ST.GEORGE'S CHURCH FLUSHING

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Sunday Services

9:30 AMEnglish Service9:30 AMServicio en inglés上午9:30英文崇拜

11:00AMChinese Service:11:00AMServicio en chino上午11:00中文崇拜

1:00PM Spanish Service 1:00PM Servicio en español 下午1:00 西班牙文崇拜

Wednesday Services

10:00AMChinese Service10:00AMServicio en chino上午10:00中文崇拜

Thursday Morning Prayer

10:00AM English, in the Chapel

All are welcome!



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Fourth Sunday of Advent



Welcome to St. George's

Welcome! Whoever you are, whatever your origin, wherever you are in your spiritual pilgrimage, you are one of us: *a child of God*.

St. George's Parish is a Christian community that celebrates the wondrous diversity of God's people; we are an inter-cultural church where worship is offered each week in three languages: English, Mandarin and Spanish. We trust that God has called you here today. Please complete a visitor's envelope so we can tell you more about St. George's.

If you are unfamiliar with the pattern of worship in the Episcopal Church, simply relax in the liturgy and allow the rest of those present to carry you along in your worship, participate and be comfortable. You are invited to share Holy Communion with the congregation and we hope you will come to the coffee hour in the Parish Hall following this service.

Once again, welcome to this very old church that ministers in the present for the sake of a vibrant and faithful future.

In preparation for worship please silence all cell phones.

Sunday December 24th, 2023 A Big Welcome To All Who Visit Us This Morning!

Intentions for intercession

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: For the Anglican Communion Diocesan Cycle: For the Diocese of Long Island

Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. Diocesan Bishop Lawrence Provenzano. Assisting Bishops Geralyn Wolf and William Franklin, Daniel Allotey. Our Parish Clergy Fr. Paul Xie, Rev. Carrie Lu Zhang and Deacon Marjorie Boyden-Edmonds.

We remember in our prayers for healing of Body, Mind and Spirit the following persons:

Lida & Lloyd Watson, Kevin Pilgrim, Elveta Ford, David Lee, Kenny Brown, Robert Paul Ramirez, Emma Morales, Gladys Gonzalez, Lois Newland, Henry Chang, Alison Murray, Nadine Wilkinson, Jason Ramsay, Daniel Mason, Desmond Chambers, Debbie Rainford, Deshaine Rainford, Dwight Phillips, Merle Solomon, Candice Mothersille, Beverly Dixon, Carlos Morales, Naylin Vega, Olga Gooding, Hilary Mears, Diane Ruiz, Thelma Browne, Venita Turner, Rebecca Gardner and Winnifred Barnett, Muriel Paisley-Prawl & Eric Prawl, Dana

Corbie, Paramjit Mahti, Ava Clarke, Keith & Marie Bradshaw.

**Sunday School will have Fundraising Bake Sale after service. All proceeds go towards Restoration Fund. Please come and join us!

Flowers Donation For Advent and Christmas

In Loving Memory Your Loved Ones and For Thanksgiving

Jin Ling Ling Wen Jing Pan Elaine Hung Paul&Aner Xie Shu Song Shirley Nelson Mei Song Xiao Yu Tong Zhi Xia Dai Min Rong Zhao Hai fen Shen Mei Hua Wu	凌潘黃牧宋 宋佟代趙沈吴錦文懿師姝 梅曉智敏海梅時公 警师 未 安修 建物子 化乙基乙基	Xiang Hua Cui Zhen Xiong Lei Na Ta Xiao Shuai Guo Li Rong Zhu Rev. Carrie Family Erica Kan Kaity Chang Ying Min Han Hong Wei Wang Xian Feng Meng Lin Jie Wang &	崔雷塔郭朱張簡張韓王孟香振娜曉黎牧禹凱英宏憲御師蓉師彤蒂民偉鳳家	Xiu Qin Qi Rayson Hsu Jun Zhen Ruan Hui Wang Kang Ming Sun Shi Rong Zhu Xiao Zheng Zhi Xiang Liu Lan Xin Lei Jin Quan Zheng Juan Fang Teng Wei Tan Chen	漆許阮王孫周鄭柳雷鄭騰陳秀濤君惠康时曉智藍金娟為琴 珍 明榮 祥鑫泉芳談
		Lin Jie Wang & Quo Qiang Zheng		Wei Tan Chen	陳為談
Hui Zhu Zhang	張慧珠	Quo Qiang zheng			

Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Sermon

The Nicene Creed		BCP p. 358
The Prayers of the Peop	ole Form IV	BCP p. 388
Confession of Sin		BCP p. 360
Peace		
Presentation	436 & 377	

THE LITURGY OF EUCHARISTY

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A	BCPp.361				
Sanctus and Benedictus - S 125					
The Lord's Prayer - S119	Plainchant				
Breaking of the Bread	BCP p. 364				
Fraction Anthem - S 164	Schubert				
Communion Hymn - 324 (The Hymnal 1982) & 152 (LEVS II)					
Post Communion Prayer	BCP p. 365				
Blessing					
Hymn in Procession - 573					
Postlude					

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Prelude

Gathering and Entrance Rites

Advent Candle Lighting

Leader :

Almighty God, grant that the love of your son, Jesus Christ, may so light our whole lives that we need never again walk in darkness. Amen.

All :

Four candles, burning bright, Chasing away the darkness from light. Four candles, glowing light, The blessing of God, giving new sight.

Hymn in Procession—56

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

BCP355

HYMN: Holy God #S102

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Collect of the Day

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you." But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

Psalm: The Song of Mary Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed:

the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel, for he has remembered his promise of mercy,

The promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *Amen*.

The Second Reading

Romans 16:25-27

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith— to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen.

The Gospel Acclamation

||:Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia :|| Whoever Keeps the Word of Christ, The Love of God is Truly Perfected in him. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

The Holy Gospel:

Luke 1:26-38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The