

ST. AMBROSE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CHORAL MASS

DECEMBER 6, 2015

11:15 AM



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THE WORD OF GOD

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

“Comfort, Comfort, Ye My People”

Peeters, Burkhardt, Hovland

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 67 Comfort, comfort ye my people

FREU DICH SEHR

ACCLAMATION

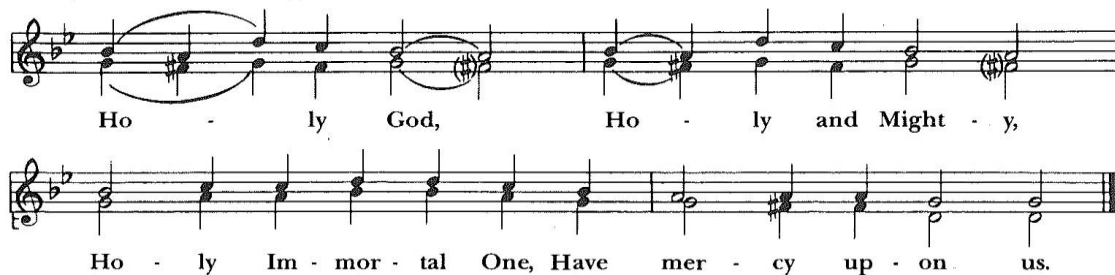
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

TRISAGION S102 [SING THREE TIMES] [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

Archangelsky

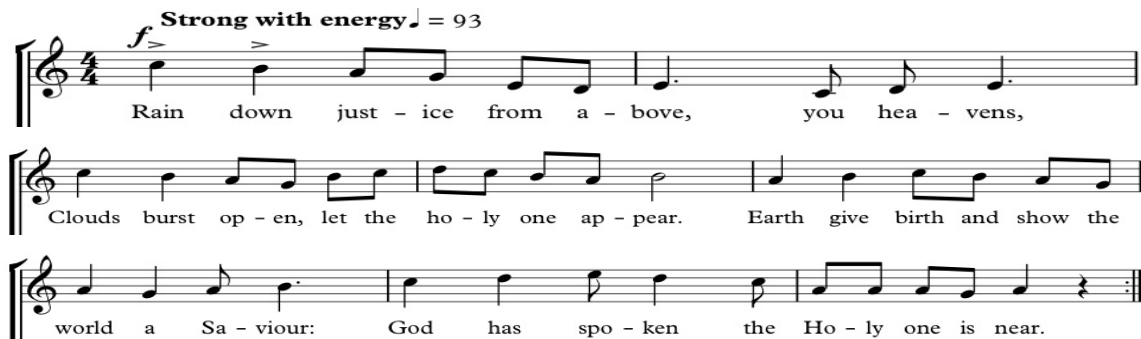


LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

CHORAL RESPONSE [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

O'Connor-Ogden

Sing 2 times and repeat after choir intonation



CHOIR: Gathering as travelers and pilgrims, with our faces turned to the brightness of the sun.
Listening to the words of the promise, He will come, he will surely come. ANTIPHON

CHOIR: Gathering with prophets and teachers, with their vision piercing the watches of the night,
Calling out the words of the promise, He will come, he will surely come. ANTIPHON

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent thy messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming

of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

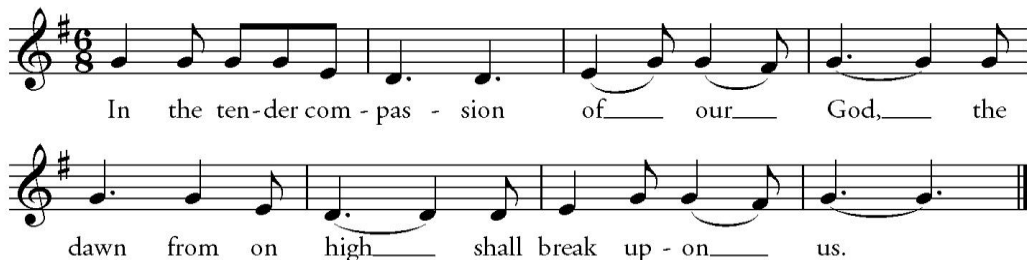
Baruch 5:1-9

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE 16: Luke 1:68-79 [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

arr. Pavlechko

One measure of music is sung for each half verse, changing pitch on the [bracketed] word.



ALL Blest be the Lord, the [God] of Israel; *
he has come to his people and [set] them free.

