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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 3

5:00 pm – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Sunday, December 7

8:00 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite One

10:00 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two



The First Sunday of Advent

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

November 30, 2025

10:00AM

The First Sunday of Advent

Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church. On the first Sunday in Advent, the liturgy is concerned with our preparation for the return of Christ at the end of time. The Gospel reading today is a portion of Jesus' words concerning that time. He tells us to see the events of history as signs of the approaching end and to recognize that end as the coming of our redemption.

The Old Testament reading today from the prophet Jeremiah looks forward to the time when God will fulfill the promise of a successor to David. The New Testament Christians understood the "righteous Branch" of David's line to be our Lord Jesus Christ.

The second reading is from Paul's first Thessalonian letter. His letters to that church were prompted by difficulties in that congregation due to their misunderstanding of the Lord's promise to return. In today's reading, Paul encourages the Thessalonians to see their ministry and mutual love as the way to prepare for the Lord's return.

There is an "already, but not yet" aspect to the New Testament's discussion of the Lord's return. God's Kingdom is not limited to a time in the far-off future; it began breaking into human history in Jesus' death and resurrection. The Lord comes to judge and to save in each moment in the life of his people. Above all, he is revealed in our encounter with him in the Eucharistic meal.

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The red ***Book of Common Prayer*** (BCP)
is our source of Liturgy and is indicated by BCP page numbers.

Our hymns are found in the blue ***Hymnal 1982***
as printed selections from it and other supplemental hymnals,
including, but not limited to, *Lift Every Voice and Sing* (LEVAS),
Voices Found (VF), *Wonder, Love, Praise* (WLP),
My Heart Sings Out (MHSO) and *Enriching Our Music* (EOM)

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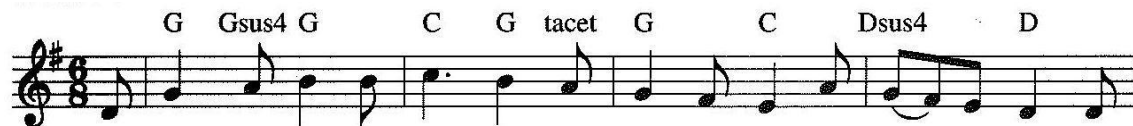
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The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Gathering Music

O come, divine Messiah



1. O come, di - vine Mes - si - ah; the world in si - lence waits _ the day when
2. O Christ, whom na - tions sigh for, whom priest and proph - et long _ fore - told, come,
3. You come in peace and meek - ness and low - ly will your cra - dle be; all



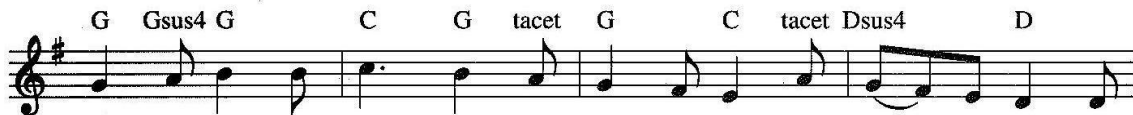
1. hope shall sing its tri - umph and sad - ness flee _ a - way. _____
2. break the cap - tive's fet - ters, re - deem the long _ lost fold. _____
3. clothed in hu - man weak - ness shall we, your God - head see. _____



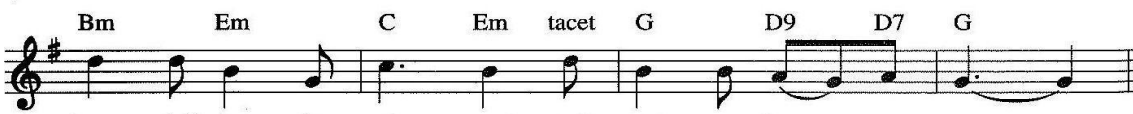
Dear Sav - ior, haste! Come, come to earth. Dis - pel the



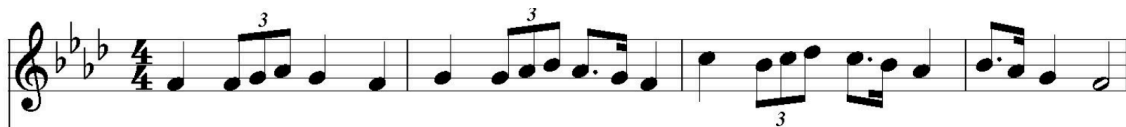
night and show your face, and bid us hail the dawn of grace. _ O



come, di - vine Mes - si - ah; the world in si - lence waits _ the day when



hope shall sing its tri - umph and sad - ness flee _ a - way. _____



1. Signs of end-ings all a - round us— dark - ness, death, and win - ter days
 2. Can it be that from our end - ings, new be - gin - nings you cre - ate?
 3. Speak, O God, your Word a - mong us. Bar - ren lives your pres - ence fill.



