

# Give Thanks



## We Gather Together

1. We gath - er to - geth - er  
2. Be - side us to guide us  
3. We all do ex - tol ther

# The Setauket Presbyterian Church

*“As active disciples of Jesus Christ, we celebrate and share the love of God among ourselves and with others.”*



## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

1st Sunday of Advent

November 30, 2014

9:30 AM

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*Since at least the time of Charlemagne, and possibly as early as the time of Boethius, the church read the seven “O Antiphons” at evening vespers during the Octave (last eight days) before Christmas, one each evening, Dec. 17-23, with Christmas Eve Vespers being the Christmas Vigil. We reinterpret this tradition for the four Sundays of Advent and our three services on Christmas Eve.*

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

**Prelude**     *Prelude in D major*

J.S. Bach

**Ringing of the Steeple Bell**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit**     *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (verse 2)

arr. John Weaver

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

First reader: O Wisdom, O holy Word of God, you govern all creation with your strong, tender care.

Second reader: Come and show your people the way to salvation.

**All: Come, Lord Jesus**

\* **Hymn 367**     *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

ST GEORGE'S WINDSOR

### PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

**God of the future, you are coming in glory to fill your world with goodness. We confess that in all our preparations for the season, we are still unprepared for you. Where we might be opening our hearts and our lives to receive you, we are busy filling them up, as though we did not really believe you were coming. Help our unbelief: give us grace to leave open our unfilled places, so that when our guest comes, they become places of honor, and we are ready with a joyful welcome in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord...**

*(Moment of silence for personal confession and reflection) Amen.*

**Assurance of God's Grace**

...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

\* **Gloria** (refrain from Hymn 113 *Angels We Have Heard on High*)

***Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!***

### WITH THE CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Children should proceed to their church school class.)

### HEARING THE WORD

**Sung Prayer for Illumination**

Hymn 88, verse 2

***O come, thou Wisdom from on high, and order all things far and nigh;***

***To us the path of knowledge show, and cause us in her ways to go:***

***Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.***

**First Reading** Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

**Anthem** *Thus Saith The Lord/But Who May Abide*  
Tom Loomis, Solo

G.F. Handel

**Second Reading** Mark 1:1-8

**THE SERMON** *A World Made Right*

The Rev. Mary B. Speers

\* **HYMN 102** *Savior of the Nations, Come* (verses 1-3)

NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND

## THANKING GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS

### Offertory

(Please sign the Friendship Rosters found at the end of the pew,  
noting the name of fellow worshippers when it is returned.)

\* **Doxology** (Hymn 102, verse 4, *Savior of the Nations, Come*)

***Praise we sing to Christ the Lord, virgin's son, incarnate Word!  
to the holy Trinity praise we sing eternally.***

\* **Prayer of Dedication**

**Holy One, you who are complete in Yourself and the source of all power and grace,  
place within us the spirit of your holy child Jesus, fill us with such love and awe  
and delight that we become a blessing to everyone we meet, and send into your  
world through us the abundant life we have through the one who was, and is, and  
is to come, Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN.**

## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

\* **HYMN 93** *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!*

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\* **CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION and BENECTION**

**CHORAL RESPONSE** *The Heavens are Telling*

arr. Mikael Darmanie

**POSTLUDE** *Fugue in D major*

J.S. Bach

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

Large print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals and listening devices are available; please ask a Deacon.

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## NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

9:00 Knitting at 9 in the Parlor

9:30 Worship Service with Communion and the Rev. Kate Jones Calone preaching; Childcare  
(ages 1 - 3)

9:45 Church School (Preschool through 6th Grade)

11:00 Church School Christmas Pageant rehearsal in the Sanctuary

11:00 Adult Education Class in Jr./Sr. High Room

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