

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

22 December 2024

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

Micah 5:2-5a

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7

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.

Second Reading

Hebrews 10:5-10

When Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

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

The Sequence Hymn

Please stand.

Praise we the Lord this day

Hymnal 267



The Holy Gospel

Luke 1:39-55

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

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

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

The Sermon

Mtr. Madelynn Johnston

The Nicene Creed

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*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

BCP p. 331

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

Veiled in darkness

Words: Douglas Letel Rights
Music: Glenn L. Rudolph (b. 1951)

Veiled in darkness Judah lay, Waiting for the promised day; While across the shadowy night, Streamed a flood of glorious light; Heavenly voices chanting then: 'Peace on earth, goodwill to men.' Still the earth in darkness lies, Up from death's dark vale arise Voices of a world in grief, Prayers of men who seek relief; Now our darkness pierce again, 'Peace on earth, goodwill to men.' Light of light, we humbly pray, Shine upon Thy world today; Break the gloom of our dark night, Fill our souls with love and light, Send thy blessed word again, 'Peace on earth, goodwill to men.'

The Doxology

Please stand.

Hymnal 380 v. 3

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People 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

A Prayer attributed to St. Francis

Please kneel.

People and Celebrant

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is discord, union;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. 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.

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Hymnal 66

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 Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge

Celebrant

The Reverend Madelynn Johnston

Assisting Priest and Preacher

Gail Rachor

Lector

8:30 a.m.

The Reverend Lynn Marie Finnegan
Celebrant

The Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge
Deacon

The Reverend Madelynn Johnston
Preacher

Van Swift
Subdeacon

Paxton Bernard, Silas Bernard, Andrew Noakes, Lynsey Bernard, and Rhonda Black
Acolytes

Mark Everett
Lector

Mark Everett, Kathleen Orozco, and Charles Rountree
Ushers

11:00 a.m.

The Reverend Lynn Marie Finnegan
Celebrant

The Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge
Deacon

The Reverend Madelynn Johnston
Preacher

Pam Jones
Subdeacon

Judith Allison, Van Swift, Alice McSweeney, and Ken Duran
Acolytes

Steven Shore
Lector

Stayton Bonner, Dan Green, Tim Presley, and Rebecca Tobey
Ushers

Marty Buchsbaum
Livestream Ministry

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

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Christmastide 2024

Tuesday, 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)

