



Holy Cross Anglican Church

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The Weekly Newsletter of Holy Cross Anglican Church December 11, 2016 Third Sunday in Advent

The Collect

“O Lord Jesus Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee; Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may like-wise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.”

+Join us for worship! All are welcome!

Adult Sunday School at 9:15 AM in the Library, the Miracles of Christ. Handouts are provided

Holy Communion 10:30 AM

**Children's Nursery is provided during the service if requested*

Celebrant: Rev. Scott Koszalinski
Deacon & Reader: Rev. Thad Osborne
1st Server: James Gray
2nd Server: Gary Macquire

Propers for Sunday:

Psalms: 107:1-16
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5

Lesson: Isaiah 35
Gospel: St. Matthew 11:2-10

Music:

Processional:	Hymn 271	<i>Come though almighty King</i>	Giardini	1769
Gradual:	Hymn 10	<i>On Jordan's bank</i>	Hamburg	1690
Sermon:	Hymn 7	<i>Hark! the glad sound!</i>	Psalter	1621
Communion:	Hymn 195	<i>Father, we thank thee</i>	Bourgeois	1543
Recessional:	Hymn 5	<i>Lo! he comes with clouds descending</i>	Wade's	1751

Altar Flowers have been given to the glory of God the Father this Rose Sunday, by Al and Karen Johnson.

Volunteer Custodians: Joanne and Jack have prepared the church for this coming Sunday.

Weekday Schedule:

Wednesday "Ember Day" Holy Communion 6:15 PM

Pastoral Notes

Prayer List:

Parishioners: Bonnie, Al, Noreen, Larry, Mary, Judy, Michaela & unborn child, Dakota, Dolly, Susan, Suzy, Jenny.

Family, Friends, & Others: Archie, Arnold, Liz, Alice, Tracey, Timothy, Joshua, Justin, Ryan, Angie, Gillian & unborn child, Savannah & unborn children, Claire, Katie, Ginny, Eric, Johanna, Joan, Donald, Greg, TJ, Bobby, Robyn, Ian, Carson, Alex, Mike, Peyton, Hunter, Mel, Karen, Lee, Jerry, Jay, Nick, Joy, Stephani & unborn child, Dorothy, Olivia, Kaden, Peggy, +Edward, Chris+.

Traveling: Pray for all those traveling at this time, especially Fr. Ernie and Dora, Joanne, Gary and Bonnie, and for those here in our parish and throughout all our parishes at this time; remembering to give great thanksgiving for the safe return of all.

R.I.P: Pray for the repose of the soul of Rt. Rev. George Fincke; "May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace, and may light perpetual shine upon them."

Special Intentions: Pray for all our neighbors impacted by fire and tornado.

Provincial Prayer Cycle: *All Suffragan and Assistant Bishops; All Curates and Assistant Clergy; and all Non-Parochial Clergy and Ministries .*

Serving our Nation



Military: Pray for our Military and those in harm's way,
especially
Fernando, James, Jim, Josh, Sarah, Trever.

Volunteer Ministries: Thank you one and all for contributing your love gifts for those who are in need. They will all bring smiles to many! They were delivered last week.

Gaudete Sunday: The third Sunday in Advent is known to Western Christians as Gaudete Sunday, from the Latin Gaudete meaning, "Rejoice". It is the opening word of the introit for this Sunday. It marks a brief exception to the penitential character of Lent. In churches that have them, rose coloured vestments may be used, hence the nickname, "Rose Sunday". Flowers may be present on our Altar on this one Sunday in Advent. *Thad*

Lessons & Carols: This was be our first attempt at providing a Lessons and Carols event at Holy Cross. It was beautifully done and greatly appreciated by all. Likely this attempt will be built upon in the years to come. We can look forward to seeing this evolve as the years pass.

Morning Prayer: Will be offered every Sunday morning Throughout Advent until Christmas. Begins at 8:45 AM, followed by Bible Study at 9:15.

Warm Clothes: Dec. 11, will be the **last day** to bring in to the parish Hall any warm, clean, serviceable clothing for Angelic Ministries. These folks need all we can give. Thank you for caring!!

Vestry Special Note: The vestry meeting scheduled for Sunday December 11 has been cancelled. We will meet following services on Sunday December 18, 2016.

Vestry Nominations from the Parish: If you have someone from the Parish that you would like to nominate for candidacy for this coming election cycle, please submit that name to the Rector or a Vestry person no later than January 1, 2017. Any submissions after that date will not be considered. Additionally, Holy Cross does not allow nominations from the floor during the Annual Meeting.

