

***St. Christopher by the Sea  
Gibson Island, Maryland***

December 7, 2025

Second Sunday of Advent

Service of Holy Communion

**Ministry of the Word**

Hymn #497	<i>How bright appears the Morning Star</i>
Communion Introduction	BCP page 355
Glory to God ( <i>sung</i> )	BCP page 356
Collect of the Day	Insert
First Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10	Insert
Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19	Insert
Second Reading: Romans 15:4-13	Insert
Hymn #67	<i>Comfort, comfort ye my people</i>
Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12	Insert
Sermon	Dr. Stonesifer
Nicene Creed	BCP page 358
Prayers of the People – Form IV	BCP page 388
Confession and Absolution	BCP page 360
The Peace	BCP page 360
Announcements	

**Ministry of the Sacrament**

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Collection & Hymn #380 (v 4)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise him all creatures here below;*

*Praise him above ye heavenly host;*

*Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

*Hymn 717, portions of stanzas 1 and 4 America*

*My country 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing:*

*long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;  
protect us by thy might, great God our King.*

Eucharistic Prayer BCP pages 361-363

Lord's Prayer BCP page 364

Breaking of the Bread BCP page 364

Distribution of Communion

Post Communion Prayer BCP page 365

Hymn #75 *There's a voice in the wilderness crying*

Dismissal BCP page 366

**FLOWERS** on the altar today are placed  
by Sims & Henry Hagan  
In celebration of our 47th wedding anniversary.