

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 1, 2024

11:00 AM



ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



SAN MIGUEL Y ^{TODO}LOS ^{ÁNGELES}

IGLESIA EPISCOPAL

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL'S!

WE MANIFEST JOY through vibrant worship, beautiful music, and the active participation and nurturing of our children and youth.

WE EMBRACE RESILIENCE by learning each other's stories, proclaiming the Good News of God's unconditional love, and strengthening our capacity to hope.

WE SEEK JUSTICE by advocating for political change, continuing our work as an Immigrant Welcoming Congregation, and striving to understand our role in social, economic, and racial inequality.

WE LIVE IN LOVE through our Baptismal Promises to welcome and respect the dignity of every human being, care for God's creation, and engage in the ministry of Jesus to bring light, healing, and grace to our world.

We are grounded in the Episcopal Church tradition, expressed from the creative perspective of our community. We are learning how to live into the bilingual and multicultural diversity of our congregation, and seeking silence and stillness to glean insight from the Holy Spirit among us.

Episcopal worship gathers the hearts and prayers of everyone present and involves call and response between the leader and the assembly. You'll find the responses of the community here, in bold type, marked "People."

Children are welcome here, voices and wiggles and all! The very young (infants to five years) are invited to play in our childcare room on the lower level, though some children prefer to remain in worship with their families. Early in the service, school-age children (generally, grades K-5) will be invited downstairs for their Liturgy of the Word, and they return to the gathered community before Communion. Also, coloring and reading books for children are located at the back of the church.

We'd love to know more about you! Please fill out a welcome card from the pew, place it in the offering plate when it comes by, and we'll be in touch to get to know you. You may also email us using the addresses listed below.

Thank you for coming together!

St. Michael & All Angels, located in Multnomah County, rests on the traditional homelands of the Multnomah, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Molalla, Tumwater, Watlala bands of the Chinook, the Tualatin Kalapuya, and many other indigenous nations of the Columbia River. We acknowledge the ancestors of this place and understand that we are here because of the sacrifices forced upon them. By recognizing these communities, we honor their legacy, their lives, and their descendants.

St Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church acknowledges the gifts of sacred music written by African Americans, indigenous peoples and all people of color. This music enriches our liturgies, and we are grateful for these musicians. Music of oppressed cultures has been appropriated by the dominant culture without an appreciation of the pain and suffering experienced by its creators. We repent and commit to the work of racial justice and ending racism.

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THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Lost in the Night

Dale Wood
(1934-2003)

Please be seated

A WORD OF WELCOME

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS AND MILESTONES

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 lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand as able

HYMN 66

Come, thou long-expected Jesus

Stuttgart

1 Come, thou long - ex - pected 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.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88)

Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715;
adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

GREETING

Presider Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People You come to your people and set them free.

KYRIE

Heritage Mass



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



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

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COLLECT

A New Zealand Prayer Book

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray together.

God of justice and peace, from the heavens you rain down mercy and kindness. Raise our heads in expectation, so that we may yearn for the coming day of the Lord and stand without blame before your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

School-age children are invited to the Children's Liturgy of the Word to hear stories about the Good News of God's love. Children return to their families at the Peace.

Please be seated

SCRIPTURE

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 (Common English Bible)

Lector A reading from First Thessalonians.

Paul expresses gratitude for the faith of the Thessalonians and a longing to see them strengthen their faith, praying that their love may abound and their hearts be strengthened in holiness.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

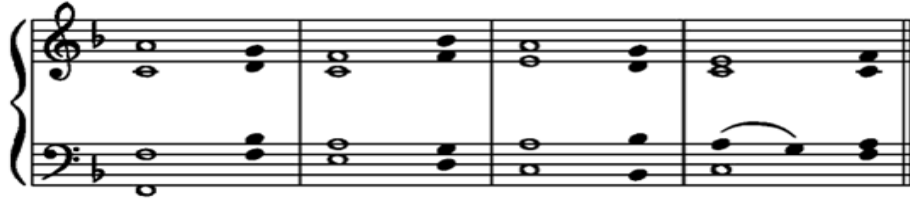
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able

