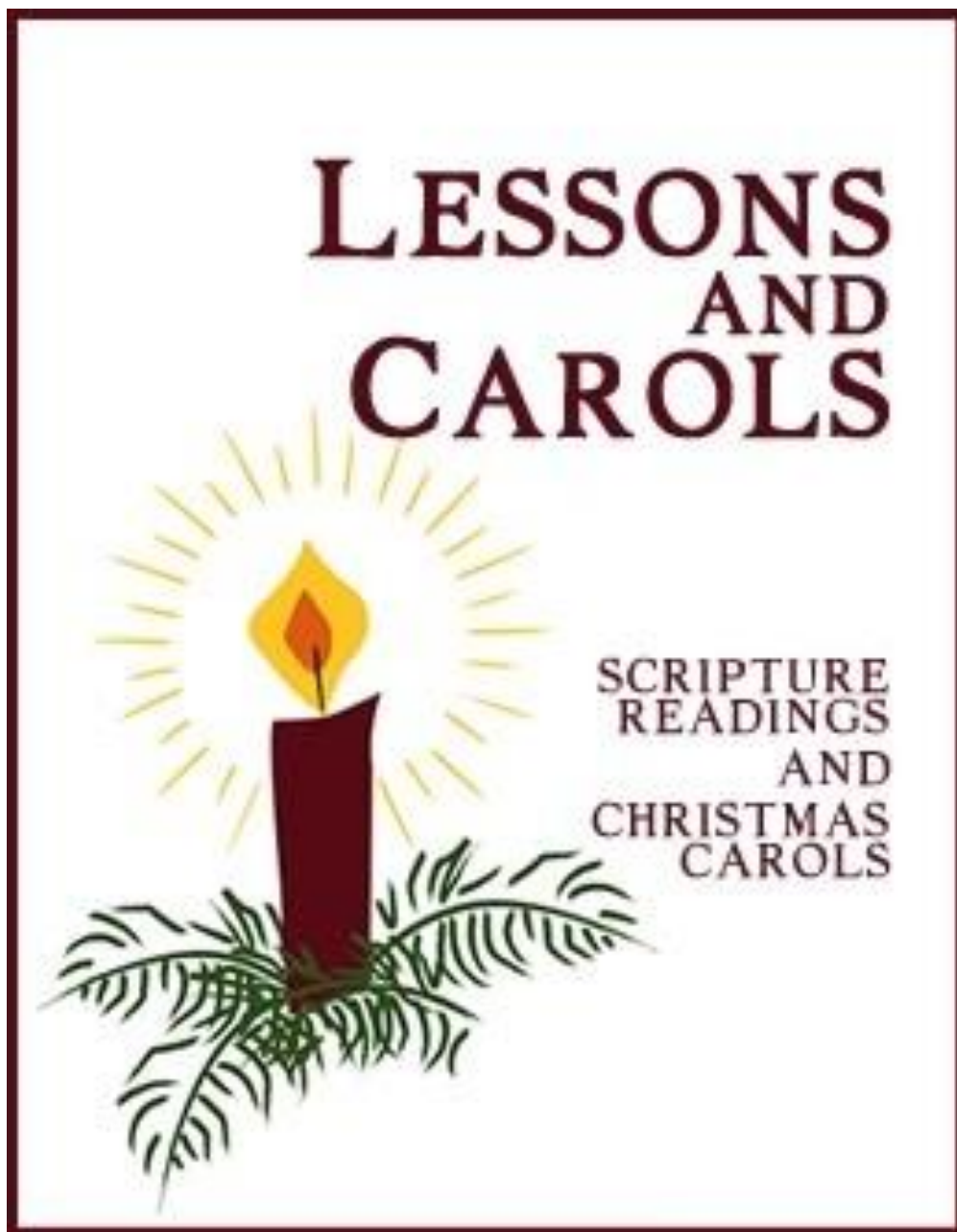


*Welcome to*

**SAINT MARK'S CHURCH**

**The First Sunday after Christmas**

**December 31, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.**



# Christmas Lessons and Carols

Once in royal David's City

Hymnal 102 verses 1-4

1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty stood a  
 2 He came down to earth from hea - ven, who is  
 \*3 We, like Ma - ry, rest con - found - ed that a  
 4 For he is our life - long pat - tern; dai - ly,  
 \*5 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his  
 6 Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the