Wednesday, December 25th

The Nativity of Our Lord: Christmas Day

- 10:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist

Thursday, December 26th

The Feast of Saint Stephen

- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Friday, December 27th

The Feast of Saint John

- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Saturday, December 28th

The Feast of the Holy Innocents

- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

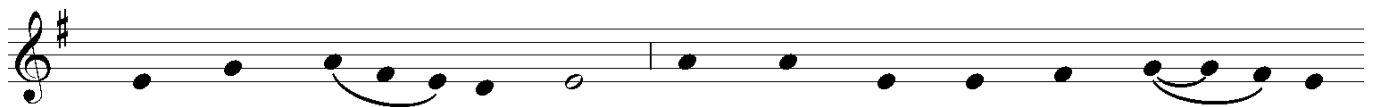
Wednesday, January 1st

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, -

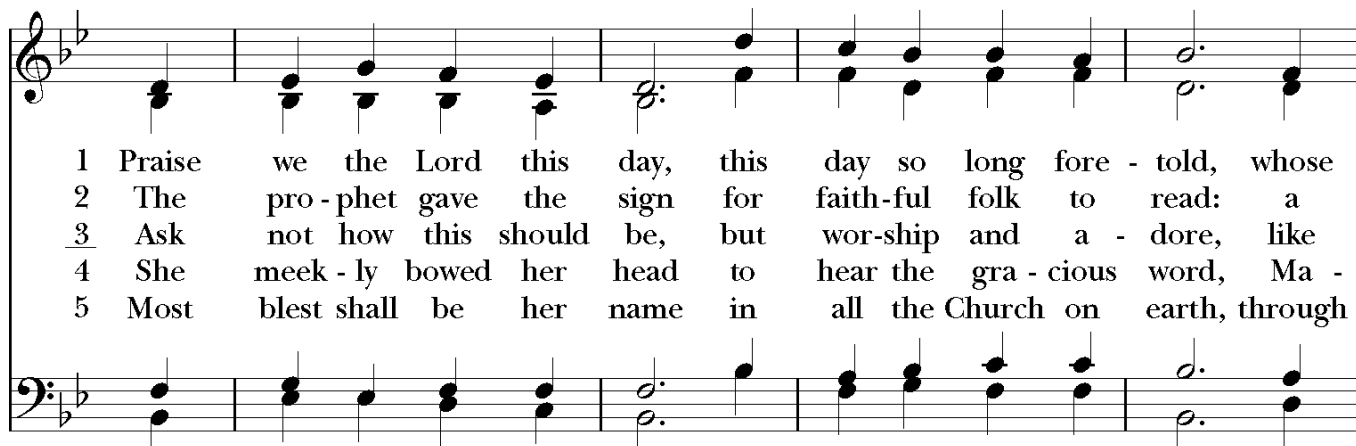
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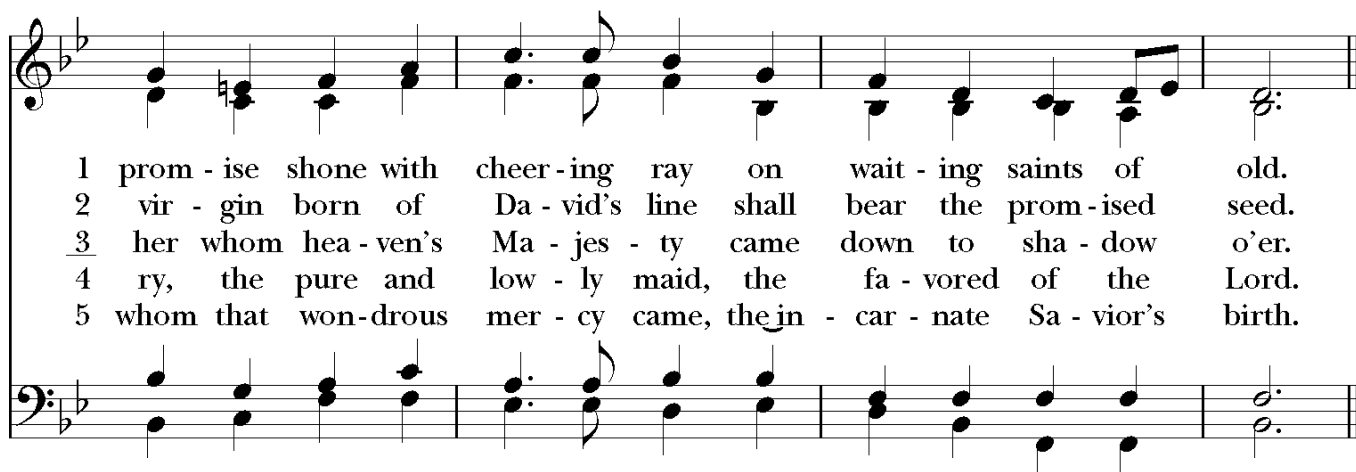
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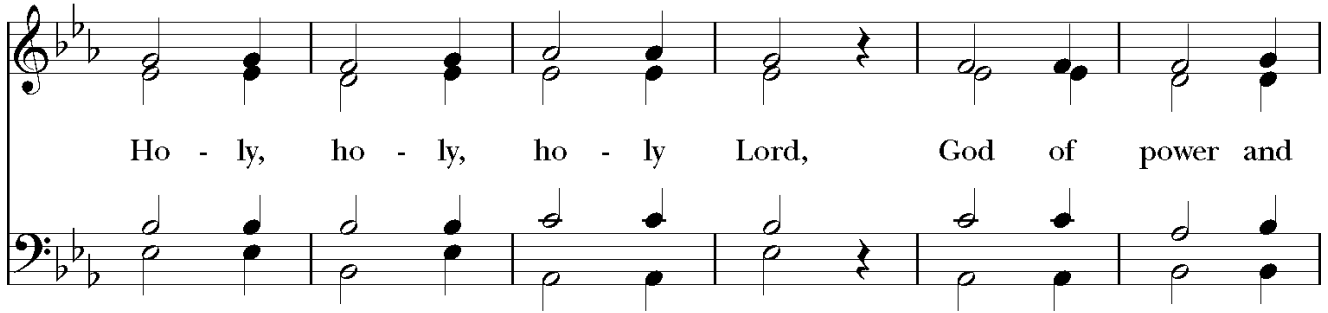
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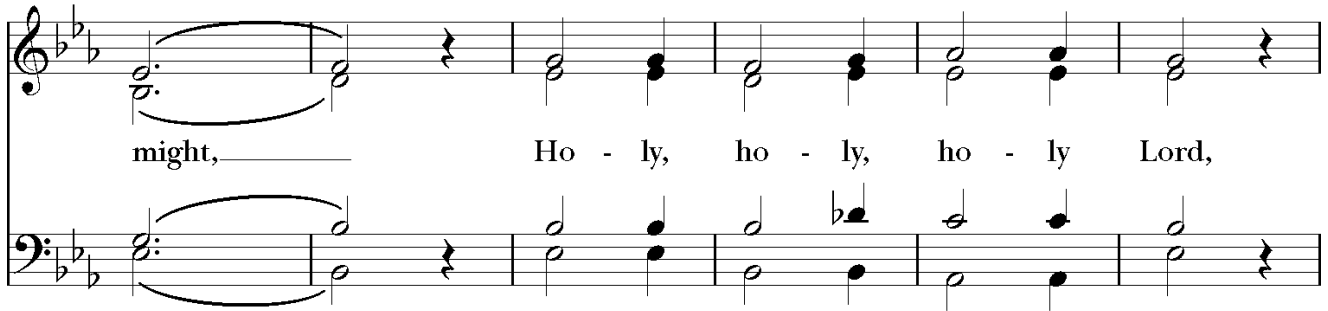
1 Praise we the Lord this day, this day so long fore - told, whose
2 The pro - phet gave the sign for faith - ful folk to read: a
3 Ask not how this should be, but wor - ship and a - dore, like
4 She meek - ly bowed her head to hear the gra - cious word, Ma -
5 Most blest shall be her name in all the Church on earth, through



