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*The people's responses are in bold.*

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 659*

*J.S. Bach*

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please stand, as you are able.*

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

*The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 110*

Grant us Lord, the lamp of charity which never fails, that it may burn in us and shed its light on those around us, and that by its brightness, we may have a vision of that holy city, where dwells the true and never-failing Light, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN • 438 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

*WOODLANDS*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

*BCP, p. 355*

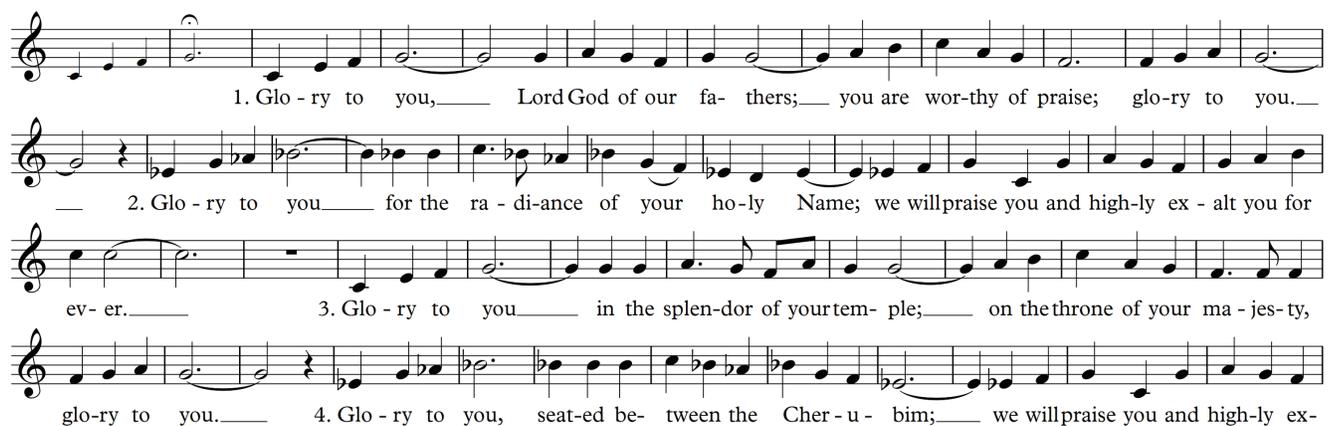
Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;  
**His mercy endures forever.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please kneel, as you are able.*

GLORY TO YOU, LORD GOD

*(Hymn S236) Rutter*

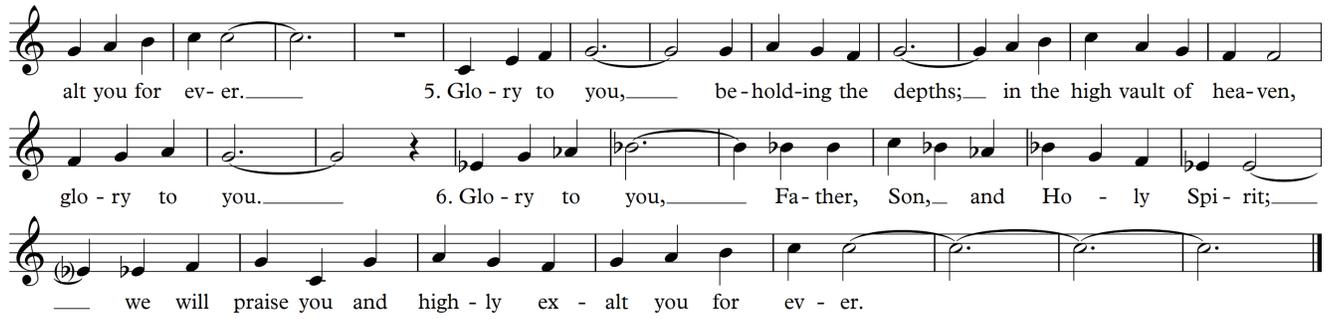


1. Glo - ry to you, Lord God of our fa- thers; you are wor- thy of praise; glo- ry to you.

2. Glo - ry to you for the ra - di- ance of your ho- ly Name; we will praise you and high- ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