1 low - ly cat - tle shed, where a mo - ther laid her  
 2 God and Lord of all, and his shel - ter was a  
 3 sta - ble should dis - play hea - ven's Word, the world's cre -  
 4 when on earth he grew, he was tempt - ed, scorned, re -  
 5 own re - deem - ing love; for that child who seemed so  
 6 ox - en stand - ing round, we shall see him; but in

1 ba - by in a man - ger for his bed: Ma - ry  
 2 sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall; with the  
 3 a - tor, cra - dled there on Christ - mas Day, yet this  
 4 ject - ed, tears and smiles like us he knew. Thus he  
 5 help - less is our Lord in heaven a - bove; and he  
 6 hea - ven, where his saints his throne sur - round: Christ, re -

1 was that mo - ther mild, — Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child. —  
 2 poor, the scorned, the low - ly, lived on earth our Sa - vior ho - ly.  
 3 child, our Lord and bro - ther, brought us love for one an - oth - er.  
 4 feels for all our sad - ness, and he shares in all our glad - ness.  
 5 leads his chil - dren on — to the place where he is gone. —  
 6 vealed to faith - ful eye, — set at God's right hand on high. —

## A Bidding Prayer

Dear People of God: In this Christmas Season, let it be our duty and delight to hear once more the message of the Angels, to go to Bethlehem and see the Son of God lying in a manger.

Let us hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of God's loving purpose from the time of our rebellion against him until the glorious redemption brought to us by his holy Child Jesus, and let us make this place glad with our carols of praise.

But first, let us pray for the needs of his whole world, for peace and justice on earth, for the unity and mission of the Church for which he died, and especially for his Church in our country and in this city.

And because he particularly loves them, let us remember in his name the poor and helpless, the cold, the hungry and the oppressed, the sick and those who mourn, the lonely and unloved, the aged and little children, as well as all those who do not know and love the Lord Jesus Christ.

Finally, let us remember before God his pure and lowly Mother, and that whole multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in Jesus, we are one for evermore.

*The Officiant says*

The Almighty God bless us with his grace; Christ give us the joys of everlasting life; and to the fellowship of the citizens above may the King of Angels bring us all. *Amen.*

## The Lessons

*The people are seated.*

### **The First Lesson – Genesis 3: 8-15; 17-19**

*Adam and Eve rebel against God and are cast out of the Garden of Eden.*

The man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and they hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."

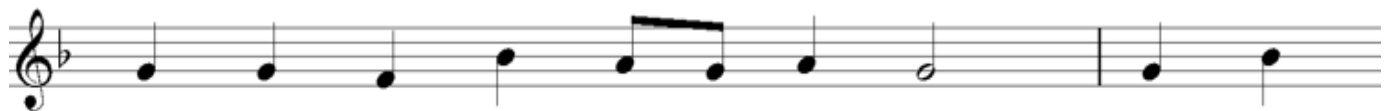
The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

And to the man he said, 'Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree about which I commanded you, You shall not eat of it', cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

*The people remain seated.*

*Savior of the nations, come!*

**Hymnal 54**



1 Sa - vior of the na - tions, come! Vir - gin's  
 2 Won - drous birth! Oh, won - drous child of the  
 3 Thus on earth the Word ap - pears, grac - ing  
 4 Come, O Fa - ther's sav - ing Son, who o'er



Son, make here your home. Mar - vel now, both  
 Vir - gin un - de - filed! Might - y God and  
 his cre - a - ted spheres; hence to death and  
 sin the vic - tory won. Bound - less shall your