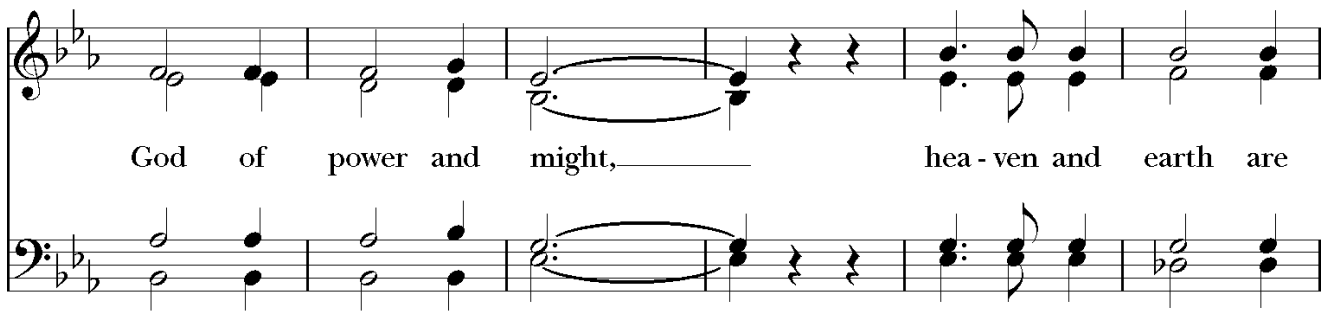
1 prom - ise shone with cheer - ing ray on wait - ing saints of old.
2 vir - gin born of Da - vid's line shall bear the prom - ised seed.
3 her whom hea - ven's Ma - jes - ty came down to sha - dow o'er.
4 ry, the pure and low - ly maid, the fa - vored of the Lord.
5 whom that won - drous mer - cy came, the in - car - nate Sa - vior's birth.