3. Glo - ry to you in the splen- dor of your tem- ple; on the throne of your ma - jes- ty, glo- ry to you.

4. Glo - ry to you, seat- ed be- tween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and high- ly ex -



alt you for ev-er. 5. Glo-ry to you, be-hold-ing the depths; in the high vault of hea-ven,  
glo-ry to you. 6. Glo-ry to you, Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit;  
we will praise you and high-ly ex-alt you for ev-er.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, p. 212

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

THE READING

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me,  
because the Lord has anointed me;  
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the brokenhearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and release to the prisoners;  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor,  
and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn;  
to provide for those who mourn in Zion—  
to give them a garland instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.  
They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.  
They shall build up the ancient ruins,  
they shall raise up the former devastations;  
they shall repair the ruined cities,  
the devastations of many generations.  
“For I the Lord love justice,  
I hate robbery and wrongdoing;  
I will faithfully give them their recompense,  
and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.  
Their descendants shall be known among the nations,  
and their offspring among the peoples;  
all who see them shall acknowledge  
that they are a people whom the Lord has blessed.”  
I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;

for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.  
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,  
so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 126 *Chanted by the choir*

- 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, \*  
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \*  
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, \*  
“The Lord has done great things for them.”
- 4 The Lord has done great things for us, \*  
and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, \*  
like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears \*  
will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \*  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

*Please stand, as you are able.*

SEQUENCE HYMN • 76 On Jordan’s bank the Baptist’s cry

*WINCHESTER NEW*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

*John 1:6-8, 19-28*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light.

This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, “Who are you?” He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, “I am not the Messiah.” And they asked him, “What then? Are you Elijah?” He said, “I am not.” “Are you the prophet?” He answered, “No.” Then they said to him, “Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?” He said, “I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way of the Lord,’” as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, “Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?” John answered them, “I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal.” This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

ANTHEM • *How Far Is It to Bethlehem?*

*arr. David Willcocks  
St. George's Choir*

How far is it to Bethlehem? Not very far.  
Shall we find the stable room lit by a star?  
Can we see the little Child, is he within?  
If we would lift the wooden latch, may we go in?  
May we stroke the creatures there, ox, ass or sheep?  
May we peep like them and see Jesus asleep?  
If we touch his tiny hand, will he awake?  
Will he know we've come so far just for his sake?  
Great kings have precious gifts, and we have naught,  
Little smiles and little tears are all we brought.  
For all weary children Mary must weep.  
Here, on his bed of straw, sleep, children, sleep.  
God in his mother's arms, babes in the byre,  
Sleep, as they sleep who find their heart's desire.

FIRST LESSON • The Birth of Christ Is Foretold

*Isaiah 9:2, 7:14, 9:6-7*

SECOND LESSON • The Angel Gabriel Salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary

*Luke 1:26-35, 38*

THIRD LESSON • St. Luke Tells of the Birth of Jesus

*Luke 2:1, 3-7*

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN • 111 Silent night, holy night (v. 1)

*STILLE NACHT*

Silent night, holy night,  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon virgin mother and child,  
Holy infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.  
Sleep in heavenly peace.

FOURTH LESSON • The Shepherds Go to the Manger

*Luke 2:8-20*

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN • 109 The first Nowell (v. 1)

*THE FIRST NOWELL*

The first Nowell the angel did say  
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
in fields as they lay, keeping their sheep,  
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
born is the King of Israel.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN • 96 Angels we have heard on high (vv. 1-2)

*GLORIA*

Angels we have heard on high  
Singing sweetly through the night  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their brave delight  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why these songs of happy cheer?  
What great brightness did you see?  
What glad tidings did you hear?  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

HYMN • Away in a manger

CRADLE SONG  
St. Dunstan's Choir

Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,  
The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head.  
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,  
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.  
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky,  
And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

FIFTH LESSON • The Wise Men Are Led by a Star to Jesus

Matthew 2:1-12

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN • 128 We three kings (v. 1)

THREE KINGS OF ORIENT

*The choir sings.*

We three kings of Orient are. Bearing gifts, we traverse afar,  
Field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

*The congregation sings.*

O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright,  
Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!

