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The Rev. Dr. Dale Truscott

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# Second Sunday after Christmas Day

Year A, Revised Common Lectionary, Holy Eucharist Rite II  
January 4, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

*As the procession enters, please stand as you are able.*

## PRELUDE & PROCESSION "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

African-American spiritual, ARR. EUGENE HANCOCK

## GREETINGS

*Please stand as you are able. All sing.*

## ENTRANCE HYMN 93 "Angels from the realms of glory" (Regent Square)

1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er  
2 Shep - herds in the field a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your  
3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions; bright - er vi - sions  
4 Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, watch - ing long in

all the earth; ye, who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,  
flocks by night, God with you is now re - sid - ing;  
beam a - far; seek the great De - sire of na - tions;  
hope and fear, sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing,

*Refrain*  
now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:  
yon - der shines the in - fant Light: come and wor - ship,  
ye have seen his na - tal star:  
in his tem - ple shall ap - pear:

come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854), alt. Music: *Regent Square*, Henry Thomas Smart (1813-1879)

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* 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.  
*People* **Amen.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS "Glory to God" (*Communion Service: Series 3*) WILLIAM MATHIAS *All sing.*

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,  
on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For  
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

*The Gloria continues on page 3.*

7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the  
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of  
 God the Fa-ther. A-men.

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## SALUTATION

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
 O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*The People sit.*

**THE FIRST READING Jeremiah 31:7-14**

*Reader*      A reading from Jeremiah.  
Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
"Save, O LORD, your people,  
the remnant of Israel."  
See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame, those with child and  
those in labor, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.  
With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,  
I will let them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;  
for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.  
Hear the word of the LORD, O nations,  
and declare it in the coastlands far away;  
say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him,  
and will keep him as a shepherd a flock."  
For the LORD has ransomed Jacob,  
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.  
They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,  
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD,  
over the grain, the wine, and the oil,  
and over the young of the flock and the herd;  
their life shall become like a watered garden,  
and they shall never languish again.  
Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,  
and the young men and the old shall be merry.  
I will turn their mourning into joy,  
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.  
I will give the priests their fill of fatness,  
and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,  
says the LORD.

*(Silence)*

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

**PSALM 84:1-8** *Quam dilecta* All sing.



- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! \*  
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house  
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; \*  
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,  
my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! \*  
they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! \*  
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find  
it a place of springs, \*  
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, \*  
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
- 7 LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; \*  
— hearken, O God of Jacob.
- 8 Behold our defender, O God; \*  
and look upon the face of your Anointed.

*The psalm continues on p. 6.*



9 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my<sup>1</sup>oŵn<sup>1</sup>room, \*  
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God  
than to<sup>1</sup>dwell in the<sup>1</sup>tents of the<sup>1</sup>wicked.

10 For the LORD God is both<sup>1</sup>sun and<sup>1</sup>shield; \*  
—<sup>1</sup>he will give<sup>1</sup>grace and<sup>1</sup>glory;

11 No good thing will the<sup>1</sup>LORD with<sup>1</sup>hold \*  
from<sup>1</sup>those who<sup>1</sup>walk with in<sup>1</sup>tegrity.

12 O<sup>1</sup>LORD of<sup>1</sup>hosts, \*  
happy are they who<sup>1</sup>put their<sup>1</sup>trust in<sup>1</sup>you!

## THE SECOND READING Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

*Reader* A reading from Ephesians.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

*(Silence)*

*Reader*

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

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able. All sing.

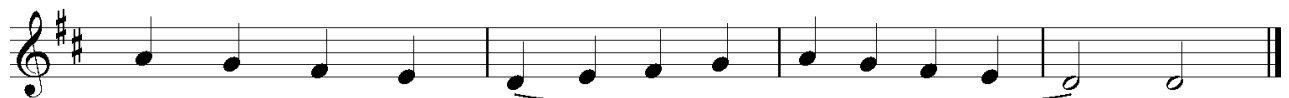
# **SEQUENCE HYMN 98** "Unto us a boy is born" (*Puer nobis nascitur*)



1 Un - to us a boy is born! The King of all cre -  
 2 Cra - dled in a stall was he with sleep - y cows and  
 3 He - rod then with fear was filled; "A prince," he said, "in  
 4 Now may Ma - ry's son, who came so long a - go to  
 \*5 Un - to us a boy is born! The King of all cre -



1 a - tion, came he to a world for - lorn, the  
 2 ass - es; but the ve - ry beasts could see that  
 3 Jew - ry!" All the lit - tle boys he killed at  
 4 love us, lead us all with hearts a - flame un -  
 5 a - tion, came he to a world for - lorn, the



1 Lord of ev - ery na - - - tion.  
 2 he all men sur - pass - - - es.  
 3 Beth - lehem in his fu - - - ry.  
 4 to the joys a - bove - - - us.  
 5 Lord of ev - ery na - - - tion.

