



**St. James'**  
*Episcopal Church*  
LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST**



DECEMBER 24, 2024

6:00 P.M. & 9:00 P.M.

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS AND WELCOME TO ST. JAMES'

Whatever your religious background, and however you have come to be here, we're glad to have you join in our praises of God today. We hope you will feel comfortable here and fulfilled, and strengthened spiritually to meet the challenges of your daily life.

## NURSERY AND CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Children of all ages are always welcome in worship! If needed, Nursery care is available beginning at 9:30am. The Nursery is located through the front left doors to the Sanctuary. Go through the Parish Hall and up the stairs-- the Nursery is around the corner from the kitchen. In response to feedback, we decided to move Children's Formation to the 10 AM hour. Children should arrive between 9:45 a.m. to 9:55 a.m. in the upstairs preschool classroom. Look for signs in the Narthex to guide you to the correct location! All children Pre-K through 5th grade are welcome. If you arrive late, please go ahead and join us! Children will return to the service before Communion.

## JOIN US FOR WORSHIP IN PERSON AND ONLINE

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PRELUDE:

SINFONIA:

*Christmas Oratorio*

*Charlene Romano, flute*

*J. S. Bach*

PASTORAL FROM THE "CHRISTMAS CONCERTO"

*John Romano, clarinet*  
*Kevin Romano, French horn*

*A. CORELLI*

CAROL:

*Still, Still, Still*

*St. James' Choir*

*arr. Ledger*

NOEL V

*John Romano, clarinet*  
*Kevin Romano, French Horn*  
*Charlene Romano, flute*

*Michael Corrette*  
*arr. John Romano*

SOLO:

*O, Holy Night*

*Scott Clark, bass*

*Adolph Adam*

## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

### HYMN AT THE PROCESSION - 83

*O come, all ye faithful*

*Adeste fideles*

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
come, and behold him, born the King of angels;

Refrain:

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord

God from God, Light from Light eternal,  
lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
only begotten Son of the Father;

Refrain

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;  
glory to God, glory in the highest;

Refrain

Yea, Lord we greet thee, born this happy morning;  
Jesus, to thee be glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;

Refrain

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE COLLECT FOR THE INCARNATION

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

*Congregation is seated*

## ANTHEM:

*Gloria (Mass of the Shepherds)*

*Kempter*

Gloria in excelsis Deo  
Et in terra pax hominibus bone  
voluntate  
Ladamus te, benedicimus te  
Adoramus te Glorificamus te  
Fili unigenite Jesus, Jesus Christe  
Cum sancto Spiritus gloria Dei Pa-  
tris.  
Amen

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of  
good will.  
We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we glorify you,  
Only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

## The Collect of the Nativity

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### THE FIRST READING

ISAIAH 9:2-7

*Read by Aimee McKinney (6:00 pm) Nancy Quinn (9:00 pm)*

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness--  
on them light has shined.  
You have multiplied the nation,  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden,  
and the bar across their shoulders,  
the rod of their oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

For all the boots of the tramping warriors  
and all the garments rolled in blood  
shall be burned as fuel for the fire.

For a child has been born for us,  
a son given to us;  
authority rests upon his shoulders;  
and he is named

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

His authority shall grow continually,  
and there shall be endless peace  
for the throne of David and his kingdom.

He will establish and uphold it  
with justice and with righteousness  
from this time onward and forevermore.  
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

*Standing, as able*

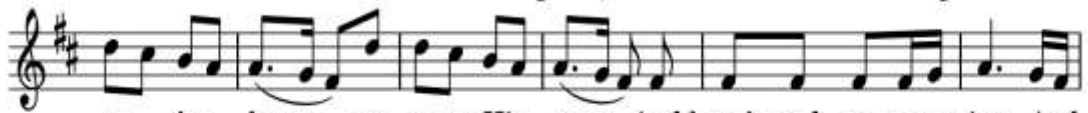
HYMN: 100

*Joy to the World*

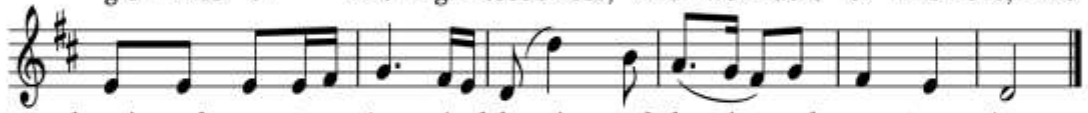
*Antioch*



1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth re - ceive her King; Let  
2. Joy to the earth! the Sav - ior reigns; Let men their songs em - ploy; While  
4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the na - tions prove The



ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him room, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And  
fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains Re - peat the sounding joy, Re -  
glo - ries of His righ - teous - ness, And won - ders of His love, And



heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
won - ders of His love, And won - ders, won - ders of His love.