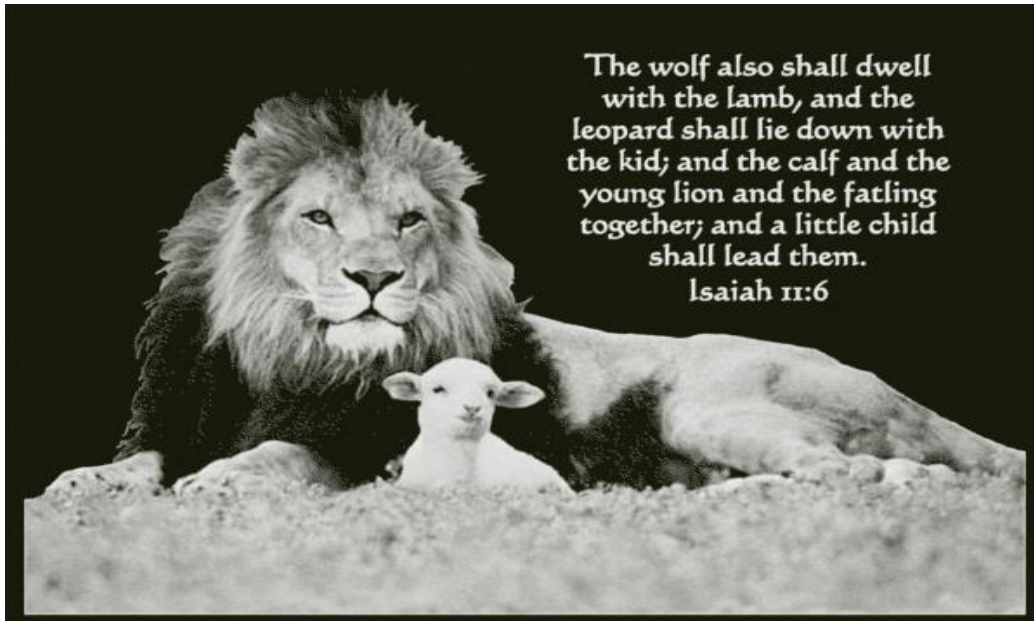


heaven and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.  
 Ma - ry's son, ea - ger now his race to run!  
 hell de - scends, then the heaven - ly throne a - scends.  
 king - dom be; grant that we its glo - ries see.

## The Second Lesson – Isaiah 11: 1-3a; 4a; 6-9

*The peace that Christ will bring is forshown.*

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. With righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.





1 Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;  
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:  
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,  
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;



from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.  
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.  
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.  
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.



### The Third Lesson – Luke 1: 26–35; 38

*The Angel Gabriel announces to the Virgin Mary that she will bear the Son of the Most High.*

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.



1 The an - gel Ga - bri - el from hea - ven came,  
 2 "For know a bless - ed Mo - ther thou shalt be,  
 3 Then gen - tle Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head,  
 4 Of her, Em - man - u - el, the Christ, was born

his wings as drift - ed snow, his eyes as flame;  
 all gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee,  
 "To me be as it pleas - eth God," she said,  
 in Beth - le - hem, all on a Christ - mas morn,

"All hail," said he, "thou low - ly maid - en Ma - ry,  
 thy Son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told,  
 "my soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy his ho - ly Name."  
 and Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say—

most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!  
 most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!  
 Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy, Glo - ri - a!  
 "Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!



## The Fourth Lesson – Luke 2: 1; 3-7

### *The birth of Jesus.*

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. 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.



*Refrain*

Go tell it on the moun - tain, o - ver the hills and

ev - ery - where; go tell it on the moun - tain, that

Je - sus Christ is born!

1	While	shep - herds	kept	their
2	The	shep - herds	feared	and
3	Down	in	a	low - ly

watch - ing o'er si - lent flocks by night, be -  
trem - bled when lo! a - bove the earth rang  
man - ger the hum - ble Christ was born, and

*Repeat Refrain*

hold, through-out the hea - vens there shone a ho - ly light.  
out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sa - vior's birth.  
God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

## The Fifth Lesson – Matthew 2: 1-12

*The wise men are led by the star to Jesus.*

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: `And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.



