

Weekly VISION

Sunday, November 28, 2021

ADVENT I



The Rev. Deacon Cecily Harmon Sawyer - Guest Preacher Advent I - at 10:30 a.m.



The Reverend Deacon Cecily Sawyer Harmon+, LCSW was ordained a deacon in the first class of deacons in 2009. Deacon Cecily has served at St. Thomas's and was appointed Chaplain of The Episcopal Campus Ministry in 2008. She served as chaplain until 2018. A member of our diocese since 1976, she has been an active member both as laity and clergy. She has served as council president, chair and member of the nominating committee and has served on several other committees. During her formation, Deacon Cecily suggested and chaired the first diocesan ecumenical service. Deacon Cecily has been a deputy/alternate deputy both lay and clergy to the last 7 General Conventions. Deacon Cecily has been a therapist/mediator at the University of

Delaware for 24 years before her retirement in 2013. She is presently a consultant for the University of Delaware and practices at the Star Campus, providing therapy for administrators, faculty and staff.

Angel Tree - 2021

This year we will support the mothers and children from Friendship House's Empowerment Center. We are asking members of SsAM to participate by donating either \$25 or \$50 gift cards from either Visa or Walmart so that the mothers and older children can purchase gifts. Please drop the gift cards at church in a specially marked envelope with your name and Angel Tree on the front of the envelope. Individuals can also write a check to SsAM with Angel Tree in the memo line or give cash - again placed in a specially marked envelope. Final date to receive the gift cards: Saturday, December 11. For more information, contact Alice Smith at 302-376-0200 or email hcsvette@aol.com.

The Work of the Church: A Conversation with the Presiding Bishop and his Canons

Join us for a virtual event December 9, 6 p.m.

The last two years have upended many of the assumptions about what The Episcopal Church is and where it is going. Join Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and his canons for a conversation about how the past two years will inform the ministries and mission of The Episcopal Church in 2022 and beyond. There will be time for questions, and the event will be recorded for later viewing. Registration is free, but required.

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_qHoWjoNoTG6_pe9dSO_kxQ?mc_cid=4be1e4a5b5&mc_eid=740d217f01

DIOCESAN CONVENTION

Congratulations, Fr. David, who was elected two a two-year term on the Standing Committee.

Go to the *Convention Guidebook* for more information about this committee and other elements of the convention held on Saturday.

URL: <https://www.flipsnack.com/diodel/convention-guidebook.html>

We thank Jenna Christy for making this year's Advent Wreath

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The Rev. David T. Andrews, Jr, Rector (revdup1@comcast.net)

The Rev. Canon Lloyd S. Casson, Rector Emeritus (Iscasson@gmail.com)

The Rev. Emily Gibson, Associate Priest

Douglas Krantz, Rabbi-in-Residence

THE VESTRY

Sandy Johnson - Sr. Warden, Gary Jolly - Jr. Warden

Carey Corbin- Secretary & Clerk, Scott Serota- Treasurer

John Goodill, Pat Hampton, Anthony Jones,

Sharon Leyhow, Mary Morgan, Danny Schweers, Peggy Shane,

Wanda Smith, Clint Williams

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF YOUR DAILY PRAYERS

Additions are in **bold**; SsAM Parish Members are in the 1st group of names.

Al Brock, Ana & Orlen Washington, Barbara Burnite, Berta Hamilton, Buck Smith, Carmen Brown, Carmen Williams, Carol Shackleton, Charlene Simmons, Charles Bungy, Christof Dorsey, Debra Mitchell, Dennis Porter, Dot Dorsey, **Shawn and Tracy Dorsey and Family**, Dwight Hamilton, Elmore Walker, Jr., Ernestine Brock-Walker, Gerry Barnes, Greg Conner, The Harvey Family, Jeanne Nutter, Jim Linderman, Kevin Holt, Kourtney Word, Laura Ames, Les Roberts, Sr., Liona and Paul Ellison, Lu Soukup, Marge McElwee, Mary Lou Edgar, Mary Meese Swain, The Murphree Family, Nancy Soukup, Orlen Washington II, Patrick Quinlan, Patsy Griffin, Priscilla Jones, Renee' Andrews-DeLaine, **Retha Fisher**, Rick Harvey, Ron Jackson, Rosie Castelli, Baby Rush Nathan Brennan, Sherlee Love-Saunders, Steven Hengel, Yolanda Lewis-Greene. The Bell Family (Violet Grace, Morgan, Sallie, Sheridan) and Mark Taneyhill.

