

St. Anne's Episcopal Church  
The Reverend Jennifer D. Beal, Rector

## First Sunday of Advent

### Service of Holy Eucharist

December 3, 2023



10:00 am (Rite II)

*If today is your first visit with us, welcome. We hope you will find peace and joy here.*

*Please visit our website for our live streamed and recorded services: [stannes-billerica.org](http://stannes-billerica.org)*

#### *St. Anne's Mission Statement*

*We seek to be led by the spirit to understand God's purpose for the world with our mission being to respond through Christ in worship, education, fellowship and service. We encourage community, faith, love and respect found at our core.*

***Community. Faith. Love. Respect.***

# 10:00 am The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

*From The Book of Common Prayer, according to the use of The Episcopal Church, 1979.*

Prelude & Procession      Chorale Prelude on  
'Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme' by J.F. Greiss

Welcome & Proclamation of the New Church Year

Announcements

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Steve Hopkins, Belinda Fletcher, Marguerite Massey, Pat Cregg,  
Andrea Jeffery, Kathy Brewster, Lisa Carpine, Nicole Knowles

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Opening Hymn      *blue* The Hymnal 1982 #53 (v.1,4)

## The Word of God

Acclamation      *red* Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Collect for Purity      p. 355

Gloria      "Glory to God"      *Hymnal* #S277

Collect of the Day      see insert

The Lessons      see insert

Isaiah( 64:1-9)

Psalms (80:1-7, 16-18)

1 Corinthians (1:3-9)

Mark (13:24-37)

The Homily      The Rev'd Jennifer D. Beal

The Nicene Creed      p. 358

The Prayers of the People (Form I)      p. 383

Confession      p. 360

The Peace

## The Holy Communion

The Offertory      *Hymnal* #59 (v.1,2,3)

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer B)      p. 367

see insert

Sanctus      *Hymnal* #S130

The Lord's Prayer      p.364

Administration of Communion      see usher for instructions

Music at Communion      *Hymnal* #615 (solo)

*Hymnal* #60 (v.1,2,3)

The Post-communion Prayer      p. 365

## Blessing & Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

### ***People Thanks be to God.***

Postlude "Emmanuel" by Steve Angrisano

*Please exit from the pews following the postlude and come to coffee hour.*

You are welcome to receive communion (either wafer & cup or individual kit) at the altar rail or in your seat.

*We thank you for sharing your financial gifts with us. There are contactless offering plates on the top of the piano and by the front door. There is a Donate button on our website.*

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### Ministers today

Priest	The Rev'd Jennifer D. Beal
Music Director	Mr. Peter Morelli
Lector	Mr. Norm Zarella
Acolyte	Mr. Mike Hopkins
Lay Eucharistic Minister & Prayers of the People	Mr. Mark Komarinski
Singer	Ms. Maria Martin
Ushers	Mr. Russell Bent Ms. Linda Kusnierz
Film Crew (Video)	Mr. Ed Giroux
Film Crew (Audio)	Ms. Sandra Giroux

### Meetings in our parish this week (Dec 3 thru Dec 10)

Sunday(Today)	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
Sunday(Today)	10:00 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Sunday(Today)	6:00 pm	Christmas Concert at LDS
Tuesday	10:00 am	Bible Study
Wednesday	9:30 am	Craft Group
Thursday	4:00 pm	Wardens&Clergy
Friday	6:00 pm	Parish Movie Night
Sunday(Dec 10 <sup>th</sup> )	9:00 am	Morning Prayer, Rite I
Sunday(Dec 10 <sup>th</sup> )	10:30 am	Social Conscience Book Group
Sunday(Dec 10 <sup>th</sup> )	10:30 am	Greening of the Church
Sunday(Dec 10 <sup>th</sup> )	1:00 pm	St. Anne's Concert Fundraiser

### Priest's office hours

Tuesday: 12 - 5  
Thursday: 2 - 5

### Parish office hours

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## Prayers for The First Sunday of Advent

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Church of North India (United)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Churches of the Alewife Deanery: Church of Our Saviour, Arlington; St. John's Church, Arlington; Order of St. Anne & Bethany House of Prayer, Arlington; The Standing Committee; Brotherhood of St. Gregory

Our Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin; Our Presiding Bishop, Michael; Our Bishops, Alan and Carol; Our Priest, Jennifer

### St. Anne's Prayer List

Barbara Rogers, Brian Hering, Chick Meech, Chris Hering, Clint, Dale, Don, Donald Fudge, George Lyna, Janet Lyna, Janet Strong, Jean Flight, José Soreso, Joshua Young, Josy Hering, Kathy Chang, Lee Conley, Linda E., Lucy Ann Young, Marie, Marie Horgan, Mary Lander, Michele O'Shea, Norm & MJ Zarella, Pat McCleave & granddaughter, Paul Hamner, Pete Jeffrey, Rebecca, Yvonne Hopkins, Our local friends from Haiti and their children

### Announcements for December 3, 2023

- Have you returned your Pledge commitment to our ministry yet? Thank you!
- Make note of the December 13<sup>th</sup> Poinsettia flower memorial deadline for publication in the Christmas Eve worship bulletin.

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Honoring the Pawtucket and Shawsheen peoples

Social Justice - a way to allow everyone to feel welcome and respected.

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**    “The Light of Christ”

The Light of Christ will come into the world.  
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-author: unknown

**Opening hymn**    “Once he came in blessing”    Hymnal #53 (v.1,4)

1. Once he came in blessing,  
All our ills redressing;  
came in likeness lowly,  
Son of God most holy;  
bore the cross to save us,  
hope and freedom gave us.

4. One who thus endureth  
bright reward secureth.  
Come then, O Lord Jesus,  
from our sins release us;  
let us here confess thee  
till in heaven we bless thee.

- author: Jan Roh, 1485?-1547

**Offertory hymn** "Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding"

*Hymnal* #59 (v.1,2,3)

1. Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding.

"Christ is nigh," it seems to say;  
"Cast away the works of darkness,  
O ye children of the day."

2. Wakened by the solemn warning,  
from earth's bondage let us rise;  
Christ, our sun, all sloth dispelling,  
shines upon the morning skies.

3. Lo! the Lamb, so long expected,  
comes with pardon down from heaven;  
let us haste, with tears of sorrow,  
one and all to be forgiven;

-Latin, ca. 6<sup>th</sup> cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, alt.

**Communion hymn one** "Thy kingdom come!" on bended knee"

*Hymnal* 615 (solo)

**Communion hymn two** "Creator of the stars of night"

*Hymnal* 60 (v.1,2,3)

1. Creator of the stars of night,  
Your people's everlasting light,  
O Christ, Redeemer of us all,  
We pray you hear us when we call.

2. In sorrow that the ancient curse  
Should doom to death a universe,  
You came, O Savior, to set free  
your own in glorious liberty.

3. When this old world drew on toward night,  
You came; but not in splendor bright,  
Not as a monarch, but the child  
of Mary, blameless mother mild.

-Latin, ca. 9<sup>th</sup> cent.; ver. *Hymnal* 1940, alt.