



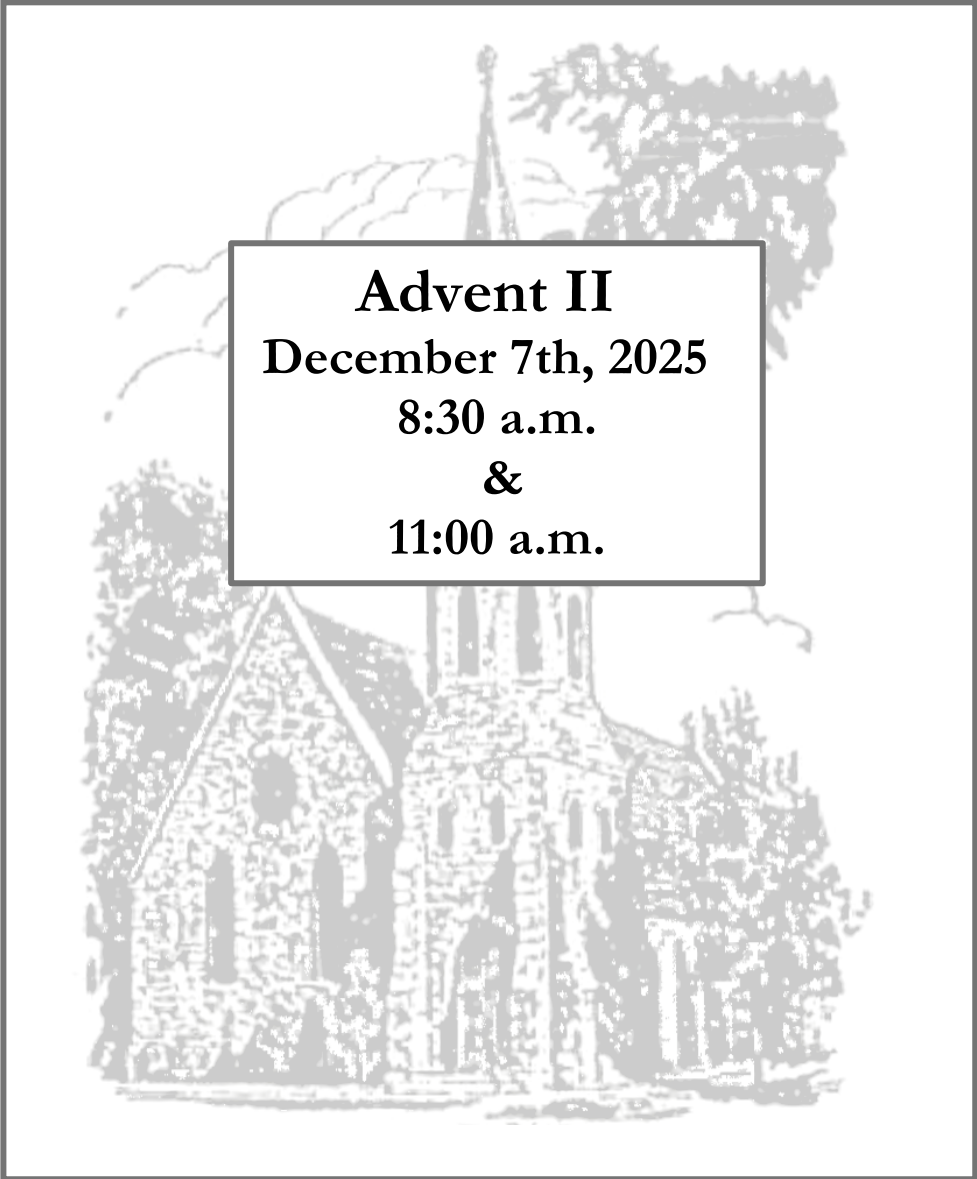
ST. JAMES

*Episcopal*  
CHURCH

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**Advent II**  
**December 7th, 2025**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
**&**  
**11:00 a.m.**

Wherever you are on your journey with God or towards God,  
you are welcome here!