Alan Rutherford, Alexis Martin, Alison Edwards, Allan Jester, the Rev Alton Johnson & Family, Amy Poole, Anita Hoxter-Golden, Anne Patterson, Bernadette Wilson, Bethanie Ennis, Bill Gibson, Billy Christopher, Brett Neslen, Brian and Bunny Christopher, Brianna Wilson, Bruce Morris, Bruce Richards, Byron Warner & Family, Caden Dorsey, Calvin Clark, Carl Golden, Jr., Charlane Jones, Chavon Jones, Cheryl Walker-White, Chris Moore (The Rev.), Christina Emory, Christopher Debnun, Clyde Diggs, Colleen Lloyd, Craig Banks, Dana Benson, Darlene Webb, Derrick Porter, Debbie Donovan, Desmond Word & Family, Don Smith, Donna Johnson, Doris McCullough, Doug and Peggy Cooper, Dwayne Webb, Elizabeth Miller, Elmore Walker, Sr., Eric, Ernestine Waterman, Fred Buiano, Gary Keith Butler, Gary Cooper, George Moore, Gerald B. Rogers, Gilbert Ward and Family, Ginger and Bill Luria, Gloria Leyhow, Helen Rodgers, Henry Murphy, Howard Estilow, Ieb, Janet Yaklich, Arnold Hollis, Joan Janerette, Janet Meadows, Johnny Richardson, June Gallagher, Karen Edgar, Karter Thompson, Kate Casey, Kathleen Moore, Keimah Sirleaf, Keisha and Joey Covington, Kerry Farrell, Kiera Jones, Kevin & Glendora Daye, Kim Boddy, Laura Mackey, Leann Brock, Lenford Barnes, Leona Jenkins, Lesley Lind North, Linda Wiedmann, Luis Rosa, Mabel Roberts Cole & Family, Mac Angell, Marca Piehuta, Marcia Winston, Marcus Williams, Mark Brunswick, Margo Richardson & Family, Maud Ford Ross, Marva Faulkner, Michael Harrison, Michele Conner, George Conner, Jr & Families; Mia, Monica Parker, Mary Jones, Natasha Williams & Family, Nicolas Johnson, Nicole Cunningham, Colon, Patrick Kirk, Patsy Griffin, Paul Keiler, Paul Family, Peggy McGill, Pete Emory, Quaadir Neely, Jr, Ren Lynch, Richard Miller, Righteous Avaieth, Rita Boyer, Robert Herrington, Robert Eugene Patterson, Ron Blackburn, Rosalyn Tolson, The Rosa/Truitt Families, Rudd Family/Florence Collins, Sam Casson, Sean Perry, Shereita Robbins, Sheila & Danny Hitchins, Sophia Boylan, Steven Lloyd, Susan Alexander, Sue Stenborg, Susan Losee Nunan, Tabita Having Rosa, Teri Bruton, Terry Scanlon, Thomas Wood, Timothy Yoho, Tonya Robbins Brittingham, Tonya Richardson, Tre Engelkens and family, Vanessa Casson Callahan, Vivian Herrington, Virgil Brown, Jr. & Family, Warren and Nancy Fine, William Emory. The family of Bonny and Dennis Oliver.

PLEASE PRAY FOR SsAM MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN THE ARMED FORCES ON ACTIVE DUTY

Major Shannon Brennan Entekin, Petty Officer Yancey Barnes, Sgt. Martin Emory Delaware National Guard Unit 1049, ESN Alexander Scott Gibson, Sgt. Charles Sport, USMC Cpt. Tanisha Hanson, Staff Sergeant Augustin Daniel Detres, LTJG Eric Joseph Polk, PFC Calec Perez Cruz, AT2 Grimes-Foster, U.S. Navy.



SsAM Parish & Community News

THE CURRENCY OF MONEY

As of November 23rd, 63 pledges totaling \$258,728 had been made for 2022. Thanks to all who have already pledged. Click [here](#) to use the 2022 Pledge Form on the SsAM website. It does NOT ask for bank account or credit card information. Your pledge is only seen by two people at the church, the Parish Administrator and our webmaster, and the latter makes a point of not looking at the amount pledged.

A spiritual guide for those caring for loved ones suffering from dementia

Author Jean Denton, who walked her husband through early onset Alzheimer's disease, offers a way to forge a spiritual path through your own unique experience. "With great honesty and sensitivity, Denton questions how it is possible to find God and any meaning in such a draining task, concluding that in the end all that matters is love." Rev. Dr. Albert Jewell, Dementia Network Secretary of Christians on Aging. Available on Amazon and Church Publishing.

SUNDAY AND WEEKLY COUNTERS NEEDED

Thanks to our existing teams who will continue, but we need more assistance. Counters work in teams of two. On Sundays, it takes a few minutes to count and record the cash offerings. During the week, a team prepares the full deposit. Training is provided. If you are available to help after the 10.30 service on Sundays and once a month on a Monday or Tuesday, please let D-L Casson know.