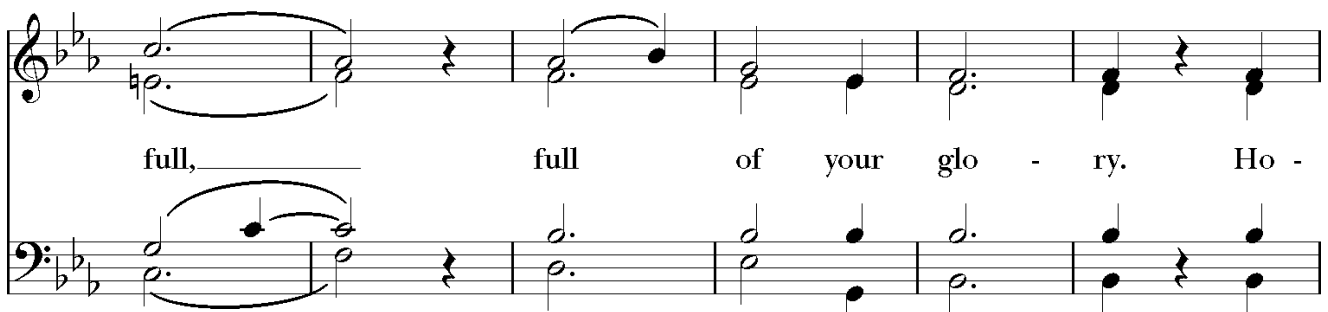
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and



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 -

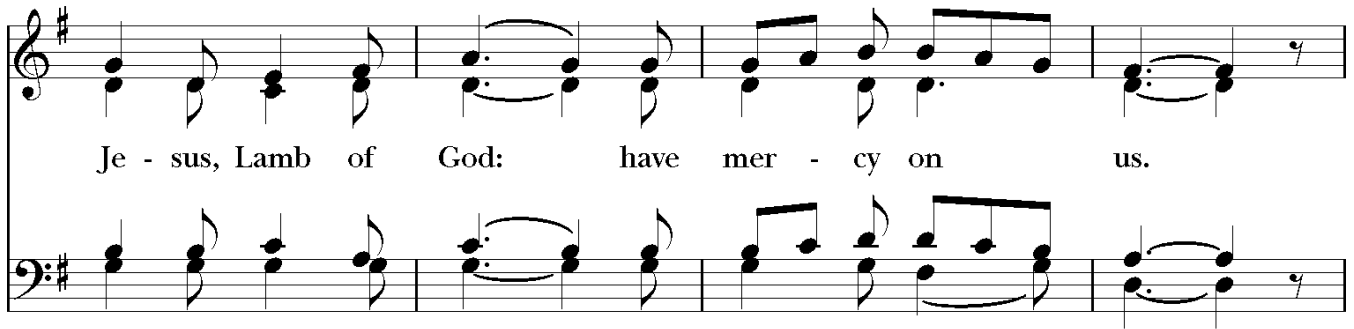


san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

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

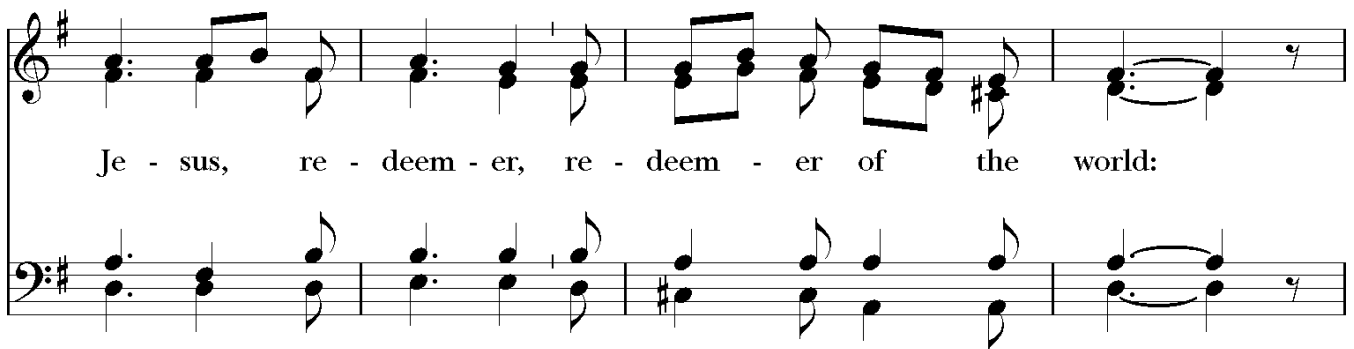
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



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



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



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



give us your peace, give us your peace.