*The accompaniment for stanza 1 may be used for all stanzas.*

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## THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 2:1-12

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

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;

for from you shall come a ruler  
who is to shepherd my people Israel.”

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

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

*The People sit.*  
**SERMON**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## NICENE CREED

*All*                **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 People stand or kneel.*

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*After each petition, the People respond, "Hear our prayer".*

*Celebrant* Let us pray to God, who came among us in the birth of Jesus, saying: "Hear our prayer."

*Leader* Gracious God, as a star rose, and drew people from great distances to Bethlehem that they might greet the Christ-child; Draw us, near to your presence now so that all divisions might cease and distances close in love and light. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* As you gave Mary your Holy Spirit, filling her with the delight of your Presence; Fill us with your Spirit, and renew our lives. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* As Gentiles streamed to Jesus' Light, and Kings to the brightness of his rising; Draw our nation, our President, and all in authority, to His brightness. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* As angels sang 'glorias' to you and proclaimed peace on earth, and goodwill among all peoples; Bring us your peace, and bring an end to terror and strife. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* As shepherds were drawn away from their flocks by night; Draw those who do not know you yet to the knowledge and love of you. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* As Jesus was born in a manger, because there was no room for him in the inn; Be especially present with those who have no where to lay their head, those who are vulnerable, and those who are hungry. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* As the Holy Family gathered together in Bethlehem, and traveled together to far off lands; Bless the family that is gathered here tonight in your name and protect those who travel. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* As your son came to proclaim the forgiveness of sins, and the gift of Life Eternal; Give to the departed eternal rest and let Light perpetual shine on them. Lord, in your mercy,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. **We pray for Emma H., Savanna, Linda K., Stuart, Kathy S., Seamone, and Priscilla. For our members who are unable to attend in-person worship: Molly, Phil, Faith, Hazel, Ruth, Val, Bill, Tom, Sandra, Tom, Serena, and Ruth.**

**For Family and friends: Carisa, Emily, Billie, Helen, Wayne, Keira, Morna, Jan and Nancy, Rick, Sarah, Rachel, Emma, Lucian, Mary Kathryn, Eric and Blake.**

**For the whole St. Richard's Community in this time of interim transition; for the clergy, vestry, staff and volunteers.**

*(The prayer list is edited the first Sunday of each month. Please let the church office know if you would like to add people to our Family and Friends list, [drucila@strichards.org](mailto:drucila@strichards.org))*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*People* Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* O Lord our God, may the Light and Hope of this season, and of your Son's Incarnation, reassure our hearts that you are among us, that you hear our prayer, and that you will be with us always, even to the end of the age. In the name of Jesus of Nazareth we pray.

*All* **Amen.**

## **CONFESSION**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*All* **Amen.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## PEACE

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

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

*The People sit.*

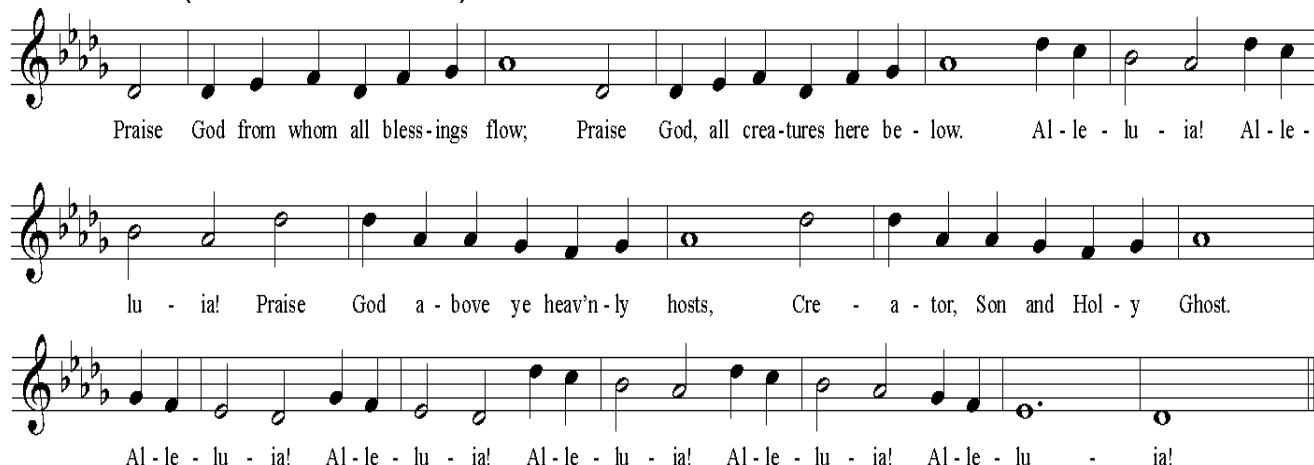
## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# The Holy Communion