shroud our lives in fear and sad - ness, numb - ing mouths that long to praise.
 Life from death, and from our rend - ings, realms of whole - ness gen - er - ate?
 Swell our hearts with songs of glad - ness, ter - rors calm fore - bod - ings still.



Come, O³ Christ, and dwell a - mong us! Hear our cries, come set us free.
 Take our fears, then, Lord, and turn them in - to hopes for life a - new:
 Let your prom - ised realm of jus - tice blos - som now through - out the earth;



Give us hope and faith and glad - ness. Show us what there yet can be.
 Fad - ing light and dy - ing sea - son sing their Glo - ri - as to you.
 your do - min - ion bring now near us; we a - wait the sav - ing birth.

All standing, the Celebrant says

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People

His mercy endures forever.

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

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. **Amen.**

Song of Praise

Blest be the King whose coming

Hymn 74

Verse 1

I Blest be the King whose coming is in the name of
 God! For him let doors be opened, no hearts against him
 barred! Not robed in royal splendor, in
 power and pomp, comes he; but clad as are the
 poor - est, such his humil - i - ty!

The Collect of the Day

BCP 211

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And 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. **Amen.**

The people sit.

The First Reading

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!

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 122

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



1 I was glad when they said to me, *
“Let us go to the house of the LORD.”

2 Now our feet are standing *
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem is built as a city *
that is at unity with itself;

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 David.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
“May they prosper who love you.

7 Peace be within your walls *
and quietness within your towers.

8 For my brethren and companions' sake, *
I pray for your prosperity.

9 Because of the house of the LORD our God, *
I will seek to do you good.”

The Second Reading

Romans 13:11-14

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand. The children are invited to process to Children's Chapel during the Sequence Hymn.

Sequence Hymn

The King shall come when morning dawns

Hymn 73



1 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and
 2 Not, as of old, a lit - tle child, to
 3 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and
 4 and let the end - less bliss be - gin, by
 5 The King shall come when morn - ing dawns and



1 light tri - um - phant breaks; when beau - ty gilds the
 2 bear, and fight, and die, but crowned with glo - ry
 3 earth's dark night is past; O haste the ris - ing
 4 wear - y saints fore - told, when right shall tri - umph
 5 light and beau - ty brings: Hail, Christ the Lord! Thy



1 east - ern hills and life to joy a - wakes.
 2 like the sun that lights the morn - ing sky.
 3 of that morn, the day that e'er shall last;
 4 o - ver wrong, and truth shall be ex - tolled.
 5 peo - ple pray, come quick - ly, King of kings.

The Holy Gospel**Matthew 24:36-44***Deacon*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*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.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Bert O. Baetz III

The People stand with the Celebrant and say together

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

**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.

The people may stand or kneel.

Prayers of the People, Form I

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying,
“Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of
our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the
unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop; David and Angela, our Bishops; Bert, Mike, and
Rich, our Priests; in our diocese, we give thanks this week for St. Nicholas,
Bulverde; and Church of the Advent, Alice.

Lord, have mercy.

For Donald, our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let
us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city, Kerrville, and for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died, in the hope of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of blessed Peter and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

BCP 359

The Deacon or Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 stands and 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.**

All stand.

The Peace

<i>Celebrant</i>	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory

My tribute

Andre Crouch

The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

The Presentation of the Offerings *For the bread which you have broken* Hymn 341
Verses 1 and 4

For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the wine which you have poured, for the
words which you have spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord. In your
ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward, in the
world to which you send_ us let your king - dom, come, O Lord.

The people remain standing.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

***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.**

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:

Sanctus

S 130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

The first system of the Sanctus hymn is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) in G major (one sharp). The Soprano part begins with a half note G4, followed by a half note A4, and then a half note B4. The Bass part begins with a half note G3, followed by a half note A3, and then a half note B3. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and".

