

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

21 December 2025

The Church of the Holy Faith

Santa Fe, New Mexico

The Church of the Holy Faith welcomes all people into an ever-deepening relationship with Jesus Christ our Lord. We believe in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the Sacraments, and the Authority of Scripture. We honor our Anglican heritage and praise God with solemn liturgy, traditional Prayer Book worship, and music to exalt the spirit. We strive to live as a community with compassion for one another and the world around us. We worship together in peace to praise and thank God, to transcend division, and to celebrate the mystery of faith.

The 11:00 a.m. service will be broadcast via livestream on Holy Faith's YouTube channel.



Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent; for this is the House of God.
Before the Service, speak to the Lord; during the Service, let the Lord speak to you;
after the Service, speak to one another.

The voices of small children are always welcome!

Please take a moment to silence your cell phone.

The Word of God

At the sound of the bell, please stand.

Processional Hymn

O come, O come, Emmanuel

Hymnal 56

The Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 323

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

The Celebrant continues

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee,
and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Celebrant

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie

BCP p. 324 (Hymnal S 96)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

We beseech thee, Almighty God, to purify our consciences by thy daily visitation, that when thy Son our Lord cometh he may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

First Reading

Isaiah 7:10-16

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80: 1-7, 16-18

setting by Matthew Camidge (1758-1844)

Chanted by the Choir (11:00 a.m. only)

Qui regis Israel

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 O LORD God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Second Reading

Romans 1:1-7

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.



The Sequence Hymn

Please stand.

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Hymnal 66

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 1:18-25

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel,"

which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Nicene Creed

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I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped
and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People – Form V

BCP p. 389

The Deacon

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth
and love, and be found without fault at the day of your
coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Here and after every petition the People respond

Lord, have mercy.

For N. our Presiding Bishop, for N. (N.) our own Bishop(s),
for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people
of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our
divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the
Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may
preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O
Lord.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost
their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we
pray to you, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and
forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray
to you, O Lord.

For those in positions of public trust [especially _____],
that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and
freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who live and work in this community [especially
_____], we pray to you, O Lord.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use
of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from
poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for
refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may
be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

For this congregation [for those who are present, and for
those who are absent], that we may be delivered from
hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we
do, we pray to you, O Lord.

For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all
whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the
grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O
Lord.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

For _____, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Francis of Assisi, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.
To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Celebrant adds the following Doxology

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Confession of Sin

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The Deacon continues

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Almighty God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins
and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.
We do earnestly repent,
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,
the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us,
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter
serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Absolution

The Celebrant, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Comfortable Words

The Celebrant continues

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

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



The Holy Eucharist

Offertory Anthem

A rose there is a-springing

arranged by Donald Cashmore (1926-2013)
Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

A rose there is a-springing from tender roots on earth; As ancient men were singing, from Jesse came its birth And now this little flow'r Appears in coldest winter At this the midnight hour. This Rose, the stem of Jesse, by prophets once foretold; Mary alone has brought us The Child promised of old. By God's eternal pow'r The Maid has borne the infant at this the midnight hour. The flow'r so small and slender shines thro' with radiance bright; To us so sweet and tender dispels the darkest night. True Man with God's true pow'r, helps us from all our suff'ring, saves us from death's dark hour.

The Doxology

Hymnal 380 v. 3

Please stand.

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.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer II

BCP p. 340

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And with thy spirit.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them up unto the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
<i>People</i>	It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus & Benedictus

BCP p. 341 (Hymnal S 130)

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, 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."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink 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 oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

Celebrant

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 336 (Hymnal S 119)

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei

BCP p. 337 (Hymnal S 164)

Celebrant and People

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.

People and Celebrant

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Regarding Communion

We believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

In the Episcopal Church all baptized Christians are invited to receive the Sacrament.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

*To receive wine, you may sip from the chalice. You may also decline the chalice,
as Communion in one kind constitutes a full Communion.*

Please do not place the wafer in the wine yourself.

