Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. All flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Luke 3.4, 6

# **2nd Sunday of Advent**

Celebrant – Rev. Canon Brenda Clark
Licensed Lay Minister –Liz Mahoney, Carol MacDonnell
Eucharistic Minister – Sarah Durnford

#### 8:00am Holy Communion BCP

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# 10:00am Holy Eucharist (BAS) Livestreamed

**Processional Hymn:** There's a Voice in the Wilderness **CP 106** 

Jesse Tree

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Let us pray: God of peace, bring peace and love to our hearts and to the whole earth. Help us to follow your son Jesus all our lives and live according to your commandments. Be the light in our hearts as we wait for the coming of your Son at Christmas, in our own lives, and when he returns to rule over the whole earth. Amen.

Advent Hymn: Light the Advent Candle One (verse 2) SB 129

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# The Collect for the day

Almighty God, who sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah, inspire us, the ministers and stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient hearts to you, that when the Christ shall come again to be our judge, we may stand with confidence before his glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

# The Proclamation of the Word

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10

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2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 15:4-13

Gradual Hymn: On Jordan's Bank, the Baptist's Cry CP 103

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

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Offertory Hymn: People, Look East! The Time Is Near CP 91

# Prayer over the gifts

God our strength, we are nothing without you. Receive all we offer you this day as you sustain us with your mercy; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Gluten-free bread is available, please ask at the altar.

# **Communion Hymns:**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel CP 89
Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup CP 63

# **Prayer after Communion**

Faithful God, we thank you for feeding us with this heavenly banquet. Help us always to hear the prophet's call to turn our hearts to you; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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Recessional Hymn: Hail to the Lord's Anointed CP 101

<u>Diocese cycle of prayer</u>: St James' & St John the Baptist Brooklyn.

We pray for all members of our Church and the ministries carried out in their lives.

# **Readings for next Sunday- December 14**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 35:1- Psalm 146:5-10

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: James 5:7-10 The Holy Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

# This week in our parish

Sunday ....... 8:00am BCP Communion

10:00am BAS Eucharist

Monday...... 6:30pm Chebucto Regional Advent Celebration

Saturday....... 10:00am Choir Practice Sunday........ 8:00am BCP Communion

10:00am BAS Eucharist with Children's Choir concert

#### Notices

<u>Christmas Memorials</u>: The deadline to submit the names of loved ones for the Christmas Memorials is Sunday December 21. Donations can be made to the Church, Emmanuel Cemetery or our Food Bank.

<u>Christmas Gift Tags:</u> If you would like to buy Christmas gifts and clothing for the children of our Food Bank Clients, the tags are available. The age and size of a child on each tag. Please put your name on the sign up sheet, along with your phone # and the tag #. Attach the tag to the gift when you bring it in. The deadline to bring in gifts is Sunday Dec 14.

**Fundscrip:** Don't forget to pick up your gift cards from Cécile today.

<u>Christmas Bazaar:</u> Thanks to Sarah for organizing the Christmas Bazaar that was held yesterday, and to everyone who helped make it another successful event.

<u>Mission to Seafarer's Shoeboxes</u>: Mothers' Union is again initiating the "Shoe Box Campaign" for the Mission to Seafarers. A box will be in the Narthex with lists of items that are needed. The most needed items are shampoo, body wash, shaving foam and deodorant, but all items are greatly appreciated. Deadline for donations is Dec 14<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!!

<u>Chebucto Regional Advent Celebration</u> on Monday December 8th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at The Cathedral of all Saints. We are going to start with community singing—no skill required and then share in a communal meal, and regional dreaming session. Food will be provided. Donations of cash or non-perishable food for Feed NS will be accepted.

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December 7, 2025 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

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