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

The second system of the Sanctus hymn continues the melody. The Soprano part has a half note C5, followed by a half note D5, and then a half note E5. The Bass part has a half note C4, followed by a half note D4, and then a half note E4. The lyrics are: "might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,".

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

The third system of the Sanctus hymn concludes the phrase. The Soprano part has a half note F5, followed by a half note G5, and then a half note A5. The Bass part has a half note F4, followed by a half note G4, and then a half note A4. The lyrics are: "God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are".

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na



The people stand or kneel. 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

**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 blessed Peter, and 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.**

The Celebrant continues

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

People and Celebrant

**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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem (*All Singing*)

O Lamb of God

O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the

world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Lamb of God,

that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world,

have mer-cy up-on us. O Lamb of God, that ta-kest

a-way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The Celebrant says

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.

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Communion Hymn

In remembrance of me

(Capo 3) G Bm C D7sus G
Bb Dm Eb F7sus Bb

1. In re - mem-brance of
 (2. In re -) mem-brance of
 (3. In re -) mem-brance of

Bm C D7sus C Am
Dm Eb F7sus Eb Cm

me, eat this bread. _____ In re - mem-brance of me, drink this
 me, heal the sick. _____ In re - mem-brance of me, feed the
 me, search for truth. _____ In re - mem-brance of me, al - ways

D D7 Em C F
F F7 Gm Eb Ab

wine. _____ In re - mem - brance of me, pray for the
 poor. _____ In re - mem - brance of me, o - pen the
 love. _____ In re - mem - brance of me, don't look a -

D G Bm C D7sus D7
F Bb Dm Eb F7sus F7

Third time to Coda ⊕

time when God's own will is done. _____ 2. In re -
 door and let your neigh - bors
 bove, but in your

2
C Eb D7sus F7sus G Bb G Bb Eb Gb
mf

in, let them in. Take,

Eb Gb G Bb G Bb Eb Gb Cm Ebm

eat, and be com - fort - ed; drink and re - mem - ber,

G Bb G Bb Em Gm cresc. D F C Eb

too, that this is my bod - y and pre - cious

G Bb A C A7 C7 dim. and rit. D7sus F7sus D7 F7 D.S. al Coda

blood shed for you, shed for you. 3. In re -

⊕ CODA D7sus F7sus D7 F7 G Bb G Bb

heart, look for God.

Communion Hymn

Here is bread, here is wine

VERSE

C G/B Am E⁷ F/A C/G G F/A Am G/B

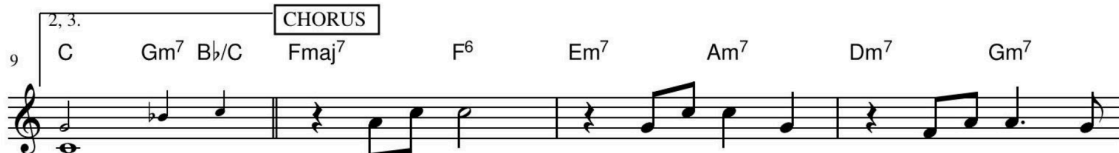


1. Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, He is with us.
 2. Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, He is with us.
 3. Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, He is with us.



Break the bread, drink the wine, Christ is with us here.
 Know His grace, find His peace, feast on Je - sus
 We'll pro-claim, 'til He comes, Je - sus cru - ci -

1.
C Fm/C



here, In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup there's
 fied.



life for - ev - er. In this mo - ment, by the Spir - it,



Christ is with us here. here.

Communion Hymn

Let all mortal flesh keep silence



1 Let all mo - rtal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and
 2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on
 3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van - guard
 4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with

trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -
 earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man
 on the way, as the Light of Light de -
 sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the

mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
 ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood
 scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,
 Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,

Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,
 he will give to all the faith - ful
 that the powers of hell may va - nish
 "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"

our full hom - age to de - mand.
 his own self for heaven - ly food.
 as the dark - ness clears a way.
 Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

When Eucharistic Visitors are sent, the Deacon says

In the name of St. Peter's 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, one cup.

Deacon Go in peace.