## PRELUDE

8:30am “Andante sostenuto” (Six Christmas Pieces, Op. 72)

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

11:00am “The Advent of Our King”

arr. Raymond H. Haan (b. 1938)

## WELCOME

## OPENING HYMN

“Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding” (MERTON)

H82 59

## LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, our God, who created light out of darkness and sent your only Son to bring the light of your love to all people. We pray for your blessing upon this wreath and upon all who kindle these lights. As we gather together in this Advent darkness to await the dawn of Christ, prepare our hearts and homes to receive our savior.

*Light 2 purple candles*

“O come, O come, Emmanuel” (VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL), V.4-6

H82 56

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant:* Blessed are you, holy and living one.

*People:* You come to your people and set them free.

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant:* Let us pray together:

*All:* 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.

*The Mass setting is from the Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena by Healey Willan (1880-1968)*

## KYRIE

Rite II

8:30 *Spoken*

Lord have mercy.

**Christ have mercy.**

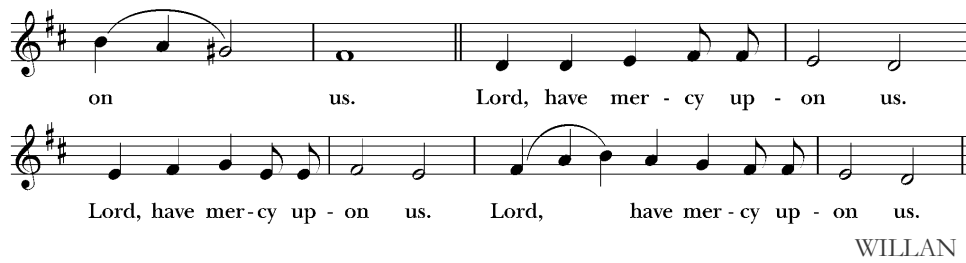
Lord have mercy.

“Lord, have mercy on us”

11:00 *Sung*

S91

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor/Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us." The score consists of three staves. The first staff is for the Soprano, the second for the Alto, and the third for the Tenor/Bass. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is a simple, hymn-like setting with a clear melody and accompaniment.



## GLORIA

8:30 *Spoken*

Glory to God in the highest,  
And peace to his people on Earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
Almighty God and Father,  
We worship you, we give you thanks,  
We praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world:  
Have mercy on us;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father.  
Receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit,  
In the glory of the God the Father. Amen.

11:00 *Sung*  
S202

### “Glory be to God (Canticle 6)”

1. Glo - ry be to God on high, and on earth peace,  
good will towards men. 2. We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give  
thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, 3. O Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, God the Fa - ther Al - might - y.  
4. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
5. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -  
on us. 6. Thou that ta - kest a - way the sins of the  
world, re - ceive our prayer. 7. Thou that sit - test at the  
right hand of God the Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us.  
8. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; 9. thou  
on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art most  
high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. —  
A - - - - - men.  
WILLAN

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 11:1-10

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.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide by what his ears hear;  
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;  
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

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.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his  
dwelling shall be glorious.

*Reader:* Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 72:1-7, 18-19** *Deus, iudicium*

8:30am *Spoken*

11:00am *Chanted by the choir*

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, \*  
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously \*  
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \*  
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; \*  
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \*  
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \*  
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*  
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, \*  
who alone does wondrous deeds!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! \*  
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.  
Amen. Amen.

**THE SECOND LESSON**

Romans 13:11-14

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,  
and sing praises to your name";  
and again he says,

"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people";  
and again,

"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples praise him";  
and again Isaiah says,

"The root of Jesse shall come,  
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;  
in him the Gentiles shall hope."

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

*Reader:* Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## SEQUENCE HYMN

"On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry" (WINCHESTER NEW) v.1-3 before the Gospel, v. 4-5 after

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## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 3:1-12

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
'Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.'"

