## WEEKLY SERVICES

The Act of Consecration of Man is celebrated Sunday 11:00 AM Wednesday 10:00 AM

#### For Children & Families

Sundays 9:30-10:30 AM Story, song, activities & Sunday Service for children.
Call or text Rev. Liza Joy Marcato for info.



Christ in Silence by Odilon Redon

## CONTEMPLATION GROUP

Everyone welcome!

October 19 — December 21

Contemplating the Second Coming of Christ, with Rev. Liza Joy Marcato

Wednesdays, 11:00 AM-12:30 PM

Coffeetime & Weekly Contemplation of Festival Prayers & the Second Coming of Christ, after the service

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THEY CAN BE LIKE A SUN

They can be like a sun, words.
They can do for the heart
what light can
for a field.

—Saint John of the Cross





The Throne of God, Bamberg Apocalypse

# LATE FALL—EARLY WINTER PROGRAM 2 0 2 2

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## TRINITY IV: REVELATION

October 30-November 26

Sunday, October 30
12:00 PM Potluck Lunch
12:45 PM A Conversation on Death & Dying, with Rev. Liza Marcato

Sunday, November 6
12:00 PM Coffeetime with light snacks
12:30 PM Gathering to Remember Those Who
Have Died

Friday, November 11 6:00 PM Young Adults Evening: Dinner, Conversation & Reflection by Candlelight. With Rev. Liza Marcato. Call or text for more information, 413-854-8875.

Sunday, November 13
12:00 PM Potluck Lunch
12:45 PM An Introduction to the Apocalypse:
Motifs in the final book of the Bible with Rev.
Liza Marcato



Above: the angel gives John the letter to the churches of Asia, Beatus Escorial, c.950

RECEIVING SPIRIT REVELATION FOR OUR TIME

A Three Hour Experience of the Entire Apocalypse

## Thursday, November 17, 6:00—9:00 PM

A Candlelit Reading from the Altar of the Entire Revelation to John (2.5 hours, with a 15 minute break midway).

#### Sunday, November 20

12:00 PM Light potluck lunch, followed by a talk: Expanding Ourselves through the Renewal of the Word: A New Translation of our Service. +Starting November 27, a new translation and name of our central sacrament shall ring out from our North American altars. Called "The Act of Consecration of Man" since 1929; now it shall be "The Consecration of the Human Being." Rev. Liza Marcato offers an introduction to the changes, the important work of the Priest Circle's "Translation Group," and how these (and previous) changes came about over many years through in-depth work by priests with the study and celebration of the texts of our liturary.

#### Wednesday, November 23

No Wednesday Study due to the Thanksgiving holiday (service still happening)



## ADVENT BEGINS

November 27—December 24

## <u>Ihe Four Sundays of Advent for Children</u> November 27—December 18 at 9:30 AM

Join Rev. Liza Marcato for the story of Mary and Joseph on their way to Bethlehem, as the Advent garden grows each week, preparing for the new human being to be born into the world at Christmas!

Sunday, November 27 12:00 PM Advent Potluck 12:45 PM Advent Crafting: Making Window Stars \$5 suggested donation for materials (provided)

## DEAR FRIENDS.

Here is a short program for the remainder of this Christian year! I will mail a new program out covering the Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany seasons at the end of November. Until then, please enjoy the offerings in this final period of the liturgical year, in which the Revelation to John brings its inspiration and support!

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#### ON THE APOCALYPSE

"The Revelation of St John, the Apocalypse, knows the secret of the increasing power of evil. When humanity consistently rejects Christ, then the Beast, the possibility of the sub-human, emerges from the abyss. Yet it is within the mission of this increasingly powerful apocalyptic evil to 'provoke' the good — to call it forth and thereby help it to come to realization.

Just as evil increases in intensity, so should Christianity continue to 'grow up.' Christianity must become increasingly mature and conscious, ever more clear and capable of transformation. Only a Christianity with an apocalyptic orientation will carry us through apocalyptic destinies. Such a Christianity will be capable of placing us in proper relationship to the apocalyptic event of the Second Coming. What does this 'return' of Christ mean? Since the Resurrection, is he not with us 'always, even unto the end of the world' (Matt 28:20)? True, but until now his presence has remained more or less hidden from humanity's view. With the development of Christian awareness, human beings will gradually unfold eyes of soul, eyes of spirit which will enable them to contemplate the supersensorily present Christ... Christ's coming is his entry into the waking consciousness of human beings. Christ thus becomes more and more manifest. 'Apocalypse' means an 'uncovering.' The hidden presence is revealed."

—Rudolf Frieling from "The Essence of Christianity." 1948.