*Paraphrase of Psalm 98 by Isaac Watts*

*The people are seated.*

THE SECOND READING

TITUS 2:11-14

*Read by Dave Hov (6:00 pm) Jonathan Coate (9:00 pm)*

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave



himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

The Word of the Lord

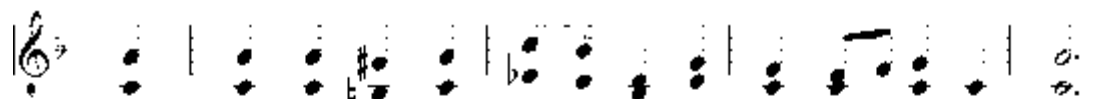
### Thanks be to God.

*Standing, as able*


#### HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE: 79

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

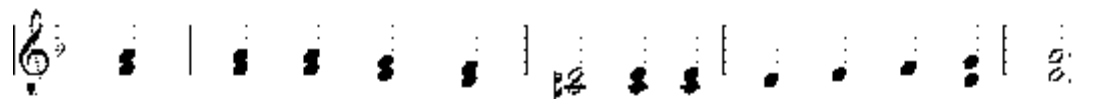
*St. Louis*




1 O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!  
2 How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous gift is given!  
3 O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;



1 A - hove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by;  
2 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heaven,  
3 cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.



1 yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;  
2 No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,  
3 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;



1 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night,  
2 where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.  
3 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el!

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

### **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-- I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest heaven,  
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

The Gospel of the Lord

### **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

THE NICENE CREED

*Said by all, standing.*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Led by Shaun Hov (6:00 pm) Kim Prevost (9:00 pm)*

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the church may truly and humbly serve  
you;

**That your name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for our presiding bishop, Sean; for our bishops, Mark and  
Gayle; for our priests, Chad and Marybeth; for our seminarians, Josh  
and Kara; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons.

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and  
Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

#### CONFESSION OF SIN

*Kneeling or standing as able.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*A moment of silence.*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the holy spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

### **And also with you**

*The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are then seated.*

## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

### WELCOME VISITORS!



Please fill out a visitor card found in your pew row or follow the QR code to our digital visitor form so we can get to know you better. Cards can be placed in the offering plate or handed to an usher. We are so glad you chose to worship with us today.

## THE OFFERTORY



*The people remain seated while an offering is collected to support St. James' work of sharing God's love with the world. You may now make your offering by scanning the QR code on the left.*

## Offertory Anthem:

*See Amid the Winter's Snow*

*John Goss*

*arr. David Wilcocks*

Refrain:

Hail, thou ever blessed morn, Hail redemption's happy dawn,  
Sing through all Jerusalem, Christ is born in Bethlehem.

See, amid the winter's snow,  
Born for us on Earth below,  
See, the tender Lamb appears,  
Promised from eternal years.  
Refrain

"As we watched at dead of night,  
Low, we saw a wondrous light:  
Angels singing 'Peace on Earth'  
Told us of the Savior's birth."  
Refrain

Lo, within a manger lies  
He who built the starry skies;  
He who, throned in height sublime,  
Sits among the cherubim.  
Refrain

Teach, O teach us, Holy Child,  
By Thy face so meek and mild,  
Teach us to resemble Thee,  
In Thy sweet humility.  
Refrain

Say, ye holy shepherds, say,  
What your joyful news today;  
Wherefore have ye left your sheep  
On the lonely mountain steep?  
Refrain

PRESENTATION HYMN - 115

*What Child is This*

*Greensleeves*



1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma-ry's lap is sleep-ing?
2. Why lies He in such mean es - tate, Where ox and ass are feed-ing?
3. So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, Come, peas-ant, king to own Him.



Whom an - gels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are keep - ing?  
Good Christian, fear: for sin - ners here The si - lent Word is plead - ing.  
The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let lov - ing hearts enthrone Him.