THE PSALM

Psalm 25:1-9

Simplified Anglican chant by Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945)



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- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my / **trust in you**; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph / **over me**.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to / **shame**; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their / **schemes**.
- 3 Show me your ways, O / **LORD**, *
and teach me your / **paths**.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and / **teach me**, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day / **long**.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and / **love**, *
for they are from ever-/-**lasting**.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my trans-/-**gressions**; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O / **LORD**.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the / **LORD**; *
therefore the Lord teaches sinners in God's / **way**.
- 8 The Lord guides the humble in doing / **right** *
and teaches God's way to the / **lowly**.
- †9 All the paths of the LORD are love and / **faithfulness** *
to those who keep the Lord's covenant and / **testimonies**.

GOSPEL

Luke 21:25-36 (Common English Bible)

The Deacon or Priest says

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus describes cosmic signs preceding the return of the Son of Man, calling for vigilance and hope in the face of tribulation, and urging disciples to stay alert and prayerful, ready to stand before the Son of Man.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated

SERMON

Please observe a moment of quiet reflection

Please stand as able

THE CREED

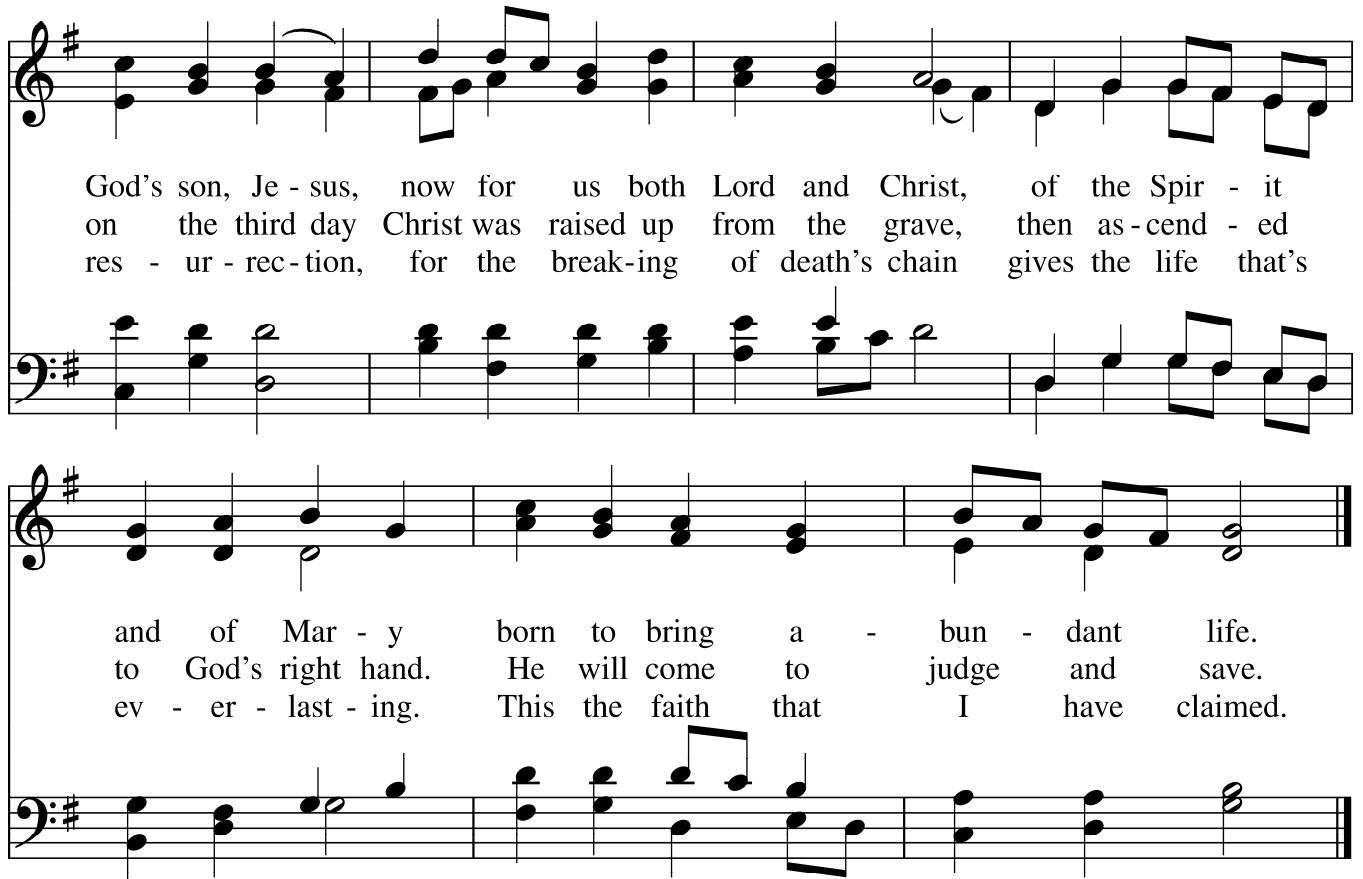
Arfon

Please sing together

1. I be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all
2. I be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and
3. I be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the

things that be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens,
cru - ci - fied; tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied—
saints with - in one church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly,

Keep - er of the sky and sea. I be - lieve in
True Life there had tru - ly died. I be - lieve that
where for - give - ness frees from sin; in the bod - y's



God's son, Je - sus, now for us both Lord and Christ, of the Spir - it
on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed
res - ur - rec - tion, for the break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's

and of Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.
to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.
ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993). Music: *Arfon* (Major), Welsh hymn melody, harm. Carlton R. Young.

Please remain standing as able

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Deacon or Priest says

Let us pray for the Church and the world.