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 Come, thou long - ex - spect-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.

Stewardship Campaign—Results through Dec. 18, 2024

Total Pledged \$726,082

The following summary of total pledges received in 2024 compared to 2025 pledges received through Dec. 18, is provided to assist members of the parish in considering their pledge of financial support for the Church of the Holy Faith in the year ahead.

This report will be presented weekly through the balance of the year.

- To date we have received 156 pledges for 2025 which is 56 fewer than the 212 pledges for 2024.
- Total pledged is \$726,082 for 2025 which is \$196,905 less than the \$922,987 pledged for 2024.
- The average pledge to date for 2025 is \$4,654 which is more than the average pledge in 2024.
- If we get as many pledges as we had in 2024 and those pledges are at the average of what we have received so far, our campaign would generate \$986,706.
- **Imagine our ministries if every member/family made a pledge!**

If you have not returned your pledge, please review the average pledges in each of the six levels and decide where you see yourself pledging in 2025.

Every Sunday when the offerings are presented, we hear the priest say, “All things come of thee, O Lord,” and the people respond, “Of thine own have we given thee.”

The pledge Holy Faith is requesting during this season of stewardship is our commitment to give from what we have been given.

*Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly
or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

— 2 Corinthians 9:7 (New International Version)

STEWARDSHIP REPORT THRU DEC. 18, 2024										
LEVEL	RANGE OF PLEDGES	2024 PLEDGES			2025 PLEDGES TO DATE			2024 v 2025		
		NUMBER OF PLEDGES IN THIS LEVEL	TOTAL PLEDGED IN THIS LEVEL	AVERAGE PLEDGE IN THIS LEVEL	NUMBER OF PLEDGES IN THIS LEVEL	TOTAL PLEDGED IN THIS LEVEL	AVERAGE PLEDGE IN THIS LEVEL	+/- PLEDGES IN THIS LEVEL	+/- TOTAL PLEDGED IN THIS LEVEL	
1	\$ 1 - \$ 999	49	\$ 24,124	\$ 492	28	\$ 14,772	\$ 528	(21)	(9,352)	
2	\$ 1,000 - \$ 1,999	48	\$ 66,540	\$ 1,386	32	\$ 43,260	\$ 1,352	(16)	(23,280)	
3	\$ 2,000 - \$ 2,999	32	\$ 71,078	\$ 2,221	24	\$ 53,860	\$ 2,244	(8)	(17,218)	
4	\$ 3,000 - \$ 4,999	38	\$ 139,775	\$ 3,678	33	\$ 123,244	\$ 3,735	(5)	(16,531)	
5	\$ 5,000 - \$ 9,999	22	\$ 140,070	\$ 6,367	18	\$ 119,432	\$ 6,635	(4)	(20,638)	
6	\$ 10,000 +	23	\$ 481,400	\$ 20,930	21	\$ 371,514	\$ 17,691	(2)	(109,886)	
TOTAL PLEDGES		212	\$ 922,987	\$ 4,354	156	\$ 726,082	\$ 4,654	(56)	(196,905)	

*Please make your pledge this week or as soon as you are able
so the Vestry can adopt a realistic budget
to fund the ministries of Holy Faith for the year ahead.*

Imagine Our Ministries Through Our Generosity in 2025

For it is in giving that we receive.

— From the Prayer Attributed to St. Francis of Assisi

We have three goals for our 2025 Stewardship Campaign—

1. To increase the total number of pledges;
2. An increase in the amount pledged in 2025 by those who pledged this year, as they are able; and
3. That all pledge cards be returned in a timely fashion so the Vestry can adopt a realistic 2025 Budget prior to the Annual Meeting.