ALL **He has raised up for us a [might]-y savior, ***
born of the house of his [ser]-vant David.

ALL Through his holy prophets, he promised of old that he would save us [from] our enemies, *
from the hands of [all] who hate us.

ALL **He promised to show mercy [to] our fathers ***
and to remember his [ho]-ly covenant.

ANTIPHON

ALL This was the oath he swore to our [fath]-er Abraham, *
to set us free from the [hands of] our enemies,

ALL **Free to worship him with-[out] fear, ***
holy and righteous in his sight all the [days of] our life.

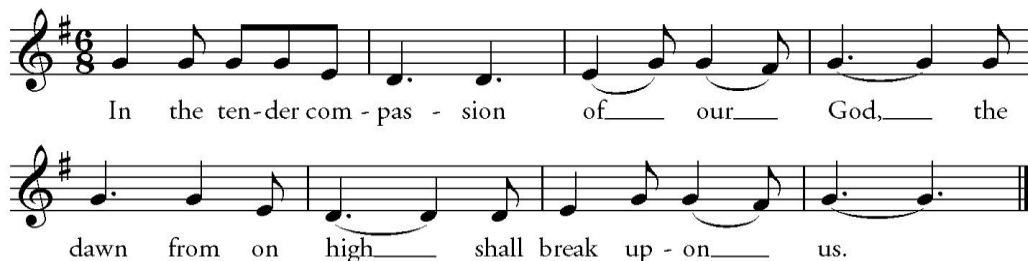
ALL You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the [Most] High, *
for you will go before the Lord to pre-[pare] his way,

ALL **To give his people knowledge [of] salvation ***
by the forgiveness [of] their sins.

ALL In the tender compassion [of] our God * the dawn from on high shall [break] upon us,

ALL To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the [shadow] of death, *
and to guide our feet into the [way] of peace.

ALL Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the [Ho]-ly Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for e-[ver.] Amen.



THE EPISTLE

Philippians 1:3-11

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 75 There's a voice in the wilderness crying

ASCENSION

Minister The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 3:1-6

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

Mr. Peter Saros, M.Div., St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, Bronx, NY
Church Growth, Stewardship, and Capital Campaign Consultant

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 IV, BCP PAGE 388

The leader bids the prayer. People respond after the leaders says, lord in your mercy.”

Leader: Lord in your mercy

Response Hear our prayer

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

People, Look East

Besançon Carol
Arr. Phillips

People, look East. The time is near of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth, and set the table.
People, look, East, and sing today; Love, the guest is on the way.
Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted there:
Give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in course the flower may flourish.
People, look, East, and sing today; Love, the rose is on the way.
Birds, though ye long have ceased to build, guard the nest that must be filled.
Even the hour when wings are froz'n, He for fledging time has chosen.
People, look, East, and sing today; Love, the bird is on the way.
Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl shall brim,
shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and moon together,
People, look, East, and sing today; Love, the star is on the way.
Angels, announce with shouts of mirth, Christ who brings new life to earth,
Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming.
People, look, East, and sing today; Love, the Lord is on the way.

THE SAINT AMBROSE CHOIR

PRESENTATION HYMN 53 Once he came in blessing

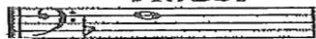
GOTTES SOHN IST KOMMEN

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I

Page 333 in the Prayer Book,

Music Setting-The Rev. A. Myron Cochran, Third Rector (1919-1927)

PRIEST



Priest

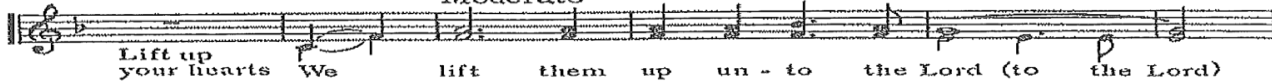
The Lord be with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

[CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

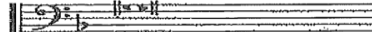
Moderato



PRIEST



PRIEST



It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Because thou didst send thy 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 with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

Cochran

Adagio



Allegro con spirito



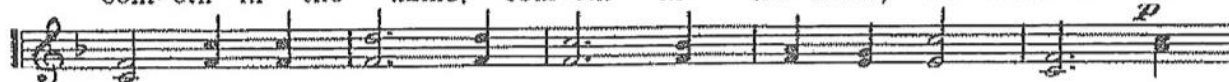
Bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name, com - eth



in the name of the Lord. Bless - ed is He that



com - eth in the name, com - eth in the name, the name of the



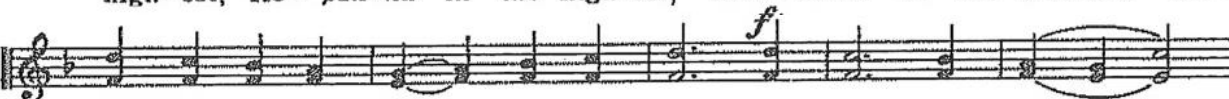
Lord, com - eth in the name the name, of the Lord, Ho -



