

ALL SAINTS

P R E S B Y T E R I A N

JANUARY 14, 2024 · SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | **EPIPHANY** | LENT | EASTER | PENTECOST

THE SEASON OF EPIPHANY

The word "epiphany" means to show, reveal, or make known. As a season, it is a time set aside for seeking to see Christ more clearly as he moves from obscurity to clarity, veiled to unveiled, inaccessible to accessible, and from the periphery of people's interest and attention to the center of their lives. Epiphany's paradigm for following Jesus is the Magi, the "wise men" of Matthew chapter 2.

THE COLORS OF EPIPHANY

White and gold are the colors with which Epiphany begins and ends. They represent the light, purity, and preciousness of Christ who has come into our broken world to heal and reign. The middle weeks of Epiphany are represented by the color green to emphasize God's growing revelation of Christ's identity and mission and the church's renewed participation in them.

PROCESSIONAL

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

1. All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing
2. Let all things their Cre-a-tor bless, and wor-ship Him in hum-ble-ness.

al-le-lu-ia! al-le-lu-ia! Thou burn-ing sun with gol-den beam,
O praise Him! Al-le-lu-ia! Praise, praise the Fa-ther, praise the Son,

thou sil-ver moon with sof-ter gleam, O praise Him,
and praise the Spi-rit, Three in One!

O praise Him, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

(Words: Saint Francis of Assisi; Music: German tune; arr. David Lutes, 2006; CCLI license #2476739)

ENTRANCE

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

People: *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.*

Minister: O LORD, you have searched me and known me!
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

People: *You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.*

Minister: Where shall I go from your Spirit?
Or where shall I flee from your presence?

People: *If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.*

Minister: Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!
See if there be any grievous way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting!

People: *Amen.*

(from Psalm 139)

Minister: Let us pray...

People: *Amen.*

HYMN OF PRAISE

HIS MERCY IS MORE



1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done;
2. What pa - tience could wait as we con - stant - ly roam;
3. What rich - es of kind - ness He la - vished on us;



Om - ni - scient, all - know - ing He counts not their sum.
 What Fa - ther, so ten - der, is call - ing us home.
 His blood was the pay - ment, His life was the cost.



Thrown in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore; —
 He wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor; —
 We stood 'neath a debt we could ne - ver af - ford;



Our sins they are ma - ny, His mer - cy is more.



REFRAIN: Praise the Lord! — His mer - cy is more. —



LAST TIME,
REPEAT

Stron - ger than dark - ness new ev' - ry morn;



Our sins they are ma - ny, His mer - cy is more.

VERSE 3.
REPEAT REFRAIN

(9:00 AND 11:30 SERVICES)

CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister: God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world,
to reveal your love for all people.

People: *We confess that our sin and pride
hide the brightness of your light.
We turn away from those in need;
we ignore the spiritual complacency in our own lives;
and we do not seek peace with those at odds with us.
In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin;
baptize us once again with your Spirit,
that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory,
shining in the face of Jesus Christ.*

-Based on the Book of Common Worship

(PAUSE FOR A TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION FOLLOWED BY PASTORAL PRAYER
FOR THE CONGREGATION, COMMUNITY, AND THE WORLD.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Minister: The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of
all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and
consolation of his Holy Spirit.

People: *Amen.*

(10:15 SERVICE)

COMMISSIONING PRAYER

WALLY AND ANGEL VELEZ, MISSIONARIES TO JAPAN

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HYMN OF RESPONSE

ABIDE WITH ME



1. A - bid with me; fast falls the e - ven - tide;
2. Thou on my head, in ear - ly youth didst smile;
3. I need Thy pres - ence, ev - 'ry pass - ing hour.
4. I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;
5. Hold Thou Thy cross, be - fore my clo - sing eyes;



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord with me a - bid.
 And, though re - bel - lious, and per - verse mean - while,
 What but Thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
 Ills have no weight, tears lose their bit - ter - ness.
 Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.



When oth - er help - ers, fail and com - forts flee,
 Thou hast not left me, though I oft left Thee,
 Who like Thy - self, my guide and stay can be?
 Where is thy sting, death? Where grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 ||: Heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain sha - dows flee;



Help of the help - less, a - bid with me.
 On to the close, Lord, a - bid with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, a - bid with me.
 I tri - umph still, a - bid with me.

2x on repeat: In life, in death, Lord, a - bid with me. :|| (REPEAT)

(Words by Henry Lyte; alt. by Justin Smith; Music by Justin Smith, CCLI license #2476739)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 SAMUEL 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD in the presence of Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

2 At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. 3 The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

4 Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" 5 and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.

6 And the LORD called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." 7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him.

8 And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. 9 Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

10 And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears."

EPISTLE READING

2 THESSALONIANS 2:13-17

But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. 14 To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. 15 So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter.

