Worship and Music Committee Meeting in Kate's Office
- 8:00-9:00 Choir Rehearsal in Choir Loft

## FRIDAY

- 2:00-9:00 Music Lessons

## SATURDAY

- 9:00-5:00 Piano Lessons
- 9:00-4:00 Music Lessons
- 6:00 AA in Martha Jayne Area

## THE SESSION

The Rev. Kate Jones Calone, Moderator  
Stuart Campbell, Clerk

### CLASS of 2020

Mark Aicher  
Debra Dwyer  
Linda Obernauer  
Greg Senf  
Anne Shybunko-Moore  
Jessica Suhadolink

### CLASS of 2021

Barbara Curtis  
Jean Hrbek  
Harry Janson  
John Leser  
Bonnie Schulz

### CLASS of 2022

Greg Bellias  
Kathy Coen  
Chris Dere  
Mae Hultin  
Arlene Rogers

## THE BOARD of DEACONS

### CLASS of 2020

Anne Campbell  
Joan Kahnhauser  
Bruce Lloyd  
Diane Melidosian  
Frank Miranda Jr. Co-Mod  
Patricia Siegal  
Susan Spagnoli

### CLASS of 2021

Karen Carroll  
Pam Crum  
Lindsey Moser  
Alice Leser  
Melanie McDermet Co-Mod.  
Beth Senf

### CLASS of 2022

Lynn Campbell  
Elena Grossman  
Justin Kirik  
Pat McCumber  
Lisa McGrath  
Christopher Roth

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

**Founders Circle:** Carol Ullo and Arlene Rogers, Co-Moderators

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### THE STAFF

Rev. Kate Jones Calone, Interim Pastor  
Rev. Ashley McFaul-Erwin, Community Outreach Pastor  
Noby Ishida, Director of Music  
Heidi Parles, Interim Director of Spiritual Formation  
Aaron Watkins-Lopez, Church Administrator and Assistant to the Pastor  
Heather Klein, Preschool Teacher/Co-Director    Yvonne Sterrett, Preschool Teacher/Co-Director  
Richard A. Holroyd, Church Treasurer  
Mark Aicher, Financial Secretary  
Susan Risoli, Outreach Operations Manager

*Setauket Presbyterian Church is a member congregation the  
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and thereby of the Presbytery of Long Island*



**The Sympathy of the Congregation is extended to:**

the family and friends of Joan Marie Schiemel, who died on Wednesday, November 13th.

the family and friends of Kathy Jones, who died on Sunday, November 17th.

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We welcome **Roxanne Kiefer-Mollo** as our Worship Assistant this morning.

Thanks to Roxanne for this service!

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR: The Cox Family** (friends of Pastor Ashley); **Christine Kreitzman** (friend of Betty Stein); **Betty Stein; Kristen and Ron Axelrod; Susan Powers; Mary Seigle; Joseph Munch** (brother-in-law of Pat McCumber); **Carmen Walsh; Susan Bivonna** (cousin of Mary Sansone); **Mae Hultin; The Rev. Tim Hoyt-Duncan** (former Pastor of 1st Presbyterian Church in Northport); **Eileen Orr** (Pat Strong's sister); **Cindy Fronhofer** (sister of Sheila Towers); **Lucas Wright** (son of a friend of Kate Zvokel); **Ann Davis** (former member); **Jim Towler; Matt Zender** (Student of Noby and Rachel Carter-White); **Florence Gettler; Doug Waldhauer** (Virginia Sassano's Son); **Tim Wheeler and C Company, 1-508th PIR, 82nd Airborne; Al Reimers; Anne M.** (friend of Betty); **Ernie Bump; Grace Rossi; Don & Barbara Overfield** (friends of Mike and Helene Bicknell); **Jim Sassano; Ed Wittman; Kaitlyn Diogo** (niece of Helene Bicknell); **Kimberly Janson; Peter Sarant** (Pam Crum's brother); **Joan Kuhns** (Dan Winter's mother-in-law); **George Hammarth and Kim Liroult** (co-workers of Sherri Aicher); **Stacey Irizarry** (friend of Diane Curtiss); **Hank Crum** (husband of Pam Crum); **Peter Hertling** (friend of the Dawes'); **Suzanne Wallace** (friend of Diane Melidosian); **Eric Brooks** (husband of Kathy Gray's niece, Danielle); **Jody Riggio, Dawn Vogel and Lorriane Vogel; Our Sister Church in Cuba; Cort Bunning; Sandy Williams** (Al Reimer's sister-in-law); **Dottie Devoe** (at Mills Pond rehab.); **Lynne Richardson** (Chris Richardson's mother); **Robert Price; Michael LaVecchia** (Bonnie Schlagel's cousin); **Ross & Lyn Saddle mire** (Sue Powell's parents); **Kathleen Pfeiffer** (Diane & Roger Curtiss' cousins); **Maryellen Trimboli** (Alice Dawes' student); **Margaret Jackson; Honor Dexter; Don Alberts** (Trisha Pearson's father); **Paige Pearson; Jon DeVoe; Geri Wells; Jack Fennimore** (Dottie Trump's son-in-law); **Jack Hayes** (Joellen McNamara's cousin); **Ruth Whyte; Ed Loveland** (Ron Loveland's brother); **Debbie Price** (Karen Carroll's friend); **Katherine Dodd** (Robynne Haliotis' sister-in-law)



