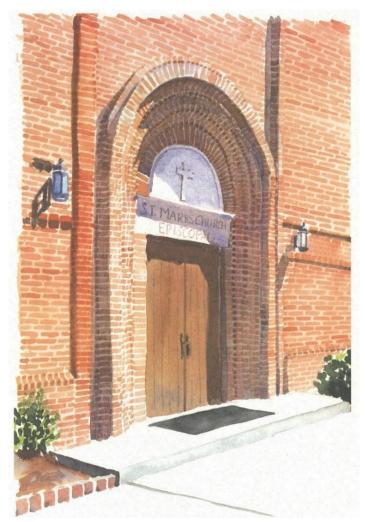


OCTOBER 5, 2025 • HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II • 10:30 A.M.
THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST • PROPER 22



# **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.

The Book of Common Prayer p. 355

#### **WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Rev. Dr. James M. Pevehouse, Rector

**OPENING HYMN** "Ye servants of God" (Please stand and join in singing.)

Hymnal 535



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: Paderborn, melody from Catolisch-Paderbornisches Gesang-buch, 1765; harm. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)

# THE WORD OF GOD

#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY**

**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.



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#### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. **CELEBRANT** PEOPLE And also with you.

**CELEBRANT** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either **CELEBRANT** 

desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The People may be seated.

#### THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

After the message is shared, the Children are invited to depart for Chapel.

## THE FIRST LESSON: HABAKKUK 1:1-4, 2:1-4

A reading from the book of Habakkuk.

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,

and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!"

and you will not save?

Why do you make me see wrong-doing

and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me;

strife and contention arise.

So the law becomes slack

and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous--

therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost,

and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,

and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

Then the LORD answered me and said:

Write the vision;

make it plain on tablets,

so that a runner may read it.

For there is still a vision for the appointed time;

it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it;

it will surely come, it will not delay.

Look at the proud!

Their spirit is not right in them,

but the righteous live by their faith.

READER The Word of the Lord. PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.** 

# PSALM 37:1-10 Noli aemulari (Please remain seated as the Choir sings.)

Anglican Chant: Edward Cuthbert Bairstow (1874-1936)

1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; \*

do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, \*

and like the green grass fade away.

3 Put your trust in the LORD and do good; \*

dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

4 Take delight in the LORD, \*

and he shall give you your heart's desire.

5 Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him, \*

and he will bring it to pass.

6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light \*

and your just dealing as the noonday.

7 Be still before the LORD \*

and wait patiently for him.

8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, \*

the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; \*

do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

10 For evildoers shall be cut off, \*

but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land.

### THE EPISTLE: 2 TIMOTHY 1:1-14

READER A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

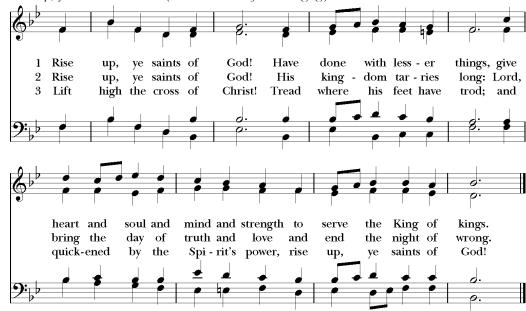
I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

READER The Word of the Lord. PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.** 

**SEQUENCE HYMN** Rise up, ye saints of God!" (*Please stand and join in singing.*)

Hymnal 551



Words: William Pierson Merrill (1867-1954), alt. | Music: Festal Song, William H. Walter (1825-1893)

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 17:5-10 (Please remain standing.)

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

PEOPLE Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

GOSPELER The Gospel of the Lord.
PEOPLE **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** 

## THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. James M. Pevehouse, Rector

The Book of Common Prayer p. 358

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

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 V) (The People may stand or kneel.)

The Book of Common Prayer p. 389

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector, and Brian our own Bishops, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord, have mercy.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For those in positions of public trust, especially Donald our President, Greg our Governor, and all elected city and county officials in Southeast Texas, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord, have mercy.

For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

Rejoicing in the fellowship of Saint Mark and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **To you, O Lord our God.** 

Silence 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 The Book of Common Prayer p. 360

CELEBRANT The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE And also with you.

Stewardship Talk

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** "Draw us in the Spirit's tether"

Harold Friedell (1905-1958)

Draw us in the Spirit's tether; For when humbly, in thy name, Two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now thy garment's hem.

As the brethren used to gather In the name of Christ to sup, Then with thanks to God the Father Break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluia! Alleluia! So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living Make us sacraments of thee, That be caring, helping, giving, We may true disciples be. Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve thee faithfully.

#### **FESTIVAL DOXOLOGY** (The People stand and join in singing.)

Music: Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### 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

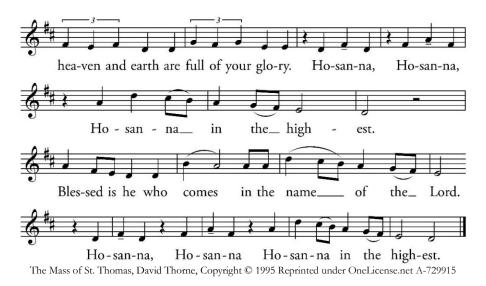
heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of

heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD: SANCTUS (Sung by all.)



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of po-wer and might,



The People stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

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

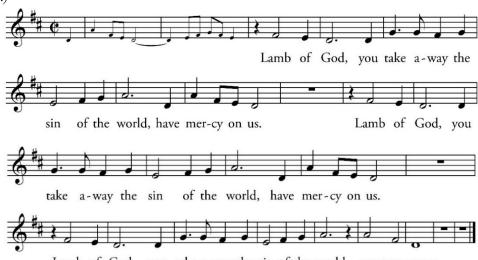
#### The Celebrant continues

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. 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.* 

## AGNUS DEI (Sung by all.)



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, grant us peace.