*Chorus*



This, this is Christ, the King, Whom shep-herds guard and an-gels sing:



Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Ma - ry!





# SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS - S129

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

*Robert Powell*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef. The first staff contains the first line of the Sanctus: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and". The second staff continues: "might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -". The third staff continues: "san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who". The fourth staff concludes: "comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est." There are three-measure rests indicated by dashed lines above the notes in the second and third staves.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O God,

**We remember his death,**

**We proclaim his resurrection,**

**We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary and Joseph and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, O God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

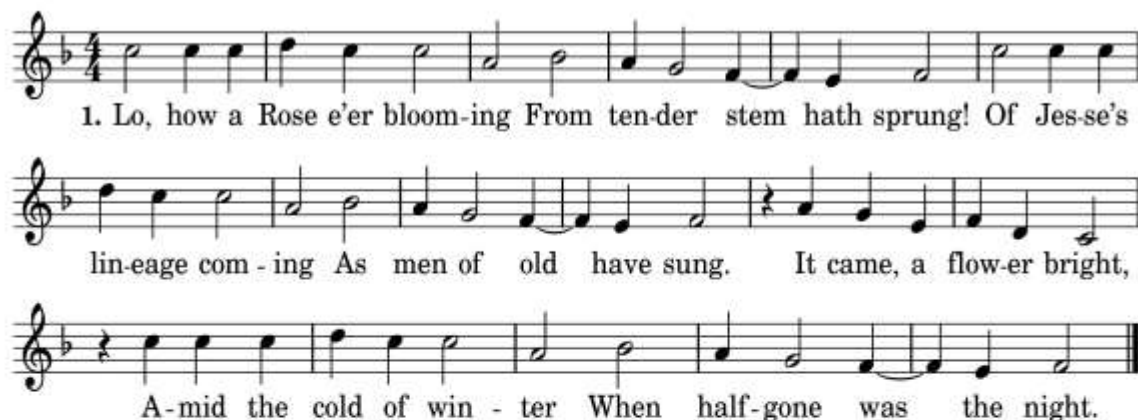
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia**

## FRACTION ANTHEM - 81

*Lo, How a Rose*

*Es ist ein Ros*



1. Lo, how a Rose e'er bloom-ing From ten-der stem hath sprung! Of Jes-se's  
lin-eage com - ing As men of old have sung. It came, a flow-er bright,  
A-mid the cold of win - ter When half-gone was the night.

### INVITATION

*The people are seated.*

*Our custom in the Episcopal Church is to welcome all who are baptized, regardless of age, to receive the bread and wine at Communion. Please come forward to the altar. If you are not baptized, or would prefer not to receive communion, you may come forward and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. If you would like Communion brought to you in your seat, please let an usher know. Consecrated gluten-free wafers are available; please inform the clergy if you have gluten sensitivity.*

### MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION

ANTHEM:

*Before the Marvel of This Night*

*Carl Schalk*

Before the marvel of this night,  
Adoring, fold your wings and bow,  
Then tear the sky apart with light,  
And with your news the world endow.  
Proclaim the birth of Christ and peace,  
that fear and death and sorrow cease:  
Sing peace, sing peace, sing gift of peace,  
Sing peace, sing gift of peace!

Awake the sleeping world with song,  
This is the day the Lord has made.  
Assemble here, celestial throng,  
In royal splendor come arrayed.  
Give earth a glimpse of heav'nly bliss,  
A teasing taste of what they miss:  
Sing bliss, sing bliss, sing endless bliss,  
Sing bliss, sing endless bliss!

The love that we have always known,  
Our constant joy and endless light,  
Now to the loveless world be shown,  
Now break upon its deathly night.  
Into one song compress the love,  
That rules our universe above:  
Sing love, sing love, sing God is love,  
Sing love, sing God is love!

SOLO:

*I Wonder as I Wander*

*Appalachian Carol*  
*arr. John Jacob Niles*

*Samantha Anthony, soprano*

I wonder as I wander out under the sky,  
How Jesus the Savior did come for to die  
For poor on'ry people like you and like I;  
I wonder as I wander, out under the sky.

When Mary birthed Jesus, t'was in a cow's stall,  
With wise men and farmers and shepherds and all,  
But high from God's heaven a star's light did fall,  
And the promise of ages it then did recall.