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Mary's Little Boy Chile" JESTER HAIRSTON/ARR. CARL MAULTSBY

*Please stand as you are able. All sing.*

## DOXOLOGY (*Lasst uns erfreuen*)



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures here be - low. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
lu - ia! Praise God a - bove ye heav'n - ly hosts, Cre - a - tor, Son and Hol - y Ghost.  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

### SURSUM CORDA

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* 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:

## SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS S-128 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"

(Communion Service: Series 3) WILLIAM MATHIAS

Ho - ly, 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.

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*The People stand or kneel.*

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

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

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

**Celebrant** Christ has died.  
**and People** Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.

*Celebrant* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

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

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

*All* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*All* **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.**

### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### AGNUS DEI S-165 "Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God" (*Communion Service: Series 3*)

WILLIAM MATHIAS



### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Celebrant* 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.

**COMMUNION HYMN 109** "The first Nowell the angel did say" (*Nowell*) *All sing.*

1 The first No - well the an - gel did say  
 2 They look - ed up and saw a star  
 3 And by the light of that same star  
 4 This star drew nigh to the north - west,  
 5 Then en - tered in those wise men three

1 was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;  
 2 shin - ing in the east be - yond them far,  
 3 three wise men came from coun - try far;  
 4 o'er Beth - le - hem it took its rest,  
 5 full rev - erent - ly up - on their knee,

1 in fields as they lay, keep - ing their sheep,  
 2 and to the earth it gave great light,  
 3 to seek for a king was their in - tent,  
 4 and there it did both stop and stay  
 5 and of - fered there in his pres - ence

*The hymn continues on page 15.*

1 on a cold win-ter's night that was so deep.  
 2 and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.  
 3 and to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.  
 4 right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.  
 5 their gold, and myrrh, and frank - in - cense.

*Refrain*

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,

born is the King of Is - ra - el.

6 Then let us all with one accord  
 sing praises to our heavenly Lord;  
 that hath made heaven and earth of nought,  
 and with his blood our life hath bought.

*Refrain*

*Alternative Refrain*  
*Descant (others unison)*

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,  
 born is the King of Is - ra - el.

Words: English Carol, 18th cent. Music: *The First Nowell*, English carol, 17th cent.; harm. John Stainer (1841-1901); alt. refrain harm. and desc. Healey Willan (1880-1968). Alternative setting with descant, Copyright © 1926, by Oxford University Press, Inc.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant*  
*All*

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 stand as you are able.*

## CHRISTMAS BLESSING

*Celebrant* 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.

*All* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* 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.

*All* **Amen.**

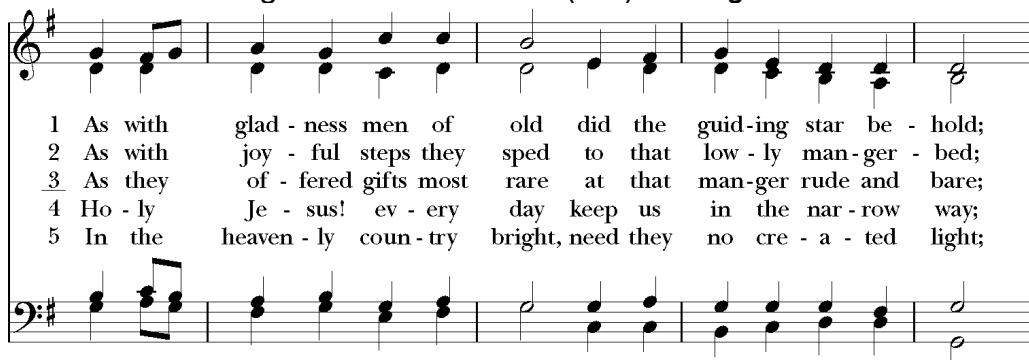
*Celebrant* May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor.