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people, saying

May almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. **Amen.**

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. **Amen.**

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Processional Hymn

People, look East



1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near of the crown-ing of the
2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is plant - ed
3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build, guard the nest that must be
4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl shall
5. An - gels, an - nounce with shouts of mirth Christ who brings new life to



1. year. Make your house fair as you are a - ble, trim the hearth and set the
2. there: give up your strength the seed to nour - ish, that in course the flow'r may
3. filled. E - ven the hour when wings are fro - zen God for fledg - ling time has
4. brim, shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er, bright as sun and moon to -
5. earth. Set ev - ery peak and val - ley hum-ming with the word, the Lord is



1. ta - ble. Peo-ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the guest is on the way.
2. flour-ish. Peo-ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the rose is on the way.
3. cho - sen. Peo-ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the bird is on the way.
4. geth - er. Peo-ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the star is on the way.
5. com-ing. Peo-ple, look East and sing to - day: Love the Lord is on the way.

Dismissal

Deacon

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

The greens on our altar today are given to the Glory of God by Jud Waggoman in loving memory of his father, John M. Waggoman Jr.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday

8:00 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite One
10:00 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (*also streamed online*)
10:00 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (Hunt Chapel)

Monday through Friday

8:30 am – Morning Prayer

Wednesday

5:00 pm – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Ministries–November 30	8:00 am	10:00 am
Eucharistic Ministers	John Nolen	Amy Ives Herb Williamson
Vestry Rep.	Betty Mosty	Ellen Schoenfeld
Ushers		John Elliott Sharon McClure John Murray

Altar Guild – Denise Baehre, Gail Brown, Helen Herget, Sarah Hilburn, Beverly Lohmeyer, Punkie Kinnan, Nellwyn Sadler

Ministries–December 7	8:00 am	10:00 am
Eucharistic Ministers	Kim Chatelain	Michael Rietini Jane Quein
Vestry Rep.	Herb Williamson	Joseph Blalock
Ushers		Dan English Libby English Barbara Jansen

Altar Guild – Denise Baehre, Gail Brown, Helen Herget, Sarah Hilburn, Beverly Lohmeyer, Punkie Kinnan, Nellwyn Sadler

Long Term Prayer List: Nancy, Sarah, Wyatt, Olivia, Adam and family, Dan and Laura, Jerry and Stacy Kramer, Kathleen, Herschel, Jahmir, Dorothy, Jerry, Jeremy, Jason Allen, Elizabeth, Abigail, Baker, Holly, Marsha, Scott, Julie, Dennis, Jerry, Patty

Short Term Prayer List: Edie, Angel, Charles, Timea, Alice, Margarite, Kyle, John, Diane, Nicholas, Gail, Nikita, Mick, Barbara

Military and Diplomatic Service Prayer List: Kareen Hart, George Hart, Justin Augustine, Elison Crum, Ross Davis, Kevin DeVore, Jr., Jason Horne and family, Emily Matz Corbin, Joshua Bosworth, Nate Munton, Eric Wood, John Christy, Brittany Vinson, Ian Nix, Anna Heiligenstein, Sgt. Hunter Green, Matthew Kern, and all who serve our country.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Worship Attendance:

Sunday, November 23: 8AM: 36; 10:00AM: 218 Hunt:

Wednesday, November 26: 5PM:

Monthly Giving as of 11/24/25:

Current month giving	\$ 61,987
Current month budgeted	\$85,000
YTD giving	\$938,992
YTD budgeted	\$935,000

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, November 30

8:00 am	The Holy Eucharist: Rite One Traditional Service – no music
9:00 am	Coffee & Fellowship – Tucker Hall
9:00 am	Advent Book Study – MPR
9:45 am	Nursery opens – Rm. 95 by the chapel
10:00 am	The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two Combined Service

MONDAY, December 1

8:00 am – 3:00 pm	Cottage Shop Volunteer workday & receiving donations. Call 830-257-0290 to make an appointment for consignments, accepted on Mondays only from 8AM – 11 AM.
8:30 am	Morning Prayer – Church

TUESDAY, December 2

8:30 am	Morning Prayer – Church
9:00 am – 4:30 pm	Cottage Shop Open – Donations gratefully received without an appointment. We welcome all who would be interested in volunteering to serve in our Cottage Shop. To volunteer, please contact Marsha Hofland or Margaret Galloway at 830-257-0290.
12:00 pm	Prayers, Fellowship & Football – Tucker Hall P.F.F. is a men's lunch group with no agenda. It's purely social and men of all ages are welcome. Join us for a delicious \$8.00 lunch and lively conversation! If you need more information, please feel free to call Jon Wilems at (281) 723-9671 or John Elliott at (830) 238-4958. An RSVP is appreciated, but not necessary.
1:00 pm	The Brotherhood of St. Andrew – Library. This men's organization is based on the threefold disciplines of Prayer, Study, and Service while spreading Christ's Kingdom among men in the Episcopal Communion. We meet in the Library in the church office every Tuesday. For more information, contact Don Glover at 512-650-0635 or donaldgloversr@gmail.com .
2:00 pm	Contemplative Prayer – Parlor- Everyone is welcome. Our goal is to support one another in private contemplative prayer and meditation and share our faith journeys. Susan Parker at 830-955-1088.
5:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Downtown Christmas Walk – A Kerrville holiday tradition promoting