SIXTH LESSON • The Mystery of the Incarnation Unfolds

John 1:1-14

*Please stand, as you are able.*

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 358

**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.**

*Please kneel, as you are able.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM II

BCP, p. 385

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael; and our Bishop, John; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; for our president, Joe, our governor, Bill, and our mayor, Freddie; for the members of the armed forces serving our country; for our enemies and those who wish us harm; those affected by the violence and suffering in Israel and the Middle East and in Ukraine; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. I especially ask your prayers for Reba Barker, Sandy Berry, Chris Carter, Anna Kate Craig, Livi Grasman, Susan Narramore, Acra Samuels, Trish Thomas, Mike Waller, and all those affected by the recent tornados in Middle Tennessee. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for those who seek God or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially Hap Castner. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers of thanksgiving for the wedding of Erin Puryear and Brady Killion.

*Silence*

You are invited to add your own intercessions and thanksgivings, either silently or aloud.

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

*The celebrant prays the concluding Collect and the people respond Amen.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*BCP, p. 360*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

## THE ABSOLUTION

*BCP, p. 360*

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.**

*Please stand, as you are able.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Please be seated.*

### THE OFFERTORY

*This is the record of John*

*Orlando Gibbons  
Soloist: Mareike Sattler*

This is the record of John,  
when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him,  
Who art thou?  
And he confessed and denied not, and said plainly,  
I am not the Christ.

And they asked him, What art thou then? Art thou Elias?  
And he said, I am not.  
Art thou the prophet?  
And he answered, No.

Then said they unto him,  
What art thou? that we may give an answer unto them that sent us.  
What sayest thou of thyself?  
And he said, I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness,  
Make straight the way of the Lord.

*Please stand, as you are able.*

### AT THE PRESENTATION *The Doxology*

*(Hymn 380, verse 3) Old 100th*

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise  
him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer B*

*BCP, p. 367*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*The celebrant says a Proper Preface.*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Holy, holy, holy Lord*

*(Hymnal S130) Schubert*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -  
est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Please kneel or remain standing, as you are able.*

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 Father,

**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 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, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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 & THE FRACTION ANTHEM

BCP, p. 364

Christ our Passover

(Hymnal S156) Near



The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*NOTES ON RECEIVING COMMUNION* All baptized Christians are invited to receive the sacrament, regardless of age or denomination. Those who have not been baptized are welcome to a blessing—indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. If desired, you may intinct (dip) your wafer at the altar rail or have the LEM intinct it for you. Gluten-free wafers are available at the side station.

**After receiving communion, a Prayer Minister will be available in the front right corner of the Nave to pray with you for intercessions, thanksgivings, or other petitions.**

#### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*Magnificat in G*

Charles V. Stanford

Soloist: Avery Seiger

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.  
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his hand-maiden.  
For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name.  
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.  
He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.  
He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.  
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel  
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Please kneel, as you are able, for the prayer.*

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*BCP, p. 365*

Let us pray.

**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.**

THE BLESSING

*BCP, p. 366*

*Please stand, as you are able.*

CLOSING HYMN • 597 O day of peace that dimly shines

*JERUSALEM*

THE DISMISSAL

*BCP, p. 366*

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Toccata on VENI EMMANUEL*

*Andrew Carter*

## WORSHIP NOTES

*Clergy* The Rev. J. Malone Gilliam, celebrant; the Rev. Margery Kennelly; and the Rev. Richard Kew