*Our priests are happy to do so for you and place the wafer on your tongue.
If this is your preference, please keep your hands folded as a sign to the priest
to give you Communion in this manner.*

*If you do not wish to receive Communion,
you may cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing.*

*Children who have been baptized
may receive according to the discretion of their parents.*

Those watching via live-stream are invited to pray the following prayer at this time

A Prayer for those who are not present to receive

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the physical presence of my community, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and the life to come. *Amen.*

Communion Hymn

The Word whom earth and sea and sky

Hymnal 264

Communion Anthem

E'en So Lord Jesus, quickly Come

Words: Revelation 22, adapted by Ruth Manz
Music: Paul Manz (1919-2009)

Peace be to you and grace from him Who freed us from our sins Who loved us all and shed his blood That we might saved be. Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord, The Lord, Almighty God, Who was, and is, and is to come; Sing Holy, Holy Lord! Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein Rejoice on earth, ye saints below, For Christ is coming, is coming soon, For Christ is coming soon! E'en so Lord Jesus, quickly come, And night shall be no more; They need no light nor lamp nor sun, For Christ will be their All!

Sending forth a Lay Eucharistic Visitor (11:00 a.m.)

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts,
that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.
People *We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.*

The Postcommunion Prayer

BCP p. 339

People and Celebrant

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

The Advent Blessing

Celebrant

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. *Amen.*

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. *Amen.*

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.
Amen.

Retiring Hymn

Please stand.

Lo! he comes, with clouds descending

Hymnal 57

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

The Advent greens for the High Altar,
the Shrine of Saint Mary the Virgin, and the Chapel of the Good Shepherd
are given to the Glory of God.



The Ministers of the Service

7:30 a.m.

The Very Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge
Celebrant

The Reverend Madelynn Johnston
Assisting Priest and Preacher

Anne Aboushousha
Lector

8:30 a.m.

The Reverend Simon R. Carian
Celebrant

The Very Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge
Deacon of the Mass

The Reverend Madelynn Johnston
Preacher

Pam Jones
Subdeacon

Paxton Bernard, Lynsey Bernard, Silas Bernard, Asher Bernard, Scott Bernard, and Van Swift
Acolytes

Leslie Dillen
Lector

Nancy Porthan, Charles Rountree, Michael Smith, and Kathleen Orozco
Ushers

11:00 a.m.

The Reverend Simon R. Carian
Celebrant

The Very Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge
Deacon of the Mass

The Reverend Madelynn Johnston
Preacher

Van Swift
Subdeacon

Mariyam Augustine, CC Condit, Layla Condit, Alice McSweeney, and Pam Jones
Acolytes

Dan Green
Lector

Dan Green, Bonnie Hardwick, Rebecca Tobey, and Jim Vaughan
Ushers

Haroon Augustine
Youth Usher

Ken Duran
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The Holy Faith Choir
Canon Mark Edw. Childers
Director of Liturgy and Music

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Christmastide 2025

Wednesday, December 24th

The Nativity of Our Lord: Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. Family Holy Eucharist

7:30 p.m. Festive Holy Eucharist

10:00 p.m. Christmas Prelude

10:30 p.m. Solemn High Christmas Mass (with incense)

Thursday, December 25th

The Nativity of Our Lord: Christmas Day

10:00 a.m.

Choral Eucharist

Friday, December 26th

The Feast of Saint Stephen

10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Saturday, December 27th

The Feast of Saint John

10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 28th

The First Sunday after Christmas Day

7:30 a.m. Spoken Eucharist Rite I

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

11:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist Rite I

Monday, December 29th

The Feast of the Holy Innocents

10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, December 30th

6:00 p.m.

Taizé Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

Thursday, January 1st

The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ

10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist



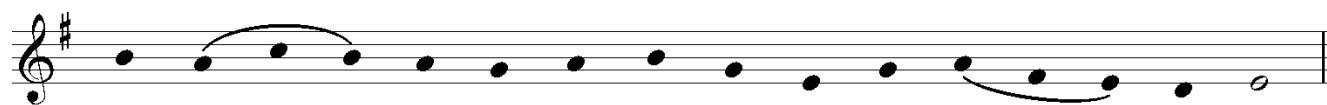
(Dec. 23) 1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
 (Dec. 17) 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
 (Dec. 18) 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
 (Dec. 19) 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from
 (Dec. 20) 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen
 (Dec. 21) 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us
 (Dec. 22) 7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the
 (Dec. 23) 8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som



1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
 2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge
 3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the
 4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to
 5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on
 6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of
 7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions
 8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.
 3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.
 4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!
 5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.
 6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
 7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.
 8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



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

The stanzas may be used as antiphons with "The Song of Mary" on the dates given.