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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 Hymn 660.

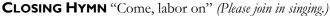
#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER (Spoken by all, standing.)

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.

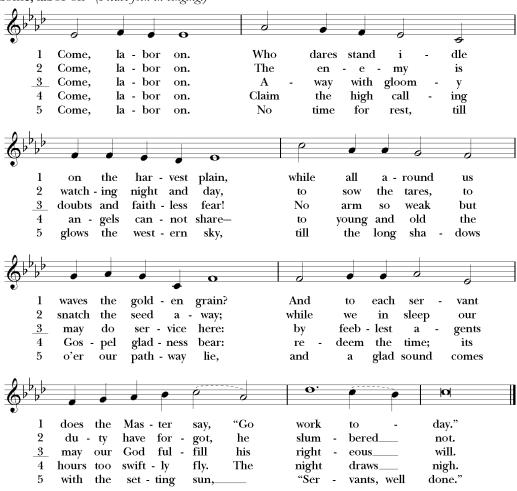
#### COMMENDATION OF THOSE TAKING COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND (As needed.)

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



Hymnal 541



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#### **DISMISSAL**

DEACON Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

PEOPLE Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** *Improvisation* 

#### **MUSIC NOTES**

Our beloved Aeolian-Skinner Pipe Organ (Opus 1391) is "away" undergoing a complete restoration. We expect it to return in late 2025 or early 2026. We are happy to report it's presently on time, and on budget! We are grateful to the St. Mark's Foundation, our parishioners, community members, and SETX foundations who have come forward to graciously support our preservation of this historic instrument. We are still fundraising to close the gap and fully fund this project. Donations may be made online by selecting "Organ Fund" or by check, noting "Organ Fund" in the memo line.







# **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** How often do you get to bring your pet to church? Come see all the furry friends at an outdoor worship service. Bring money for dinner! 6 PM BINGO FOR THE FAMILY BINGO FOR THE FAMILY Come enjoy an afternoon of BINGO! Snacks for all, prizes for some! \$10/10 games. Don't want to play, just come help out! 2 PM OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT Join us in Park garden for movie night. Snacks and drinks provided. Bring a chair or blanket! Movie starts at 7 PM, Gates open at 6:30 PM COSTUME PARTY | 6TH-12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE Throw on your best costume and let's get spooky! Dinner, games, and fun! 5:30-7:30 PM SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE – BED BUILD DAY | 6TH–12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE Join us bright and early to build beds for kids in need. Let Lauren know if you can make it! 8 AM 8 CHILI SUPPER AND BAZAAR Come wait tables, sell desserts, or help take out trash! All hands on deck! 13 FRIENDSGIVING AND FUN | 6TH-12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE Let's celebrate together with dinner and games! Bring a dish of your choice to share. 23 ADVENT WREATH MAKING WITH THE FAMILY/POTLUCK SUNDAY Come and make an Advent wreath with your family and then stick around after church for Potluck Sunday! 9:15 AM 30 ORNAMENT MAKING Join us for ornament making and tree decorating in Payne Hall. 9:15 AM KIDS NIGHT OUT | AGES 4-12 Parents drop the kids off for a night of games, movies, and fun. Dinner included. Cost is \$15. Registration required. 6-9:30 PM Journey with us as we retell the story and Mary and Jose<mark>ph as they search</mark> for lodgin before the birth of baby Jesus. Stay after for a fiest<mark>a in Payne</mark> Hall 5 PM YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY | 6TH-12TH White elephant, reindeer games, the whole deal! Meet in youth room after Lessons and Carols. 6:30 PM



# **TONIGHT!**

# BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Sunday, October 5 6 pm | Park Garden







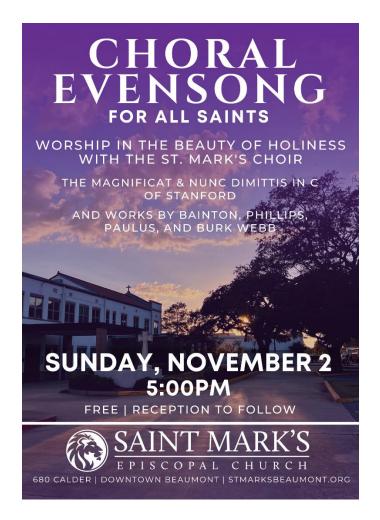




Join us for a special evening as we celebrate and bless our beloved pets—furry, feathered, or scaled—all are welcome!

After the blessing, stick around for some great food and fellowship! We'll have T's BBQ and Blues and the Popsicle Posse food trucks available to purchase, so feel free to grab dinner and enjoy the evening with us!







# THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

# Sunday, October 5

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Spoken) 9:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation (The Cloister)

9:15 a.m. Formation (Parish Hall)

10:30 am. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (With Music)

6:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals

## Monday, October 6

12:00 p.m. AA

### Tuesday, October 7

6:00 a.m. Chili Cooking

9:30 a.m. Chili Cooling and Packing

10:00 a.m. Al-Anon

12:00 p.m. Healing Service

12:00 p.m. AA

# Wednesday, October 8

12:00 p.m. AA

5:30 p.m. Grief Group (Gilbert Bldg.)
5:45 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:45 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

# Thursday, October 9

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

# Friday, October 10

8:00 a.m. Friday Morning Ministry

## Saturday, October 11

2:00 p.m. Parish Bingo (Doors open at 1)

# **SAVE THE DATE**

October 24 Family Movie Night at 6:30 p.m.

November 2 Choral Evensong for All Saints at 5 p.m.

November 13 Chili Supper and Bazaar December 21 Lessons & Carols at 5 p.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

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