*Verger* Gail Thompson

*Acolytes* Maida Harwell, Morgan Walker, Baker Rennhoff, and Lucy Hundley

*Advent Wreath Lighting* The Johnson Family: Katie, Bill, Mary Francis, and Kingslea

*Lector* Bryan Essary

*Oblation Bearers* Gail & Hart Applegate

*Lay Eucharistic Ministers* Mary Chris Waller, Stan Graham, Jonathan Morphett, and Dan Whitaker

*Greeters* Mia & John Abernathy and Kathleen Thomas

The Advent greens in the Nave are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Polly & Jack Bass, Lulu & Ralph Owen, and Jack Maddin Bass, Jr. by Melinda Hampton Owen Bass.

The aumbry candle in the Nave is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Ed J. Johnson by Lucy, Caroline, George, Nathan, Grace, and David Johnson.

The aumbry candle in the Jane Tompkins Weeks Chapel is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Hudson Goodyear Walker by Shawn Curley.

## MUSIC NOTE

The offertory anthem for today is known to be a great example of how Scripture can be depicted through music. *This is the record of John* by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625), a renowned Tudor composer, uses the format of a “verse anthem,” where the solo line is reinforced or embellished by the chorus. It begins with the organ introducing the soloist, whose melody was originally written for instruments called viols, the precursors to the modern violin. The soloist unfolds the story found in today’s gospel reading with fluid melodic lines, to which the choir responds in an emphatic, statement-like manner. During the Tudor era, this was an innovative way for congregations to hear stories from the gospel, and it remains a great example of how music is used as a vehicle for spreading God’s word. The communion anthem by Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924) is today’s canticle (a liturgical song with a biblical text). There is an option in our lectionary on this third Sunday of Advent to either hear Psalm 126 or Canticle 15, also known as the *Magnificat*. This song was proclaimed by Mary when she met her cousin Elizabeth who was pregnant with John the Baptist, and Mary’s faith is on display through these words. Stanford features a soprano soloist in his setting, along with a deceptively simple sounding organ accompaniment meant to evoke the sound of Mary working at her spinning wheel.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*In your prayers this week, please pray for the following:*

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, and the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea.

In the Episcopal Church, we pray for Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry.

In the Diocese of Tennessee, we pray for our Bishop, John Bauerschmidt, and St. David’s Episcopal Church in Nashville.

In our community, we pray for Immanuel Baptist Church.

In our parish, we pray for the students, leaders, and volunteers of our Children’s Ministry; our Nashville Fellows, Alex, Derek, Laura, and Olivia; and our Organ Intern, Abe.

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**TODAY! Cookie Reception** Please join us after the service for a cookie reception in the Gathering Space hosted by Children's Ministries.

**TODAY! Silent Night: A Service of Hope & Healing** This is a difficult time of year for many of us as we face anxiety, illness, grief, and all sorts of challenges. On Sunday, December 17, we'll gather for a service of prayer at 6:00pm in the Nave to make space for those seeking God's healing as we move through the holiday season. All are welcome.

**Tornado Relief** We are all anxious to help folks in our community who have suffered from last week's tornadoes. Staff and lay leaders are working to organize ways to respond that are most helpful to those in need. Thanks for your prayers for those who are recovering from the storms, and stay tuned for more details to come.

**Breaking Bread** This parish-wide fellowship dinner is a fun way to share a meal with your church family. Come to Hampton Hall this Wednesday, December 20, at 6:00pm. Suggested donation is \$8 per person, and proceeds are donated to the Choristers program. RSVP at [reserve@stgeorgesnashville.org](mailto:reserve@stgeorgesnashville.org) or 615-385-2150 x 262.

**Compline** Stemming from monastic practice, Compline is the last service of the day before bedtime. This brief and beautiful service is set in a darkened church and sung by a small men's choir. Remain as long as you wish after the service in this quiet space, departing in silence. Compline will be held Wednesday, December 20, at 9:15pm in the Nave.