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Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, —

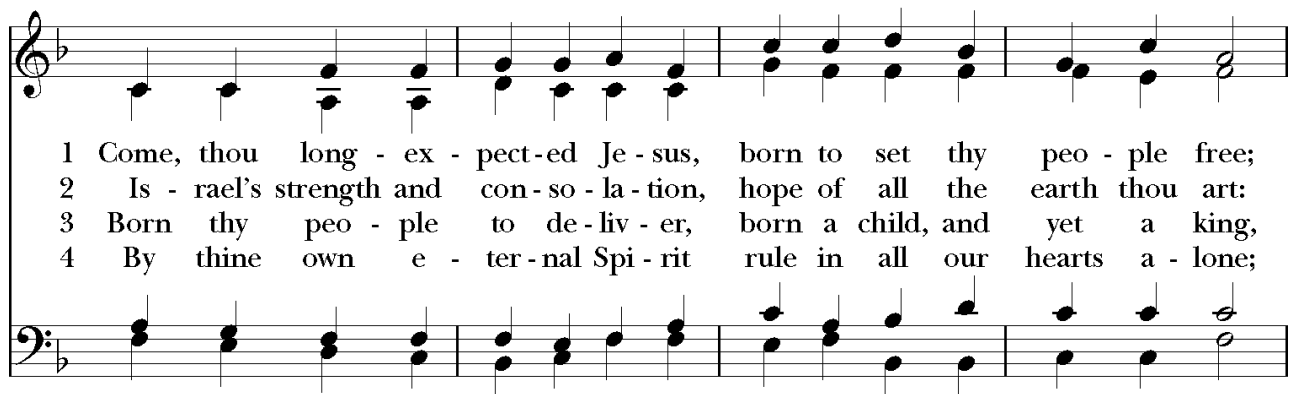
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Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.



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.

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.

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

The first system of music consists of two staves, treble and bass, in the key of D major. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, featuring a series of eighth and quarter notes. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the notes.

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

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff has a few more notes, and the bass staff continues with its accompaniment. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.

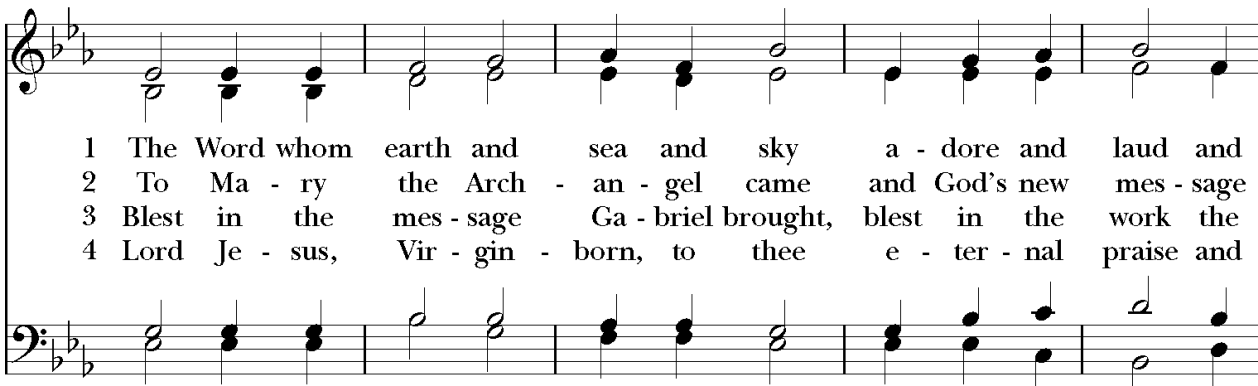
Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

The third system of music continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff has a few more notes, and the bass staff continues with its accompaniment. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.

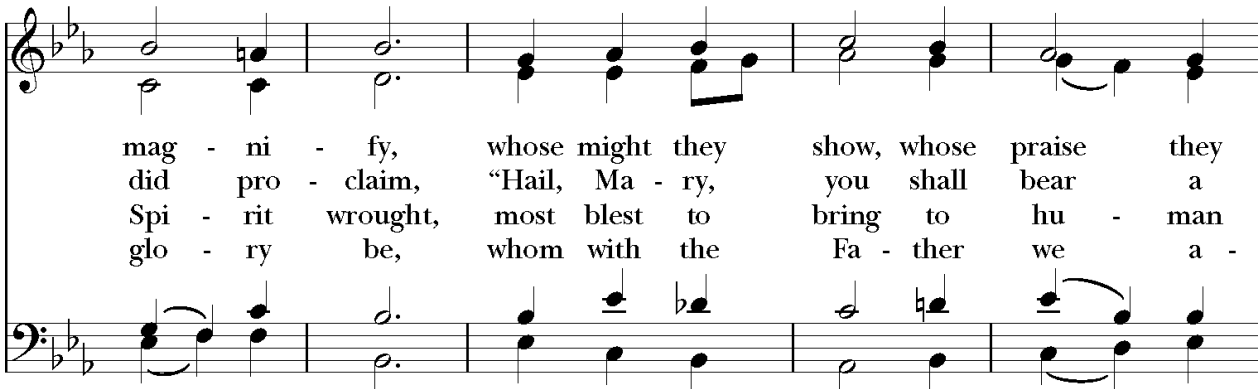
give us your peace, give us your peace.