*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.*

*They looked up and saw a star shining in the east beyond them far,  
and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.*

*And by the light of that same star three wise men came from country far;  
to seek for a king was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went.  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.*

*This star drew nigh to the northwest, o'er Bethlehem it took its rest,  
and there it did both stop and stay right over the place where Jesus lay.  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.*

*Then entered in those wise men three full reverently upon their knee,  
and offered there in his presence their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense.  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.*

*Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord;  
that hath made heaven and earth of nought, and with his blood our life hath bought.  
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.*

*English Carol, 18th cent.*

### **The Sixth Lesson – John 1: 1-14**

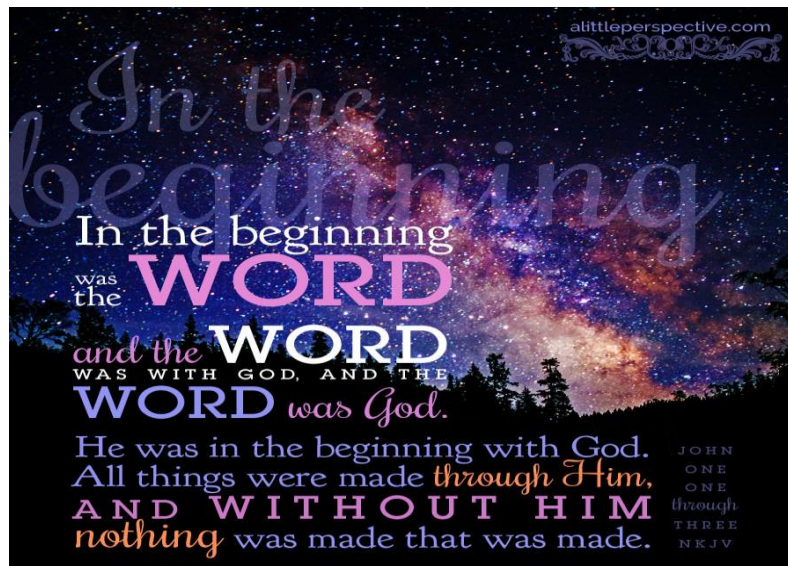
*The Great Mystery of the Incarnation.*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

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. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.



*O come, all ye faithful*

**Hymnal 83 verses 1-3, 6**

*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;  
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 God the Father;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
Christ the Lord.*

*Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;  
glory to God, glory in the highest;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
Christ the Lord.*

*Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;  
Jesus, to thee be glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
Christ the Lord.*

### **The Collect for the First Sunday after Christmas**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* *And also with you.*

*Celebrant* Together, let us pray.

*Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

### **Peace**

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given,  
and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace. (*Isaiah 9:6*)

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* *And also with you.*

*The people sit.*

## **Holy Communion**

*The Celebrant says*

**Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.**  
*Ephesians 5:2*

1 Lo, how a Rose e'er bloom-ing from ten - der stem hath sprung!  
 2 I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, the Rose I have in mind,  
 \* 3 O Flower, whose fra - grance ten - der with sweet - ness fills the air,

Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing as seers of old have sung.  
 with Ma - ry we be - hold it, the Vir - gin Mo - ther kind.  
 dis - pel in glo - rious splen - dor the dark - ness ev - ery - where;

It came, a blos - som bright, a - mid the  
 To show God's love a - right, she bore to  
 true man, yet ve - ry God, from sin and

cold of win - ter, when half spent was the night.  
 us a Sa - vior, when half spent was the night.  
 death now save us, and share our ev - ery load.



## The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, in ev-ery gen-er - a - tion. Praise

God, all crea-tures here be-low, who gives to us sal - va - tion. Praise

God a - bove, ye heaven-ly host. Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. Let

all cre-a - tion praise the Lord with love and ad - or - a - tion.

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## Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer B

*Celebrant*                      *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                      *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*The Celebrant proceeds*

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

And now we give you thanks because in his earthly childhood you entrusted him to the care of a human family. In Mary and Joseph you give us an example of love and devotion to him, and also a pattern of family life.