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

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

## SERMON

The Rev. D Gregory Smith

## THE NICENE CREED

*Please stand in body or in spirit*

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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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

*Hear Our Prayer*

Holy God, yours is the voice that calls from the places we least expect, inviting us into ever deeper relationship with you that we might live surrounded by your love. Hear now our prayers as we say, **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for Christ's church, that we may never become settled in comfort but that we might always be on pilgrimage serving those we encounter. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who hold authority over us, that they might escape from their fears and hatreds, and govern in the glory of your mercy and wisdom. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for each other in this parish community, that we might discern our own calls to be Christ in all the places our day-to-day lives take us. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the natural world and for our own stewardship of creation, that we might be advocates for actions needed to leave an abundant creation to future generations. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all in need of healing and relief from their burdens, worries, and fears. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have died and those who grieve and to hasten the day of Christ's return that we might be reunited with all whom we have loved but see no more. **Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, you entered into our world and blessed our lives through the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, your son and our Lord. Bless us still as we strive to become the people we were meant to be. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

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

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SPEAKER – Matt Kelly**

## PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS, TRAVELERS, AND ANNIVERSARIES

Lord God, our times are in your hand; look with favor we pray on your servants, surround them with your love and care, protect them from every danger, keep them safe in the knowledge of your love. This we ask through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## OFFERTORY

**8:30am** "Allegro non troppo" (Six Christmas Pieces, Op. 72) Felix Mendelssohn

**11:00am** "This is the record of John" Grayston Ives (b. 1948)

This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who art thou?" And he confessed and denied not; and said plainly, "I am not the Christ". And they asked him, "What art thou then? Art thou Elias?" And he said, "I am not". And they asked him, "Art thou the prophet?" And he answered, "No". Then said they unto him, "What art thou, that we may give an answer unto them that sent us? What sayest thou of thyself?" And he said, "I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, make straight the way of the Lord."

- John 1:19

## DOXOLOGY

*Sung by all to the tune of OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Christ all creatures here below  
Praise God above ye heavenly host  
Creator, Savior, Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*While the table is being set, your financial gifts will be received by the ushers  
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***Please stand as the doxology begins and the monetary offering is brought forward***

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

(Eucharistic Prayer A, *Book of Common Prayer*)

*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 our thanks and praise.

*Celebrant:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

8:30 *Spoken*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

11:00 *Sung*  
S114

“Holy, holy, holy”

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*Celebrant:* Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and creator of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People:*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant:* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior: By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

*All:*

### Traditional

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.

### Contemporary

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

### FRACTION ANTHEM

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

**Have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

**Have mercy on us.**

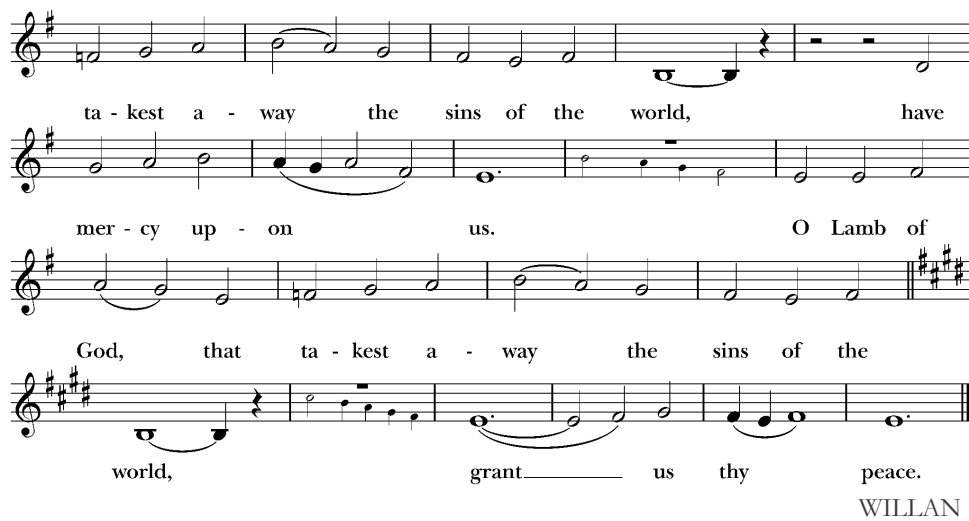
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

**Grant us your peace.**

8:30 *Spoken*

11:00 *Sung*  
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O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -  
on us. O Lamb of God, that



## THE INVITATION

*The Celebrant offers the consecrated bread with the following invitation:*

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the people of God.