gospel unity and fellowship. Bundle up and bring your flashlight. Come sing and celebrate with your neighbors. Walk begins at First Baptist Church, 625 Washington Street.

WEDNESDAY, December 3

- 8:30 am **Morning Prayer** – Church
- 10:30 am **Path of Life** – MPR We are studying the book of Romans. Everyone is welcome and Betty has extra books if you are new. We are a fun, caring and supportive group and would love for you to join us. If you have any questions please call Betty Mosty 830-351-1156.
- 5:00 pm **The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two**
- 5:30 pm **Choir Rehearsal** – Choir Room
- 5:30 pm **Dinner** – Tucker Hall
- 6:15 pm **The Brotherhood of St. Andrew** – Library. This men's organization is based on the threefold disciplines of Prayer, Study, and Service while spreading Christ's Kingdom among men in the Episcopal Communion. On Wednesdays, we will be studying the upcoming Gospel reading. For more information, contact Carter Crain at fcc@me.com.

THURSDAY, December 4

- 8:30 am **Morning Prayer** – Church
- 9:00 am – 4:30 pm **Cottage Shop Open** – Donations gratefully received without an appointment. To volunteer, please contact Marsha Hofland or Margaret Galloway at 830-257-0290.

FRIDAY, December 5

- 8:30 am **Morning Prayer** – Church
- 9:00 am – 4:30 pm **Cottage Shop Open** – Donations gratefully received without an appointment. To volunteer, please contact Marsha Hofland or Margaret Galloway at 830-257-0290.
- 11:00 am **Book Study – The Friday Book Study group** Meets in the parlor and also via Zoom. Ours is an ecumenical group; all are welcome. Contact Susan Parker, parkers710@gmail.com or 830-955-1088

Empowered by Grace to Give

Statistical Summary-2026											
	2026 Pledges				2025 Pledges				Final	2024	2023
Totals as of:	11/3/2025	11/10/2025	11/17/2025	11/24/2025	11/18/2024	11/25/2024	12/3/2024	12/10/2024	2025 Pledges	Pledges	Pledges
# of Cards	123	137	139	150	119	140	146	164	186	180	189
Total \$	\$ 614,220	\$ 791,740	\$ 824,140	\$ 857,500	\$ 689,394	\$ 765,694	\$ 799,394	\$ 842,454	\$925,454	\$ 984,563	\$ 905,360
Avg. Annual Pledge	\$ 4,994	\$ 5,779	\$ 5,929	\$ 5,717	\$ 5,793	\$ 5,469	\$ 5,475	\$ 5,137	\$ 4,976	\$ 5,470	\$ 4,790
Increase	62	69	70	75	64	74	76	82	92	91	101
Stayed the same	45	50	51	57	40	48	50	60	67	72	65
Decrease	16	18	18	18	15	18	20	22	27	17	21
Did not pledge last year (included in increase)	17	19	18	20	18	22	24	29	39	27	44
\$ Increase (decrease)	\$ 85,516	\$ 78,626	\$ 96,746	\$ 108,946	\$ 87,012	\$ 97,772	\$ 98,572	\$ 115,252	\$161,978	\$ 161,978	\$ 248,638

As we come to the close of our 2026 Generosity Campaign, we invite everyone at St. Peter's to join together in helping us complete this important effort. Please consider turning in your Estimate of Giving Card by **Friday, December 5th**. There are several simple ways to share your commitment:

- Place your card in the offering plate this Sunday, November 30th, in a sealed envelope.
- Mail it to the church using the privacy envelope.
- Drop it by the church office anytime during the week.
- Complete your card online at our church website (www.stpeterskerville.com).

Every response truly matters - your participation, at any level, is a meaningful part of our church family's ministry. And if you're still discerning, it's perfectly okay to submit a card with zero for now. Thank you for being a vital part of the St. Peter's community and for all the ways you support our mission.



