



CHRISTMAS EVE

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

DECEMBER 24, 2024
5:30PM

WELCOME TO ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcome to worship as we express praise and thanks to God for the gift of Christ.

We know that following the beautiful and ancient worship of the Episcopal Church is not always easy for those unfamiliar with the Anglican tradition. Please do not feel obligated to do anything but to enjoy the service reverently and expectantly.

At the time of Holy Communion, *all baptized Christians* are welcome to receive the sacrament, regardless of age or denomination. Ushers will direct you.

We invite newcomers to fill out a Connect card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a member of the clergy. You can also scan the QR code on the back of this bulletin.

Nursery and childcare is available for 8-week-old infants through 5-year-olds. Please ask an usher for assistance.

We are grateful for your presence.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Following our annual tradition to support our neighbors at Christmastime, St. George's Vestry has approved the disbursement of this year's Christmas offering for two initiatives responding to critical needs in our community: **The Cookery** and **B.E. Academy for Girls**. Each organization supports the dignity of others with generosity and care. The Cookery, a division of Lambcroft Ministries, is a café, caterer, and event space that employs, houses, and trains men in culinary arts with the hopes of breaking the cycle of addiction and poverty. B.E. Academy is an educational initiative through Olive Branch Church in southeast Nashville that provides safe and high-quality education to girls in grades six through eight, with a plan to add ninth grade in the fall of 2025.

To make a contribution to the Christmas Offering, please use the offering envelopes in the pews or include "Christmas Offering" in the memo line. You may also give online at stgeorgesnashville.org or by texting "George Christmas" to 73256. *Message and data rates may apply.*

Thank you in advance for your generous participation in this offering, and may God bless you in this Christmas season.

On the cover:

The Adoration

Designed by Sir E. Burne-Jones

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On display in the Gathering Space, St. George's Episcopal Church, Nashville

The people's responses are in bold.

OPENING VOLUNTARIES

Ding dong! Merrily on high
Greensleeves
Noel (Grand Jeu et Duo)
Minuet on THE HOLLY AND THE IVY and THE CHERRY TREE CAROL
The Holy Boy
In Dulci Jubilo
Offertoire sur Deux Noels
Pastorale GESU BAMBINO
In the Bleak Midwinter

Christopher Tambling
Ralph Vaughan Williams
Louis-Claude Daquin
Alec Rowley
John Ireland
Robin Milford
Alexandre Guilmant
Peitro A. Yon
Malcolm Archer

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please stand, as you are able.

CHRISTMAS PRAYER

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 213

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN • 83 vv. 1–3, 6 O come, all ye faithful

ADESTE FIDELES

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| 1. O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come, and behold him, born the King of angels;
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord. | 3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
Glory to God, glory in the highest;
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord. |
| 2. God from God, Light from Light eternal,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Only begotten Son of the Father;
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord. | 6. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory given;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord. |

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP, p. 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.**

SONG OF PRAISE Angels we have heard on high

(Hymn 96 vv. 1 and 3) GLORIA

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| 1. Angels we have heard on high,
Singing sweetly through the night,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their brave delight.
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo.</i>
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo.</i> | 3. Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo.</i>
<i>Gloria in excelsis Deo.</i> |
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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains
 are the feet of the messenger who announces peace,
 who brings good news, who announces salvation,
 who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."
 Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices,
 together they sing for joy;
 for in plain sight they see
 the return of the Lord to Zion.
 Break forth together into singing,
 you ruins of Jerusalem;
 for the Lord has comforted his people,
 he has redeemed Jerusalem.
 The Lord has bared his holy arm
 before the eyes of all the nations;
 and all the ends of the earth shall see
 the salvation of our God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 98 *Sung by the choir.*

Sing to the Lord a new song,
 for he has done marvelous things.
 With his right hand and his holy arm
 has he won for himself the victory.
 The Lord has made known his victory;
 his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,
 and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;
 lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
 Sing to the Lord with the harp,
 with the harp and the voice of song.
 With trumpets and the sound of the horn
 shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it,
 the lands and those who dwell therein.
 Let the rivers clap their hands,
 and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
 when he comes to judge the earth.
 In righteousness shall he judge the world
 and the peoples with equity.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be his Father, and he will be my Son"? And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him." Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his servants flames of fire."

But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions." And, "In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able.

HYMN • 78 vv. 1-3, 5 O little town of Bethlehem

FOREST GREEN

1. O little town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by;
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight.

3. How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear his coming,
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive him,
Still the dear Christ enters in.

2. For Christ is born of Mary;
And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth!
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth.

5. O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in,
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:1-14

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. J. Malone Gilliam

Please stand, as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

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Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

BCP, p. 360

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please be seated.