The fourth system of music concludes the hymn. The treble staff has a few more notes, and the bass staff continues with its accompaniment. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.

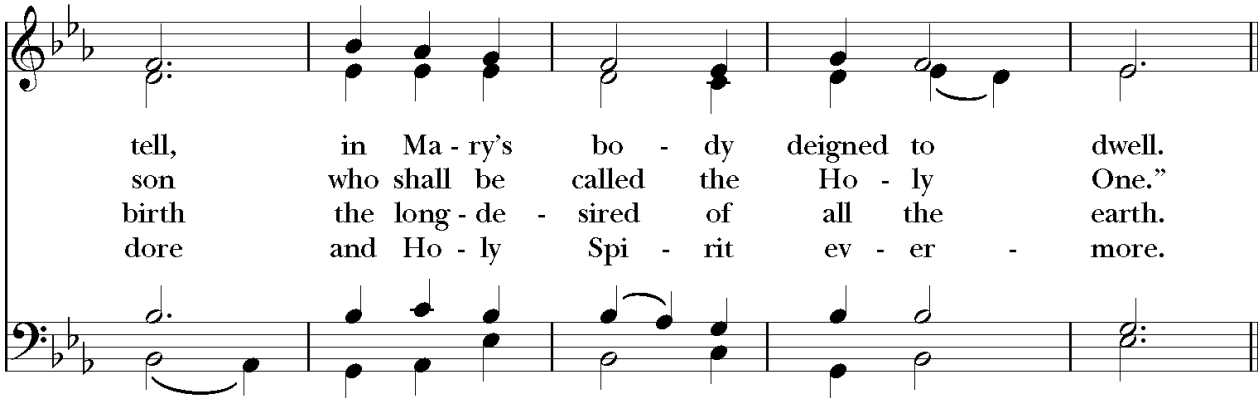
Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta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



1 The Word whom earth and sea and sky a - dore and laud and
 2 To Ma - ry the Arch - an - gel came and God's new mes - sage
 3 Blest in the mes - sage Ga - briel brought, blest in the work the
 4 Lord Je - sus, Vir - gin - born, to thee e - ter - nal praise and



mag - ni - fy, whose might they show, whose praise they
 did pro - claim, "Hail, Ma - ry, you shall bear a
 Spi - rit wrought, most blest to bring to hu - man
 glo - ry be, whom with the Fa - ther we a -



tell, in Ma - ry's bo - dy deigned to dwell.
 son who shall be called the Ho - ly One."
 birth the long - de - sired of all the earth.
 dore and Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more.



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on

our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the

saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine

train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

This Week at Holy Faith

December 21 – December 28

SUNDAY	The Fourth Sunday of Advent
	7:30 a.m. Spoken Eucharist Rite I
	8:30 a.m. Eucharist Rite I with Hymns and Anthems
	8:30 a.m. Children's Chapel
	10:00 a.m. Adult Forum – <i>The Theological Poetry of Advent Hymnody Part 2</i>
	10:00 a.m. Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
	11:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist Rite I
	11:00 a.m. Children's Chapel
	12:15 p.m. Ecumenical Las Posadas – The Cathedral Basilica of Saint Francis of Assisi
MONDAY	10:30 a.m. Effortless Change
	1-3:00 p.m. Pageant Dress Rehearsal
	5:30 p.m. Evening Bible Study
	6:00 p.m. Scouts
TUESDAY	10:00 a.m. Spiritual Classics Study
	5:15 p.m. Rosary
	6:00 p.m. Taizé Eucharist with Prayers for Healing – <i>Holy Dark, Holy Light</i>
WEDNESDAY	The Nativity of Our Lord, Christmas Eve
	4:00 p.m. Family Holy Eucharist with Children's Pageant
	7:30 p.m. Festive Holy Eucharist
	10:00 p.m. Christmas Prelude begins
	10:30 p.m. Solemn High Christmas Mass with incense
THURSDAY	The Nativity of Our Lord, Christmas Day
	10:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist Rite I
FRIDAY	The Feast of Saint Stephen
	10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
SATURDAY	The Feast of Saint John
	10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
SUNDAY	The First Sunday after Christmas Day
	7:30 a.m. Spoken Eucharist Rite I
	8:30 a.m. Eucharist Rite II with Hymns and Anthems
	8:30 a.m. Children's Chapel
	10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
	11:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist Rite I
	11:00 a.m. Children's Chapel

