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# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION

Lewisville, Texas To grow in Love of God and Neighbor



#### For Your Children:

- Nursery: Our staffed Nursery is available to children up to four years old at the 8:30 am and 11:00 services.
- Angel Buddy Bags: Angel Buddy Bags with activities for children ages 5-7 years are located in the Narthex.
- Children's Chapel is offered during the school year at the 8:30 am and 11:00 am services for children ages 4-7.

#### **Christian Formation**

• Christian Formation is offered during the school year for ages four to adult from 9:45 am to 10:45 am. To locate a class, please see an Usher.

#### **Receiving Communion in the Episcopal Church:**

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion at our Lord's table. Please follow the instructions of the Ushers to the Altar rail. If you would like a blessing, but not communion, come up, cross your arms, and we will pray for you. If you have trouble kneeling, please remain standing at the altar rail. If you have trouble walking, let an Usher know, and communion will be brought to your seat.

GLUTEN INTOLERANT - Please let an Usher know if you are gluten intolerant, and they will arrange to have a gluten free wafer and wine available to you at the altar rail.

- Hearing Assistance
   Hearing assistance devices are available through our Ushers before services.
- Silence Electronic Devices Please make sure all electronic devices are on SILENT before the worship service begins.

Prelude Nun komm, der Heiland Heiland, BWW 661 Trans./Arr. By Ronald C. Dishinger

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Opening Hymn** 

Prepare the Way, O Zion

No. 65

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**Opening Sentence** 

The people standing, the Celebrant says:		
Celebrant	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit	
People	And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen	

## The Collect for Purity

Amen

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People

Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us









## Body, Mind, Heart & Soul Health Survey

The Health and Wellness team for our Strategic Priorities project is offering a survey for your input into potential health and wellness offerings in the future. All Annunciation members are encouraged to complete the survey to help us understand ways we can meet your and your family's needs.

You can complete your survey electronically at <u>https://form.jotform.com/223105961103141</u> The paper surveys are available in the Narthex or if you need a paper survey mailed to you, email Pam Behrens at <u>pbehrens@supportresources.net</u>. We look forward to your input!

## .2022 ANGEL TREE

The Annunciation Angel Tree kicks off today and is located in the Narthex. Our Angel Tree items will be available today thru Sunday, December 4, so please choose soon! Lewisville Independent School district (LISD) Angels – Choose your Angel(s) & amp; purchase the items listed on the tag. (IF YOU CHOOSE AN LISD ANGEL, YOU MUST SIGN IT OUT WITH A VOLUNTEER AT THE TABLE and RECEIVE LISD INSTRUCTIONS). *All LISD Angel gifts must be returned no later than Monday, DECEMBER 5.* 



Navajoland – Choose a Navajoland Ornament, with suggested donation amounts. Cash, check, debit card are accepted. Or use the QR code!
Montessori Episcopal School – MES is asking for funds to make improvements to the Sensory Garden. Choose a MES Ornament, with suggested donation amounts. Cash, check, debit card are accepted. Or use the QR code!



We offer a warm welcome to Javier Betancourt, our new baritone choral scholar. A native of McAllen, Texas, Javi began his cello studies at age 10 with his middle school orchestra. He went on to perform professionally with the McAllen-area Valley Symphony Orchestra at age 16, and had solo appearances with several orchestras in south Texas. At the University of North Texas, Javi had the opportunity to study with world-renowned cellist, Eugene Osadchy. Javi resides in Denton and clinics and judges for the Denton, Lewisville, and Frisco ISD. He also has his own private studio and freelances throughout the Dallas/Ft. Worth Metroplex, Houston, and Big Spring, TX. Javi currently serves as the Orchestra Director at Founder's Classical Academy in Prosper. To learn more visit www.javicello.com.

# Collect of the day

CelebrantThe Lord be with youPeopleAnd 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. *People* Amen.

# The Lessons

## A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

2:1-5

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!