THE OFFERTORY

A Babe is born

William Mathias

Choristers of St. George's, Chorister Graduates, & Lay Clerks

A Babe is born all of a may to bring salvation unto us.
To him we sing both night and day: *Veni Creator Spiritus* [Come, Creator Spirit].

At Bethlehem, that blessed place, the Child of bliss now born he was;
And him to serve God give us grace: *O lux beata Trinitas* [O light of the blessed Trinity].

There came three kings out of the East, to worship the King that is so free,
With gold and myrrh and frankincense: *A solis ortus cardine* [From the place of the sun's rising].

The angels came down with one cry, a fair song that night sung they
In worship of that Child: *Gloria tibi, Domine* [Glory to you, Lord].

Torches

John Joubert

Choristers of St. George's, Chorister Graduates, & Lay Clerks

Torches, torches, run with torches
All the way to Bethlehem!
Christ is born and now lies sleeping;
Come and sing your song to him!

Ah, *Roro* [Baby], *Roro*, my Baby,
Ah, *Roro*, my love, *Roro*;
Sleep you well, my heart's own darling,
While we sing you our '*rorro* [ie., *arrorró*; lullaby].

Torches, torches, run with torches
All the way to Bethlehem!
Christ is born and now lies sleeping;
Come and sing your song to him!

Sing, my friends, and make you merry,
Joy and mirth and joy again;
Lo, he lives, the King of heaven,
Now and evermore. Amen.

Please stand, as you are able.

AT THE PRESENTATION Joy to the world! the Lord is come

(Hymn 100 v. 1) ANTIOCH

Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer B*

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The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy

(Hymnal S128) Mathias

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

Please kneel or remain standing, as you are able.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

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 FRACTION ANTHEM

BCP, p. 364

Christ our Passover

(Hymnal S152) Mertens

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

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

NOTES ON RECEIVING COMMUNION All baptized Christians are invited to receive the sacrament, regardless of age or denomination. Those who have not been baptized are welcome to a blessing—indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. If desired, you may intinct (dip) your wafer at the altar rail or have the LEM intinct it for you. Gluten-free wafers are available at the side station.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

In the bleak midwinter

Gustav Holst

Choristers of St. George's, Chorister Graduates, & Lay Clerks

In the bleak midwinter frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,
In the bleak midwinter, long ago.

Our God, heav'n cannot hold him nor earth sustain;
Heav'n and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign:
In the bleak midwinter a stable-place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty—Jesus Christ.

Enough for him, whom cherubim worship night and day,
A breastful of milk and a mangerful of hay;
Enough for him, whom angels fall down before,
The ox and ass and camel which adore.

Angels and archangels may have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;
But only his mother in her maiden bliss
Worshipped the Beloved with a kiss.

What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb,
If I were a wise man, I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give him—give my heart.

The holly and the ivy

H. Walford Davies

Choristers of St. George's, Chorister Graduates, & Lay Clerks

The holly and the ivy, when they are both full grown,
Of all the trees that are in the wood, the holly bears the crown.

O, the rising of the sun and the running of the deer,
The playing of the merry organ, sweet singing in the choir.

The holly bears a blossom as white as any flower;
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ to be our sweet Savior.

The holly bears a berry as red as any blood;
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ to do poor sinners good.

The holly bears a prickle as sharp as any thorn;
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ on Christmas Day in the morn.

The holly bears a bark as bitter as any gall;
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ for to redeem us all.

Shepherds, called by angels, called by love and angels:
No place for them but a stable. My Lord has come.

Sages, searching for stars, searching for love in heaven;
No place for them but a stable. My Lord has come.

His love will hold me, his love will cherish me, love will cradle me.
Lead me, lead me to see him, sages and shepherds and angels;
No place for me but a stable. My Lord has come.

HYMN • 115 What child is this, who laid to rest

GREENSLEEVES

1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping;
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring him laud,
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

2. Why lies he in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.

3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh,
Come, peasant, king, to own him;
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts enthrone him.

HYMN • 101 Away in a manger, no crib for his bed

CRADLE SONG

1. Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

2. The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,
And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

3. Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay
Close by me for ever, and love me I pray.
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

Please kneel, as you are able.

Let us pray.

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.

Please remain kneeling, as you are able.

HYMN • 111 Silent night, holy night

STILLE NACHT

1. Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and Child,
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace. Sleep in heavenly peace.
2. Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!
3. Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus Lord, at thy birth. Jesus Lord, at thy birth.

THE BLESSING

The Book of Occasional Services, p. 11

May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness. **Amen.**

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel. **Amen.**

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor. **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.**

Please stand, as you are able.

