



# St James Cathedral

CHICAGO

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*"Visitation" by Fra Angelico (1433-1434)*

Holy Eucharist  
Fourth Sunday of Advent  
December 22, 2024 at 9 a.m.



# Welcome to St. James Cathedral!

Whether you are visiting or are a regular worshipper, you're not just welcome at St. James – you belong! This booklet contains everything you need to worship with us today. If you would like to learn about the mission and ministry of the cathedral, please complete one of the visitor cards available in the rear of the chapel and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a clergy person.

## CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Children are always welcome here, and this service is designed to actively engage them in worship. There is an open space to the front right of the pews for children 5 and under to play under your supervision and a changing station for parents of our youngest members under the church in the restrooms.

## HOLY COMMUNION

We offer God's gracious gift of Holy Communion to anyone who wishes to receive it. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Let the priest or minister know if you would need a gluten-free wafer. We are also happy to bring Communion to you if you are unable to come to the altar rail. Please let a priest know if this would be helpful for you.

## PARKING

On Sundays, reduced-rate parking is available at R.O.W. Parking Garage (50 E. Ohio) for \$2 for up to six hours from the time of entering the garage. Discounts are also available for all-day parking at Ohio Ontario Self Park (33 W. Ontario) for \$10. To receive a reduced-rate parking voucher, please go to the welcome table in the narthex or the reception desk in the Welcome Center.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Restrooms are in the Welcome Center connected to the east end of the cathedral and below the front entrance of the cathedral.

## GET INVOLVED

There are a variety of ways to become involved, whether you are a committed follower of Christ, an occasional visitor who appreciates our programming, or fall somewhere in between.

Refreshments are available after the service, where we look forward to getting to know you and helping you connect with this vibrant and historic community!



The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James,  
*Provost of the Cathedral*



THIS WEEK'S ENEWS

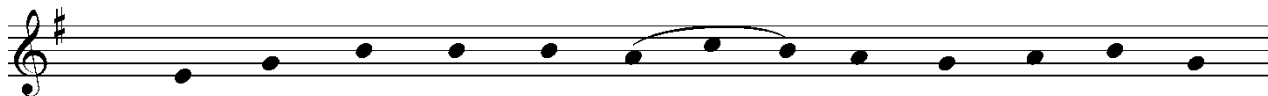
# Gathering

## VOLUNTARY

Please stand.

### INTROIT HYMN

Hymnal 56



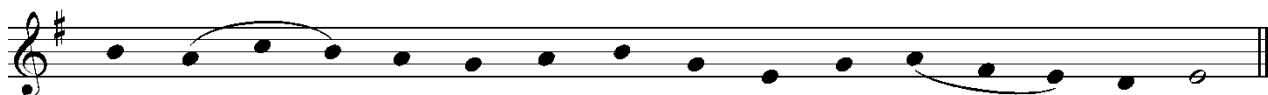
1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som  
2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest  
3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy  
8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som



1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile  
2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge  
3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the  
8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.  
3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe. Re - joice! Re - joice!  
8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal* 1940, alt.

Music: *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*, plainsong, Mode 1, Processionale, 15th cent.; adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811–1890); acc. Richard Proulx (1937–2010)

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### MUSIC NOTE

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*During the season of Advent, we will cycle through all eight verses of “O come, O come, Emmanuel.”*

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## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Presider* Blessed be the One, Holy, and Living God.

*All* Glory to God for ever and ever.

*The presider welcomes the people to the service.*

## TRISAGION

Hymnal S102

*Prayer Leader* Turn to us again, O God our Savior, and let your anger cease from us:

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The musical score is written in G minor (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems. The first system has a vocal line with lyrics 'Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,' and a piano accompaniment. The second system has a vocal line with lyrics 'Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.' and a piano accompaniment. The piano part uses chords and single notes to provide harmonic support.

Setting: Ver. Hymnal 1982, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

*Prayer Leader* Show us your compassion, Lord, and grant us your salvation:

*All* (Repeat Trisagion refrain above.)

*Prayer Leader* Your salvation is near for those that fear you, that glory may dwell in our land:

*All* (Repeat Trisagion refrain above.)

*The presider pronounces God's forgiveness.*

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider* God be with you.  
*All* **And also with you.**  
*Presider* Let us pray.

Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait for his coming in glory; bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## Liturgy of the Word

### FIRST READING

A Reading from the Prophet Micah. (5:2-5a)

Bethlehem, you are one of the smallest towns in the nation of Judah. But the Lord will choose one of your people to rule the nation—someone whose family goes back to ancient times. The Lord will abandon Israel only until this ruler is born, and the rest of his family returns to Israel. Like a shepherd taking care of his sheep, this ruler will lead and care for his people by the power and glorious name of the Lord his God. His people will live securely, and the whole earth will know his true greatness, because he will bring peace.

