



SAINT MARK'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FEBRUARY 8, 2026 • HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II • 10:30 A.M.
THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



WELCOME!

**We celebrate God's love by welcoming all people
into a life with Jesus Christ and each other.**

Your presence blesses us, and we pray this service of worship will be a blessing to you. Whether you are a first-time guest, a longtime member, or somewhere in between, welcome to this place! Together we sing, read, pray, listen, and break bread in thanksgiving and praise of the living God whose love brings new life for us and the world.

Our liturgy comes from The Book of Common Prayer. You will find the accompanying page numbers in this bulletin. It includes the liturgy of the Word and the liturgy of the Table. Please add your voice to our worship as we pray together the prayers printed in bold and sing the hymns found in this bulletin or in the blue Hymnal 1982 in your pew.

All baptized Christians – no matter your age or denomination – are welcome to receive communion. If you are more comfortable coming forward for a blessing, please cross your arms and a blessing will be offered over you. Children are a welcome blessing here at St. Mark's. Many depart after the beginning of the service for Children's Chapel.



1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name
2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;
3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:
4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was, and is, and is to be for ay the same.
ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.
in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.
his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:
Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,
Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,
Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name

the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!
and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.
deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.
who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845-1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836-1926)
Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1985, alt.

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Book of Common Prayer p. 355

CELEBRANT

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

PEOPLE

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

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. *Amen.*

Organ intro

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord

God, heav-en-ly-King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son_ of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of _God, you take a-way the sin_ of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther,

organ

re-ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a-lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly

Spir-it, in the glo - ry of God_ the Fa - ther. A - men.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE **And also with you.**

CELEBRANT Let us pray.

CELEBRANT Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated. The Children are invited to depart for Chapel.

THE FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 58:1-12

READER A reading from the book of Isaiah.

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

READER The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 112 BEATUS VIR *(Please remain seated as the Choir sings.)*

Anglican Chant: Margaret Burk (b. 1990)

- 1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord *
and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
and their righteousness will last for ever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; *
the desires of the wicked will perish.

THE EPISTLE: I CORINTHIANS 2:1-16

READER A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

"For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

READER The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,
 all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!
 thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;
 Heart of my heart, what - ev - er be - fall,
 wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
 still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931); tr. Eleanor H. Hull (1860-1935), alt.
 Music: *Slane*, Irish ballad melody; adapt. *The Church Hymnary*, 1927; harm. David Evans (1874-1948)

THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:13-20 *(Please remain standing.)*

GOSPELER The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

GOSPELER The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Keith Giblin, *Priest Associate*

THE NICENE CREED *(The People stand and join in saying the Creed together.)*

The Book of Common Prayer 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) (The People may stand or kneel.)*
The Leader and People pray responsively

The Book of Common Prayer p. 387

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 may be kept. The Celebrant concludes with a Collect.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

The Book of Common Prayer p. 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Minister and People
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.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

THE PEACE

CELEBRANT The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE And also with you.

The Book of Common Prayer p. 360

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "If Ye Love Me"

Philip Wilby (b. 1949)

"If ye love me, keep my commandments,
And I will pray the Father,
And he shall give you another comforter,
That he may abide with you for ever:
Even the spirit of truth.
And ye know him, for he dwelleth with you,
And shall be in you.
I will not leave you comfortless.
I will come to you." — *John 14:15-18*

PRESENTATION HYMN (*The People stand as the ushers come forward. Then, all join in singing.*)

Unison or harmony

5 To God the Fa - ther, heaven - ly Light, to Christ, re -

5 vealed in earth - ly night, to God the Ho - ly

5 Ghost we raise our e - qual and un - ceas - ing praise.

Words: Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Chandler (1807-1876), alt.
Music: *Puer nobis*, melody from Trier MS., 15th cent.; adapt. Michael Praetorius (1571-1621); harm. *Cowley Carol Book*, 1902;

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A (*The People remain standing.*)

The Book of Common Prayer p. 361

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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give The knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 LORD: SANCTUS *(Sung by all.)*

Smith

organ

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of pow'r and
might, heav'n 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, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant then praises God for the salvation of the world through Jesus Christ our Lord and recalls the institution of the Lord's Supper.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues...

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

FRACTION ANTHEM: AGNUS DEI

Smith

(Organ)

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sins of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sins of the world; grant us peace.

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CELEBRANT The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The People sit. Please follow the directions of the ushers. The altar of Saint Mark's Church is God's Table, and all are welcome. If you are more comfortable coming forward for a blessing, please cross your arms and a blessing will be offered over you.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Please join the Choir in singing Hymns 126 and 127.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *(Spoken by all, standing.)*

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.

COMMENDATION OF THOSE TAKING COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND *(As needed.)*

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

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN "Thy strong word did cleave the darkness" *(Please stand and join in singing stanzas 1-3.)*

Hymnal 381



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; at thy speak - ing
2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, dark as night and
3 Thy strong word be - speaks us right - eous; bright with thine own

it was done; for cre - at - ed light we thank thee,
deep as death, broke the light of thy sal - va - tion,
ho - li - ness, glo - rious now, we press toward glo - ry,

while thine or - dered sea - sons run: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
breathed thine own life - giv - ing breath: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
and our lives our hopes con - fess: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia! Praise to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
lu - ia! Praise to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
lu - ia! Praise to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

Words: Martin H. Franzmann (1907-1976)

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

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DISMISSAL

DEACON Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
PEOPLE Thanks be to God.