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing,  
A star in the sky, or a bird on the wing,  
Or all of God's angels in heav'n for to sing,  
He surely could have it 'cause He was the King.

I wonder as I wander out under the sky,  
How Jesus the Savior did come for to die  
For poor on'ry people like you and like I;  
I wonder as I wander out under the sky.

ANTHEM:

*Love Came Down at Christmas*

*Daniel Gawthrop*

Love came down at Christmas,  
Love all lovely, love divine;  
Love was born at Christmas,  
Star and angels gave the sign.

Worship we the Godhead,  
Love incarnate, live divine;  
Worship we our Jesus:  
But wherewith for sacred sign?

Love shall be our token,  
Love be yours and love be mine,  
Love to God and men,  
Love for plea, and gift and sign.

SOLO:

*Mary's Cradle Song*

*Max Reger*

*Maggie Bullock, soprano*

*John Romano, clarinet*

Sweet Mary sits in rosy bow'rs and rocks her Jesus child,  
Through the leaves so gently warming summer breezes smile.  
And there beside her sings a bird in soft reply'  
Ah, baby, dearest, lullaby!

Lovely your smiling, lovelier still your slumber blest;  
Lay your little tired head closely to your mother's breast!  
Ah, baby, dearest, lullaby!



## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Said by all, standing as able.*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES



1 Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright  
 2 Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Shep-herds quake at the sight.  
 3 Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Son of God, love's pure light,  
 'round yon vir - gin mother and child! Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild,  
 Glo - ries stream from heaven a - far, heavenly hosts sing: "Al - le - lu - ia!  
 ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,  
 sleep in heav - en - ly peace, sleep in heav - en - ly peace.  
 Christ the Sav - ior is born! Christ the Sav - ior is born!"  
 Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth! Je - sus Lord, at thy birth!

## THE BLESSING

*The Celebrant blesses the people and the people respond **Amen.***

*Please turn as the cross recesses down the aisle.*

HYMN AT THE CLOSING—87

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

*Mendelssohn*



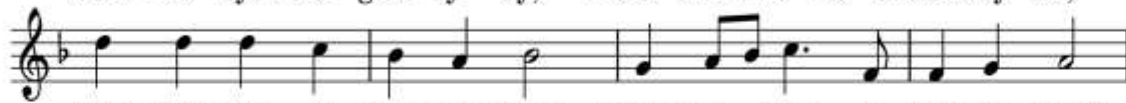
1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King;  
 2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord!  
 3. Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Right-eaous-ness!



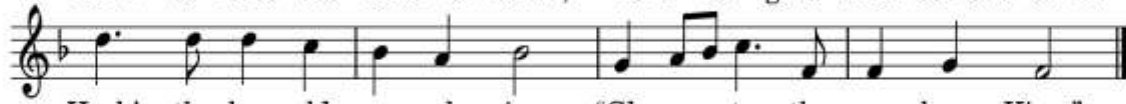
Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"  
 Late in time be - hold Him come, Off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb:  
 Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with heal - ing in His wings.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies;  
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; Hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty,  
 Mild He lays His glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die,



With th'an - gel - ic host pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"  
 Pleased as man with men to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el.  
 Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them sec - ond birth.



Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King."

THE DISMISSAL

*The minister says the dismissal.*

**People:** Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

## POSTLUDE:

*Good Christian Men Rejoice*

*J. S. Bach*



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### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

THOSE REQUESTING OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK: \*Kathleen Greenough, Katie B. Sullivan, \*Steve Page, Neil Gwinn, \*Harold Neely, and \*Rachelle Graves.

THOSE ON OUR LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: \*Charlotte Woods, Virginia Cogger, \*Michael Fabian, Stephanie Kreuger, Trudye Pember, The Porter family, Ralph Dale, Dwayne Traylor, Brayan Cruz, Jefferson Zapata, \*Michael Dowling, Darrell Ackman, Kaleb Cortes, Peter Schweitzer, Joan Douglas, \*Joan Corderman, Martha Burton Huie, Skip Hovsmith, Adam Gedney, Tony Beltrano, Pat, Emily, Mary Ellen Hurley, \*Barbara Roark, \*Fran Smith, Nicholas Rodney, Ed, \*Scott Clark, \*Pam Mossburg, Virginia Laughlin, and \*Alice Lynn.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Sandra Beall

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS: All those impacted by Hurricanes Helene and Milton, for the lives lost and that God will sustain them for the recovery ahead, for all those across the globe who suffer the effects of natural disasters; for those who continue to be affected by COVID-19 and for protection of the most vulnerable through the coming flu season and cold weather; for those who are unemployed or underemployed; for those who suffer acts of violence around the world, especially for Ukraine and for the Holy Land; and those serving in the armed forces at home and abroad.