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

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### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*As the Gospeller carries the Gospel book past the play area, all children are encouraged to join in the procession, gathering around as the Gospel is read.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - ia. *final time*

Music: *Repeating alleluia*, Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. (1:39-45)

*All* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Mary got up and went quickly to a town in the hills of Judea. She came to Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the unborn baby inside her jumped, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She cried out in a loud voice, "God has blessed you more than any other woman, and he has blessed the baby to which you will give birth. Why has this good thing happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? When I heard your voice, the baby inside me jumped with joy. You are blessed because you believed that what the Lord said to you would really happen."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*All* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

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## SERMON

The Rev. Canon Steven Balke  
*Canon for Pastoral Care & Outreach*



## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH



1. We be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all  
2. We be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and  
3. We be - lieve in God's own Spi - rit, bond - ing all the

things that be. Ma - ker of the earth and hea - vens,  
cru - ci - fied; ta - ken from the cross, was bur - ied,  
saints with - in one church cath - o - lic, one church ho - ly,

keep - er of the sky and sea. We be - lieve in God's Son, Je - sus,  
true life there had tru - ly died. We be - lieve that on the third day  
where for - give - ness frees from sin; in the bo - dy's re - sur - rec - tion,

now for us both Lord and Christ, of the Spi - rit  
Christ was raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed  
for the break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's

and of Ma - ry born to bring e - ter - nal life.  
to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.  
ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that we have claimed.

Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993), alt.

Music: Greensleeves, English Melody

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*We give thanks for what is good in the world and pray for the Church, the world and our local community, the sick, those who need our prayers, and those who have died.*

## PEACE

*The presider says*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*The people greet each other in the name of the Lord.*



## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

1. Light a can - dle, tell the sto - ry, how our Sa - vior comes in might,  
2. Ma - ry hears the an - gel's greet - ing: "Bless - ed Mo - ther of the Lord!  
3. Still we keep the can - dle burn - ing, still we walk the Ad - vent way.

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat major/D minor) and a 4/4 time signature. It contains three measures of music, each with a melody line and a chordal accompaniment. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment for the first system.

how God reigns in love and glo - ry, turn - ing dark - ness in - to light.  
Heav'n and earth in you are meet - ing, in ac - cord - ance with God's word."  
Je - sus comes, and he is turn - ing all our dark - ness in - to day!

The second system of music also consists of two staves. The upper staff continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system, ending with a double bar line. The lower staff continues the accompaniment, also ending with a double bar line.

Words: adapt. Stephen Buzard (b. 1989)

Music: Stuttgart, melody from *Psalmodia sacra, oder andächtige und schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793–1870), alt.

# Holy Communion

## OFFERTORY



Your offering supports the ongoing mission of St. James Cathedral, including the St. James Meals, Meals Among Us, and Summer in the City. Contributions are welcome online at [SaintJamesCathedral.org/give](http://SaintJamesCathedral.org/give), by texting "SJC" to 73256, or you may place checks and cash in the collection plate.

Please stand.

## OFFERTORY HYMN

Hymnal 438

Once the ushers have brought up the collection to the altar, all are invited to gather around the altar for Communion.



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!  
2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name!  
3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!  
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo-ries of his word!



Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.  
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.



ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;  
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;  
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,  
Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord



in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.  
his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.  
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); based on *The Song of Mary*.

Music: Woodlands, Walter Greatorex (1877–1949), alt.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Presider* God be with you.  
*All* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.  
*All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*All* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Reader* Why is it right to give God thanks and praise?  
*All* **Listen, and we will hear.**

Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish. You give us sun and moon and star-lit sky, everything that gives us light, light for our eyes, our hearts, our minds. You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Ho - ly is the Lord, who  
was and is and is to come, Ho - ly is the Lord.

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

*Reader* Why do we share this bread and wine?  
*All* **Listen, and we will hear.**

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: "This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me."

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: "This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins."

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Savior.

Wor - thy, wor - thy is the Lord, wor - thy is the Lord, who  
 was and is and is to come, wor - thy is the Lord.

*Reader*                    How do we follow Jesus Christ?  
*All*                            Listen, and we will hear.

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms. And now with all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

Glo - ry, glo - ry to the Lord, glo - ry to the Lord! A -  
 men, a - men, a - men, a - men! Glo - ry to the Lord.

LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal S119

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
 be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
 dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
 as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
 us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
 from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
 and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Music: Plainsong

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Je - sus, Je - sus is the Lord, Je - sus is the Lord, who  
 was and is and is to come, Je - sus is the Lord.