16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, 17 comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God!*

GOSPEL PROCESSION

SONG OF SIMEON



Lord, bid your ser - vant go in peace, your word is now ful - filled.



These eyes have seen sal - va-tion's dawn, this child so long fore - told.

(Words: Luke 2: 29-32; NUNC DIMITTIS; tr. James Quinn; Music: LAND OF REST, American folk melody; arr. David Lutes)

PLEASE TURN AND FACE THE BIBLE AS IT IS PROCESSED INTO THE AISLE.

INSTRUMENTAL REFRAIN IS PLAYED AS THE BIBLE IS RETURNED TO THE ALTAR TABLE.

GOSPEL READING

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

JOHN 1:43-51

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me."
44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." 46 Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." 49 Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." 51 And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise be to you Lord Christ.*

SMALL SAINTS DISMISSAL

AT THIS TIME, CHILDREN IN KINDERGARTEN-2ND GRADE MAY GO TO ROOM 102 FOR A LESSON AND ACTIVITY. THEY WILL RETURN TO THE SANCTUARY DURING THE OFFERTORY.

3RD-5TH GRADE SUNDAY SCHOOL DISMISSAL

AT THIS TIME, CHILDREN IN 3RD-5TH GRADE ARE INVITED TO GO TO ROOM 108 FOR A CATECHISM LESSON DURING THE SERMON. THEY WILL RETURN TO THE SANCTUARY DURING THE OFFERTORY.

HOMILY

"EPIPHANY IN THE DARK"

REV. JOSH KELLER

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Celebrant: Christian, what do you believe?

People: *I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.*

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;

Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell;

the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints;

the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;

and the life everlasting. Amen.

-The Apostles Creed

WELCOME!

WE'RE SO GLAD TO HAVE YOU WORSHIP WITH US.. PLEASE SIGN IN SO WE HAVE A RECORD OF YOUR ATTENDANCE.

OPTION 1: TAKE THE BLACK SIGN-IN PAD FROM UNDER THE SEAT AT THE END OF THE ROW AND RECORD YOUR INFORMATION THERE.

OPTION 2: SCAN THE QR CODE WITH YOUR PHONE'S CAMERA AND FILL OUT THE FORM THERE. YOU MAY ALSO DO THIS AFTER THE SERVICE.



RETURN OF CHILDREN: DURING THE OFFERTORY, SMALL SAINTS TEACHERS WILL BRING THE CHILDREN BACK TO THE SANCTUARY. FEEL FREE TO PICK UP YOUNGER CHILDREN AT THIS TIME AS WELL. YOU MAY ALSO WAIT TO RETRIEVE THEM, AS CHILDCARE IS PROVIDED FOR THE DURATION OF THE SERVICE.

HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Celebrant: Let us with gladness present the tithes and offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.

OFFERTORY INSTRUMENTAL INTERLUDE

TITHES & OFFERINGS

ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE AT ANY TIME AT [ALLSAINTSAUSTIN.ORG/GIVEONLINE](https://allsaintsaustin.org/giveonline) OR YOU MAY LEAVE OFFERINGS IN THE BOWL AT THE ENTRANCE BEFORE OR AFTER THE SERVICE.



WHILE THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE FINANCIALLY TO GOD'S KINGDOM, THE CHURCH IS THE PRIMARY MEANS BY WHICH THAT KINGDOM IS ESTABLISHED ON EARTH. THUS, GOD CALLS US FIRST AND FOREMOST TO BE FAITHFUL IN THE REGULAR, ONGOING SUPPORT OF ONE'S LOCAL CHURCH BODY THROUGH TITHES AND OFFERINGS. IF YOU HAVEN'T MADE TITHING A PRACTICE, PLEASE CONSIDER ADOPTING TITHING OR GENEROUS GIVING AS A SPIRITUAL PRACTICE—THAT YOU MIGHT GROW IN FAITH AND THAT TOGETHER WE MIGHT INCREASE ALL SAINTS' CAPACITY TO BE THE BODY OF CHRIST IN AUSTIN FOR THE WORLD.

Minister: Let us pray:

People: *We do not presume to come to this, Your Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your Table. But you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

(PLEASE STAND.)

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And with your spirit.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant: It is very good and right, our duty and privilege, to at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious Name; evermore praising you, and singing,

People:

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



(Music: Franz Schubert; adapt. David Lutes)

(PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED)

Celebrant: We praise you, O Lord that you, rich in mercy, and infinite in goodness, made us in your own image, freed us from everlasting death, and provided our redemption in your only and well-beloved Son, whom out of love you gave to be made man, like us in all things but sin, to receive the punishment of our transgression in his body, to satisfy your justice by his death, and through his resurrection to destroy him who was the author of death; and so to bring again to the world the life from which the whole offspring of Adam was exiled.