How much can we raise?

- If all non-pledgers pledged at the median (the mid-point of all pledges, half above, half below)
Total new revenue \$346,900 + 2024 pledges at \$922.987 = \$1,269,887
- If all non-pledgers pledged at the Level 1 average
Total new revenue \$85,394 + 2024 pledges at \$922.987 = \$1,008,381
- If all non-pledgers pledged at the Level 2 average
Total new revenue \$240,445 + 2024 pledges at \$922.987 = \$1,163,432

My Pledge of Support for 2025

Name _____

Pledge Amount \$ _____ Per () Week () Month () Quarter () Year

Total for Year \$ _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Automatic Credit Card and Electronic Funds Transfer

() I am currently using this option and wish to continue with no change to my account information.

() I am currently using this option BUT I would like to be contacted for updated account information.

Additional comments, questions, or special instructions: _____

Please detach and place in the offering plate, or mail to 311 E. Palace Avenue, Santa Fe, NM 87501.

Thank You! Jim and Patty Vaughan, Stewardship Co-Chairs

This Week at Holy Faith

December 22 – December 29

- 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
10:00 a.m. Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
11:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist Rite I
11:00 a.m. Children’s Chapel
1-3:00 p.m. Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal
- TUESDAY 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
- WEDNESDAY The Nativity of Our Lord, Christmas Day**
10:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist Rite I
- THURSDAY The Feast of Saint Stephen**
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
- FRIDAY The Feast of Saint John**
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
- SATURDAY The Feast of the Holy Innocents**
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
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
11:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist Rite I

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

Clergy Discretionary Funds

Today's loose offering will be directed to the Clergy Discretionary Funds to assist those in need in our community.

Las Posadas Today

We have been invited to participate in the ecumenical Las Posadas celebration at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis today at 12:15 p.m. After our 11:00 Eucharist we will gather inside the Cathedral Basilica for a short reading and reflection. We will then process from the Cathedral Basilica to Guadalupe Plaza, next to Crispin Hall, where we will see if we can find lodging for Joseph and Mary, the expectant mother of our Lord. After prayer we will enjoy a meal and the traditional gift exchange among clergy in Crispin Hall.

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! After Christmas, these items will be shared with the guests at the Interfaith Community Shelter and Casa Familia. Please join this longstanding Holy Faith tradition of sharing the hope of Advent and warmth of Christmas. Please donate through Wednesday, December 25.

Parish Office Closure

The parish office closes at noon on December 24, and is closed all day on December 25 and 26.

Thank You, Holy Faith

Stewardship Campaign Update

We thank the 156 parishioners who have already pledged for 2025, totaling \$726,082. For those of you still wanting to pledge, pledge cards are gratefully received by mail to the parish office. If you did not receive a pledge card, please contact the parish office at 982-4447 or make your pledge online by going to <https://holyfaithchurchsf.org/stewardship/>. We ask that you prayerfully consider supporting the mission and ministry of Holy Faith in the coming year.

2024 Year-End Giving Statements

Year-end giving is welcome and encouraged at The Church of the Holy Faith! All contributions for 2024 must be postmarked (or dropped off in the parish office) by December 31. Contributions received after that date will be posted to the 2025 calendar year. 2024 year-end giving statements will be sent out in late January. If you are unsure of how much you have given toward your 2024 pledge, please contact Donna in the parish office at donna@holyfaithchurchsf.org.

10th annual Women's Quiet Day:

Elements of Mystery: Holy in Ordinary

featuring Deborah Smith Douglas on Saturday, Feb. 8, 2025

It will be held from the hours of 8:30-4:00 and will provide a continental breakfast and light lunch.

Registration begins on Monday, December 16, and closes on Friday, January 31. Please register with the Holy Faith Parish Office at 505-982-4447 or donna@holyfaithchurchsf.org. This quiet day will explore the riches of Scripture, theology, art, poetry, and history around and behind the foundational “gifts and creatures” of the Sacraments: water and light, salt and oil, bread and wine. All these elements are simultaneously deeply mysterious, beautiful, powerful— and common to daily life all over the world since ancient times.