*The presider says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*We offer God's gracious gift of Holy Communion to anyone who wishes to receive it. If you prefer to receive a blessing, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Let the priest know if you would prefer a gluten-free wafer.*

*The choristers sing*

## COMMUNION ANTHEM

Simon Lindley (b. 1948)

*Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum et  
benedictus fructus ventris tui Jesus.  
Sancta Maria, mater Dei, ora pro nobis  
peccatoribus, Amen.*

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners,  
now and in the hour of our death. Amen.

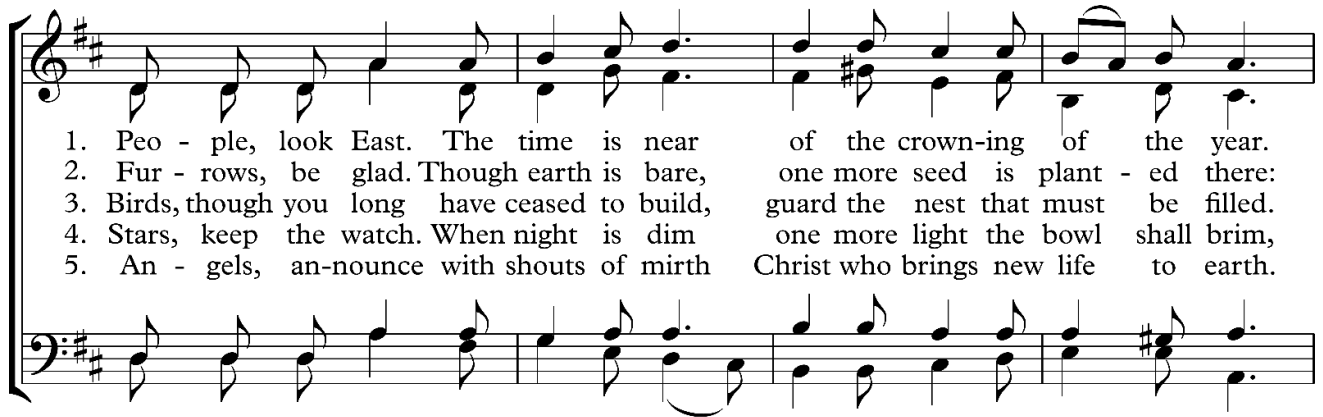
## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Please stand. The presider says*

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.**

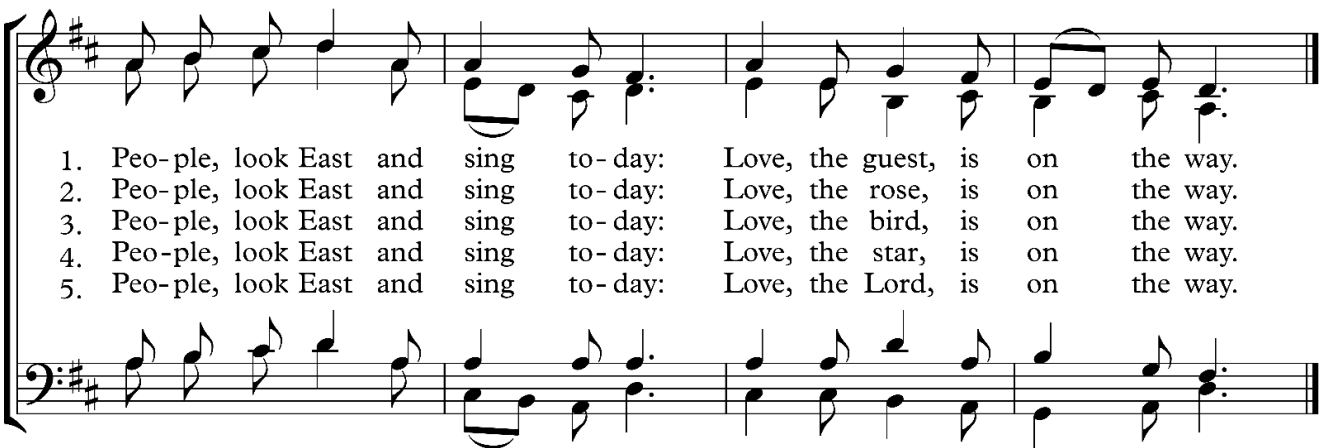
## POST-COMMUNION HYMN



1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near of the crown-ing of the year.  
 2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is plant - ed there:  
 3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build, guard the nest that must be filled.  
 4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl shall brim,  
 5. An - gels, an-nounce with shouts of mirth Christ who brings new life to earth.



1. Make your house fair as you are a - ble, trim the hearth and set the ta - ble.  
 2. give up your strength the seed to nour - ish, that in course the flow'r may flourish.  
 3. E - ven the hour when wings are fro - zen God for fledg - ing time has cho-sen.  
 4. shin - ing be - yond the frost - y wea - ther, bright as sun and moon to - geth - er.  
 5. Set ev - ery peak and val - ley hum-ming with the word, the Lord is com ing.