***Please let the priest know if you need a gluten-free wafer.***

*We ask that you do not intinct (dip your wafer into the chalice).*

*Communion is full and complete in one kind if you prefer not to receive the chalice.*

*If you do not wish to receive the bread or the wine, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing,  
indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.*

## COMMUNION ANTHEM

**11:00am only**

“Pie Jesu”

Andrew Lloyd Weber (b. 1948)

Pie Jesu, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem, sempiternam requiem.

Holy Jesus, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them rest.

Lamb of god, takes away the sins of the world, grant them rest, eternal rest.

- from the Requiem Mass

## COMMUNION HYMN

**8:30am & 11:00am**

“O heavenly word, eternal light” (O HEILAND)

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## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant:* Let us pray together:

*All:* **Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

*Celebrant* Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us, be with you now and forever. **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

“Savior of the nations, come” (NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND)

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## THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant:* Let us bless the Lord.

*People :* **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

**8:30am** “Allegretto” (Six Christmas Pieces, Op. 72)

Felix Mendelssohn

**11:00am** “See Amid the Winter’s Snow”

arr. David Lasky (b. 1957)



## **WELCOME TO ST. JAMES!**

### **ARE YOU A NEWCOMER?**

Welcome! If you're new to St. James, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card so we can get to know you a little better. Welcome Cards are located in the racks at the end of each pew and in our newly updated welcome folders! Please feel free to take a folder with more information about St. James and our ministries as well as some other goodies. Welcome Cards can be returned to an Usher, member of the Clergy, or put in the offering plate.

### **COFFEE HOUR**

With our new service schedule, Coffee Hour will be between our two services and run from approximately 9:30 am to 10:30 am.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL – Sundays at 9:45 am**

Children from PreK-5<sup>th</sup> are welcome to join us for Sunday School each week in the lower level of the Todd Center, located next door at 111 S. Tracy. If your child is a little older or a little younger, check in with our Sunday School teachers first.

### **HEALING PRAYERS EVERY SUNDAY**

Every Sunday during communion, prayers are available by the sacristy door.

### **PRAYER SHAWLS**

If you know of someone who would be blessed by receiving a St. James prayer shawl, please feel free to take one from the rack at the front doors of the church.

### **PASTORAL CARE LINE– PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF PHONE NUMBER**

Please direct calls to our Pastoral Care Line at **(406) 586-9451** to be connected with the clergy person on call. Pastoral care includes hospital and home visits, eucharistic visitors, meal trains, and more.

### **PARKING**

Sunday morning parking is available in the Canterbury Lot at 8 W. Olive from 8am – 1pm for free. Please reach out to [office@stjamesbozeman.org](mailto:office@stjamesbozeman.org) for validation during the week and to be added to our system.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Advent II (December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025)

#### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE:

We are celebrating Christmas soon! Here is the schedule of various Christmas services:

##### December 24<sup>th</sup> (Christmas Eve):

**3:00pm:** Jesus' Birth Story; A Service for Young Children (ages 0-4yo)

**4:30pm:** Christmas Eve Service (All Ages)

**9:00pm:** Christmas Eve Service (All Ages)

##### December 25<sup>th</sup> (Christmas Day):

**10:00am:** Christmas Day Service (Carols & Prayer)

#### REQUESTING CHRISTMAS EVE AND DAY VOLUNTEERS:

Thank you for bearing with the staff as we get organized around the holiday season. We have made the schedules available for Christmas. Find the schedule at this link or scan the QR code on the right:

<https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/30/web-terminal/master-calendar?liveWebPostId=878535>



In particular, we need many ushers for all Christmas Eve services. **If you are qualified to usher, please consider volunteering some of your time for a Christmas Eve service.** We are anticipating a large volume of visitors; as such, we will need about 6 ushers for the 4:30 and 9pm evening service, and 2 for the 3pm Young Children's Service. We are also looking for Lectors, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, and Acolytes for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services. Please reach out to the office with any questions.