The Leader and People pray responsively

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. In your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. In your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may work to renew all life and share the abundance of the earth in service to one another, and to your honor and glory. In your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. In your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We especially pray for all on our prayer list and those we name in our hearts or with our voices.

Pause for the offering of additional prayers.

In your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Pause for the offering of additional prayers.

In your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

The Presider says

O God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all in need of help; for you are gracious, lover of souls, and to you we give thanks, now and for ever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION

The Presider says

In the midst of this new season of waiting, we confess to God:

People We have resisted the light of your love; we have not fully shared the gifts entrusted to us; and we have not treasured the gifts of others around us. We stand in need of your love.

Holy Parent, make us holy.

Holy Child, make us holy.

Holy Spirit, make us holy.

Holy God, make us whole. Amen.

Presider God forgives you and loves you, and invites you to continue freely on your way.

THE PEACE

The Presider says

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please greet each other with a sign of peace

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

The Presider says the Offertory Bidding

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to God.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Heavenly Aeroplane

John Rutter
(b. 1945)

One of these nights about twelve o'clock
The old world's goin' to reel and rock,
The sinners goin' to tremble and cry for pain
And the Lord will come in his aeroplane.

Refrain

Oh ye thirsty of ev'ry tribe
Get your ticket for an aeroplane ride,
Jesus our Savior is a-coming to reign
And take you up to glory in His aeroplane.

Talk about your joyrides in automobiles,
Talk about your fast time on your motor wheels,
We'll break all records as we upward fly
For an aeroplane joyride thru the sky. *Refrain*

You will have to get ready if you take this ride,
Quit all your sins and humble your pride,
You must furnish a lamp both bright and clean
And a vessel of oil to run the machine, *Refrain*

When our journey is over and we'll all sit down
At the marriage supper with a golden crown;
We'll blend our voices with the heav'nly throng
And praise our Savior as the years roll on. *Refrain*

Text: Anonymous American (c. 1935)

Please stand as able

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

From the Church in South India

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to God.

Presider Let us give thanks to our Creator.

