



The Season of Advent (Coming, Arrival, Approach) provides a wonderful time of preparation for Christmas, when we remember and celebrate the birth of Jesus, the Messiah. But Advent is also our annual liturgical reminder, that we are waiting for Christ to come again. No one expected a baby as they waited for the first Advent. Nonetheless, they trusted that God would come and be with them. We need to wait with that same faithful expectation that God will come again; to make all things new; to make all things right and well; as they were always meant to be. “Come, thou long-expected Jesus ... now thy gracious kingdom bring.”

Advent & Christmas Eve Services at St. Christopher’s

Sunday, December 1, First Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, December 8, Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, December 15, Third Sunday of Advent – LESSONS & HYMNS

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, December 22, Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sunday, December 29, Christmas I

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
 10:15 a.m. Morning Prayer

Tuesday, December 24, Christmas Eve

3:30 p.m. Family Vesper Service with Christmas Carols

In addition to your Christmas Offering, bring a pair of warm socks, mittens, or a hat for the Manger.

NO SERVICES on Wednesday, December 25th.

*Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
 From our fear and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.
 Israel’s strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art:
 Dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.
 Born thy people to deliver, born a child, and yet a king,
 Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
 By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
 By thine all-sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.*

Hymn 66