

ST. AMBROSE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
CONTEMPLATIVE MASS
NOVEMBER 22, 2015
8:00 A.M.



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THE WORD OF GOD

ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON 2 Samuel 23:1-7

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 132:1-19

1 LORD, remember David, *and all the hardships he endured;

2 How he swore an oath to the LORD *and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:

3 "I will not come under the roof of my house, *nor climb up into my bed;

4 I will not allow my eyes to sleep, *nor let my eyelids slumber;

5 Until I find a place for the LORD, *a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."

6 "The ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; *we found it in the fields of Jearim.

7 Let us go to God's dwelling place; *let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."

8 Arise, O LORD, into your resting-place, *you and the ark of your strength.

9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; *let your faithful people sing with joy.

10 For your servant David's sake, *do not turn away the face of your Anointed.

11 The LORD has sworn an oath to David; *in truth, he will not break it:

12 "A son, the fruit of your body *will I set upon your throne.

- 13 If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them,
 *their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."
 14 For the LORD has chosen Zion; *he has desired her for his habitation:
 15 "This shall be my resting-place for ever; *here will I dwell, for I delight in her.
 16 I will surely bless her provisions, *and satisfy her poor with bread.
 17 I will clothe her priests with salvation, *and her faithful people will rejoice and
 sing.
 18 There will I make the horn of David flourish; *I have prepared a lamp for my
 Anointed.
 19 As for his enemies, I will clothe them with shame; *but as for him, his crown
 will shine."

THE EPISTLE

Revelation 1:4b-8

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Minister The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

THE GOSPEL

John 18:33-37

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Jemonde Taylor

THE NICENE CREED (All)

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Please add your prayers and thanksgivings either silently or aloud.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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 ABSOLUTION

THE PEACE

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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 God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

[The Celebrant includes a Proper Preface]

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 **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

[The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer]

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

[The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer]

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 LORD'S PRAYER

**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 we 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 forever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to the altar.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

DISMISSAL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR to the glory of God and in memory of Hubert Eugene Hayes III (son), given by Esther Hayes.

WELCOME CARDS – We invite Worshiping Guests to fill out the Welcome Card in the pew. All may use them for prayer requests and/or comments. Thanks to the Stewardship Ministry for these cards. Place in the offering plate.

“BEHOLD THAT STAR!” AUDITIONS TODAY - High School Youth and Adult auditions for readings and roles in our Christmas Pageant will be TODAY, Sunday, November 22nd from 12:30-1:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Rehearsals will be kept to a minimum. The Pageant: December 20th at 4:00 pm. St. Ambrose is talent in abundance! See you at auditions!

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE FOR FULLER ELEMENTARY-

Donate non-perishables to Fuller's food pantry until TODAY in the narthex. Contact Michaela Anderson with One Church, One School Ministry (OCOS) at the church for information.

ADVENT EVENING OF JAZZ - Thursday, December 3 @ 6:30PM. Come hear soulful music from the Jazz Mass Quartet in preparation for Advent.

ADVENT QUIET DAY - Saturday, December 12 9AM-12PM. Learn about Advent. Reflect on Scripture. Meditate on Jesus' birth. Grow in Christ.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE MEETING – There will be hospitality committee on December 13 following the 11:15 worship service. More details coming soon.

NEW TESTAMENT COURSE – Starting January 19, St. Augustine's will offer REL 234: New Testament Survey. Eager for a deeper understanding of the New Testament please see Mother Nita.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES – 2016 Church Directories are available in the church office. Please review and complete an information form found in the back of the church with corrections and/or additions by December 13. An addendum will be available December 20.

COVENANT CHOIR looks forward to welcoming all those in 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grades. So much music, so many opportunities, so much FUN! Join us on Monday, 5:45-6:40 pm in the Music Room.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY – Please join the Bible Study group, with Christ Church, led by The Rev. Meg Buerkel Hunn every Tuesday morning, at St. Ambrose, from 9:30-11:00am.

CHERUB CHOIR looks forward to welcoming all those in Kindergarten and 1st Grade as we explore the gift of Music. Wednesday, 5:30-6:10 pm in the Music Room. Pageant Rehearsals for our young children will be held at this time. It's a Great Day to *“SING FOR JOY!”*

2016 MINISTRY BUDGET REQUEST – Ministries get your budget requests in!

Please email them to the church office, kmorgan@stambrosersaleigh.org.