And so, at the commandment of Jesus Christ our Lord, we present ourselves at this, His table.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Celebrant: Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
People: *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

Celebrant: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, that we may be one with all who share this feast, united in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.
People: *Amen.*

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;
People: *Therefore, let us keep the feast.*

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: *And also with you.*

INVITATION

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

WE COME TO HIS TABLE

ALL SAINTS WELCOMES ALL BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EUCHARISTIC MEAL. THIS INCLUDES ALL CHRISTIANS, WHETHER MEMBERS AT ALL SAINTS OR ANOTHER CHURCH. CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED AND ADMITTED TO THE TABLE BY THE ELDERS OF THIS CHURCH OR THE LEADERSHIP OF ANOTHER CHURCH ARE ALSO WELCOME TO THE TABLE.

IF YOU'RE STILL INVESTIGATING CHRISTIANITY, NOT SURE WHAT YOU BELIEVE, OR SIMPLY CHOOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE, YOU MAY EITHER REMAIN IN YOUR SEAT OR COME FORWARD, CROSS YOUR ARMS OVER YOUR CHEST, AND RECEIVE A BLESSING. NON-COMMUNING CHILDREN ARE ENCOURAGED TO COME FORWARD TO RECEIVE A BLESSING WHILE THEIR PARENTS RECEIVE COMMUNION.

ALTAR TABLE TIPS

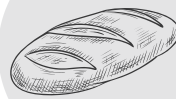


1. WAIT FOR AN USHER

An usher will release each row. If you're not sure where to go, your usher will direct you.

2. GLUTEN FREE

If you are highly gluten intolerant, we recommend communing at the front left serving station which serves only gluten free bread. Gluten free bread is also available upon request in all other sections.



3. WINE & JUICE

Grape juice is located in the cups of the center ring of each wine/juice tray.

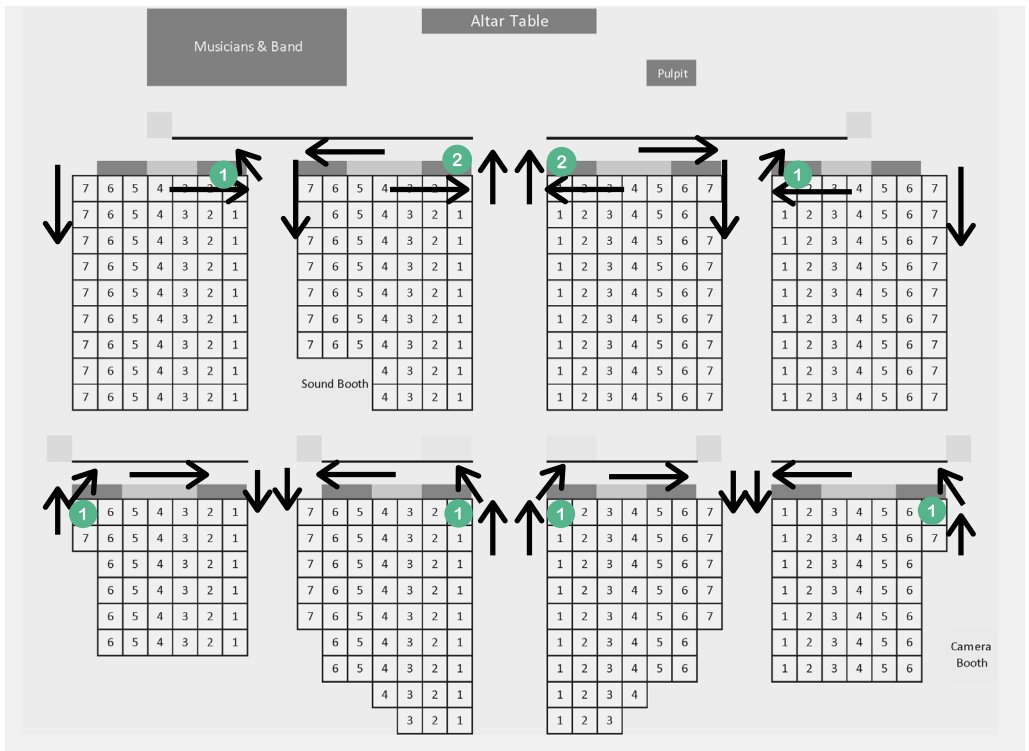
4. CHILDREN

Children who have been interviewed at All Saints or by the ruling body of another church are welcome to partake of communion. Younger children may also come forward with parents to receive a blessing.



5. MOBILITY IMPAIRED

If you are unable to come forward and would like communion brought to your seat, please let your usher know and a server will bring the elements to you.



