



**Second Sunday of Advent
Holy Eucharist Rite II**

Sunday, December 5, 2021 – 10:30 AM

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Entrance Hymn	<i>Prepare the Way, O Zion</i>	H#65
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First Lesson	Malachi 3:1-4	

¹ See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ²But 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; ³he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Psalm Luke 1:68-79 - The Song of Zechariah

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.
He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.
You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the
shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Epistle

Philippians 1:3-11

³I thank my God every time I remember you, ⁴constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, ⁵because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. ⁹And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Sequence Hymn

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

H#56 v. 3 & 4

Gospel

Luke 3:1-6

¹ In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, ²during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, ⁴as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. ⁵Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth;⁶and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

Sermon

The Very Rev. Brad St. Romain

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People

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Collect for Rector Search

Celebrant Let us pray.

People and Celebrant

Lord God, the light of the minds that know you, the life of the souls that love you, and the strength of the hearts that serve you: send forth your Holy Spirit to guide the Search Committee, Vestry, and parish family of St. Augustine's to be of one heart and mind in our search for a rector who will worship in our midst, become part of our parish family, and guide us in spiritual growth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer for the Selection of Our Next Bishop

People and Celebrant

Heavenly Father, you oversee all that we say and do. Guide the people of the Diocese of Louisiana in the selection of our next bishop, that we may be led by your Holy Spirit. Direct us toward the person you desire to fill this role. Lead us to a person of integrity, a person of prayer, and a person of faith, who is capable of carrying out your wishes for our future. Above all, may our new leader be one who is willing to receive your unconditional love, and pass it on to those near and far. We pray this in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Peace

Offertory

Waiting In Silence by Carey Landry & Hal Wright

Presentation Hymn

Doxology

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The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)

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The Memorial Acclamation

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The Great Amen

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The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

The Fraction Anthem

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The Communion

If you are worshipping remotely, you may wish to pray the following prayer during the distribution of Holy Communion:

information, **please see your parish e-mail** or contact Susan Scotton (504) 258-6648, jsdscot@gmail.com with questions.

ECW Meeting

There will be a meeting of the ECW on **Tuesday, December 7th** at 6:00 pm in Byrd Hall. Please bring your own food and drink.

Angel Tree 2021

As we prepare for the celebration of the Nativity of Christ at Christmas, our annual Angel Tree has appeared. This year we have angels from our partners in mission Bissonet Plaza School. Please take an angel, sign them out in the Narthex, and return gifts by **December 12th**. Please purchase a new item of clothing and a toy, game or something fun. If you would prefer someone to shop for you, we'll arrange for a shopper. If anyone has any questions, please contact Betsy Kimball at (504) 875-6446.

Coats for the Homeless

Deacon Hackett is collecting coats for our homeless brothers and sisters. Perhaps you can spare a jacket or coat that you no longer wear that is using up valuable space in your closet that someone else would be grateful to have. Or you may wish to purchase something new to provide comfort to another as the weather gets cooler. You may drop off coats and jackets at the Resource Center.

Guadalupe Mass

The Latin Ministry of the Episcopal Church will celebrate Guadalupe Mass on **Sunday, December 12** and all are invited to attend. This will be a great time of fellowship and a wonderful opportunity to get to know your Hispanic brothers and sisters at St. Augustine's. Please join us and spread the word!

12:00 PM - Rosary

1:30 PM - Procession / Folk Dance

12:30 PM - Holy Mass

2:00 PM - Lunch