We pray Morning Prayer each weekday at 9:15 a.m. in the Church Chancel.

We pray Evening Prayer each weekday at 4:30 p.m. in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd.

Your support of the mission and ministry of Holy Faith is always appreciated. Donations can be made in person Sundays or on nearly every page of the website, holyfaithchurchsf.org. For announcements and other information, scan the QR code below to go to the Holy Faith website.



Announcements

Adult Forum

At this Sunday's Forum at 10:00 a.m. in Palen Hall, Fr. Robin will present "The Theological Poetry of Advent Hymnody." Come explore the origin, Scriptural basis, and rich meaning of the lyrics of some of your favorite hymns prophesying and preparing us for the coming of the Messiah, Jesus Christ.

Christmas Pageant News

Pageant practice again this Sunday: 10:00 a.m. sharp in the church! There are lines to learn, movement and songs to practice and COSTUMES! Contact Ms. Sally or Ms. Kathlene with any questions.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Full dress rehearsal on Monday, December 22 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. We need everyone in attendance!! Cast, Wranglers - everyone is needed!!

Kids Corner

The Youth Group bowling party was a great success!! Many lanes were bowled, 9 pizzas and 3 baskets of fries consumed, and a good time was had by all. REMINDER: the youth group will start up again on January 11 and all kids ages 8+ can join us for fun games, community building, tasty food and FRIENDS!!! For more info please contact Pam Jones at pengojones@gmail.com.

Ecumenical Las Posadas

Today, we will join with our ecumenical partners at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis and First Presbyterian Church to recall the journey of Mary and Joseph looking for an inn in which to lodge on their way to Bethlehem. We will meet in front of the Cathedral Basilica at 12:15 p.m. seeking Posada with traditional songs and a short service, then process to the Cathedral Basilica's Crispin Hall together for fellowship and a meal. All are welcome!

Hat, Scarf and Mitten Tree in Palen Hall

The Christmas tree in Palen Hall needs your decorations – of hats, gloves, mittens, and scarfs for adults and children! This year a special need is warm SOCKS for adult males. Please donate! The Holy Faith Women's Guild has donated women's and children's hats which will go to Casa Familia and adult hats and woolen socks for Fun Cereal Sunday morning in the park sponsored by Interfaith Community Services for our homeless community. Please join this longstanding Holy Faith tradition of sharing the hope of Advent and warmth of Christmas. Please donate through Thursday, December 25.

Stewardship Campaign

Our 2026 Stewardship Campaign "You are the Light of the World" is progressing with 144 pledges totaling \$687,208 for the mission and ministry of Holy Faith. Pledges are gratefully accepted at any time. Pledge cards are available in church. You can also pledge online at <https://holyfaithchurchsf.org/stewardship/>.

Join our Prayer Banner – Let your light shine!

Help us create a "Banner of Light", by writing your prayer on a gold ribbon, located in Palen Hall. Pray that Holy Faith's LIGHT GROWS in commitment, membership, ministry, worship, discipleship, community, hospitality, and Spirit led direction. Help us carry the TORCH to light the world. BE SEEN FOR GOD'S GLORY.

From Your Treasurer

First things first: THANK YOU! Your financial support of our beloved parish the first few weeks of December have been robust. We reported last week that Holy Faith generously responded to news of our shortfall and giving through this week exceeds this time last year! As positive as this news is, we still have a gap to overcome of approximately \$(22,000) and that assumes Holy Faith follows a long-held tradition of giving generously throughout December. Please take this opportunity to honor your pledge for 2025 and to consider an additional gift to support our shared mission to welcome all people into an ever-deepening relationship with Jesus Christ. As always, your Vestry and your treasurer are available if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you!