1. Peo-ple, look East and sing to-day: Love, the guest, is on the way.  
 2. Peo-ple, look East and sing to-day: Love, the rose, is on the way.  
 3. Peo-ple, look East and sing to-day: Love, the bird, is on the way.  
 4. Peo-ple, look East and sing to-day: Love, the star, is on the way.  
 5. Peo-ple, look East and sing to-day: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

Words: Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965)

Music: *Besaçon Carol*, harm. Barry Rose (b. 1934)

## THE ST. JAMES CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRAYER

*The presider says*

Let us pray.

Faithful God,

you call us to be living stones in a spiritual temple.

**Bless the mission and outreach of this cathedral church.**

**By the power of your Holy Spirit,**

**enable us confidently to restore its fabric,**

**trustfully to reimagine our vocation,**

**and boldly to renew our ministries in your name.**

**Make this place a house in which your love dwells**

**and in which all your people find welcome.**

**Grant this, we pray, through the One who leads us ever onwards in your service,**

**Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

## ADVENT BLESSING

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

*Presider*      Let us bless the Lord.

*All*             **Thanks be to God.**

## VOLUNTARY



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Sign up for our weekly newsletter at [SaintJamesCathedral.org/enews](http://SaintJamesCathedral.org/enews) or texting SJCenews to 22828

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### THIS WEEK

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**SCHEDULE** Visit [SaintJamesCathedral.org/Schedule](http://SaintJamesCathedral.org/Schedule) to see the worship and formation schedule.



**MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM** every weekday at 9:00 a.m. Every Monday through Friday at 9:00 a.m., join us from the comfort of your home as we start off our day with prayer together. The Zoom Morning Prayer Link can be found on our website and the Sermon of the Day emails.

### ADVENT FORMATION

Sunday mornings at 10am in Kyle's Place: Don't just wait for Christmas to come this Advent. The season is also about anticipation of Christ that is to come ahead of us. Join us each Sunday for The Forum as we examine the style of writings in the Bible called "Apocalypse," or looking ahead at God's plan for the world. We will examine Old Testament readings, such as the Book of Daniel, and New Testament readings, such as the Book of Revelation.

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## IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

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FOR THOSE COMMENDED TO THE PRAYER OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Brenda, Ellen, Richard, Ginger, Jane, John, Loya, Andronica, Ibukun, Ted, Elizabeth, Bill, Nancy, Tom, Lois, LaVonne, Bob, Oriana, Mary, Scott, Hazel, Hollis, Nathaniel, Paul, Catherine, Skylar, Larry, Dan, Joel, Robin, Laura, Shari

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND HAVE BEEN COMMENDED TO THE PRAYERS OF THE CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY: Richard Muir, Lamont Bryant, Alexander “Sandy” Allison

FOR ALL THOSE WHO DIED BY GUN VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO IN THE PAST WEEK, INCLUDING: Brian, Brandson, Israel

DIOCESAN PRAYER CYCLE: For our bishop, Paula, our Presiding Bishop, Sean; Organizations of Episcopal Charities & Community Services: Ravenswood Community Services; Shelter Care Ministries; Holy Family School; St. Leonard’s Ministries; Hopeful Beginnings; Youth Guidance; Waukegan to College; And for organizations of our Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk

# CHRISTMAS

AT THE

## CATHEDRAL

### NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

Thursday, Dec. 19 at 7:30 p.m.

### FAMILY EUCHARIST & CHILDREN'S PAGEANT

Tuesday, Dec. 24 at 4 p.m.

### LESSONS & CAROLS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

Tuesday, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m.

### SOLEMN EUCHARIST

Tuesday, Dec. 24 at 10 p.m.

### CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday, Dec. 25 at 10 a.m.

### 1st SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Sunday, Dec. 29 at 8 a.m., 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

### 2nd SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Sunday, Jan. 5 at 8 a.m., 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

### EPIPHANY LESSONS & CAROLS

Sunday, Jan. 5 at 4 p.m.



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## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

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PRESIDER: The Very Rev. Lisa Hackney-James    PREACHER: The Rev. Canon Steven Balke

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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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SUNDAYS	8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist ( <i>Spoken</i> )	Chapel
	9 a.m.	Holy Eucharist ( <i>Family</i> )	Cathedral
	11 a.m.	Holy Eucharist ( <i>Choral</i> )	Cathedral
		Live-Stream Service ( <i>see enews, website, or YouTube</i> )	
FIRST SUNDAYS	4 p.m.	Choral Evensong ( <i>Oct–June</i> )	Cathedral
WEEKDAYS	9 a.m.	Morning Prayer ( <i>see enews, or website</i> )	Zoom
	12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist	Cathedral
	5:45 p.m.	Choral Evensong ( <i>Wednesdays, Sept–June</i> )	Cathedral

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