THE USHERS WILL GUIDE YOU TO THE SERVING LINES. THE OUTER CIRCLES OF EACH TRAY CONTAIN WINE. GRAPE JUICE IS PROVIDED IN THE INNER CIRCLE OF EACH TRAY.

IF YOU ARE HIGHLY GLUTEN INTOLERANT, WE RECOMMEND COMMUNING AT THE FRONT LEFT SERVING STATION WHICH SERVES ONLY GLUTEN FREE BREAD. GLUTEN FREE BREAD IS ALSO AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST IN ALL OTHER SECTIONS.

HYMNS FOR COMMUNION

JESUS, I COME

1. Out of my bon-dage, sor-row and night, Je-sus, I come; Je-sus, I
 2. Out of my shame-ful fail-ure and loss, Je-sus, I come; Je-sus, I
 3. Out of un-rest and ar-ro-gant pride, Je-sus, I come; Je-sus, I
 4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Je-sus, I come; Je-sus, I

come. In-to Thy free-dom, glad-ness, and light, Je-sus, I
 come. In-to the glor-ious gain of Thy cross, Je-sus, I
 come. In-to Thy bless-ed will to a-bide, Je-sus, I
 come. In-to the joy and light of Thy home, Je-sus, I

come to Thee. Out of my sick-ness in-to Thy health,
 come to Thee. Out of earth's sor-rows in-to Thy balm,
 come to Thee. Out of my self to dwell in Thy love,
 come to Thee. Out of the depths of ru-in un-told,

out of my want-ing and in-to Thy wealth, out of my
 out of life's storms and in-to Thy calm, out of dis-
 out of des-pair in-to rap-tures a-bove, up-ward for-
 in-to the peace of Thy shel-ter-ing fold, ev-er Thy

sin and in-to Thy-self, Je-sus, I come to Thee.
 tress in-to ju-bi-lant psalm, Je-sus, I come to Thee.
 ev-er on wings like a dove, Je-sus, I come to Thee.
 glo-ri-ous face to be-hold, Je-sus, I come to Thee.

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ARISE, O GOD, AND SHINE

1. A - rise, O God, and shine
 2. Bring dis - tant na - tions near
 3. Put forth Thy glo - rious pow'r
 4. To God, the on - ly Wise,

in all Thy sav - ing might,
 to sing Thy glo - rious praise;
 that ev - 'ry - one may see,
 the one im - mor - tal King,

and pros - per each de - sign
 let ev - 'ry peo - ple hear
 and earth pre - sent her store
 Let hal - le - lu - jahs rise

to spread Thy glo - rious light;
 and learn Thy ho - ly ways.
 in con - verts born to Thee.
 from ev - 'ry liv - ing thing;

let heal - ing streams of mer - cy flow
 Reign, migh - ty God, as - sert Thy cause
 God, our own God, His Church will bless,
 let all that breathe, on ev - 'ry coast

that all the earth Thy truth may know.
 and gov - ern by Thy right - eous laws.
 and fill the world with right - eous - ness.
 praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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BENEDICTION

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, and remain with you always. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

(Words: Thomas Ken, Music: Louis Bourgeois)

DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS

THESE READINGS ARE PROVIDED AS A PERSONAL, FAMILY, OR GROUP WORSHIP RESOURCE. THEY ARE SET IN THE REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY, A SCHEDULE OF DAILY BIBLE READING IN ACCORD WITH THE CHURCH YEAR. THEY ARE DESIGNED AROUND A TWO-YEAR CYCLE THAT WILL TAKE YOU THROUGH THE OLD TESTAMENT ONCE, THE NEW TESTAMENT TWICE, AND THE PSALMS FREQUENTLY. WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE "YEAR II" CYCLE.

I/14/24

Ps. 148-150

Ps. 114-115

Gen. 7:1-23

Mk. 3:7-19

Eph. 4:1-16

I/15/24

Ps. 25

Ps. 9

Gen. 8:6-22

Jn. 2:23-3:15

Heb. 4:14-5:6

I/16/24

Ps. 28

Ps. 36

Gen. 9:1-17

Jn. 3:16-21

Heb. 5:7-14

I/17/24

Ps. 38

Ps. 119:25-48

Gen. 9:18-29

Jn. 3:22-36

Heb. 6:1-12

I/18/24

Ps. 37:1-18

Ps. 37:19-42

Gen. 11:1-9

Jn. 4:1-15

Heb. 6:13-20

I/19/24

Ps. 31

Ps. 35

Gen. 11:27-12:8

Jn. 4:16-26

Heb. 7:1-17

I/20/24

Ps. 30

Ps. 42-43

Gen. 12:9-13:1

Jn. 4:27-42

Heb. 7:18-28

I/21/24

Ps. 63

Ps. 103

Gen. 13:2-18

Mk. 7:31-37

Gal. 2:1-10

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