Illness: While we continue to thank God for his healing mercy for our parishioners that are on the mend, we still have several that are not yet able to be with us on a regular basis:

Dolores Kehrberg	111 Pattie Gap Road	Philadelphia, TN 37876
Jenny Ritter	2900 Lake Brook Blvd, Rm. 218	Knoxville, TN 37909 865-312-5095
Mary Herzler	2750 Douglas Dam Road	Sevierville, TN 37875

HCTrekkers: Watch for an announcement of our January hike!

Pew Bibles: Many thanks to all who have already sponsored our new pew Bibles. Commemorative book plates have been affixed to the inside front cover of the Bibles so sponsored. Additional books remain to be sponsored; the cost is \$7.50 each and you can note on your check the number of books and the desired commemoration.

Coats for the cold: Holy Cross will be collecting warm clothing (coats, sweaters, sweatshirts/pants, gloves, hats, warm socks, even blankets) through **December 11**. Our collection will be delivered to Angelic Ministries for distribution to those needing them. Please place your donations on the table in the back of the Parish Hall.

Lydia's Guild Teddy Bear Brunch will be December 10 at 11:00 AM at Lakeside Grill. Our scholarship recipient Yvette Satchel, will receive her awards for Lydia's Guild and the Men's Club.

Mark Your Calendars

12/10/2016	Teddy Bear Brunch	11:00	Lakeside Grill
12/10/2016	Ladies' Advent Quiet Day	10:00-3:00	St George's, Simpsonville SC
12/18/2016	Vestry Meeting and Greening of the Church		
12/24/2016	Christmas Eve Service	7:00 PM	Holy Cross
01/18-1/20/2017	DEUS Clergy Conference		Warner Robins, GA
01/22/2017	Annual Parish Meeting		Holy Cross
02/16-18/17	Prayer Book Conference		St. John's Savannah, GA

Visitations: Following a period of recovery for our clergy from some health issues, Fr. Ernie and Fr. Thad will be resuming their parish visitations. It is a good way for them to get to know us better in an informal setting. They will call and set up a schedule with you. (No surprises!). They urge you to make a list of things that are on your mind so they can concentrate on items of interest to you. We enjoyed our visit greatly and look forward to having our turn again.

Concerns: From time to time all of us have questions and concerns about our parish. That is natural. Sometimes, we hold those concerns inward where they remain. Fr. Ernie, Fr. Thad, Fr. Scott, the Senior Warden, and your Vestry urge you to seek answers to your questions and give voice to your concerns. Often we have misunderstandings about a variety of things that impact us. Fortunately, we have a number of people in place that

are ready and very willing to listen to your ideas and questions. Fr. Ernie is always available to meet with you. If you prefer, any vestry member is ready to hear what you have on your mind. They will seek answers and get back to you or go with you to visit the Rector if need be. We urge you to give our leadership the opportunity to assist you. As stated earlier in the News Letter, the clergy visitation is an excellent chance to discuss those questions and concerns.

Rector travel: Fr. Ernie and Dora will be leaving for Florida on Wednesday Dec. 7. They will be returning on Dec. 12 or 13. Fr. Ernie will celebrate the Eucharist on Sunday the 18th. In his absence contact the Senior Warden, Gary Macquire, with any emergencies.

From the Bishop:

"As some of you may already know, the Rt. Rev. George Fincke died on Saturday December 3, 2016 in the hospital in Prescott, Arizona. His wife Ann was by his side. Bishop George was making slow recovery and was looking forward to a four hour pass from the hospital to attend church on Sunday at All Saints' Prescott where he was the Rector. He passed from this life quietly on Saturday. Arrangements for the Eucharist are incomplete at this time but hopefully will be announced in a couple of days.

I belatedly instituted Bishop George on October 16, 2016 at All Saints' Prescott following the DOW Synod in Medford, Oregon which was held during the preceding week. It was a happy day for him and Ann and other family there for the occasion and a grand feast afterward. It was not long after that the Bp. George was hospitalized.

Pray for George's sweet repose and for Ann and the family for the comforting presence of the Holy Spirit. Rest eternal, grant unto him, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon him."

Faithfully yours,

+Walter

P.S. Ann's address for condolences is: Mrs. Ann Fincke, 4080 N. Papago Lane, Prescott Valley, AZ 86314