**THE POINSETTIAS ADORNING OUR WORSHIP SPACE WERE GIVEN BY**

Fiona & Rob Ahrweiler in memory of our beloved parents and in  
thanksgiving for beloved family and friends

Chase & Trevor Banks in thanksgiving for our children David &  
Michael

Pete & Dina Bessa in thanksgiving for our friends and family,  
especially Luke, Maddy, Sophie & Will

Jeff & Dottie Brannock in memory of Thomas, Elsie & Rick  
Brannock, John & Rose Emerick; and in thanksgiving for the  
wedding of Joseph & Maddie

Jonathan Coate in memory of Thomas Coate

The Doty family in memory of their father & grandfather William  
Sprecher

Mary Frances & James Forcier in memory of John Forcier, Anne  
Watson, Pearl & James Donley, and Nancy & Guy Forcier

Edgar Hatrick in memory of Betty Hatrick and in thanksgiving for  
family & friends

Cindy & Tom Holdsworth thanksgiving for Vera & Theo

Perry & Rachel Holdsworth in thanksgiving for Theo Holdsworth

Shaun & Dave Hov in memory of Carolyn & Loren Hov; and Barbara  
& Frank Smith

John & Missy Jennings in thanksgiving for our children &  
grandchildren and to the glory of God

Lois & Jerry Krumwiede in memory of Barbara Dombrowski, Polly  
Clemens, George Durfey, & Dean Korpan

Chris Lafferty in thanksgiving for my family

Anita McDonough in memory of Frank Smith

Susan & Page Moffett in memory of our parents, siblings, and  
thanksgiving for our children & grandchildren

By the children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren in memory  
of Lucille & Lawrence Muse

Terry & Kimberly Prevost in thanksgiving for their children, Olivia,  
& Sterett

Jennifer Ramsburg in memory of Charlie Ramsburg, and Karen &  
Nick Nicholson

Adam Rodriguez in memory of Calvin and Marion Towne

Barbara Taylor in memory of Bruce H. Taylor

Lyndsay Welsh & Winston Chamblin in memory of their  
grandparents Tunís Campbell, and Ross & Eleanor Welsh; and a  
dear family friend Yolanda Vaucher-Moody

### **RECTOR'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Is on hiatus until January 15, 2025.

### **MEN'S SERVICE MINISTRY**

Will be on hiatus until January 6th, 2025

### **CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER**

Will be on hiatus until January 6th, 2025

### **GRACE TO GO**

Will be on hiatus January 5th, 2025

### **CHRISTMAS OFFERING**

As is our custom, the collected offering at our Christmas services, if not designated as part of a pledge or other purpose, will be divided equally and donated directly to outside charities. This year, the Vestry has chosen three nonprofits as the recipients: **Loudoun Hunger Relief, Loudoun Free Clinic, and Mobile Hope.**

Please take the time to learn about each of these charities and support them directly as you are able. Their needs are great, and we appreciate your gifts and prayers as they do important work in our community and world.

### **CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS**

The St. James' Church Offices will be closed in observance of the Christmas Holidays from December 23 – January 1. For pastoral emergencies, please call (202) 750-4247.





## **ST. JAMES' VESTRY ELECTION**

All St. James' communicants in good standing are invited to vote for their top 4 nominees by scanning the QR code or picking up a ballot in the Narthex. The deadline has been extended to **Monday, January 13**. The final slate of 4 candidates will then be presented to the parish for an official election at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 2.



## **STEWARDSHIP 2024: TOGETHER, WE ARE ST. JAMES'**

Many thanks to all those who have made a pledge for 2025! We are 85% closer to funding the ministries and mission of our beloved parish in the year ahead. If you haven't done so, please consider making a pledge before the end of the year. No amount is too small. You may pledge online by



scanning the QR code or filling out a pledge card in the Narthex. Thank you for Walking in Love with your St. James' Family.