Charles Rountree

Volunteer Opportunity at Gerard's House

Are you looking to expand your volunteering in 2026. Please consider Gerard's House, who support everyone in our community who is grieving. Their core program service is facilitated support groups in which grief is normalized and supported through interactions with peers and attention and support from caring adult facilitators. Children and youth build trust and express their feelings through group activities that include art, writing, drama, games, free play, group sharing, and memorializing of those they have lost. To learn more about the upcoming volunteer training on January 24th, please visit their website, www.gerardhouse.com.

Faith Family in December

The December Faith Family Lead Disciple is Bonnie Hardwick, bhardwick2@msn.com, (505) 670-3135. What is Faith Family? We are a ministry that provides assistance to parishioners who could use occasional help. Do you need a ride to the doctor, the grocery store or a church service? Or maybe you're in need of a friendly visit! If so, please reach out to the Lead Disciple (see Bonnie's contact info above) as soon as possible! If you would like to join our ministry, contact Fr. Robin, fr.robin@holyfaithchurchsf.org or call the office (505) 982-4447.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The KnitWits will be at it again Thursday evening, January 8, 2026 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Kinsolving room. We'd love to have you join us for knitting, crocheting, cookies, and tea. Questions? Call Allyson (505) 983-0283. Next meeting is February 12.

Save The Date – Women's Quiet Day 2026

The Women's Spirituality Group will present the 11th Annual WOMEN's LENTEN QUIET DAY Megan McKenna, Theologian, Storyteller, and Spiritual Writer, will speak on: 'Women Rising: First Witnesses and Preachers of the Resurrection.' More details to come.

Our Prayers ...

For Birthdays

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life.

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Especially for:

Nathan Salazar - 22
Linda Thomas – 22
Kathy Griffith - 23

Cathy Anderson - 24
Jim Vaughan – 25
Alice McSweeney - 26

Paul D’Arcy – 27
Harvey Monroe - 27

PARISH PRAYER LIST

(as of December 14, 2025)

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please Pray For:

Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury-Designate	Robin, Rector	St. Bede’s
Sean, Presiding Bishop	Simon, Associate Rector	Holy Family
Michael, Diocesan Bishop	Madelynn, Assisting Priest	First Presbyterian Church
	The Vestry and Staff	Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give thine angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for thy love’s sake. Amen.

Within Our Parish Family:

GAIL Allen	LISA Emory	DIRK Mathis	JANET Schreiber
PAT Bailey	TÉRÈSE Fayden	GRANT McDonald	JAMIE Shannon
BARBARA Barlow	KAREN Gahr	JOANNE Morrissey	SUZANNE Spivey
STEVEN Berkshire	IRMA Gutierrez	JOEL Olson	PAULA Steinert
BOB Blackford	CHUCK Ingraham	JULIE ANNE Overton	GEORGE Strebeck
RICHARD Brunson	KRISTAN Kirkpatrick	WES Pacheco	LILLIAN Strebeck
LUCY Carian	JAMES Koch	ANITA Pisa	OTTO Strebeck
JIM Clapp	CLAIRE Kropschot	RUTH Rael	LINDA Thomas
HANK Coleman	WES Lackey	PATRICIA Randolph	ETHAN Watson
ED Colson	DIANA Lautens	JENNIFER Roberts - Carian	SUSAN Weber
JULIE Cresswell	STEPHANIE Lobaugh	MARI Russell	JUDY White
CHRIS Emory	LENA Mann	MARIA Sandoval	KAREN Winter

The Communion of Saints:

John Dieterich (21 December 2019) Peter Castine (22 December 2021) Daniel Masterson (23 December 2024)
Gene Pattison (25 December 2021) John Molanphy (25 December 2022) Harriet Heltman (27 December 2016)
Roy Bidwell (27 December 2023)

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses ... let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.



The Very Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge, *Rector*
The Reverend Simon R. Carian, *Associate Rector*
The Reverend Madelynn Johnston, *Assisting Priest*
Canon Mark Edw. Childers, *Parish Administrator and Director of Liturgy & Music*
Kathlene Ritch, *Youth Choir Director*
Pam Jones, *Volunteer Contact, Family and Children's Ministries*
Elisheva Herrera, *Parish Secretary*
Marcos Castillo, *Facilities Manager*
Rocío Salazar, *Housekeeping*
Virginia Lopez, *Librarian*

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Mike Morrissey, *Senior Warden*
Preston Stone, *Junior Warden*
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