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:

**Sanctus**

S 130

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.

*The Celebrant continues*

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,

*Celebrant and People*

***We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;***

*The Celebrant continues*

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, Joseph, the shepherds, 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, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



# The Lord's Prayer

*The Celebrant then continues*

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

*Celebrant and People*

*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.*

## Breaking of the Bread – Agnus Dei

S 164

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

## Invitation to Communion

Christ is the true bread which has come down from heaven.  
*Lord, give us this bread always. Amen.*

**Communion Norms**—*We welcome our guests this evening. All are welcome at the Lord's table. You may stand or kneel (whichever you prefer). You are invited to eat the wafer and then drink from the cup. We regret that you are not permitted to intinct (dip the wafer) at this time. The people respond after receiving the bread or the wine by saying "Amen." If you prefer not to receive the cup, please cross your arms over your chest. If you do not want to receive communion, you are still welcome to come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing from the priest.*



1 A - rise and shine, the pro - phet sang;  
 2 God's ris - ing sun will light the way,  
 3 You will not need the sun by day

your light has come, the mes - sage rang.  
 as peo - ple stream to dawn - ing's ray.  
 nor moon by night, to light your way;

The shroud of dark - ness stripped a - way,  
 Your o - pen gates will nev - er close,  
 God's glo - ry and e - ter - nal might

God's glo - ry brings a bright new day.  
 in bus' - ling day or night's re - pose.  
 will be your ev - er - last - ing light.

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### **Post-communion Prayer (Church of England)**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*  
**Heavenly Father,**

*whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **Blessing for Christmas (Church of England)**

*The priest blesses the people, saying*

May the joy of the angels,  
the eagerness of the shepherds,  
the perseverance of the wise men,  
the obedience of Joseph and Mary,  
and the peace of the Christ-child be yours this Christmas;  
and the blessing of God Almighty:  
+ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit  
be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*



1 Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten, ere the worlds be -  
 2 O that birth for ev - er bless - ed, when the Vir - gin,  
 3 Let the heights of heaven a - dore him; an - gel hosts, his  
 4 Christ, to thee with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly



gan to be, he is Al - pha and O - me - ga,  
 full of grace, by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,  
 prais - es sing; powers, do - min - ions, bow be - fore him,  
 Ghost, to thee, hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing,



he the source, the end - ing he, of the things that  
 bore the Sa - vior of our race; and the Babe, the  
 and ex - tol our God and King; let no tongue on  
 and un - wea - ried prais - es be; hon - or, glo - ry



are, that have \_\_\_\_\_ been, and that fu - ture  
 world's Re - deem - er, first re - vealed his  
 earth be si - lent, ev - ery voice in  
 and do - min - ion, and e - ter - nal



years shall see, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! \_\_\_\_\_  
 sa - cred face, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! \_\_\_\_\_  
 con - cert ring, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! \_\_\_\_\_  
 vic - to - ry, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! \_\_\_\_\_

*This hymn may be performed in equal note values:* ♪♪♪♪

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Go in peace, rejoicing in the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

**Postlude**



**THE WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>Monday, 01/01</b>	<b>Church Office Closed</b>
New Year's Day	Office reopens Wednesday, 01/03/2024
<b>Wednesday, 01/03</b>	7:30 p.m. Alanon Meeting (Atwater Room)
<b>Thursday, 01/04</b>	10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing (Fr. Chris' Office) 12:30 p.m. Threshold Singers (Atwater Room)
<b>Saturday, 01/06</b>	9:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Winter Farmer's Market (Parish Hall)
<b>Sunday, - 01/07</b>	8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Church with Healing & Anointing 9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Church with Healing & Anointing 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall

**Sunday at 9:00 a.m. One Service Only**

<b>LEM</b>	John Kern
<b>Lector</b>	John Kern
<b>Ushers</b>	Steve Turner, Rich Caccavano
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Victoria Garcia & Karna Love