HERE AM I SEND ME

Volunteer today!

We're excited to share several new volunteer opportunities. Whether you'd like to donate Christmas ornaments, help with community events, or assist with organizing and cleaning, there's a place for everyone to get involved and make a difference. Let's love and serve our Hill Country neighbors together!

SERVE WITH US!

Clean up work days ●

Donate Christmas ornaments ●

Volunteer at community events ●

Love on Hunt ISD teachers ●

Scan or visit
stpeterskerrville.com/volunteer



HELP and HOPE
FOR THE
Hill Country
"HERE AM I. SEND ME."
ISAIAH 6:8

ADVENT BOOK STUDY

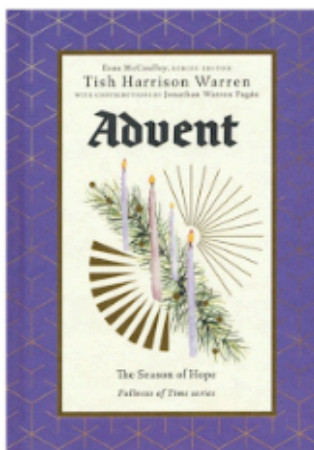
Prepare your heart.
Enter the story.
Welcome the Light.

Join us for a four-week study based on *Advent* by Tish Harrison Warren, beginning Sunday, November 30 at 9:00 AM. In this book, Warren invites us to rediscover Advent as a season that teaches us to wait with hope, pay attention to God's presence in the ordinary, and long for Christ's renewal of all things. Through themes of longing, honesty, and quiet expectation, she frames Advent as a counter-practice to hurry, distraction, and despair.

To make the most of our time together, participants are strongly encouraged to read the assigned chapter before each class (Chapter 1 for Week 1, Chapter 2 for Week 2, etc.). Completing the reading in advance will allow for deeper reflection, richer discussion, and more meaningful engagement with the season's themes.

**Purchase the
book on Amazon**

<https://a.co/d/e08Hsnd>



**SUNDAYS
at 9AM**

*Led by the Clergy
in the MPR*

Chapter One
November 30

Chapter Two
December 7

Chapter Three
December 14

Chapter Four
December 21



ST. PETER'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Christmas

IN THE HILL COUNTRY

Saturday, December 6

St. Peter's has partnered with the Hunt Preservation Society, The Hunt Store, and community churches for a Christmas celebration in Hunt, Texas. This Advent, let us find comfort in the light still shining in our community. All are welcome!

Families impacted by the flooding may RSVP to request a free tree or wreath.

LIVE MUSIC

CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

HOLIDAY FOOD AND BEVERAGES

RESERVE A TABLETOP CHRISTMAS TREE

MEET SANTA

AND MORE!



SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 6



2 PM - 5 PM



LJ VINEYARDS
1551 TX-39
HUNT, TX 78024



*Please RSVP at stpeterskerrville.com/christmas
or by scanning the QR code.*



Join us for our

ADVENT QUIET DAY

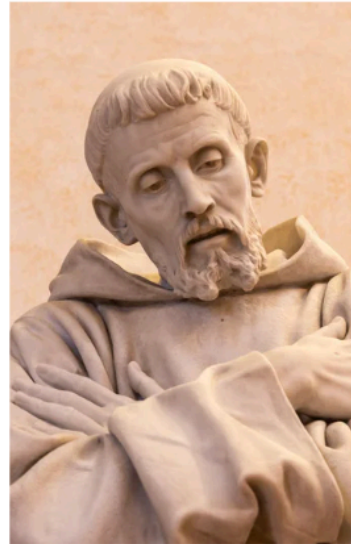
*“Who are you, God?
And who am I?”*

December 6, 7:30 AM, Tucker Hall

One night, a brother found St. Francis deep in prayer, simply asking over and over again the same question: “Who are you, God? And who am I?” This question lies at the heart of our faith. The answer to it lies at the heart of the Incarnation, the story of Christmas. This Advent Quiet Day, the Rev. Rich Nelson, Founding Director of the Community of Saints Francis and Clare, will guide us through this prayer, exploring a hidden connection in the gospels between Christmas and Easter, and how we too can bring the story of Christ’s birth to new life just as St. Francis did when he created the first Living Nativity celebration in 1223.