### **BAPTISM SUNDAY: SUNDAY, JANUARY 12**

St. James' will be offering the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, January 12 at the 10:00 a.m. service. If you're interested in being baptized or having a child baptized, please email [info@stjameselesburg.org](mailto:info@stjameselesburg.org) or call 703-777-1124.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**December 25 - Christmas Day;** Service at 10:00 a.m.

**December 27 -** Winter Break Play Date - Parish Hall

**December 29 -** First Sunday after Christmas - 5th Sunday Family Service - 10:00 a.m.

**December 25- January 1 - CAMPUS CLOSED**

**January 12 -** First Sunday after Epiphany; "Baptism of our Lord" and Baptisms

**January 20 -** Martin Luther King, Jr Day - Campus Closed

## SERVING TODAY

6:00 P.M.

9:00 P.M.

<b>ACOLYTES</b>	DOTTIE BRANNOCK	BECKY CRISMAN DOTTIE BRANNOCK
<b>READERS</b>	AIMEE MCKINNEY DAVE HOV	NANCY QUINN JONATHAN COATE
<b>INTERCESSOR</b>	SHAUN HOV TERRY HUXFORD KATHERINE STETHEM	KIM PREVOST JEFF BRANNOCK
<b>LEMS</b>	JEFF BRANNOCK TOM HOLDSWORTH CHRIS HATCH CHARLIE THORNTON	CANDY HAYES BILL BROOKS TERRY PREVOST
<b>USHERS</b>	MARGARET AKERS NORMAN CRANE CYNDI KEESE RAY LONGO LISA THORNTON	MARGARET AKERS NANCY BURGHARDT MARY DUNLOP CYNDI KEESE
<b>A/V LEAD</b>	CHARLES THORNTON	
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	MARGARET AKERS, KAY GREGG, ROBIN JONES, MELISSA SUTTON, SENTA KEEGAN	

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 24, 2024

### **25 WEDNESDAY CHRISTMAS DAY**

10:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II

### **26 THURSDAY**

8:30 p.m. AA - Parish Hall

### **27 Friday**

10:00 a.m. Winter Break Play Date - Parish Hall

### **29 SUNDAY FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS**

8:00 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I

8:30 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor

10:00 a.m. Children's Formation

10:00 a.m. Fifth Sunday Family Service \*

11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor

**\* Live Streamed**



## **ST. JAMES' LITURGICAL TEAM**

### **The Rev. Dr. Chad T. Martin**

*Rector*

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### **The Rev. Marybeth Sanders-Wilson**

*Associate Rector*

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### **Dr. Steven Cooksey**

*Director of Music, Choirmaster, & Organist*

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### **Kay Gregg**

*Verger*

## **ST. JAMES' STAFF**

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### **Jess Eastridge**

*Children's Formation Minister*

### **Adán Cortes**

*Lead Sexton*

### **Gustavo del Callejo**

*Sunday Sexton*

## **ST. JAMES' VESTRY**

### OFFICERS

Scott Briles, *Senior Warden*

Tony McGraw, *Junior Warden*

Jane Roth, *Register*

Stacy Cleveland, *Treasurer*

### CLASS OF 2022-2025

Scott Briles

Kathleen Greenough

Troy Harry

Melissa Sutton

### CLASS OF 2023-2026

George Garlick

Candy Hayes

Trudy Gross

Ray Longo

### CLASS OF 2024-2027

Sarah Bauer

Jeff Brannock

Tony McGraw

Tricia Sauer

### LAY DELEGATES

Dottie Brannock

George Garlick

Jane Roth (alternate)

## IN NEED OF PRAYER; IN NEED OF CARE?

*"In case of illness, the minister of the congregation is to be notified."*

-The Book of Common Prayer, p. 453

If you need pastoral care or prayer please let us know!

If you are in need of pastoral care, please fill out the form and place it in the offering plate or use the resources below:

THE CHURCH OFFICE

(M-TH, 9AM. TO 5 PM., FRI 9 AM TO 2 PM)

(703)777-1124

AFTER HOURS PASTORAL CARE LINE

(202)750-4247

Needed prayer for:  Yourself  Someone Else

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Details (Optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to be added to the Prayer List?  Yes  No

Do you need Pastoral Care (a visit, a phone call, etc.)?  Yes  No

Can we send you a card?  Yes  No

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to set up a time to talk with one of our clergy?

Yes  No

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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