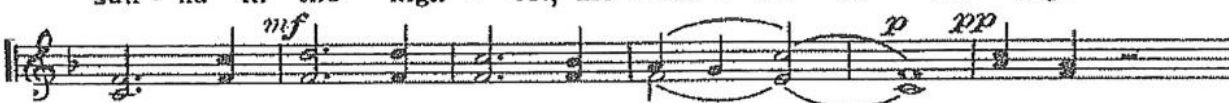
san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est; Ho - san - na in the



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



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



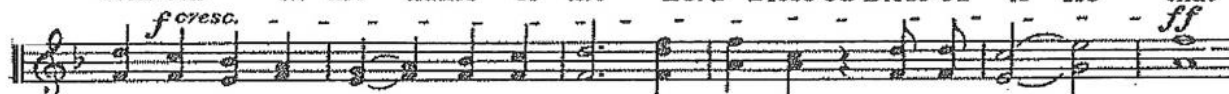
est, Ho - san - na in the high - est Bless - ed, Bless - ed



is He that com - eth in the name, He that, He that



com - eth in the name of the Lord Bless - ed Bless - ed is He that



com - eth in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

[The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer]

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

[The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer]

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

AMEN [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

Cochran

Andante *pp* *cresc.*

A - men, A - men a - men A - men a -

men A - men A - men a - men, A - men.

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

S-119 THE LORD'S PRAYER [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

Douglas

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed

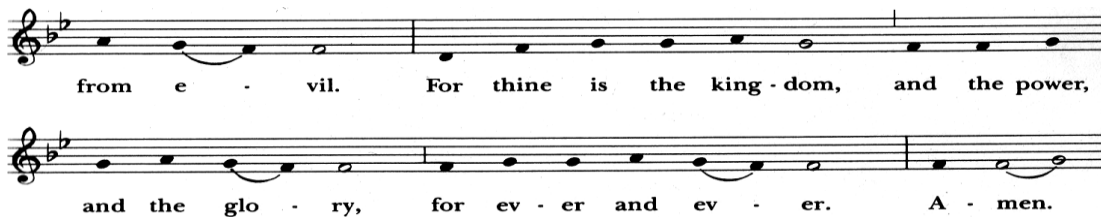
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,

on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our

dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,

as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead

us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Response Therefore let us keep the feast.

FRACTION ANTHEM AGNUS DEI [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

Cochran

Adagio
pp

O Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the

p *1st time* *pp*

sins of the world have mer - cy. have mer - cy up - on us.

p ALTO SOLO

O Lamb, O Lamb of God that tak - est a -

CHOIR

way the sins of the world have mer - cy up - on us. have

pp *2nd time* *pp*

mer - cy up - on us. World, Grant us Thy Peace.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to the altar.

COMMUNION HYMNS [CONGREGATION AND CHOIR]

348 Lord, we have come at your own invitation

64 O heavenly Word, eternal Light

76 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

O QUANTA QUALIA

O HEILAND, REISS

WINCHESTER NEW

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN Now bless the God of Israel

FOREST GREEN



1. Now bless the God of Is - ra - el, Who
2. Re - mem - ber - ing the cov - e - nant, God
3. In ten - der mer - cy, God will send The

comes in love and pow'r, Who rais - es from the
res - cues us from fear, That we might serve in
day - spring from on high, Our ris - ing sun, the

roy - al house De - liv - 'rance in this hour. Through
ho - li - ness And peace from year to year; And
light of life For those who sit and sigh. God

ho - ly proph - ets God has sworn To
you, my child, shall go be - fore To
comes to guide our way to peace, That

free us from a - larm, To save us from the
preach, to proph - e - sy, That all may know the
death shall reign no more. Sing prais - es to the

heav - y hand Of all who wish us harm.
ten - der love, The grace of God most high.
Ho - ly One! O wor - ship and a - dore!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Organ Noel for the Second Sunday in Advent

Chauvet

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR to the glory of God

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.

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 Treasurer at pagray52@att.net.