#### DONATIONS FOR FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS

If you would like to make a monetary donation for Christmas flowers and decorations for St. James, checks should be made payable to St. James Episcopal Church with a notation on the memo line of the check that says Christmas Flowers for St. James. Dedication information for your donation should be e-mailed to Juliana at [office@stjamesbozeman.org](mailto:office@stjamesbozeman.org) by **December 21<sup>st</sup>**. The names of donors and their dedications will appear in the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day service bulletins. Donations can be made in memory of someone and/or in Thanksgiving for a birth, baptism, confirmation, graduation, anniversary, for the Blessings that you've received in life.

#### CHRISTMAS GREENING & POTLUCK

Our annual greening is coming up on **Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:30pm** (after the 11:00am service). Please join us that afternoon in celebration to decorate the Sanctuary with evergreens. Afterwords, a Potluck will be held at **4pm in the Parish Hall**. Please bring a dish to share! You do not have to participate in the greening to come to the potluck – come one, come all!

#### ANNUAL MEETING 2026

Our Annual Meeting is coming up on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026. If you are a Ministry head, please submit your annual report information to Juliana by January 14<sup>th</sup> at EOD. Our vestry rotation is occurring during the Annual Meeting. If you would like to serve as a Vestry Member, please submit a letter or email of interest to Jessica Wilson at [jjtwilson95@gmail.com](mailto:jjtwilson95@gmail.com).

#### MEMORIAL FOUNDATION ROLE

The St. James Memorial Foundation oversees the investments of St. James at DADavidson; income from the investments is used for capital expenses of the church as requested by the Vestry. There is one opening for a board member interested in financial activities of St. James. The term is for 3 years. The board meets 4 times per year to review quarterly information, and occasionally again as needed. If you are interested, please contact Sharon

Eversman, 406-586-6788 or [steversman61@gmail.com](mailto:steversman61@gmail.com). Election for the new board member will be during the Annual Meeting in January.

## ADULT FORMATION THROUGH THE END OF 2025

Adult Formation (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MEN'S BIBLE STUDY) will be going on hiatus until the end of the year. We will send out an announcement when we plan to return to our usual schedule.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

Tues	Dec 9	4:00 p.m.	CWC Meeting (Guild Room)
		7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (IHOP)
		7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Parish Hall)
Thurs	Dec 11	9:00 a.m.	Ex-Comm Meeting (Guild Room)
		7:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (Guild Room)
Sat	Dec 13	10:00am	Craft Time Fellowship (Guild Room)
Sun	Dec 14		<b>Advent III</b>
		8:30 a.m.	Early Service
		9:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour (Parish Hall)
		9:30 a.m.	Vestry Meeting (Guild Room)
		9:45 a.m.	Sunday School (Todd Center)
		10:00 a.m.	NO ADULT FORMATION
		11:00 a.m.	Late Service

### A LOOK AHEAD

Sun	Dec 21 <sup>st</sup>		<b>Advent IV</b>
		8:30 a.m.	Regular Early Service
		11:00 a.m.	Lessons & Carols
		12:30 p.m.	Greening of St. James (Sanctuary) – Please join to help us decorate
		4:00 p.m.	Holiday Potluck (Parish Hall) – All are welcome!
Wed	Dec 24 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Christmas Eve</b>
		3:00 p.m.	Jesus' Birth Story; a Service for Young Children
		4:30 p.m.	Family Service
		9:00 p.m.	Adult Candlelight
Thurs	Dec 25 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Christmas Day</b>
		10:00 a.m.	Carols and Prayer
Sun	Dec 28 <sup>th</sup>	During Services	<b>Ingathering</b>
Thurs	Jan 14 <sup>th</sup>	ALL DAY	<b>Annual Reports due to Juliana by EOD</b>
Sun	Jan 25 <sup>th</sup>	TIME TBD	<b>Annual Meeting</b>