**WE WELCOME YOU TO OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP THIS MORNING.** If you are searching for a church home in this community, we would be happy to speak with you about exploring what membership means at this church. Please feel free to take a "Welcome" booklet from the pews for information about Setauket Presbyterian Church (SPC) and its programs. If you would like to learn more about the programs of this church, please call the church office (941-4271) or Membership Moderator Jean Hrbek, indicate your interest on the Friendship Roster, or speak to the pastor.

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**DEACONS** perform a ministry of sympathy, witness, and service to the congregation and the larger community. If you or someone you know is in need, speak with any of the deacons assisting in worship today. The Deacons' Operation Care is always available to provide short-term assistance with meals, shopping, transportation, and childcare. **Today's Deacons are: Justin Kirik, Alice Leser, Melanie McDermet and Frank Miranda**

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**The flowers on the Pulpit** are given in memory of Robert G. Hulse by his wife and son, Terry and Elliot Hulse.

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**A Big Thank You to Our Fall Clean Up Volunteers:** Art Billadello, Bob McCarthy, Justin Kirik, Don Richtberg, Erica McFaul-Erwin, Charles Ullo, Kate Jones Calone, Dave Calone, Meg Calone, Jean Hrbek, Melanie McDermet, Al Gravestock, Mark Robinson, Barbara Curtis, Greg Bellias and Jack Strong.

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**Welcoming our Interim Director of Spiritual Formation:** We are delighted to welcome Heidi Parles as our Interim Director of Spiritual Formation! Heidi will be working with the Christian Education, Adult Education, and Membership Committees to support spiritual formation at every age. Please stop by the Christian Education office on Sunday mornings and say hello to Heidi!

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**The Soup Kitchen Prep** scheduled for Monday December 2nd has been cancelled. The next prep will be on Monday January 6th. Please email Barbara Curtis ([bacpj@optonline.net](mailto:bacpj@optonline.net)) if you have any questions.

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**THANK YOU FROM ODE!** A big thank you to each of you who dined at California Pizza Kitchen to support ODE. We raised \$300! We will definitely have another CPK fundraiser in 2020. We are grateful for all your support!

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**ODE VOLUNTEERS:** Please join us at our upcoming pick up days on December 7th, December 16th, and/or December 21st. We also welcome volunteers at the warehouse throughout the week! Please reach out to Susan at [opendoorexchangel@gmail.com](mailto:opendoorexchangel@gmail.com) or Pastor Ashley if you are interested in volunteering.

**ODE COAT DRIVE:** *"The weather outside is frightful, so getting coats would be delightful!"* Please bring in your clean, used coats and jackets (also hats, scarves, vests, etc.) for our clients at ODE. You can bring them to the church and place them in the box by the Peace and Justice Bulletin Board or drop them off at the ODE warehouse during our regular hours. ODE hours: Mondays & Wednesdays: 10AM-12PM, Fridays: 1-3PM. Saturday, December 7th & 21st: 9.30-11.30AM.