1. Hark! the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim Christ is born in Bethlehem!
Hark! the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!
2. Christ, by highest heaven adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord;
Late in time behold him come, offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the incarnate Deity.
Pleased as man with us to dwell; Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark! the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!
3. Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,
Born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Risen with healing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness! hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hark! the herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 366

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

CLOSING VOLUNTARY *In Dulci Jubilo, BWV 729*

J.S. Bach

WORSHIP NOTES

Clergy The Rev. Colin Ambrose, celebrant; the Rev. J. Malone Gilliam, preacher; the Rev. Margery Kennelly; the Ven. Dr. Martin Odidi; and the Rev. Sarah Puryear

Verger Frank Puryear

Acolytes Mary Moulton Ward, Mac Callen, Morgan Walker, and Alice Anne St. Pierre

Lectors David Moroney and Whitney St. Pierre

Lay Eucharistic Ministers Kim Baker, Walter Choate, Lisa Dordal, Eric Grasman, Jeff Overby, and David Silvester

The flowers in the Jane Tompkins Weeks Chapel today are given to the Glory of God.

The flowers today in the Nave are given to the Glory of God and for the following:

In Loving Memory of

Our Mothers & Fathers	William Hudson Coombs	Kenneth Lee Hendrix
Our Parents & Grandparents	Robert Newman Covington	Donna Henson
Bettye & John Abernathy	Dan Hugh Cox	Randal Henson
John Clark Adams	Edward Nelson Cox, Jr.	Mr. & Mrs. R.D. Herbert III
Monica Joy Bramblett Adams	Elizabeth M. Cox	Sue Ellenburg Hight
Marie & John Aden	Jackson Bramblett Cox	Lowell & Virginia Hill
Dilly Allen	Janis Langley Cox	Pegine Hill
Harry Allen, Sr.	Barbara Donnell Craig	Edward Dowling Hillard
Richard Allen	Polly Nelson Craig	Rose Durham Hobson
Frances Hill Ambrose	Wade M. Craig, Jr.	Polly Craig Hogan
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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Essentials: The Gospel of Luke Join us as we go deep into the structure, theology, and practical significance of Luke's gospel. Luke's portrayal of Jesus is remarkable in that it reveals the parabolic teachings of Jesus and his unyielding attention to the sick, the poor, and the brokenhearted. We discover the rich compassion Jesus has on our human condition of fragility and brokenness. Sign up now for this exciting new study coming in January. Small groups will gather for 10 sessions—in person or online. Details at stgeorgesnashville.org/essentials.

Demystifying the Trinity Do you ever feel like our affirmation of God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is hard to grasp? Confusing? Maybe not even necessary? St. George's former Senior Associate Rector and author Tim Jones has explored such questions for decades. He has made some exciting discoveries about how much difference this ancient Christian belief can make, bringing to our praying a new vitality and bringing answers to our deepest questions about being loved. Please join us for this special 3-part class on Sundays, January 5-19 at 10:05am in Johnson Hall.

Prayer and Presence: A Service of Healing and Restoration Join us for a relaxed and restful time together in the presence of God. We will begin with a short time of singing, Scripture reading, and reflection, followed by an extended time to receive prayer from prayer ministers or to remain in quiet contemplation. We typically gather the first Wednesday of every month from 7:00 to 8:00pm in Chapel. Please note that our next service will be Wednesday, January 8.

Church in the Yard We're always looking for volunteers for our ongoing partnership with Church in the Yard on the second Sunday of the month. Volunteers are needed to prepare food Saturday mornings and/or to set up worship and serve the meal on Sunday afternoon at Church of the Holy Trinity (615 6th Ave. S). In January, we'll have to opportunities to serve our neighbors: January 11 and 12, and again on January 25 and 26. Sign up online at stgeorgesnashville.org/outreach.

Pray Like a Saint: Women's Overnight Retreat After our meaningful Advent retreat together, the women of the church look forward to another gathering in the new year on January 10 and 11. Come as Hildegard of Bingen (1098) and Julian of Norwich (1342) welcome us into ways of prayer that enliven our imagination, offer hope for life in 2025, and confirm that we are deeply loved. This restful overnight retreat will include opportunity for delightful conversation and fellowship at beautifully

renovated Montgomery Bell State Park. Learn more about our guest speaker, Sharon Cottingham, and reserve your place at stgeorgesnashville.org/women. Space is limited.

Choral Evensong The service of Choral Evensong is a conversation already in progress—an intimate moment between God and his people. In it, we are invited to reflect on texts from the Bible as our souls are stirred up in musical worship with praise and thanksgiving. Our next service is Sunday, January 12 at 5:00pm in the Nave, and we hope you will join us for this special time of music and prayer.

Bradford Gallery Art Exhibit: Made Flesh At the center of our story is God who became flesh to give his life for the life of the world. Our new exhibit opening in January explores how that act invites us to cherish our sensory experience. Guest Curator Jered Sprecher has assembled five visual artists whose work focuses on the significance of our embodied encounter with the world around us. The work is varied and beautiful, and it opens our eyes to the preciousness of what we might take for granted or overlook altogether. You are invited to view this exciting new exhibit at our Opening Reception on Friday, January 17 at 5:30pm.