### SPONSOR A FAMILY IN NEED THIS CHRISTMAS

St. James is partnering with the chaplaincy at Bozeman Health to care for four families for the Christmas season. We've been advised that in the past we've picked gifts and gave, but the best thing to do would be to give gift cards. Those gift cards could be gas, food, toys, books – whatever you would like to donate! Any amount is appreciated, from stores like Walmart, Safeway, Target, grocery stores, and gas stations. This allows families to buy exactly what they need to support them this holiday season.

If you wish to purchase a gift card to donate to these families, please bring them to church and put them in the collection on the next three Sundays. We will be collecting them and giving them to the chaplaincy at the hospital for distribution. Any amount is welcome. If we have some overflow, then we will be using our clergy discretionary fund. If you have any questions or concerns, please call me directly or send a message by email to Juliana at [office@stjamesbozeman.org](mailto:office@stjamesbozeman.org).

- Father Greg

### REQUESTING TOILETRY DONATIONS

If you have some change to spare, we are looking for toiletry donations, including but not limited to: **Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothpaste, Floss, Toothbrushes, and Menstrual Supplies.**

These donations are passed out to individuals getting Gift/Gas cards with us to alleviate further financial burden. Your help is deeply appreciated!

### ORGANIZATIONS REQUESTING DONATIONS TO PROVIDE NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT

HRDC – Food Bank <https://www.thehrdc.org/>

Thrive <https://allthrive.org/>

Reach <https://www.reachinc.org/>

Family Promise <https://www.familypromise.org/>

Love Inc <https://www.loveinc.org>

West Yellowstone Senior Center

Bozeman Senior Center <https://bozemanseniorcenter.org/>

Belgrade Senior Center <https://www.belgrademt.gov/351/Belgrade-Senior-Center>

I-Hos Offering Community Menu <https://ihoskoreangrill.com/>

Fork & Spoon <https://www.forkandspoonbozeman.org/>

Peace of Christ Community Church Food Pantry <http://peaceofchrist.church/>

Livingston Food Resource Center- <https://livingstonfrc.org/get-food/food-programs/food-pantry.html>

Bienvenidos - <https://bienvenidosgv.org>

#### CLERGY, STAFF, & VESTRY

**Rector:** The Rev. Rowan J. Larson

**Priest Associates:** The Rev. Valerie Webster,  
The Rev. D Gregory Smith

**Deacon:** The Rev. Lynne Matthews

**Music Leadership:** Logan Henke, Minister of Music;  
Kyla Rosenberger, Chief Organist

**Choral Scholars:** Karl Benjamin, Cordelia Cluett,  
Chase Equall, Emma Ford, Tyler Flock,  
Isabella Mudd, Gayatri Sabne

**Office:** Juliana Olliff

**Vestry:** Jessica Wilson, Senior Warden  
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Michael Harney, Wendy Wilson, Frances Moore, Rick  
Bergstedt, Judi Farrington, Darin Heitt-Rennie, Matt  
Kelly, Leslie Piercy

#### THOSE IN SERVICE

Acolyte:	Ty Sherwood; Senior Acolyte Minnie Johnson; Freshman Acolyte Stacy Quinn; Freshman Acolyte
Readers:	8:30am – Meta Smith, Vicki Van Rensselaer 11:00am – Margaret Jensen, Meta Smith
Eucharistic Minister:	Stacy Quinn
Ushers:	Loralei Dawson,
Coffee Hour:	Annette Leahy-Judkins, Paul Heitt-Rennie
Videographer:	Mike Miller
Altar Guild:	Marty Sanders, Dale Bray
Counters:	