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**No Ordinary Gift, A Good Night's Sleep:** Please consider donating to our ODE Mattress fund and give the gift of a good night's sleep. Over 200 mattresses are needed for local families. We have special cards for Christmas - your donation may be made honoring a special person or be given in memory of a loved one. All donations will be listed on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary as well as in the February Steeple News. The special donation cards will be available in Fellowship Hall after worship or in the church office.

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**Adult Education Class: Sunday, December 8, 11AM, in the Martha Jayne Room: Who Are the Women on Jesus' Family Tree?** At the beginning of the gospel of Matthew, we are given a genealogy--a family tree of Jesus, starting all the way back with Abraham. Our instinct might be to skip over the "boring" genealogies in scripture and get right to the narrative, but these lists are often fascinating! Matthew's family tree of Jesus includes four women other than Mary: Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, and Bathsheba. Join Kate to look at these women's stories, wonder why the gospel writer decided to mention them (and them only), and ask how they help us to prepare, in this Advent season, for the birth of the Messiah.

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**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROLING:** Share the spirit of Christmas! Please join us on Sunday, December 15, as we carol for members of the congregation in local assisted living facilities and their homes. We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall after service for a light lunch and rehearsal, and then head out to spread holiday cheer. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary and see Beth Senf if you have any questions. All are welcome!

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**DO YOU HAVE SPARE MUGS AT HOME?** As a church we are committed to reducing our use of disposable cups, etc. During fellowship hour we will be using mugs instead of disposables. Please bring in any mugs that are taking up space in your cupboards. Thank you for helping us take care of God's earth together!

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**STEWARDSHIP REMINDER:** Please remember to send in your pledge for 2020. Pledges can be mailed to SPC to the attention of the Financial Secretary, emailed to [Financial\\_Secretary@SetauketPresbyterian.org](mailto:Financial_Secretary@SetauketPresbyterian.org) or placed in the offering plate on Sundays. Thank you to all who have already expressed their gratitude to God for all our blessings by making a pledge for 2020.

## Questions, Answers, and Facts About the Organ:

### **Q) Is there really leather in the organ, and why do we need to replace it?**

**A)** Yes! Although it is not often visible, leather is used extensively in pipe organs. Though strong, leather is a perishable material, of course, and over time, it can become worn causing a leak in the bellows (ie., the lungs) of the instrument. As the leather wears out and becomes filled with holes, the wind system begins to give way. In order for a pipe organ to function well, it must be re-leathered every 50 years. Our organ has not been re-leathered since the time it was built and installed in the church, and this has caused the instrument to have a number of (unplayable) “dead notes.” In fact, in addition to many notes not working for the past few years, within the past week, eight notes in the middle of the organ on the principal (main) stop have ceased responding (i.e., they do not make a sound), and a few others are showing signs of deterioration as well. Thus, it is fortunate and a great blessing that this very necessary work is being done just in time to save our organ!

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**Ho, Ho, Ham!** It’s that time of year again, when all the hustle and bustle of the holidays surrounds us. It is also a time many others struggle to put food on the table and provide for their family. This year we are bringing back the Christmas Eve dinner and are in need of some food items as well. The following are needed: spiral ham, heated, dropped off, shrimp cocktail (trays), apples, oranges, bananas, cheese and crackers. Or if you can give a monetary donation, make a check out to Setauket Presbyterian Church, memo Christmas Eve dinner. If you prefer you can come volunteer as well. If you are so inclined to help in any way, please email [NSCounsel2@aol.com](mailto:NSCounsel2@aol.com) or call 631-748-0079 this way we can keep track and plan accordingly. Thank you.

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**Earth Care Tip of the Week:** Plastic Bags can take up to 1000 years to break down in a landfill. Producing paper bags takes a lot of water, fuel and trees. Take reusable bags to the stores! When grocery shopping, bring cloth or mesh bags for produce (Stop & Shop sells them in the produce section), or reuse your bag from the last visit to the produce section. Holiday season is upon us, so keep reusable bags in the car for every shopping need.

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**VIGIL FOR GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION - DECEMBER 16TH 7PM:** This December marks seven years since the Sandy Hook school shooting. The Newtown Foundation has asked for vigils to be held around the nation to support gun violence survivors. We will gather in the sanctuary to pray, sing, remember, and hear from local gun violence survivors. All are welcome.