**Room in the Inn Winter Shelter** Our Room in the Inn ministry continues as we host both men and women overnight during the cold months ahead. There are now additional volunteer opportunities posted for our men's and women's shelters. We hope you will join us in providing food, shelter, friendship, and care to our unhoused neighbors. Visit [stgeorgesnashville.org/riti](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/riti) for details and to sign up.

**Prime Time Speakers Series** Thursday, December 21, join us for a festive Christmas Luncheon and Songs of the Season, with our own Gerry Senechal sharing the origins and special characteristics of songs we will be hearing and singing. Invite your friends for this favorite event. Register and pay online for the \$12 lunch at [stgeorgesnashville.org/seniors](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/seniors) or call 615-385-2150 x 262.

### Christmas Services

Advent IV

Sunday, December 24 | 10:00am The Table (livestreamed)

Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 24 | 3:00pm\*, 5:30pm\*, 10:00pm (all livestreamed)

Christmas Day

Monday, December 25 | 10:00am Traditional

\*Nursery available for 8-week-old infants — 2-year-olds born in 2021.

Overflow parking for Christmas Eve Overflow parking is available for the 3:00pm and 5:30pm Christmas Eve services beginning at 2:00pm. Park at Truxton Trust (4525 Harding Pike) and take the shuttle to St. George's.

### Worship Schedule for Sunday, December 31

7:30am Holy Eucharist

9:00am The Table\* (This is a change from what is published in The Shield.)

10:00am Holy Eucharist\*

5:00pm Evening Prayer with Eucharist

\*Nursery available for 8-week-old infants through 2-year-olds born in 2021

**Journey of Hope** Anyone who has experienced a deep loss of any kind is invited to participate in this series on Thursdays, January 11 - February 15, from 9:00 to 10:30am. This 6-week course is led by a licensed professional counselor who specializes in grief and trauma. Under the care of a professional, you will learn about tools to process your grief in a safe and loving Christian environment. Please contact Robin Puryear to learn more or join the class: [robin.puryear@stgeorgesnashville.org](mailto:robin.puryear@stgeorgesnashville.org) or 615-385-2150 x 247.

**Newcomer Gathering** Meet clergy, parishioners, and other newcomers during an informal Sunday morning gathering at 10:05am in the church library. Our next event is Sunday, January 14 at 10:05am.

**Choral Evensong** Please join us on Sunday, January 14 at 5:00pm in the Nave for a contemplative service of choral music and chant led by St. George's Choir. Stay after the service for a reception with members of the choir.

**Sunday School Classes** Sunday School resumes on Sunday, January 21 at 10:05am, with offerings for children, youth, and adults. Newcomers are welcome at any time!

**Application Season for Nashville Fellows** Did you know that each year, our church hosts a group of recent college graduates as they study, grow in faith, and pursue their vocations? These Nashville Fellows live with host families from our church, participate in graduate-level seminary classes one day a week, and work in their field of choice four days a week. Do you know a college senior who desires to start their next chapter well? Encourage them to apply now for the 12th Nashville Fellows Class at [thenashvillefellows.com](http://thenashvillefellows.com). The next application deadline is January 15.

**Bradford Gallery Event** Save the date for our next Bradford Gallery Event. On Thursday, January 18, all are welcome to join us at 5:30pm for a light reception and another engaging talk. Stay tuned for details.

**The Worry-Free Parent with Sissy Goff** Mark your calendars and make plans to join us on Thursday, January 25 at 5:30pm for a special evening with Sissy Goff of Daystar Counseling Ministries. This free event will invite us to reflect on a critical topic for our community: managing worry and anxiety in parenting. Space is limited, so watch for details and a link to register coming soon.

**Wellness** As our bodies age, we can proactively engage in practices that build strength, flexibility, balance, cognition, and overall wellness. Mary Gilliam leads several classes for all ages and abilities. Each week, she offers tai chi, gentle yoga, yoga flow, and seated exercise. Classes are free or for a \$5 donation. Details at [stgeorgesnashville.org/wellness](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/wellness).