CHOIR REHEARSALS are open to those in High School and all Adults. Rehearsal options include our traditional Thursdays, 6:30PM in the Music Room, and **WEDNESDAY SINGERS**, rehearsing on Wednesdays at 1:00 pm, by “popular demand”. The St. Ambrose Choir welcomes all congregants to either rehearsal

FAITH FORMATION WEDNESDAY, 6PM- Dreams: God's Forgotten Language
book by Fr. John A. Sanford

HIGHLIGHTS AT SAINT AMBROSE

December 3 – Advent Evening of Jazz 6:30PM

December 4-6-Bee Empowered Weekend

December 4, 5PM-Church Leaders Pledge Meeting

December 4, 6:30PM-8:30PM-Young Family Session

December 5, 12noon-2PM-Seniors Session

December 5, 6PM-8PM-“The Rest of Us” Session

December 6, Sunday-Pledge Card Blessing during worship with Peter Saros as preacher

December 12 – Advent Quiet Day 9:00AM-12:00PM

December 20 – Behold That Star! Christmas Pageant 4:00 PM

LIFE AT ST. AMBROSE

Sunday, November 22
8:00am Contemplative Mass
9:15am Jazz Mass
11:15am Choral Mass
12:30pm “Behold that Star!”
Auditions HS/Adults

MONDAY, November 23
12:15pm Midday Bible Study
5:45pm COVENANT CHOIR
Rehearsal [2nd-5th gr]

TUESDAY, November 24
9:30am Morning Bible Study
6:30pm St. Ambrose Choir
Rehearsal
6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous

WEDNESDAY, November 25
12:15pm Midweek Eucharist
1:00pm WEDNESDAY
SINGERS Rehearsal [Adults]
5:30pm CHERUB CHOIR
Rehearsal [K-1st grade]
6:00pm Faith Formation

THURSDAY, November 26
HAPPY THANKSGIVING
Office Closed

FRIDAY, November 27
Office Closed

SATURDAY, November 28
9:00am Flower Ministry
9:30am NO Dance Ministry
2:00pm Chess Team
8:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous

SUNDAY, November 29
8:00am Contemplative Mass
9:15am Jazz Mass
11:15am Choral Mass

November 22	
<u>Lectors & Intercessors</u>	
8:00	Donna Haywood Orrin Haywood Jada Bing
9:15	Peter Henderson Bobby Moody
11:15	James Revis Adrienne Chalmers Fay Bowen
LEMes	
8:00	Hilda Ragland
9:15	Emily Cadogan
11:15	Jackie Reid
<u>Ushers</u>	
9:15	Betty Hudson Kathy Hudson Phyllis Hilliard
11:15	Levi Bowen Ron Reid
<u>Acolytes</u>	
9:15	
Server	Aira Weistart
Crucifer	Ryte Weistart
Torches	
11:15	
Server	Teeghan Wiggins
Crucifer	Erielle Baker
Torches	

November 29	
<u>Lectors & Intercessors</u>	
8:00	<i>TBA</i>
9:15	
11:15	
LEMes	
8:00	Donna Haywood
9:15	Hortense Francis
11:15	Adrienne Chalmers
<u>Ushers</u>	
9:15	Imani Jacobs Elizabeth Hardy
11:15	Teeghan Wiggins Erielle Baker
<u>Acolytes</u>	
9:15	
Server	Scott Hardy
Crucifer	Elizabeth Hardy
Torches	
11:15	
Server	Jordan Peterson
Crucifer	Jade Peterson
Torches	

PRAYER LIST

For Those Who are Sick

Marie H. Adams
Joan Barrax
Levi Bowen
Mamie Brewington
Gary Bryson
Anna Burnside
Betty Camp
Patricia Caple
Alois Chalmers
Gwen Chunn
Lauren Creech
Stephanie Cross
Lemuel Delany
George W. Flemming
Antoinette Foxwell
Maggie Gill
Nathaniel Harris
Rose R. Hayes
Esther Hayes
Marielle Haywood-Posey
Norma Haywood
Marshall Harvey
Steven Hawkins
Eddie Jacobs
Harold Johnson
Amos Link
Gladys Lundy
Oscar Mayers
Stan McElveen
Maggie Melvin
Gloria Mooney
Brodie Patterson
Enid Patterson
Elaine Perry
Katie Probst
Aura Radlin
Carolyn Roberts
Charlsie Royster
Sylvia Solomon
Glenda Springer
Mary Thomas
Doris Young
Antoinette Venable
Richmond Wall, Jr.
Crystal Walton
Harold Webb
Lucille Webb
Margaret Whitaker
Tim Whitaker
Naomi Williams