Are We a Welcoming Church?

A message from Mtr. Lynn

I hope you answered “YES”! What is also true is that many of you have (very) old photos (or NO photos) in our Parish Directory. I know firsthand how helpful the Directory is, especially for newcomers, to match names and faces. Please take just a few moments this Advent season to send a new photo to the parish office (donna@holyfaithchurchsf.org). I also love to take photos! If it will help, I will be happy to take your picture any Sunday between or after the services.

2025 Parish Photo Directories

We are compiling the 2025 Parish Directory and encourage you to notify the parish office if you have any updates to your contact information, wish to submit a photo, or you have special instructions regarding your entry in the parish directory. **The deadline for directory updates is December 31.** If you have questions, please contact donna@holyfaithchurchsf.org. Directories will be distributed at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 26.

Annual Meeting Ministry Reports

The annual meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 26, at 4 p.m. All parish ministry reports for 2024 are due by Friday, **January 17**. Please submit reports to the parish office or via email to donna@holyfaithchurchsf.org. Contact Donna with any questions or if you need assistance.

A Call for Vestry Candidates

Holy Faith’s Vestry attends to all business matters of the parish and are representatives of the parish in all matters concerning its corporate property and the relations of the parish to its Clergy and to the Diocese. Members of the Vestry must be confirmed or received within The Episcopal Church and communicants of the parish in good standing. They serve for a term of three (3) years. Vestry members are expected to attend regular Vestry meetings (usually held on the fourth Thursday of each month), participate in Vestry retreats, and be active in attending and supporting parish functions. If you feel called to serve in this vital role, please contact Fr. Robin with your interest before December 31. Fr. Robin can be reached at 982-4447, ext. 101 or at fr.robin@holyfaithchurchsf.org.

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:

Linda Thomas – 22

Kathy Griffith – 23

Cathy Anderson – 24

Jim Vaughan – 25

Alice McSweeney – 26

Harvey Monroe – 27

For Anniversaries:

Denzler & Richard Cassidy – 24

PARISH PRAYER LIST

(as of December 22, 2024)

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:

Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury	Robin, Rector	St. Bede's
Sean, Presiding Bishop	Lynn, Associate Rector	Holy Family
Michael, Diocesan Bishop	Madelynn, Assisting Priest	First Presbyterian Church
	The Vestry	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:

NORMAN Airey	CHARLES Chambers	NAN Lowerre	PATRICIA Randolph
GAIL Allen	JIM Clapp	DANIEL Masterson	MARI Russell
PAT Bailey	RUTH D'Arcy	DIRK Mathis	JANET Schreiber
BARBARA Barlow	CHRIS Emory	LANGDON (Skip) McAninch	JAMIE Shannon
NORMA Bekowies	LISA Emory	GARY Moran	SHAW
STEVEN Berkshire	TÉRÈSE Fayden	JOANNE Morrissey	ROBERT Shay
ASHER Bernard	CLARKE Fountain	LINDA Morsman	KAY Swindell
SILAS Bernard	CHA Foxhall	JOEL Olson	ETHAN Watson
DAPHNE Blue	IRMA Gutierrez	JULIE ANNE Overton	SUSAN Weber
RICHARD Brunson	CHUCK Ingraham	WES Pacheco	DANIEL Weiser
MARTY Buchsbaum	JAMES Koch	MARCUS Parker	KAREN Winter
DAVE Caldwell	WES Lackey	RUTH Rael	

The Faithful Departed: parishioner Jim Langley. *May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

The Communion of Saints: Peter Castine (22 Dec. 2021); Gene Pattison (25 Dec. 2021); John Molanphy (25 Dec. 2022); Harriet Heltman (27 Dec. 2016); Roy Bidwell (27 Dec. 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.



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The Reverend Canon Robin D. Dodge, *Rector*
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Sarah Stone, *Coordinator, Family and Children's Ministries*
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Marcos Castillo, *Facilities Manager*
Rocío Salazar, *Housekeeping*
Virginia Lopez, *Librarian*

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