**Year-End Giving** Thank you for considering a year-end gift to St. George's. Whether you are making a one-time gift or fulfilling your 2023 pledge, please know we are grateful for your support and for your continued presence and involvement at St. George's. Gifts may be made online, via Realm, by check, or via IRA distributions. Additionally, you may gift stock or mutual funds which may offer tax savings.

For more information about stock giving, visit our website at [stgeorgesnashville.org/give-now](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/give-now). Questions? Contact Catherine Beemer or Laura Zabaski at 615-385-2150. Thank you for generously supporting our parish.

**Give Online** Thanks to so many who make online donations. To give online, visit [stgeorgesnashville.org/give](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/give) or Text "GEORGE" to 73256. Message and data rates may apply.



**Caring for Our Parish** Thanks to all those who pledged for the 2024 campaign! We have nearly reached our goal. It's not too late to pledge via Realm or online, [stgeorgesnashville.org/annual-campaign](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/annual-campaign). Or you may simply contact Catherine Beemer, Director of Parish Giving, [Catherine.beemer@stgeorgesnashville.org](mailto:Catherine.beemer@stgeorgesnashville.org) or 615-385-2150. Thank you for ensuring that our ministries will continue to serve this parish and community.



**SILENT  
NIGHT**

**A SERVICE OF  
HOPE & HEALING**

**Sunday, December 17  
6:00pm**



# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

**Men's Shelter**  
Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday  
November - March

**Women's Shelter**  
Thursdays, December 21,  
January 18, and February 15

- Innkeepers
- Bus Drivers
- Meal Preparation
- Hospitality Volunteers
- Laundry Coordinators
- Opportunities for Adults and Youth



Learn more at [stgeorgesnashville.org/riti](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/riti).

## Advent IV

Sunday, December 24

10:00am The Table 

## Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 24

3:00pm Holy Eucharist \*   
with Children's Homily

5:30pm Holy Eucharist \* 

9:30pm Prelude from Handel's Messiah

10:00pm Holy Eucharist 

## Christmas Day

Monday, December 25

10:00am Holy Eucharist

## 1st Sunday after Christmas

Sunday, December 31

7:30am Holy Eucharist

9:00am The Table \*

10:00am Holy Eucharist \* 

5:00pm Evening Prayer  
with Eucharist

 Nursery available for  
8-week-old infants — 2-year-olds born in 2021

 Livestreamed at [stgeorgesnashville.org](http://stgeorgesnashville.org)

## STAFF MINISTRY TEAM

The Rev. J. Malone Gilliam, Rector  
The Rev. Colin Ambrose, Vice Rector & Chief of Staff  
The Rev. Dr. David Barr, Associate Rector  
The Rev. Margery Kennelly, Associate Rector  
The Rev. Richard Kew, Priest Associate  
The Ven. Dr. Martin Odidi, Priest Associate  
The Rev. Sarah Puryear, Priest Assoc. for Family Ministries  
The Rev. Roger Senechal, Priest Assoc. for Senior Ministries  
The Rev. Tim Taylor, Priest Associate

Dr. Woosug Kang, Dir. of Music Ministries  
Gerry Senechal, Assoc. Dir. of Music Ministries & Organist  
Becca Jordan, Music Leader for The Table  
Dr. Wilma Jensen, Organist/Choirmaster Emerita  
Martha Rodes, Dir. of Lay Ministry Engagement  
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Rebecca Teel, Dir. of Communications  
Laura Zabaski, Parish Administrative Officer

## 2023 VESTRY

Jan Callen, Senior Warden  
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Jonathan Morphett, Outreach Commissioner  
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Will Newman  
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Breck Wheeler  
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## SUNDAY SERVICES

7:30, 8:45, and 11:00am: Holy Eucharist  
9:00am: The Table  
5:00pm: Evening Prayer & Holy Eucharist

## WEEKDAY SERVICES (CHAPEL)

7:00am Monday - Saturday | Daily Worship  
10:00am Wednesday | Healing Prayer



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