*All* **Amen.**

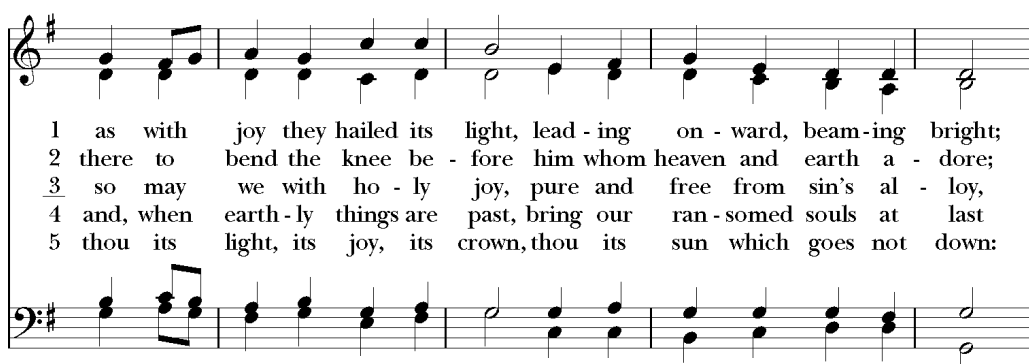
*Celebrant* And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

*All* **Amen.**


## CLOSING HYMN 119 "As with gladness men of old" (*Dix*) *All sing.*



1 As with glad - ness men of old did the guid - ing star be - hold;  
2 As with joy - ful steps they sped to that low - ly man - ger - bed;  
3 As they of - fered gifts most rare at that man - ger rude and bare;  
4 Ho - ly Je - sus! ev - ery day keep us in the nar - row way;  
5 In the heaven - ly coun - try bright, need they no cre - a - ted light;



1 as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam - ing bright;  
2 there to bend the knee be - fore him whom heaven and earth a - dore;  
3 so may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - loy,  
4 and, when earth - ly things are past, bring our ran - somed souls at last  
5 thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:



1 so, most gra - cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.  
2 so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek the mer - cy - seat.  
3 all our cost - liest trea - sures bring, Christ! to thee, our heaven - ly King.  
4 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.  
5 there for ev - er may we sing al - le - lu - ias to our King.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898). Music: *Dix*, melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872); arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889);  
harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906



## DISMISSAL

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

## POSTLUDE "Toccata on *Regent Square*"

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Psalms 84:1-8 *Quam dilecta*

"The first Nowell the angel did say" (Nowell) ©1926 Oxford University Press

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"Unto us a boy is born" (*Puer nobis nascitur*)

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"Let all mortal flesh keep silence" (*Picardy*)

"As with gladness men of old" (*Dix*)

Doxology (*Lasst uns erfreuen*)

"Angels from the realms of glory" (*Regent Square*)

## **A Service for the Ending of a Pastoral Relationship and Leave-Taking from a Congregation**

*January 6, 2026, 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary at St Richard's*

Gala Reception to follow in the Parish Hall

This service and reception will be an opportunity for everyone in our parish to be in worship along with Rev. Alison Harrity, to participate in a formal expression of leave-taking and Godspeed, and to be with her in fellowship over hors d'oeuvres and beverages.

Any needing transportation, since this service is in the evening, may contact Cydney Ogilvie at 407-718-8487, cmcogilvie@gmail.com.

## **Delegates to the Annual Convention of the Diocese of Central Florida**

We are expected to send THREE lay delegates to the Convention of the Diocese to be held January 23 and 24 (legislative session is Saturday, January 24). So, we must register three delegates and up to two alternates by January 15! If you are willing to serve as a delegate, please notify Michael Day, Junior Warden or Rev Dale or Rev Harry immediately. The Vestry needs to elect these delegates and submit their registrations before the deadline.

## **Leadership of St Richard's Parish Returns to Regular Order**

As of January 1, 2026, our Vestry will return to its regular membership and leadership. That means we are electing people to all vacant positions on the Vestry and will be appointing/electing a Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer and Clerk at the next Vestry Meeting. It also means that clergy serving St Richard's will include Rev Dale Truscott, Rev Harry Coverston and Rector Emeritus Tom Downs. The Rev Dale Truscott remains "under serious consideration" to be Interim Priest-in-Charge pending the decision of the Bishop.

## **Pledges for 2026 are Still Welcomed and Encouraged**

Our pledge emphasis this year has been quite encouraging, but we are still way behind last year's pledge level. We encourage you to make your pledge today. The Finance Commission is in the process of writing a new budget for 2026, which must be approved by the Vestry at their January meeting and presented to the congregation January 25 at the Annual Meeting. This budget will include in addition to our regular parish expenses and salaries, a three-month severance agreement with Rev. Harrity and a salary for an Interim Priest-in-Charge, so your faithfulness and generosity will help us to continue our ministries.



## **An Epiphany Procession – January 11, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.**

This special service of lessons, music and Holy Eucharist will observe the Visit of the Magi to the Infant Jesus (Incense), the Baptism of Our Lord (Water), and the Wedding at Cana (Wine).

## **Vestry Nominations**

There are a number of seats on the Vestry of St Richard's open this year. If you would like to be a part of the leadership of our parish, please let us know that you will run for Vestry. We like to have more candidates for these positions than are available, so we need at least six persons to run. Election will be held at the Annual Meeting of the Parish, January 25, 2026 after the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

# Please Join Our Group Experience to Process Recent Distress

In light of the most recent unfolding and ongoing distressing events, you are invited to take part in a group experience designed to help you address your current feelings you may be experiencing at St. Richard's. This group will be led by JoJo McHaney, who is a licensed Mental Health Counselor who specializes in the treatment of traumatic experiences. This group will be offered once a month on the first Saturday of the month.

**Our next group will be offered Saturday, February 7, 2026 at 10:00 am in the conference room.**

About the Group: The "Group Traumatic Episode Protocol" (GTEP) is designed to help reduce the distressful feelings associated with what we are experiencing and to increase our capacity to tolerate what is happening. While we acknowledge the painful realities we face, this group offers a way to address those feelings with a greater sense of control and less overwhelm.

A unique aspect of this protocol is that participants will not share the specifics of their painful experiences. Instead, the focus will be on processing their upsetting emotions without sharing the distressing details. Participants will share positive experiences. They say, "feelings are contagious", so NOT sharing the yuck prevents cross contamination of misery, and sharing the positive can be equally positively infectious) GTEP is an evidence-based, highly researched, and structured procedure that will guide participants through steps toward greater emotional resolution.

## Details:

**Date & Time: First Saturday of the Month, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**Location: Conference Room**

Registration: Please sign up by contacting JoJo via text at 407-443-3497 or email at [mjmchaneylmft@gmail.com](mailto:mjmchaneylmft@gmail.com). Space is limited to 12 participants. If there is sufficient interest, I will schedule a 12:00 session as well. We will get through this together.

We hope you can join us for this healing experience.

*Thank You*

Thank you to the anonymous St. Richard's member(s) who on Christmas Eve left a gift card addressed to "For Carl" on the organ. Your generosity is appreciated.

Dr. Carl MaultsBy



## Christian Education

### Sunday Adult Education

Sunday Mornings at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall.

#### On the Mystics

*Beginning Sunday Nov. 30, first Sunday in Advent, our adult education program will engage a series on the mystics. It will begin with an overview of mysticism and its history in the church and then examine individual mystics of history and the modern age.*



#### MYSTICISM SERIES

##### Jan. 4 – NO ADULT EDUCATION CLASS

Jan. 11 – John of the Cross, Tiffany  
Jan. 18 – Black Elk, The Rev. Dr. Dale Truscott  
Jan. 25 – Mother Mary, Susan Hana  
Feb. 1 – Howard Thurman, Cydney Ogilvie  
Feb. 8 – Teresa of Avila, Leslie Poole  
Feb. 15 – Richard Rohr, Patricia Wolfenden

### Children's Education

Sunday Mornings at 9:30 am in the Conference Room.

### Tuesday Night Bible Study, 6:30 pm

"The Little Letters." We will cover Galatians, 1 and 2 Thessalonians, 1 and 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, 1, 2, 3 John, and Jude. We meet online via Zoom. Meeting ID 987 9473 5512  
Passcode: 031992

### Wednesday Morning Bible Classes

Wednesday Morning Bible Class!

10 AM in the Conference Room

Taught by Rev. Dr. Dale Truscott, Adjunct Professor of World Religion, Philosophy and Ethics, Valencia College and assisting clergy at St. Richard's since 2011.

### Sacred Time, Contemplative Prayer

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. in the Lady Chapel at St. Richard's. An hour of contemplative prayer practice and silence.

### Morning Prayer

We are looking for someone to lead Morning Prayer on Wednesdays on Facebook Live. This ministry reaches a lot of people within and outside St. Richard's, and people who can't attend church in person. If you're inclined, please let Harry or Dale know. We'll train you!!

Trust in  
the Lord  
with all  
your heart.

Proverbs 3:5



**SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2026**

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)  
 9:00 AM Childcare available in the Nursery  
 9:30 AM Children's Bible Class (Conf. Rm.)  
 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church/Online)  
 5:00 PM Evening Prayer

**MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2026**

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Facebook Live)  
 9:30 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)  
 6:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Office)  
 7:00 PM TACA (Conference Rm.)

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2026**

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Facebook Live)  
 9:30 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)  
 10:30 AM Sacred Time (Lady Chapel)  
 5:45 PM Schola Rehearsal  
 6:30 PM Tuesday Night Bible Study on ZOOM  
 7:00 PM A Service for the Ending of a Pastoral Relationship and Leave-Taking from a Congregation

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2026**

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Facebook Live)  
 9-11:00 AM Food Pantry CLOSED  
 10:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (Conf. Rm.)  
 11:00 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)  
 11:00 AM Pastoral Counseling By Appointment  
 11:30 AM ACA (St. Richard's Rm)  
 12:00 PM Healing Service (Lady Chapel)  
 3:00 PM Violin Lessons (Conf. Rm.)

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026**

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Facebook Live)  
 10:00 AM Tai-Chi (Parish Hall)  
 12:00 PM AA (St. Richard's Rm)  
 2:00 PM Organist in the Church  
 6:00 PM Scouts (Conference Rm.)  
 7:00 PM Schola Rehearsal

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2026**

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Facebook Live)  
 9:00 AM Home of Bright Choices (Conference Rm.)  
 10:30 AM Home of Bright Choices (Kitchen)  
 11:00 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)  
 12:00 PM Home of Bright Choices (Conference Rm.)

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 2026**

9:00 AM Altar Guild (Church)  
 9:00 AM OA (St. Richard's Rm)  
 10:00 AM Eating Disorder Anonymous (St. Richard's Rm)  
 12:00 PM ACoA (St. Richard's Rm)  
 2:00 PM Organist in the Church

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2026**

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)  
 9:00 AM Childcare available in the Nursery  
 9:30 AM Children's Bible Class (Conf. Rm.)  
 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church/Online)  
 5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Grief Walking Group: St. Richard's will start a Grief Walking Group this January. We will walk a path on the church grounds with the intention and purpose of healing and supporting one another in this time of transition. If interested, call the church office at 407-671-4211 and leave your contact information.

**MEMBER MINISTRIES**

STRICHARDS.ORG

**For Seasons Ministries**

"Our mission is to serve the community in Jesus' name through a community food pantry and other community outreach efforts." Open Wednesdays, 9 AM – 11 AM [www.forseasonsministries.org](http://www.forseasonsministries.org)

**Music Lessons with Willie Rast**

For information on percussion lessons at St. Richard's, contact J. Willis Music, Willie Rast, Owner, [willie.rast@gmail.com](mailto:willie.rast@gmail.com), or call 407-928-1270.

**Children's Violin Studio with Andrea Williams**

407-670-4557

**The Orlando Bridge Club**

offers ACBL Sanctioned games everyday, Monday through Friday at 12:00 noon. Please come and learn or play this fun and mentally stimulating game and bring a friend. We also offer beginner bridge lessons. 321-246-2715

**Pet Academy Training & Behavior Modification**

Lisa Lovell 321-396-7900 | [email@petacademyllc.com](mailto:email@petacademyllc.com)

**Artist: Drucila Mundo Ferrer**

Access Dru's online store to see and buy her paintings. A limited number of her paintings are available at the Church office.

[mundoavantgarde.com](http://mundoavantgarde.com) Instagram/Facebook: @mundoavantgarde

**Artist and Iconographer: Sayaka Kamakari**

Talented icon writer and professional artist. You can see many of her gorgeous icons around St. Richard's. A limited number of her paintings and prints are for sale in St. Richard's church office. Available for commissions.

Website: [sayacons.com](http://sayacons.com) Instagram: [www.instagram.com/sayakareyes](http://www.instagram.com/sayakareyes)

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**Office Hours: Mon-Thurs**  
**9:00 am - 4:00 pm**

## Sunday 5:00 p.m. Worship Schedule

**First Sunday of the Month:**  
*Evening Prayer*

**Second Sunday of the Month:**  
*Contemplative Eucharist in the Celtic Tradition, the Rev. Timothy Hoppe.*

**Third Sunday of the Month:**  
*Evening Prayer*

**Fourth Sunday of the Month:**  
*Taizé, the Rev. Dr. Harry Coverston.*  
*Taize is a contemplative service with prayers & chanting.*

## Sunday Evening Worship

It is the practice of St. Richard's parish to offer three services every Sunday, an 8 AM Rite I Eucharist, a 10:30 AM Rite II Eucharist with music, and a 5 PM evening worship service.

On the second Sunday of each month, a Celtic Eucharist is held in the Lady Chapel. On the fourth Sunday of each month, a contemplative Taizé service is held with chants and prayers around the cross. On the first, third and occasional fifth Sunday of each month, our parishioners gather for Evening Prayer and Compline. This is a lay-led service of readings and prayers.

These services are intimate, quiet, offering peaceful worship at the end of long weeks and the beginning of the next. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Pastoral Care Counseling Office

Gail Hencken, RN, LMHC, will be in the Pastoral Care Counseling Office from 11:00 am- 3:00 pm on Wednesdays to provide consultation for individuals, couples, families or groups of any age/stage of life, by appointment only. For further information please contact Gail directly.

**phone/text 407-718-9128**  
**email wehggh44@yahoo.com**



Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.  
St. Richard's Parish Hall

Join instructor Carol Alves for a gentle Tai Chi class designed for all ages and fitness levels. *Discover peace, balance, and strength through mindful movement and community connection.*

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

**Birthdays:** Jan Davis 1/2, Britany LaGalle 1/8, Emma McConnell 1/10, Hector Reyes 1/15, JoJo McHaney 1/16, Irv Lipscomb 1/18, Alison Harrity 1/22, Gina Varan 1/22, Jane Blackford 1/30

**Anniversaries:** Linda & Mike Jakubisin 1/17, Marsha & Alan Oakes 1/2

## Prayer REQUEST

— we want to stand with you —

We pray for Carol Alves, Emma Haw, Savanna, Linda K., Stuart, Kathy S., Seamone, and Priscilla. For our members who are unable to attend in-person worship: Molly, Phil, Faith, Hazel, Ruth, Val, Bill, Tom, Sandra, Tom, Serena, and Ruth.

And family and friends, Michele and Kathleen Grimes, Carisa Cianflone, Emily Markules, Billie Castile, Helen Catherine, Wayne Justice, Keira, Morna, Jan and Nancy, Rick, Sarah, Rachel, Emma, Lucian, Mary Kathryn, Eric and Blake.

## NOVEMBER REPORT

**Plate and Pledge/Loose Plate Offerings in November: \$18,574.00\***

**Total Revenues: \$41,672.65**

**Total Expenses: \$41,815.79**

**Ending November Cash Flow: (\$143.14)**

**Year-to-date Cash Flow: \$26,301.83**

*\* Based on 2025 pledge card promises, our budget for 2025 included projected pledge and plate/loose plate offering receipts of \$31,189.63 for November 2025, but we only received \$18,574.00, leaving a monthly deficit of \$12,615.63 in November 2025 pledge promises vs. November 2025 pledge receipts. Year to date (as of 11/30/25), based on 2025 pledge promises, we projected pledge and plate/loose plate offerings of \$374,275.51, but we only received \$272,463.03, leaving a year to date (as of 11/30/2025) deficit of \$101,812.48 in 2025 pledge promises vs. 2025 pledge receipts.*



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*We are a church on a mission to discover God's grace, change our lives and change the world. Whoever you are, and wherever you may be on the journey of the Spirit, St. Richard's Episcopal Church welcomes you.*