People It is right to offer thanks and praise.

The Presider continues

Truly it is right and good to glorify you at all times and in all places, by offering you our thanksgiving, O God, holy Parent. You spoke and the light shattered darkness, order arose from confusion. You breathed into the dust of the earth and we were formed in your image. Through your Son Jesus you came to us while we yet wandered. He met us as a refugee, a threatened child. He called us to leave what is comfortable to be disciples, friends and partners.

With outstretched arms on the cross, Jesus bore our sins; and by his resurrection we are saved. Through your Holy Spirit you brood over the chaos we often create, mothering us and shaping a new creation. You enlighten everyone coming into the world. You inspired the prophets and the apostles to find the right word at the right time. You liberate, equip and commission your people to continue your mission to make everything new. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we proclaim and sing your glory:

SANCTUS

Heritage Mass

Ho - ly, ho - ly, — ho - ly, Lord, God of pow - er and might.

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bless'd is the One who comes in the

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

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The Presider continues

On the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, 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.

The same way after supper, he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

And now together we proclaim:

All **We remember your death on the cross, we celebrate your resurrection,
and we await your coming.**

Eternal God, let your Holy Spirit move in power over us and over these earthly gifts of bread and wine, that they may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ, and that we may become one in him. May his coming in glory find us ever watchful in prayer, strong in truth and love, and faithful in the breaking of the bread. Then, at last, all peoples will be free, all divisions healed, and with your whole creation, we will sing your praise for ever.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty Creator, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As Christ teaches us, we pray.

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

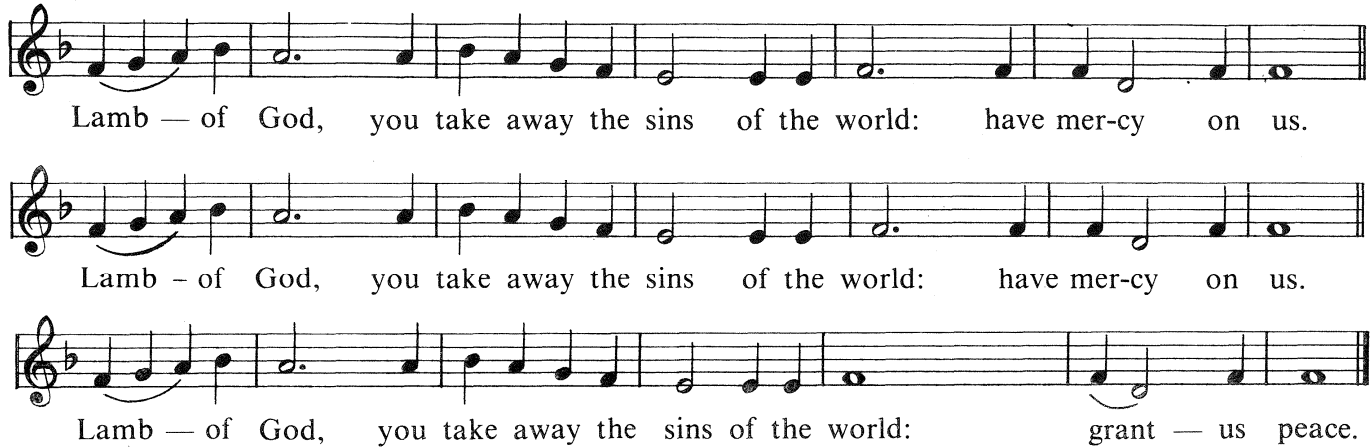
BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Lamb of God

Heritage Mass



Lamb — of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb - of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb — of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant — us peace.

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INVITATION

from The Iona Community

The Presider says

Come to this table, all who have much faith and all who would like to have more; all who have been here often and all who have not been for a long time; all who have tried to follow Jesus, and all who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

All are welcome to share in Holy Communion.

Please be seated until invited by the Ushers to move forward to stand or kneel at the altar.

To receive only a blessing, place arms in an "x" across your chest as the priest approaches.