For Those Who Grieve

The Anders Family
The Abron Family
The Bowen Family
Kathleen and Jake Breland
Dr. Pat Caple
The Cloud Family
Dr. Deidre Crumbley
The Faheem Family
The Handy Family
Jessie Harris
The Haywood Family
Lythel Hickerson Family
The Hilliard Family
The Horton Family

Elbert Laws
The Mallette Family
The McKnight and Dunn Families
The Moody Family
Lou Padro and Family
James Revis
The Sams Family
Charles Seberry Family
Joe and Glenda Springer
The Taylor Family
The Watson Family
The Winters Family
Mable Wright

For Those in Need of Special Prayer

Jake and Kathy Breland
The Ellison Family
Keenan Henderson
The Hudson Family
The Lee Family
Glen & Francesca Kamery
Anthony Perry
Joe and Chelsea Price
Percy and Linda Taylor
Donna Wright
President Barack Obama
The Unemployed
The Armed Forces
The people of Haiti

For Those Who Have Died

Lillian B. Abron
Purdie Anders
Thelma Anders
The Rev. Joseph H. Banks
Harold N. Breland
J. Dave Breland
John Brown
Bobby Cannady
The Rev. Wilson Carter
Sylvellie Cloud
Kenneth Echols
Karen Dunn
Doreatha Handy
David L. Haywood, Sr.
Hubert Eugene Hayes, III
Lythel Hickerson
Charles Higgs
Arthur Johnson
Mac Johnson
Melissa Legister
David Mallette, Sr.
Mary Mallette
Pamela Mangum
Shirley B. Page
Almetta Revis
Robert Wendell Sams
Charles Seberry
Mable Winters
Mercedes Winters Burgess
Avisse Young

**For Those Who are in Rest Homes/
Assisted Living**

Dorothea Chavis
Elaine Perry
Doris Young

CHURCH STAFF

Jesus Christ, Head of the Church
All Baptized Members, Ministers of the Church
The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop
The Rt. Rev. Anne Hodges-Copple, Bishop Pro Tem of North Carolina
The Rev. Jemonde Taylor, Rector
The Rev. Nita Byrd, Assisting Clergy
Mrs. Ruth W. Hoffman - Minister of Music/Organist
Mr. Bobby Moody, Director - Jazz Mass Quartet
Ms. Krysta Morgan, Parish Administrator

THE VESTRY

Class of 2015

Peter Henderson
Deidra Hudson
George Jones
Bobby Moody

Class of 2016

Jada Bing
Carl Harper
Jackie Reid
Larry Stroud

Class of 2017

Harold Mallette
Phyllis Pickett
Allison Williams
Ashley Winters

LEADERS IN LAY MINISTRY

Senior Warden Jackie Reid
Junior Warden..... Carl Harper
Clerk of the Vestry Brandi Delany
Treasurer Phyllis Gray
Financial Secretary Jada Bing
Christian Education Patrice Hardy
 Adult Church School Will Hudson
 Youth Church School Patrice Hardy
 Vacation Church School Jackie Reid
Environmental Justice Norman C. Camp III
Communications & Technology Committee..... Allison Williams
Building and Grounds Carl Harper
Altar Guild Directress Lillian B. Currin
Flower Ministry Brandi Delany
Head Ushers Phyllis Hilliard & Joe Winters
Acolyte Wardens Vanessa French-Harris, Fay Bowen & Paul Flanagan
Lay Eucharistic Ministry..... Gloria Merritt
Hospitality Committee Mellisa Smith & Tamika Henderson
Absalom Jones Prayer Guild Enid D. Patterson
Outreach Committee..... Harold Mallette
Care Givers Guild Donna Haywood
Episcopal Church Women Benita Merritt & Emily Cadogan
Episcopal Laymen Orrin Haywood
Episcopal Young Church People Tiffany & Paul Flanagan
Young Adult Ministry..... Adonya Hood

November Birthdays!

Patricia Johnson 1, Sydney Roberts 3, Lauren Creech 4, Michael Gordon, 7, Cameron Hudson 11,
Carolyn Winters 11, Eddie Jacobs 11, Rosalind Lane 13, Ron Johnson 14, Lori Wiggins 15,
Jimmy Wiggins 17, Dorothy Johnson 22, Bobby Moody 28, Joan Barrax 28, Julius Mallette 28,
Elizabeth Sintim 28, Tamani Powell 28, Mellisa Smith 28, Monica Cloud 30, Larry Stroud Sr. 30

November 29 Lessons

Jeremiah 33:14-16, Psalm 25:1-9, 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13, Luke 21:25-36