RSVP requested. Email RSVP@stpeterskerrville.com

Advent Quiet Day is a day of reflection, prayer, and worship that takes place during Advent to prepare for Christmas.



SCHEDULE

Saturday December 6th

- 7:30 a.m. Light Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 8:15 a.m. First Teaching
- 9:00 a.m. Quiet Time
- 9:30 a.m. Second Teaching
- 10:00 a.m. Quiet Time
- 10:30 a.m. Third Teaching
- 11:00 a.m. Quiet Time
- 11:30 a.m. Noonday Prayer
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch

DOWNTOWN CHRISTMAS WALK.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 2, 5:30 - 8:30 PM

A Kerrville holiday tradition promoting gospel unity and fellowship. Bundle up and bring your flashlight. Come sing and celebrate with your neighbors.

5:30PM-5:50PM First Baptist - 625 Washington Street (Matthew Melton, Peterson Health)

6:00PM-6:20PM First Presbyterian - 800 Jefferson Street (Scott Warner, Kerrville Church of Christ)

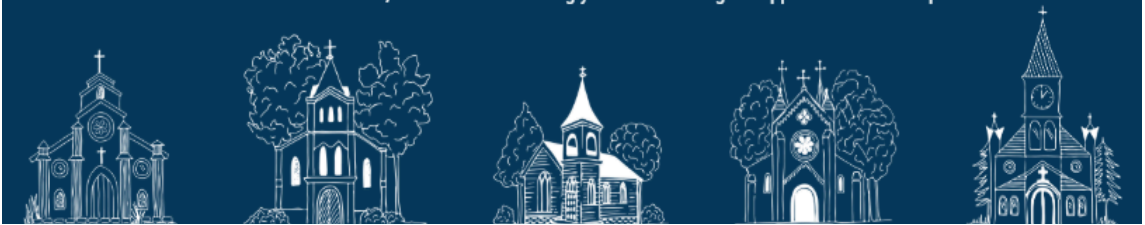
6:30PM-6:50PM First Assembly of God - 901 Jefferson Street (David Danielson, Impact Christian Fellowship)

7:00PM-7:20PM St. Peter's Episcopal - 320 St. Peter Street (Father Scott Janysek, Notre Dame Catholic Church)

7:30PM-7:50PM Notre Dame Catholic - 909 Main Street (Jasiel Hernandez Garcia, First Presbyterian Church)

8:00PM-8:30PM Refreshments & Fellowship hosted by Notre Dame

There is no cost for this event, but consider donating your love offering in support of local food pantries.





Advent Wreath Making

Come and Go

Sunday, November 30

9AM - 12PM

Families are invited to decorate an advent wreath as we prepare for the upcoming season. Live greenery and supplies are provided! If you have your base from last year please bring it. New bases are available for a suggested donation of \$7.

There will be a Godly Play Advent Lesson in the Children's Corner of Tucker Hall at 11:30.





LESSONS & CAROLS

December 17, 5:00 PM
in the Church

An evening of scriptural readings interspersed with choral presentations and hymns, which recall mankind's longing for liberation from sin and death, and our hope and expectation for the both the first and second coming of Christ.

This year's Lessons and Carols will be extra special as our Children Ministry will perform a special carol they have been working on.

**La Posada dinner follows
in Tucker Hall!**



Chrismons Making

COME AND GO
SUNDAY, DEC 7
9AM - 12PM

Supplies provided to create ornaments using symbols of Christ. Make your very own "Chrismons" to take home!

Christmas Schedule

CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 PM, 6:00 PM, 10:30 PM at St. Peter's

11:00 PM Candlelight Midnight Mass
at the Hunt Preservation Society Pavilion

CHRISTMAS DAY

10:00 AM

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

It's time to order thanksgiving and memorial Christmas poinsettias for our altar. These beautiful plants will be on display on the altar during Christmas week services. Poinsettias are \$15 each and are wrapped in colorful foil paper.

Fill out the order form below, then drop it off, along with payment, to the front desk in the church office. OR, place it in the offering plate on Sunday!



www.stpeterskerrville.com/holidayflowers

Deadline for inclusion in Christmas bulletins is Tuesday, December 16th.



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS *Order Form*

Name: _____

Phone: _____

	# of plants:	Total Cost:
TOTAL (# of plants x \$15.00)	_____	\$ _____

PLEASE COMPLETE BELOW:

In memory of:

In Thanksgiving for:



