



# ST. CATHERINE'S

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## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

### **The Holy Eucharist Rite Two**

**Second Sunday after Christmas**

**January 2, 2022**

**10:30 a.m.**

#### ***Welcome to St. Catherine's***

We are glad that you have joined us for worship this morning. If you are new or visiting with us, we invite you to fill out a visitor card, which can be found on the back of the chair in front of you. Completed cards may be given to a greeter or a member of the clergy. For more information about our parish, including a complete schedule of worship services, please visit our website at <https://stcatherinesal.org>

#### ***Prepare for Worship***

In order to preserve a sense of reverence in the worship space, please take a moment to silence all of your electronic devices. The time before the service begins offers us a rare moment for quiet prayer and meditation. The liturgy for today's service is from **The Book of Common Prayer**. For your convenience, all of the service music, prayers, responses, and readings are included in this booklet. Please refer to the hymnal provided in the chairs for the Hymns. Children are always welcome in worship at St. Catherine's. However, if your child would be more comfortable in our nursery, childcare is available during the 10:30 service.

## **PRELUDE**

Partita on ES IST EIN ROS by Anthony Gianmanco (b. 1958)

## **The Word of God**

### **Entrance Rite**

**ENTRANCE HYMN H 517**  
*(Brother James's Air)*

*How lovely is thy dwelling-place*

### **OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 355)**

*The people standing as they are able, the Celebrant says*

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

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

### **COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP p. 355)**

*The Celebrant may say*

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.*

## **ST. JAMES CHRISTMAS GLORIA**

# Glory Be To God On High

*Gloria [paraphrase]*

*The St. James Christmas Service*

**Joyously**



Glo - ry be to God on high,  
Je - sus Christ, we now de - clare  
Prai - ses to the Ho - ly One,



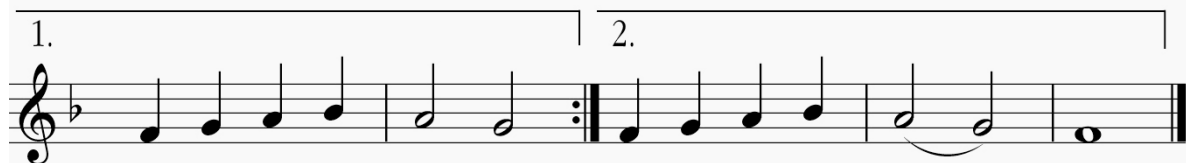
To all peo - ple, peace on earth, An - gels, shep - herds  
Lamb of God and Lord of Love. Grant us mer - cy,  
Prai - ses sing in high - est heav'n; To the Fath - er



draw - ing nigh, Join to ce - le - brate His birth.  
hear our prayer, Give us grace from heav'en a - bove.  
and the Son and the Ho - ly Spi - rit giv'n.



Glo - - - - - ri - a



1. in ex - cel - sis De - o! 2. in ex - cel - sis De o!

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 357)

*Celebrant*        The Lord be with you.

*People*            And also with you.

*Celebrant*        Let us pray.

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.*

## The Lessons

### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:7-14

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

<sup>7</sup>Thus says the LORD:

“Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
‘Save, O LORD, your people,  
the remnant of Israel.’

<sup>8</sup>See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame,  
those with child and those in labor, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

<sup>9</sup>With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,  
I will let them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;  
for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

<sup>10</sup>Hear the word of the LORD, O nations,  
and declare it in the coastlands far away;  
say, ‘He who scattered Israel will gather him,  
and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.’

<sup>11</sup>For the LORD has ransomed Jacob,

and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.  
<sup>12</sup>They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,  
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD,  
over the grain, the wine, and the oil,  
and over the young of the flock and the herd;  
their life shall become like a watered garden,  
and they shall never languish again.  
<sup>13</sup>Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,  
and the young men and the old shall be merry.  
I will turn their mourning into joy,  
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.  
<sup>14</sup>I will give the priests their fill of fatness,  
and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,”  
says the LORD.

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

*Silence may follow.*

**PSALM: Psalm 84**

*Remain seated. The Psalm will be read responsively by whole verse:*

<sup>1</sup>How lovely is your dwelling place,  
O LORD of hosts!  
<sup>2</sup>My soul longs, indeed it faints  
for the courts of the LORD;  
my heart and my flesh sing for joy  
to the living God.  
<sup>3</sup>Even the sparrow finds a home,  
and the swallow a nest for herself,  
where she may lay her young,  
at your altars, O LORD of hosts,  
my King and my God.  
<sup>4</sup>Happy are those who live in your house,  
ever singing your praise.  
Selah

<sup>5</sup>Happy are those whose strength is in you,  
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

<sup>6</sup>As they go through the valley of Baca  
they make it a place of springs;  
the early rain also covers it with pools.

<sup>7</sup>They go from strength to strength;  
the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

<sup>8</sup>O Lord GOD of hosts, hear my prayer;  
give ear, O God of Jacob!

Selah

<sup>9</sup>Behold our shield, O God;  
look on the face of your anointed.

<sup>10</sup>For a day in your courts is better  
than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God  
than live in the tents of wickedness.

<sup>11</sup>For the Lord GOD is a sun and shield;  
he bestows favor and honor.  
No good thing does the LORD withhold  
from those who walk uprightly.

<sup>12</sup>O LORD of hosts,  
happy is everyone who trusts in you.

## **SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a**

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Ephesus.

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that,

with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints,<sup>19a</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

## SEQUENCE HYMN

**H 336** Verse 1 only *Come with us, O bless'd Jesus (Werde munter)*

## GOSPEL: Luke 2:41-52

*All stand as they are able.*

*Deacon*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People*        Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>41</sup> Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. <sup>42</sup> And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. <sup>43</sup> When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. <sup>44</sup> Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. <sup>45</sup> When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. <sup>46</sup> After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup> And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup> When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." <sup>49</sup> He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" <sup>50</sup> But they did not understand what he said to them.

<sup>51</sup> Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

<sup>52</sup> And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

*Deacon*        The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## THE SERMON

THE REV. SALLY HERRING

### THE CREED (BCP p. 358)

*All stand as they are able.*

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 (BCP p. 359)**

*All remain standing.*

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 all bishops, priests, and deacons. We especially pray for our Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry and our bishop, Glenda Curry. We pray for our Companion Diocese of the Virgin Islands as they discern the selection of a new bishop. We also pray for all Diocesan Youth Ministries, for St. John's, Decatur, St. John's, Montgomery, St. John's in the Prairie, Forkland, Epiphany, Guntersville, Epiphany, Leeds and Epiphany, Tallassee;

*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. In our own parish we pray for Beth, Nita, Clydene, Law, Mary Lynn, Laurie, Jeff, Amy, Rebecca, Tim, Doug, Connie, Perri, Mason, Mary, Arabella, Christian, Bailey, Vicky, Liz, Joe, Charlie, Clyde, Marie, the Family of Michelle and Steve Landrum and Teresa.

*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

We also pray for all of those who serve in the military, especially John Morris.  
*That they may serve faithfully, with sure confidence that God is at their side.*

Give to the departed eternal rest; We especially remember Jimmy, cousin of Steve Landrum.

*The celebrant adds:*

O God whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant Jimmy, and grant him an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*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.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin (BCP p. 359)

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

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 Priest stands and says*

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 (BCP p. 360)**

*All stand.*

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

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **THE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **The Holy Communion**

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE (BCP p. 376)**

*The Celebrant says*

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

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

**H 124**        *What star is this, with beams so bright (Puer nobis)*

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

#### **SURSUM CORDA (BCP p. 367)**

*The People remain standing as they are able.*

*Celebrant*        The Lord be with you.  
*People*            And also with you.  
*Celebrant*        Lift up your hearts.  
*People*            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.

## PROPER PREFACE (BCP p. 367)

*Facing the Holy Table, 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.

Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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 129 *Holy, holy, holy (Powell)* (BCP p. 367)

*Celebrant and People*

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.\_\_\_\_\_

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION (BCP p. 368)**

*The People stand or kneel as they are able.*

### *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;

## **EPICLESIS (BCP p. 369)**

*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 [\_\_\_\_\_ 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. *AMEN.*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 363)**

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

*People and Celebrant*

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,  
forever and ever. Amen.

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

**FRACTION ANTHEM***S 169**My flesh is food indeed (Urwin) (BCP p. 364)*

*Cantor or Choir*

My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -

deed, says the Lord. *1 All* My Lord. *2 Cantor or Choir* Those who eat my

flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. *All* My

flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

**INVITATION (BCP p. 364)***The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

This is the table not of the church but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who Love him and for those who wish to love him more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been here long; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is the Lord's will that those who seek Him should meet Him here.

**DISTRIBUTION (BCP p. 365)***The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.**The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

**COMMUNION HYMN**

**H 102**

*Once in royal David's city (Irby)*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

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.

**BLESSING (BCP p. 366)**

*The Priest blesses the people, saying*

May Christ who by his incarnation gathered into one, all things earthly and  
heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the  
Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.  
*Amen.*

**POST-COMMUNION HYMN**  
*(Regent Square)*

**H 93** *Angels, from the realms of glory*

**DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

Christmas Pastorale by Carlos Staszkeski (b. 1935)

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## **What's Happening at St. Catherine's: The Month of January at a Glance**

**Every Wednesday** – Evening prayer at 6:00 p.m., followed by a light dinner.

**Outreach** – The items that have been collected for the women and their children at King's Home Ranch will be taken on Thursday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ. All those who would like to go please meet at the church. Time to be announced.

**Stewardship** – Thank you to all of those who have already completed and submitted their 2022 pledge. If you have not returned your pledge card, please complete one and return as soon as possible. Extra pledge cards are available.

**Epiphany** – The Church recognizes January 6<sup>th</sup> as the Epiphany of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. On this day the significance of Jesus' birth was revealed to the world by the visit of the magi, or the three wise men from the east; who, guided by a star, came to worship the child born to be a king. In this one event we find the fulfillment of both the Hebrew Scriptures prophecy and the dreams of many peoples. From the Middle Ages it has been a tradition to pray for God's blessing on our dwelling places, marking with chalk the entrance to our home with the initials of the three wise men and the current year: 20 Casper, Melchior, and Balthasar 22. This serves as a sign to all who visit that those who come seeking Christ are welcome. There are packets of chalk and a copy of the Blessing of a Home to take home with you. Please take pictures of your blessing and marking of your home to share on the church's face book page.

**Baptism** – We will celebrate the Baptism of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Sunday January 9. This is the day in the life of the church that we recognize as the date of Our Lord's baptism, one of the days when the church traditionally holds baptisms. Those who wish to be baptized need to contact Sally at [sally.herring@gmail.com](mailto:sally.herring@gmail.com) or call and leave a VM at the church before Wednesday, January 5.

## Communion at Home

If you are sick or unable to attend church for a period of time, and would like to have communion brought to your home, please let us know. Either leave a message on the church phone or email Sally at [sally.herring@gmail.com](mailto:sally.herring@gmail.com).

## Parish Prayer List

If you would like someone added to the Parish Prayer list please contact Sally at [sally.herring@gmail.com](mailto:sally.herring@gmail.com) or fill out a prayer request card and leave with an usher or in the collection plate.

## Pastoral Emergencies

If you have a pastoral emergency, please text or call Sally at 205-447-3306 and leave a voice mail. There is also a confidential voice mail option available on the church phone now. Simply call the church and you will be directed to choose option 2 to leave a message. Your call will be returned as soon as possible. Please keep in mind that Sally's office hours are limited so if you leave a message on one of her off days you will likely get a faster response by texting or leaving a VM on her personal cell number.

<i>Weekly Schedule for The Rev. Sally Herring</i>	
<b>WEEK OF January 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Work at UAB</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>OFF</b>

## **Our Mission**

*To seek, love, and serve God through worship, education, and service and to share the redeeming love of Christ with the world.*

## **Our Vision**

*St. Catherine's, the Episcopal Church in Chelsea, is a welcoming and inclusive family called by Christ to receive and share God's love.*

## **Ministers in Today's Liturgy**

Celebrant	The Rev. Sally Herring	Intercessor	Ann Watts
VPD	Laura Chambless	Greeter	Scott Reimer
Counters	Scott Reimer & Laura Chambless	Crucifer	Jane Keeton
LEM	Michelle Landrun	Torchbearer	Chloe Patton & Brody Dominguez
Lector	Michelle Nivens	Altar Guild	Jane Keeton

## **Clergy and Staff**

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Glenda S. Curry, Bishop of Alabama	Matthew West, Organist/Choirmaster
The Rev. Sally Herring, Rector	Mandi Gonzalez, Director of Children's Ministries
The Rev. Dn. Clyde Pearce, Deacon	Arabella Gonzalez, Nursery Coordinator
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