The word of the LordPeopleThanks be to God



#### Psalm 122 *Chanted by All*

- 1 I was glad when they said to <u>me</u>, \* "Let us go to the house of the <u>Lord</u>."
- 2 Now our feet are <u>standing</u> \* within your gates, O Je<u>rusalem</u>.
- 3 Jerusalem is built as a <u>city</u>\* that is at unity with <u>itself;</u>
- 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 <u>David</u>.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Je<u>rusalem</u>: \* "May they prosper who <u>love you</u>.
- 7 Peace be within your <u>walls</u> \* and quietness within your <u>towers</u>.
- 8 For my brethren and companions' sake, \* I pray for your pro<u>sperity</u>.
- 9 Because of the house of the Lord our God, \* I will seek to do you good."

## A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God** 

Sequence Hymn

People

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers!



13:11-14

No. 68



# OMG December Events Everyone is welcome to join us. We don't check ID's for age so invite

your friends, neighbors and family!

12/10: Dallas Symphony Orchestra Family Christmas Pops ~ 3 pm. Cost is \$40 a ticket. After we will enjoy a meal at a local Dallas restaurant. Contact Paul Jankowski @ paulsjankow1966@yahoo.com for tickets.

12/18: Lewisville Civic Chorale T'was The Night Before Christmas ~ 4 pm
This will be held at Annunciation so we will enjoy a meal at Viva La Pasta after the show. Purchase tickets and then contact Meg @ meg.muller1@yahoo.com or Paul @ paulsjankow1966@yahoo.com so that we can make restaurant reservations.



There will be a baptismal preparation class offered on **Sunday, December 11th at 12:30** in the Oratory Chapel for those who would like to be baptized into the Episcopal Church. The baptism will take place on Sunday, January 8th.

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS** 



## Calling All Angels (and Shepherds, and Wisemen, and Sheep)

At our 5:00 p.m. family service on **December 24th**, we will hear the gospel proclaimed in our annual **Christmas Pageant** featuring the children and youth of our congregation.

If you know of someone between the ages of 4 and 12 who would be interested in participating, please let Beth Parker know by sending an e-mail to <u>bethp@annunciationlewisville.org</u>

We would like to make sure we have plenty of costumes available for all.

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## Serving the Elderly at Good Samaritan-Denton Village December 9th

Members of Annunciation will be assisting with the Good Samaritan-Denton Village Christmas dinner in Denton to benefit the residents who otherwise might not be able to celebrate Christmas surrounded by friends and loved ones. We are looking for 10 people (17 years or older) who would be willing to assist with serving the meal on Friday, December 9th, starting at 4:30 p.m. We will be finished at approximately 8:30 p.m., and a wonderful dinner is provided for you. *Attire is black and white*.

If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer with for this worthwhile ministry, please contact Michael in the church office at <u>manderson@annunciationlewisville.org</u>



The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 24:36-44

#### 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."

PeopleThe gospel of the LordPraise to you, Lord Christ

The Sermon

The Revd. Catherine M Thompson

## The Nicene Creed

#### Celebrant and people say

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

# The Leader and people pray responsively

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Silence* 

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We remember especially those in service of this country: Will, Juston, Tony, Laney, Liam, Alton, Andrew, JR, Cody, Houston, Richard, Drew, Nathan, Mario, Jaden, Ethan, Dalton, Shea, Remi, Gabe, Robert and Owen

Silence

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Silence* 

Lord, in your mercy

# Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We remember especially:

Those celebrating birthdays: Donna Wolfe, Rose Page, Bobby Stevens, Beata Hill and Ethan Orr

Silence

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We remember especially:

#### Blue Christmas Service Sunday, December 4 4:00 pm ~ Oratory Chapel

As Christians around the world await the coming of Christ during the season of Advent, there are many for whom this holiday season is not merry and bright. For a variety of reasons, whether it be loss, trauma, hardship, depression, loneliness, anxiety, or just a dislike of the winter weather, not everyone is up and cheery for the Christmas season. And that is OK! God wants to share in those experiences with us too. If any of the above describes you or someone you know we are offering a special Blue Christmas Service. We would love to have you join us as you are.