To share the bread, extend hands open, palms up, one on top of the other.

To share the cup, take hold of the base and guide it to your mouth.

If not desiring to receive the wine, fold arms in an "x" over your chest as the cup passes by.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

COMMUNION MOTET

Day by day

Martin How
(b. 1931)

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: To see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day.

Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester (c. 1197-1253)

HYMN

My Lord, what a morning

Harmony

My Lord, what a morn-ing, My Lord, what a morn-ing, O

my Lord, what a morn-ing, When the stars be-gin to fall. **Fine**

Unison

1. You'll hear the trum - pet sound,
2. You'll hear the sin - ner mourn, To wake the
3. You'll hear the Chris - tian shout,

na - tions un - der - ground, Look - ing to my God's right

hand, When the stars be - gin to fall. **D.C.**

Words: Traditional. Music: Negro Spiritual.

Please stand as able

SENDING OUT OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider In the name of this congregation we send you forth to share this Eucharist with *N*.

All You carry the prayers of us all as you take this Sacrament of Christ's presence. May those who receive it be strengthened and encouraged in the life we find together in our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray. Blessed be God who calls us together.

People Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth, a people forgiven, healed, and renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

The presider blesses the people, saying

Go into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast to what is good; return to no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, and the blessing of God, holy and eternal Trinity, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please remain standing

HYMN

Sings of endings all around us

Ton-y-Botel



1 Signs of ___ end - ings all a - round us dark - ness, death, and win - ter days
2 Can it ___ be that from our ___ end - ings, new be - gin - nings you cre - ate?
3 Speak, O ___ God, your Word a - mong us. Bar - ren ___ lives your pre - sence fill.



shroud our ___ lives in fear and ___ sad - ness, numb - ing ___ mouths that long to praise.
Life from death, and from our ___ rend - ings, realms of ___ whole - ness gen - e - rate?
Swell our ___ hearts with songs of ___ glad - ness, ter - rors ___ calm fore - bod - ings still.



Come, O ___ Christ, and dwell a - mong us! Hear our ___ cries, come set us ___ free.
Take our ___ fears, then, Lord, and ___ turn them in - to ___ hopes for life a - new:
Let your prom - ised realm of ___ jus - tice blos - som ___ now through - out the ___ earth;



Give us ___ hope and faith and ___ glad - ness. Show us ___ what there yet ___ can be.
Fad - ing ___ light and dy - ing ___ sea - son sing their Glo - ri - as ___ to you.
your do - min - ion bring now ___ near us; we a - wait the sav - ing birth.

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Music: *Ton-y-Botel*, Thomas John Williams (1869-1944)

DISMISSAL

The Deacon or Priest dismisses the people, saying

Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Chorale Prelude on "*Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme*" (*Sleepers Awake*), BWV 645

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Presider & Preacher	The Rev. R. Scott Painter
Organist	Hannah Brewer
Choirs	Saints & Singers Choir & The Choristers
Choir Director	Brian Fairbanks
Crucifer	Sheri O'Brien
Lector	Margaret Marcuson
Prayer Leader	Dave Reilly
Eucharistic Ministers	Lenia Salas, Lynda Moses
Livestream Tech	Steve Walton
Ushers	Amy Valentine, Elizabeth Rouffy
Bread Baker	Charlene Sabin
Altar Guild	Barb Mason, Sundance Henry, Debra Portugal, Kelly Zander
Eucharistic Visitors	Charlene Sabin to Caroline Litzenberger

VESTRY

Senior Warden	Thrina Parent
Junior Warden-Facilities	Carl Braginsky
Junior Warden-People	Sheri O'Brien
Parish Clerk	Becky Tooley
Treasurer	Dave Reilly
First Year	Joe de Luna, Elizabeth Rouffy Kevin Warren, Ann Wetherell
Second Year	Lindsay Gutiérrez, Ann Hargraves Patrick McLaughlin, Susie Silva-Strommer
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