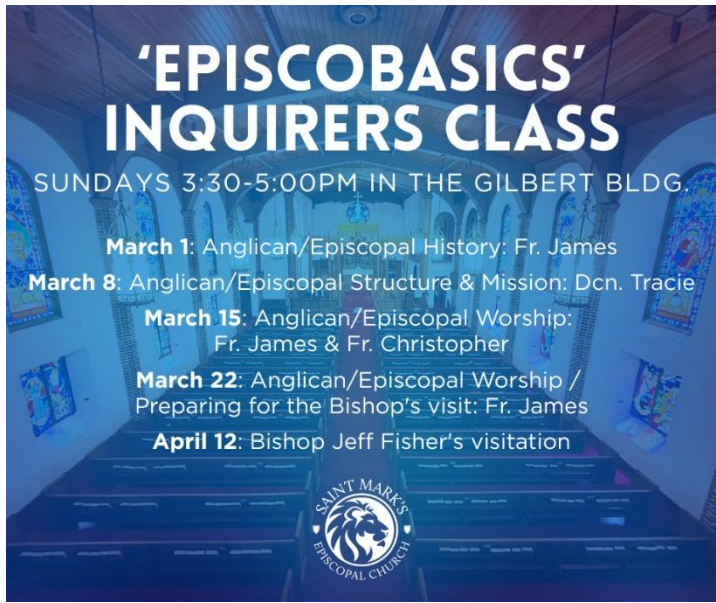
POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune in D"

David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

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MUSIC NOTES




Our beloved Aeolian-Skinner Pipe Organ (Opus 1391) is "away" undergoing a complete restoration. We are grateful to the parishioners, community members, and foundations who have come forward to graciously support our preservation of this historic instrument. Our project is now fully funded, thanks be to God. We anticipate the organ will be complete in time for Easter!



'EPISCOBASICS' INQUIRERS CLASS

SUNDAYS 3:30-5:00PM IN THE GILBERT BLDG.

March 1: Anglican/Episcopal History: Fr. James
March 8: Anglican/Episcopal Structure & Mission: Dcn. Tracie
March 15: Anglican/Episcopal Worship: Fr. James & Fr. Christopher
March 22: Anglican/Episcopal Worship / Preparing for the Bishop's visit: Fr. James
April 12: Bishop Jeff Fisher's visitation

ADULT FORMATION

A Survey of World Religions

Sundays at 9:15AM in Payne Hall
 Now Through February 15



Ash Wednesday Schedule

7AM (Spoken)
Noon (With Music)
6PM (With Music)

February 18, 2026



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RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAYS THIS SPRING

11:30AM-12:30PM in the Gilbert Building
 (Bring your own lunch)
 Or 7:00-8:00PM Via Zoom
 The Gospel of John

Feb. 4	April 1
Feb. 25	April 29
March 4	May 6
March 25	May 20





CHORAL EVENSONG FOR LENT

SUNDAY, MARCH 1
 5:00PM

SUNG BY THE ST. MARK'S CHOIR
 MUSIC BY FRIEDEL, HOWELLS, AND WILBY

God willing,

The Right Reverend Jeff W. Fisher

*Bishop Suffragan of Texas
will ordain*

Christopher Paul Hilton

*to the Sacred Order of Priests
in Christ's One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church*

FEBRUARY 13, A.D. 2026

FRIDAY - 6:00 P.M.



The Episcopal Diocese of Texas

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

680 Calder, Beaumont, Texas, 77701

Your prayers and presence are requested. Reception to follow.

CLERGY VESTING: RED STOLES



THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

Sunday, February 8

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I (*Spoken*)
 9:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation (*The Cloister*)
 9:15 a.m. Formation
 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (*With Music*)

Monday, February 9

12:00 p.m. AA

Tuesday, February 10

10:00 a.m. Al-Anon
 12:00 p.m. Healing Service
 12:00 p.m. AA

Wednesday, February 11

12:00 p.m. AA
 5:45 p.m. Handbells
 6:45 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 12

10:00 a.m. Al-Anon

Friday, February 13

8:00 a.m. Friday Morning Ministry
 6:00 p.m. Deacon Christopher's Ordination

SAVE THE DATE

February 18 Ash Wednesday: 7 a.m., Noon, 6 p.m.
 February 25 Rector's Bible Study at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
 March 1 Inquirers Class Begins at 3:30 p.m.
 March 1 Choral Evensong for Lent at 5 p.m.
 March 29 Palm Sunday at St. Mark's (8 & 10:30 a.m.)
 April 2 Maundy Thursday Service at 6 p.m.
 April 3 Good Friday Service at 12 Noon
 April 4 Easter Egg Hunt at 11 a.m.
 April 5 Easter at St. Mark's (8 & 10:30 a.m.)

CLERGY AND PROGRAM STAFF

The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, *Bishop of Texas*
 The Rev. Dr. James M. Pevehouse, *Rector*
 The Rev. Christopher Hilton, *Curate*
 The Rev. Keith Giblin, *Priest Associate*
 The Rev. Tracie Middleton, *Deacon*
 Jordan Williams, *Organist-Choirmaster*
 Genevieve Brassard, *Assistant Director of Music*
 Jerome Wells, *Organist-Choirmaster Emeritus*
 Lauren Johnsen, *Director of Family Ministry*

Vestry

Dr. Bob Birdwell, *Senior Warden* Charles Teel, *Junior Warden*
 Ryan Schiesler, *Treasurer* James Black, *Chancellor*

2027

Gail Davis
 Floyd McSpadden
 Ed Stedman
 Pat Sherwood
 Charles Teel

2028

Bob Birdwell
 Josh Crawford
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2029

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