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***This Week at St. Peter's***  
***First Sunday of Advent, December 3, 2023***

<b>Prelude</b>	"A Rose Breaks into Bloom" J. Brahms
<b>Gathering Hymn #246</b>	"Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding"
<b>Scripture Readings</b>	Isaiah 64:1-9, 1 Corinthians 1:3-9, Mark 13:24-37
<b>Hymn of the Day #257</b>	"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" Verses 1-4
<b>Sanctuary Choir</b>	"Prepare the Way of the Lord" W. Rowan
<b>Communion Hymns:</b>	
<b>#259</b>	"Fling Wide the Door"
<b>#436</b>	"Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying"
<b>#715</b>	"Christ, Be Our Light"
<b>Sending Hymn #260</b>	"The King Shall Come"
<b>Postlude</b>	"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" Arr. A. C. Whitworth

## Prayer List Update:

Prayer requests can be given to the church office or be made online via the [Pastoral Care page on our website](#).

### Today's Worship Leaders

<b>Greeter:</b>	Shawn Krum
<b>Liturgist:</b>	Trish Crocker
<b>Ushers:</b>	Phyllis Webster
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Chase Kaser, Colby Kaser
<b>Communion Assts:</b>	Diane Stauss, Aline Glifort
<b>AV Tech:</b>	Lou Meyer
<b>Altar Care:</b>	Trish Crocker

**Dulcimer Fellowship Group:** will meet from 4 to 5 pm this Wednesday, December 6 in the Luther room.

**It's CAT Survey Time:** Please fill out your Congregation Assessment Tool (CAT) which takes around 25 minutes. You must complete it in one sitting. We'd like to have them **completed by December 8**. Please make sure to answer each question. Some paper copies are available at the church office. **As of this printing, we have received just over 65 responses.**

**Communion:** We invite all seeking to obey Jesus' command "Take and eat" and trusting his promises "my body given for you ... my blood shed for you" to partake in the Lord's supper. Those not wishing to commune are encouraged to come forward for a blessing. Please tell the pastor if you'd prefer **gluten-free bread**. **Red wine** is in the silver circular trays. **White grape juice** is in the wooden rectangular trays. **Anyone unable** to come forward may inform an usher and be served in your seat.

**PROTECT YOURSELF!** I will NEVER email or text anyone for gift cards, discreet favors, or personal financial information, such as bank or credit card numbers. To ensure an email from anyone is authentic, always be sure to examine the sender's email address carefully before responding, and never give out sensitive financial or personal information via email. Finally, if you are unsure if an email claiming to be from "Pastor Roger or Pastor Dennis" is authentic, call the church office or (better yet!) speak to me, the very real Pastor Roger or Pastor Dennis, before responding.



**Altar Flowers:** the flowers are placed on the altar by Kathy Glifort to the glory of God and in memory of her brother Jerome Kennedy who passed on Dec. 7, 1993.

**Poinsettias for Christmas:** It's that time of year! We are taking orders for Christmas poinsettias. The price is \$12. The sign-up sheet and poinsettia envelopes are on the bulletin board in the hallway.



**HELP WANTED TODAY after the 9:30 am service,** to hang the Advent art in the sanctuary.

**Loaves and Fish Pantry:** It is that time of year when we get requests for boxes of Kleenex or the individual tissue packs. Other items include boxes of macaroni and cheese, taco making kits or supplies, and hot chocolate packets. We can always use any items that are not outdated.

**Food Pantry's Christmas Requests:** We are collecting holiday gifts for children of our Loaves and Fishes clients until **December 10**. Any games, toys, new clothing, and gift cards for children and teens can be put in the container in the lobby. Thanks for your support!

Thank you to everyone for your generous offerings to-date to St. Peter's. As you continue with your giving, please note that **December 31, 2023** is the ending date for recording 2023 offerings. Any offerings received after that date will be entered as 2024 giving.

**Offering Envelopes:** Please let Lois Thomas know if you don't currently have envelopes and would like them for 2024, or if you've had envelopes in 2023 and no longer want them, please email Lois at [thomaslois@comcast.net](mailto:thomaslois@comcast.net).

**2024 Pledge Cards:** Please return your 2024 Estimate of Giving and Time and Talents forms to the church if you have not already. For on-line givers, please submit a card verifying your Estimate for 2024. The return of your estimate assists the Finance Committee and the Church Council in the 2024 budget development. If you have any questions, please contact the Financial Secretary, Lois Thomas at 508-619-7563. Thank you for your support!

## IN THE COMMUNITY

**Nauset Interfaith Sunrise Service, Friday, December 8,** rain or shine, at First Encounter Beach, Eastham. It'll be a thirty minute prayer service with indoor coffee afterwards.

**St. Peter's Office Hours:**  
Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

**This Week at St. Peter's**

**SUNDAY, December 3**

9:30 am Worship/Live Stream  
11:15 am Healing Worship Service, Sanctuary

**MONDAY, December 4**

9:00 am Monomoy Bridge, Fellowship Hall  
1:00 pm Loaves & Fish Pantry (open until 3:00 pm)  
5:00 pm Girl Scouts, Fellowship Hall  
6:00 pm Men's AWOL, Luther Room  
7:00 pm Girl Scouts, Fellowship Hall

**TUESDAY, December 5**

8:10 am St. Peter's Sojourners, Parking Lot  
9:30 am Staff Meeting, Conference Room  
1:00 pm Monomoy Bridge Club, Fellowship Hall  
2:00 pm Broad Reach Grief Group, Sanctuary  
2:00 pm Bell Choir, Sanctuary  
3:00 pm Choir, Sanctuary  
3:30 pm Loaves & Fish Pantry (open until 5:00 pm)

**WEDNESDAY, December 6**

12:30 pm Loaves & Fish Pantry (open until 2:30 pm)  
1:00 pm Kathy's Bridge, Fellowship Hall  
4:00 pm Dulcimer Fellowship Group, Luther Room

**THURSDAY, December 7**

10:00 am Staff Support Meeting, Luther Room  
7:00 pm PSALM Meeting, Luther Room

**FRIDAY, December 8**

10:00 am Loaves & Fish Pantry (open until 12 pm)  
1:00 pm Monomoy Bridge Club, Fellowship Hall

**SATURDAY, December 9**

4:00 pm SMMC Worship, Sanctuary

**SUNDAY, December 10**

9:30 am Worship/Live Stream  
11:00 am Dulcimer Fellowship Group, Luther Room