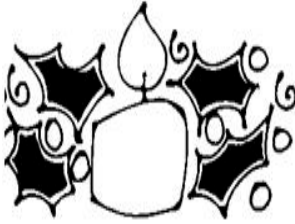




Hope



The Setauket Presbyterian Church

“As active disciples of Jesus Christ, we celebrate and share the love of God among ourselves and with others.”

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

1st Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2015

9:30 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Prelude Improvisation on *Puer Natus Est*

Darmanie

Ring of the Steeple Bell

Welcome and Announcements

* **Call to Worship/Lighting of the Advent Wreath** (Romans 13:11-12)

Leader 1: “It is now the moment to awake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed: the night is far gone, the day is near.

Leader 2: Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.”

Leader 3: We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Hope:

Leader 4: The light sent from God shines in the darkness to show us the way of salvation.

A leader lights one candle on the ring. Leaders and people then say:

All: Come, Lord Jesus.

* **Hymn 367** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

ST. GEORGE’S WINDSOR

PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

God of the future, you are coming in glory to fill your world with goodness. We confess that in all our preparations for the season, we are still unprepared for you. Where we might be opening our hearts and our lives to receive you, we are busy filling them up, as though we did not really believe you were coming. Help our unbelief: give us grace to leave open our unfilled places, so that when our guest comes, they become places of honor, and we are ready with a joyful welcome in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord... (Silent Prayer)

Assurance of God’s Grace

...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* **Gloria** (refrain from Hymn 113 *Angels We Have Heard on High*)

Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

WITH THE CHILDREN AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

(Children should proceed to their church school class.)

HEARING THE WORD

Sung Prayer for Illumination

Hymn 347, verse 1

***Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand,
Ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.***

First Reading Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Sung Response (Hymn 36) *For the Fruit of All Creation*

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Second Reading Philippians 4:4-9

THE SERMON Now Thank We All Our God

The Rev. Mary B. Speers

* **HYMN 643** *Now Thank We All Our God*

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THANKING GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory *Wachet Auf/Sleepers, Wake*

J.S. Bach

(Please sign the Friendship Roster found at the end of the pew,
noting the name of fellow worshippers when it is returned.)

* **Doxology 606 (alt)**

* **Prayer of Dedication**

**Holy One, you who are complete in Yourself and the source of all power and grace,
place within us the spirit of the coming Christ, fill us with such thankfulness that
we become a blessing to everyone we meet, and send into your world through us
the abundant life we have through the one who was, and is, and is to come, Jesus
Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* **HYMN 93** *Lift Up Your Head, Ye Mighty Gates*

TRURO

* **CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION and BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Fanfare in F major*

J.S. Bach

please rise in body or in spirit; **unison prayers are in bold.*

Large print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals and listening devices are available; please ask a Deacon.

NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

9:00 Knitting at 9 in the Parlor

9:30 Worship Service with Communion and the Rev. Mary Speers preaching;
Childcare (ages 1 - 3); 7th Grade Program Balcony

9:45 Church School (Preschool through 6th Grade)

11:00 Children's Choir in the Choir Room

11:00 Pageant Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

11:00 Confirmation Class in the Parlor

11:00 Adult Education Class in Jr./Sr. High Room

7:00 Vocal Recital in the Fellowship Hall