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- Will resume in January. The Dream of God: A Call to Return by the African American theologian, Verna J. Dozier.

LIFE AT ST. AMBROSE

Sunday, December 6

- 8:00am Contemplative Mass
- 9:15am Jazz Mass
- 11:15am Choral Mass

Monday, December 7

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

Tuesday, December 8

- 9:30am Morning Bible Study
- 6:30pm Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday, December 9

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

Thursday, December 10

- 6:30pm St. Ambrose Choir Rehearsal

Friday, December 11

Saturday, December 12

- 9:00am Flower Ministry
- 9:30am Dance Ministry Rehearsal
- 2:00pm Chess Team
- 4:00pm AALOT Event
- 8:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous

Sunday, December 13

- 8:00am Contemplative Mass
- 9:15am Jazz Mass
- 11:15am Choral Mass

December 6	December 13
<u>Lectors & Intercessors</u>	<u>Lectors & Intercessors</u>
8:00	8:00
9:15	9:15
11:15	11:15
<u>LEMs</u>	<u>LEMs</u>
8:00 Annette Watson	8:00 Hilda Ragland
9:15 Cassandra Deck Brown	9:15 Phyllis Hilliard
11:15 Gloria Merritt	11:15 James Revis
<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
9:15 Vanessa Harris	9:15 Allie Williams
Phyllis Hilliard	Kathy Breland
Maggie Gill	Kevin Brockenbrough
11:15 Jeanne Horton	11:15 Michael Minor
Adrienne Chalmers	Levi Bowen
Joe Winters	
<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>
9:15	9:15
Server Cyprianne Jacobs	Server Aira Weistardt
Crucifer Imani Nia Jacobs	Crucifer Ryte Weistardt
Torches	Torches
11:15	11:15
Server Jade Peterson	Server Jade Peterson
Crucifer Jordan Peterson	Crucifer Kristina Peterson
Torches	Torches

HIGHLIGHTS AT SAINT AMBROSE

December 12 - ADVENT QUIET DAY 9AM-12noon

December 20 – NATIVITY PLAY Behold That Star! 4:00 PM

December 24 – CHRISTMAS EVE

Jazz Mass, 6:00 PM

Midnight Choral Mass, 11:00 PM

December 25 – CHRISTMAS DAY 10:00 AM

January 6 - EPIPHANY DAY

Festival of Lights and Twelfth Night Party, Wednesday, January 6, 6:00 PM

December 13 Lessons

Zephaniah 3:14-20, Canticle 9 [Isaiah 12:2-6], Philipians 4:4-7, Luke 3:7-18

Welcome St. Ambrose's New Assistant Rector!

The Reverend Joyce Corbin Cunningham

Greetings St. Ambrose,

I am the Rev. Joyce Corbin Cunningham, a cradle Episcopalian, born and raised in Newport News, Virginia. After receiving a Bachelor's degree in Chemistry from Hampton Institute (University) in Hampton, Virginia, I worked for the IBM Corporation for thirty-two years. Upon retiring, I cultivated and/or reengaged my interests in genealogical research, book groups, fitness, needlework, and community outreach. It was also during this time that I consciously began a journey of discernment to recognize, surrender, and answer God's call to ordained ministry.

St. Titus' Episcopal Church in Durham had been my church home since shortly after moving to North Carolina. It was there that my discernment within community took form, eventually resulting in St. Titus' sponsorship of me into the ordination process.

I received my Master in Divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary in May 2015, was ordained a Transitional Deacon on June 20, 2015 and will be ordained priest on December 20, 2015 at the Canterbury School in Greensboro, NC. St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Durham is where I have been serving for the past several months as a Deacon.

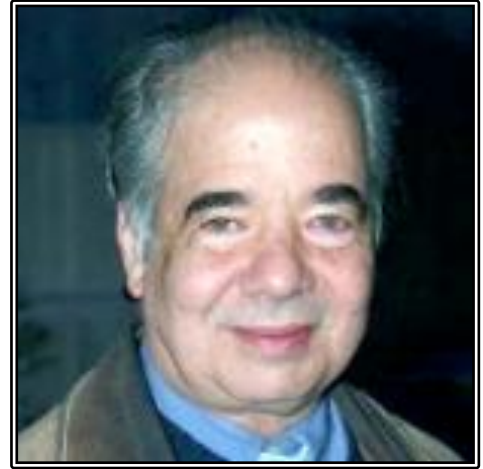
I have four adult children and six grandchildren, all of whom live in Seattle, Washington. I was recently married to Dennis Allen and our marriage has blessed me with an expansion of my family with an additional four adult children and one granddaughter who live in Panama. I also have two sisters, two nieces, and two nephews who live in Virginia and Maryland.