MESSIAH SING ALONG @ SsAM

TUES. DEC. 21st 7 p.m.

Bring your score or borrow one and join in the singing of the choruses. Jeffrey Spade, conductor and David Christopher, organist. \$10 suggested donation.

Christmas Eve services 4:00 and 11:00 p.m.

The early 4:00 p.m. Service provides a Christmas Eve experience for all, especially for those with young ones and for anyone who would like to be home before dark. Join us for a Choral Eucharist with Christmas Carols! The later service begins with **Christmas Caroling at 10:30** before the candlelight festive chorale Eucharist service at 11:00 p.m.

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR- SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR THE ITEMS TO BE PURCHASED! www.ssam.org

UPCOMING CONCERTS

THE RAINBOW CHORALE OF DELAWARE

What a Wonderful World - A Holiday Concert

Fri. Dec. 3rd & Sat. at 7:30 p.m. Skyline United Methodist Church 1301 N Broom - Wilmington and Sat. Dec. 4th at 7:30 p.m. Skyline United Methodist Church 3100 Skyline Drive - Wilmington. Also virtual streaming
Ticket [information](#). [URL: https://therainbowchorale.org/](https://therainbowchorale.org/)

WILMINGTON CHILDREN'S CHORUS

Annual Holiday Concerts - December 10 & 12, 2021

St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church

809 S Broom St, Wilmington, DE 19805

As WCC returns to live performance, we'll celebrate the magic of the season with musical expressions of Joy, Hope, and Wonder. This year's Candlelight Holiday Concert will feature favorite African-American Christmas spirituals, Villancicos (carols) with a special focus on the music of Puerto Rico & Mexico, as well as Medieval and Renaissance music from the English, Spanish, and Jewish traditions. Purchase your tickets [here](#). [URL: https://www.wilmingtonchildrenschorus.org/](https://www.wilmingtonchildrenschorus.org/)

24 Hours Of Carols

December 16-17, 2021; 6 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A Virtual Event

Join WCC for 24 hours of your favorite holiday songs, carols, prizes, and more! This virtual fundraiser is held entirely through Facebook and will feature solos by our choristers and staff, as well as exciting auction prizes!



CHOIR SCHOOL OF DELAWARE - Sat. Dec. 11th

5105 Kennett Pike, Winterthur, DE 19735

Tickets available [here](#).

www.choirschoolofdelaware.org

Parish Calendar

Weekly Vision Deadline - Wednesday at 12:00 noon - 302.656.6628 dlccasson@ssam.org

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021

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The Rev. Deacon Cecily Harmon Sawyer, Preacher
(10:30 a.m.)

- 7:00 a.m. Friendship House Breakfast (grab & go)
- 8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST
- 10:30 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST (livestreamed-YouTube)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2021

- 7:00 a.m. AA Meeting
- 8:00 a.m. Morning prayer (Facebook Live)
- 5:00 p.m. Evening prayer (Facebook Live)
- 8:00 p.m. Compline (Facebook Live)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2021

- 7:00 a.m. AA Meeting
- 8:00 a.m. Morning prayer (Facebook Live)
- 5:00 p.m. Evening prayer (Facebook Live)
- 7:00 p.m. Meditation & Centering Prayer (Zoom)
- 8:00 p.m. Compline (Facebook Live)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2021

- 7:00 a.m. AA Meeting
- 8:00 a.m. Morning prayer (Facebook Live)
- 5:00 p.m. Evening prayer (Facebook Live)
- 8:00 p.m. Compline (Facebook Live)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2021

- 7:00 a.m. AA Meeting
- 8:00 a.m. Morning prayer (Facebook Live)
- 5:00 p.m. Evening prayer (Facebook Live)
- 8:00 p.m. Compline (Facebook Live)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2021

- 7:00 a.m. AA Meeting
- 8:00 a.m. Morning prayer (Facebook Live)
- 5:00 p.m. Evening prayer (Facebook Live)
- 5:30 p.m. Silent Walk for Social Justice beginning at 1st and Central Presbyterian (11th & Market) and ending at SsAM
- 8:00 p.m. Compline (Facebook Live)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2021

- 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer (Facebook Live)
- 12:00 noon Noonday Prayer (Facebook Live)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021

Advent II

The Rev. David T. Andrews, Jr. Celebrant & Preacher

- 7:00 a.m. Friendship House Breakfast (grab & go)
- 8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST
- 9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST (livestreamed)

**OUR 10:30 SERVICE IS STREAMED ON
YOUTUBE EVERY SUNDAY**