New Youth Christian Formation Group ~ Sundays 9:45-10:45 Upstairs Youth Room

Beginning Sunday, November 27, a Faith and Wellness Class will be offered for middle & high school students. Staci Barker will lead them in discussion about the very real challenges young people face, and help them discover how the Bible can be a guide as they make more and more of their own decisions about how to live their lives. Please pray for Staci and the students as they embark on this holy journey!



Pub Theology December 8 @ 7:00 pm Prairie House in Lewisville

Want to unlock all of life's mysteries and learn the secrets of the universe? Come join us for discussion and a pint (alcoholic or non-alcoholic). All are welcome!! For more information, please contact Michael Anderson at manderson@annunciationlewisville.org





# Family Advent Bags

As we approach the upcoming Advent season, we wanted to provide you and your family an opportunity to prepare for the coming of the birth of Jesus and share in the love of the season. Advent is marked by four weeks before Christmas. It is defined as a time of "coming into place, view, or being; arrival". Advent is simply taking time each day, starting on Sunday, November 27th, (first Sunday in Advent) to prepare for Christmas. Students in Christian Formation Classes (ages pre k- 5th grade) will be

given their family bag during class. Extra bags will be available on table in the Welcome Center for those families who would like a bag, but did not receive one.

In the bags, we have included supplies for you and your family to do a fun activity each week to celebrate Advent. We hope you enjpy this time as a family.

Wayne, Betsy, Kennon, Joe, Vivian, Chris, Betty, Eleanor, Joan, Margaret, Tutu, Linda, Jan, Cindy, Clay, Laura, Jim, Don, Bill, Denise, Phil, Pam, John, Celia, Robert, Sue Ann, Ashlynn, The Judd Family, Kaley, Hannah and Ava. *Silence* 

## Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *Silence* 

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

## **Concluding Collect**

Hasten, O Father, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we thy servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold thy Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen**.

## The Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us Confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please kneel. Celebrant and People say

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 Celebrant 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. The Celebrant says The peace of the Lord be always with you. People And also with you. Announcements **Birthday and Anniversary Blessings** Birthday Blessing O, God our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT Offertory 8:30 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus Arr. By Robert W. Thygerson 11:00 Adult Choir Advent Message Martin How **Doxology:** Old 100th All stand and sing: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen! **Eucharistic Prayer B** 

## Events and Gatherings for the Coming Week

Sunday, November 27	Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Cherub Choir Rehearsal Christian Formation Holy Eucharist	7:15 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
Monday, November 28	KHESED Wellness Morning Prayer Women's Bible Study Boy Scouts	8:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 29	Morning Prayer Stitch Club of Denton MES Board Meeting Cub Scouts DOK Evening Prayer (Zoom)	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 30	Morning Prayer Choristers Choir EYC Adult Choir Rehearsal	8:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 1	Morning Prayer Gad Abouts Denton County Aggie Moms MES Staff Meeting Lewisville Civic Chorale	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Friday, December 2	KHESED Wellness Holy Yoga Evening Prayer w/Lee (Zoom)	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 3	Michael Anderson's Ordination	10:00 a.m.

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

## Post Communion Prayer

#### People and Celebrant say

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.

## Lay Eucharistic Visitor Prayer

When Lay Eucharistic Visitors are sent from the table to take Communion to those who are home-bound or hospitalized, the following prayer will be said:

- *Celebrant*: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's Body and Blood.
- *People:* We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup. Amen.

## The Blessing

Closing HymnCome, Thou Long-Expected JesusNo. 66

## The Dismissal

Celebrant	Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit
People	Thanks be to God

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PostludeWachet Auf, ruff uns die Stimme, BWV 645J.D. BachSleeper Wake, from Cantata no. 140
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People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

## Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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 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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord

#### Sanctus

No. S127

Celebrant and people sing



#### The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People say

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

#### The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

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

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



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 for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## The Distribution of Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion at this, our Lord's table.

Communion Vocalise, Op. 34, No. 14 - Javi Betancourt, cello Sergei Rachmaninoff