**Brunch following service in the Parish Hall**

<b>January Birthdays</b>	
01/01	Diane Feil
01/12	Rosemarie Alario
01/06	Donna Turner
01/08	Fr. Chris Jubinski
01/15	Emmett Boone
01/18	John Stewart
01/18	Julia Grace Melo
01/19	Deborah Caccavano
01/23	Madelyn Zayicek
01/26	Dr. Eric Christensen
01/29	William Lankenau
01/29	Richmond Gardner
01/29	Jackie Moss
01/29	Roy Bradbook
01/31	Nancy Connett
<b>January Anniversaries</b>	
01/04	John & Diane Stewart
01/17	Tom & Yolande Hadlock

Please Pray for Your Parish Every Day at 12:00 Noon. And remember the People of Israel, Palestine, Sudan, Armenia, Ukraine and the United States of America too!

## THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Year End Donations** - All donations must be postmarked by 12/31 in order to count for your 2023 taxes. Thank you for your generous support of St. Mark's throughout this past year!

**Pardon our mess while we give birth to a new pipe organ.** We have purchased a pipe organ from Saint Paul's Episcopal Cathedral in Buffalo, NY. The project is expected to be completed around Easter 2024.

**Healing & Anointing at both services on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>.**

**Covenant Class** for those who wish to be Confirmed, Received or to learn more about the Episcopal Church will start in the new year.

**Coffee Hour:** There is a sign-up sheet outside of the parish hall. Host/hostesses are needed for the 10 a.m. services in January. Your help will be very much appreciated.

**Altar Flowers** - If you would like to dedicate flowers for the Altar contact Laura Bott at 631-722-4749 or email her at [Laura.bott17@gmail.com](mailto:Laura.bott17@gmail.com). In January there are two vases available January 14 & 28 and one vase available on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. The vases are \$40.00 each.

**Mark Your Calendar:**

**January 6** – 9:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Echart's Luncheonette

**February 11** - 6:00 p.m. Chili Cookoff and Superbowl Party

**February 13** – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper (Time TBD)

**We ask that you remember those for whom prayers are requested:**

**Noah Berger** (Req. by Jenn Kast), **Stan Billie** (Req. by Jenn Kast), **Deana Chiusano** (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), **David Fridae**, **Nancy Fraser** (Req. by Ki Nobiletti), **Roberta Good** (Diane Stewart's Sister), **Jason Gordon** (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), **Elaine Hanes** (Req. by Kate Gabrielsen), **Barbara Ireton** (Req. by Carol Smith), **Gretchen & Jim Jubinski** (Fr. Chris' Parents), **Cole LoRusso** (Marj Kulesa's Nephew), **Fred Meyer** (Parishioner), **Jock McLean** (Parishioner), **Sean McLean** (Req. by Jock McLean), **Sudie Nostrand** (Carol John's Sister), **Paul Oele** (Parishioner), **Cassie Panzarino** (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), **Joan Petrella** (Parishioner), **Jean Scopinich** (Parishioner), **John Stewart** (Parishioner), **Sarah Witters** (Req. by Victoria Garcia), **Owen Foster** (Diane & John Stewart's grandson), **John Martinelli** (Req. by Jinny Gilmore), **Marilyn Dorsa** (Req. by Drew Clark), **Michele Parks** (Req. by Marjorie Kulesa), **Fred Rees Garcia** (son of Victoria Garcia), **Christina Kouris** (Req. by Sandy Wyman), **John Saladino** (Req. by Victoria Garcia).

**If there are any names that can be removed, kindly contact Kate in the church office 631-288-2111.**

**We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:** Amanda E. Degener, Kyle M. Degener, George L. Degener, Jesse Fritz, Nicholas LoRusso, Joshua Rudd, Rob Scribner and James Mercready.

*The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Sundy Schermeyer dedicated to Peace & Love in the New Year and by the Schermeyer Family in loving memory of Gail Andon Jackson & Marjorie Schermeyer and by Tim Feil with love in Celebration of Diane Feil's birthday.*