Newcomer Gathering Interested in learning more about St. George's? You are invited to our next Newcomer Gathering on Sunday, January 19. Newcomers will have the opportunity to meet clergy, parishioners, and other newcomers during an informal gathering at 10:05am in the church library.

Compline Stemming from monastic practice, compline is the last service of the day before bedtime. From the same root as the word "complete," compline marks the beginning of a time of silence—from the end of the service lasting until morning. This brief and beautiful service on Sunday, January 19 at 6:00pm is set in a darkened church and sung by a small men's choir. We invite you to remain in this quiet, holy space as long as you wish after the service, departing in silence.

Mozart Birthday Concert Mozart has delighted the world with his music for generations, and we are pleased to host Nashville's Roger Wiesmeyer and friends for an annual celebration of the prolific composer's birthday on Friday, January 24 at 12:00pm. This year's program will also feature Dr. Woosug Kang performing *Fantasia in F minor*, K. 608, an unusual work originally written for a musical clock. This program is free, but any donations collected will be donated to a local nonprofit agency serving the Nashville community.

The Spirituality of Habit: An Evening with Justin Whitmel Earley Justin Whitmel Earley, author of *The Common Rule* and *Habits of the Household*, will be joining us for a special evening event. These books framed two of our fall Sunday school classes at St. George's, and we are thrilled to welcome him for this follow-up event to continue the conversations about healthy habits and meaningful connection. RSVP online for this free evening of connection and conversation on Thursday, January 30, from 5:30 to 7:00pm in Legacy Hall. Learn more at stgeorgesnashville.org/news.

Journey of Hope Anyone who has experienced a deep loss of any kind is invited to participate in this 6-week series led by a licensed professional counselor specializing in grief and trauma. Our next series will take place Thursdays, February 6–March 13 at 9:30am. Attendees will develop tools to process grief in a safe and loving Christian environment. Please contact Robin Puryear at robin.puryear@stgeorgesnashville.org or 615-385-2150 x 247 to learn more or join the class.

Music from Andrew Peterson The Rabbit Room's Andrew Peterson returns to guide us in a creative reflection of "Made Flesh," the curated visual art exhibit in the Bradford Gallery coming in January. Save the date for this exciting evening on Wednesday, February 19. Come at 5:30pm to view the exhibit in the gallery, then move into Legacy Hall at 6:00pm for an evening of story and song from our guest presenter. RSVP details coming soon.

Walk the Camino: The Portuguese Way Becoming a pilgrim in this ancient tradition frames the days outdoors—rain or shine—at an unhurried pace. Led by the Revs. Jason and Rebecca Terhune, this pilgrimage from Porto, Portugal, to Santiago, Spain, will provide extended time and space for reflection and conversation. It is also a marvelous cultural experience featuring delicious local food and wine, and an opportunity to get to know other pilgrims traveling The Way together. Once again, our fabulous team from Insider Travel have arranged wonderful dinners and accommodation. Pilgrims are expected to walk about 9.5 miles each day for seven consecutive days. Our pilgrimage will take place Monday, September 15–Thursday, September 25, and registration details can be found online at stgeorgesnashville.org/camino. Questions? Contact the Rev. Jason Terhune at jason.terhune@stgeorgesnashville.org or 615-385-2150 x 215.

Prime Time Speakers Series This popular speaker series is created for seniors but open to all. We're delighted to welcome our own Malone Gilliam as the guest speaker



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PRACTICING THE "ONE ANOTHERS"

"Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for 'God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.'" (1 Peter 5:5)

This week's reflection is from Bob Schwartz: Peter's words address humility and its archenemy: pride. Seeing too much pride and too little humility, Peter reminded young Christians to embrace humility in order to harmonize with God.

Invitation: What specific ways can you show more humility toward others on a daily basis? Can you develop one habit of humility toward others this season?

Read the full reflection online at stgeorgesnashville.org/friendship.

Travelogue of the Trans-Pecos & Big Bend." Join us Thursday, January 16 at 11:30am in Hampton Hall. Please register and pay online for the \$12 lunch at stgeorgesnashville.org/seniors or call 615-385-2150 x 262.

Wellness As our bodies age, we can proactively engage in practices that build strength, flexibility, balance, cognition, and overall wellness. Mary Gilliam leads several classes for all ages and abilities. Each week, she offers tai chi, gentle yoga, yoga flow, and seated exercise. Classes are free or for a \$5 donation. Details at stgeorgesnashville.org/wellness.



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7:30, 8:45, and 11:00am | Holy Eucharist
9:00am | The Table
5:00pm | Evening Prayer & Holy Eucharist

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7:00am Monday - Saturday | Daily Worship
10:00am Wednesday | Healing Prayer



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