I am excited and enthusiastic about being called to serve as Curate at St. Ambrose and look forward to our mutual ministry together.



Mr. Peter Saros, M.Div.
Our Church Growth, Stewardship, and Capital Campaign Consultant

Over twenty-five years of experience in *Church Growth, Stewardship, Parish Development/Capital Campaigns, and Leadership Development* in small and medium sized congregation, both in urban, suburban and rural communities. I have conducted focus groups of church members (young families, middle age and seniors) with over 6,000 church members participating. In these groups we identified the daily issues that each of the members face in their lives when they are not at church and what do they need from the church in programs and ministries to assist them in leading a Christian and fuller life. They have also expressed why they attend and participate in their local church, why they are a part of that particular church and why do they stay.



I have blessed to worked with *over 150 Episcopal Churches in 12 dioceses* (New York, Newark, Long Island, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Washington, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Western Massachusetts and Massachusetts) in Stewardship, Parish Development/Capital Campaigns, Church Growth, Leadership Development in a three year program which also included various Vestry/Leadership Retreats, Goals Setting, Clergy/Vestry Roles and as a search consultant. In addition to Episcopal Churches I have consulted in 3 Congregational (UCC) and 2 Lutheran (ELCA) churches. Consulting in these churches I have seen and experienced a great number of Models of Ministry and have a good perspective on their effectiveness. I have also organized committees and teams to plan and execute tasks.

Some of my latest work has included the development of the Parish Development Institute for multi-congregational or area ministries. This has also led to one-day workshops of Stewardship for denominations jurisdictions such as dioceses and conferences.

I am also an experienced real estate broker who has worked with congregations on advising them on leasing and use of buildings. Though I am not interested in being the broker for churches I consult with, but have a great deal of experience and expertise.

In my involvement in Faith Based-Community Organizing I have been a founding member of South Bronx Churches (Industrial Areas Foundation Network) and the Long Island Organizing Network (Gamaliel Foundation Network). In both of these projects churches and church leaders have worked in social justice issues of housing, education, discrimination and immigration. Each organization is a faith based local organization affiliated with a national network of social justice and leadership training in community organizing.

I am also available for my full program of Parish Development, Stewardship, Leadership Development and Parish Development/Capital Campaigns. My specialty is in small and medium size congregations. I have already been a consultant with many churches in your diocese. This is a three year program and the rates for the contracts are negotiated with each congregation.

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
Mary Mallette
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 The Ministry of the Church
Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide
the ministry and work of St.
Ambrose

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
Mae 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 Rt. Rev. Peter Lee, Assisting Bishop
The Rev. Jemonde Taylor, Rector
The Rev. Joyce Corbin Cunningham, Assistant Rector
The Rev. Nita Byrd, Assisting Clergy
Mrs. Ruth W. Hoffman - Minister of Music/Organist
Mr. Bobby Moody, Director - Jazz Mass Quartet

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Deidra Hudson	Carl Harper	Phyllis Pickett
George Jones	Jackie Reid	Allison Williams
Bobby Moody	Larry Stroud	Ashley Winters

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Youth Church School	Patrice Hardy
Vacation Church School	Jackie Reid
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Lay Eucharistic Ministry.....	Gloria Merritt
Hospitality Committee	Mellisa Smith & Tamika Henderson
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Outreach Committee.....	Harold Mallette
Care Givers Guild	Donna Haywood
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Episcopal Laymen	Orrin Haywood
Episcopal Youth Community	Tiffany & Paul Flanagan
Young Adult Ministry.....	Adonya Hood
Stewardship, Retain, Reclaim (SRR).....	Cassandra Deck-Brown & Michael Minor

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

Sonja Edwards 1, Ashley Gupton 2, Mallory Mbalia 2, Jake Breland 5, Lacy Colson 6, George Chunn 7, Marshall Harvey 8, Jemonde Taylor 12, Christopher Cadogan 13, Ronald Johnson 15, Essan Flanagan 15, Robert Bridges 16, Maya Smith 17, Cliffie Young 17, Imani Jacobs 18, Patricia Caple 19, Phyllis Hilliard 20, Harold Mallette 21, Michelle Mallette 21, Norman Camp 23, Adonya Hood 24, Paul Daniels, Jr. 24, Karyn Thomas 27, Alvin Ragland 27, Charles Young 30
