

St. Philip's Episcopal Church

The Second Sunday after Christmas



Holy Eucharist

January 4, 2026

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

*****Notes*****

Welcome! We offer two services today: one at 8:00 a.m. and one at 10:30 a.m. The 10:30 a.m. service is broadcast on Facebook Live or YouTube. Livestreaming begins at 10:25 a.m. If you are visiting, please fill out a visitor card (located in the pew rack) and drop it in the offering plate or hand to an usher.

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE 1 AT 8:00 A.M.

The service is printed in the Book of Common Prayer, found in the pews. The readings can be found elsewhere in this bulletin.

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The Word of God

PRELUDE

Fantasy on “Antioch”

Emma Lou Diemer

All stand as they are able.

HYMN

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Regent Square

The Hymnal 1982 #93 (st. 1-2, 4)

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
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;
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,
in his tem - ple shall ap - pear:

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

The Celebrant says to the People

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

PEOPLE **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE Angels We Have Heard on High *Gloria*
The Hymnal 1982 #96 (st. 1)

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,

and the moun-tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.

Refrain

Glo - - - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - - - - -

- - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE **And also with you.**

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.

Amen.

All are seated.

All sit.

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

⁷Thus 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.’

⁸See, 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.

⁹With 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.

¹⁰Hear 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.’

¹¹For the LORD has ransomed Jacob,
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

¹²They 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.

¹³Then 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.
¹⁴I will give the priests their fill of fatness,
and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,”
says the LORD.

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

PSALM 84

Quam dilecta!

The reader and the congregation read the psalm responsively by half verse (in bold).

- ¹How 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.**
- ²The 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.**
- ³Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.
- ⁴Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- ⁵Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- ⁶They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
- ⁷LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.
- ⁸Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.

⁹For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, *
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God
than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.

¹⁰For the LORD God is both sun and shield; *
he will give grace and glory;

¹¹No good thing will the LORD withhold *
from those who walk with integrity.

¹²O LORD of hosts, *
happy are they who put their trust in you!

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I 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, ¹⁸so 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, ^{19a}and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

READER The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as they are able.

HYMN

In Your Mercy, Lord, You Called Me

Halton Holgate

The Hymnal 1982 #706

1 In your mer - cy, Lord, you called me, taught my
 2 Lord, I did not free - ly choose you till by
 3 Now my heart sets none a - bove you, for your

sin - filled heart and mind, else this world had
 grace you set me free; for my heart would
 grace a - lone I thirst, know - ing well, that

still en - thrall'd me, and to glo - ry kept me blind.
 still re - fuse you had your love not cho - sen me.
 if I love you, you, O Lord, have loved me first.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

PRIEST

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

PEOPLE

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹³After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." ¹⁴Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, ¹⁵and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to

fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, “Out of Egypt I have called my son.”

¹⁹When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, ²⁰“Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child’s life are dead.” ²¹Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. ²²But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. ²³There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, “He will be called a Nazorean.”

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

SERMON

The Rev. Elizabeth Roles

NICENE CREED *All stand as they are able.*

**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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

PEOPLE **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

PEOPLE **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

PEOPLE **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;

PEOPLE **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

PEOPLE **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

PEOPLE **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

PEOPLE **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy, remembering Helen Freedman;

PEOPLE **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

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

Christy Adams, Alston, Amber, Peggy Ayres, Barry, Dez Blue, Christopher Bolk, Brette Brian, Leslie Brown, Charles, Pamela Costagliola, Jay Curwen, Dave, Dave, Carl Denny, Lance Dickenson, Nancy Dillard, Suzanne Dininny, Jan Dryselius, Dianne and Howard Dyer, Judith Egan, Ellen, Annette Ellerton, Liz Ford, Edie Gabcik, John Gannon, Charlotte Gilmore, Kathy Haehnel, Tim Harris, Howard Jackson, Kay Jones, Lyn Kane, Michael Kirwen, Kurt, Ruth LePine, Tom Lewis, Kay Mann, Elisabeth Marchant, Dottie Marcinko, Johnny Martinez, Larry Maupin, Kathryn McKinley, Mark and Leslie Montgomery, Veronica Morrow, Jenifer Morrow, Courtney and Nikarra, Francis Leon Olea, Pat, Nancy Patterson, Judy Pierce, Debbie and John Poe, Bev and Milbrey Raney, Liam Rial, Jim Ride, Lisa Rodke, Mary Rose, Hudson Rudisill, Gabrielle Ruge, Linda Schieve, Frank Shoemaker, Alice Silva, Isabella Smith, Ray Snellgrove, Caroline Stein, Brenda Summers, Arden Swift, Marcia Thies, Mike Tiddy, Jim Tso, Emily Walthall, Penny Williams, Eileen Gilson Williams, Ed Wiseman, Risdon Wood, and Judy Yancey

We give thanks for the ministry of the St. Philip's Foundation and the organizations they are honored to support for 2026: Cove Shelter, The Bread of Life, El Centro, Lake Logan, Habitat For Humanity, The Haven, The Family Place, and WNC Firewood.

We give thanks for the birth of Kathryn Elizabeth Busbee, born to Sterling and Preston Busbee, and grandparents Beth and Harry Busbee.

In our diocese, we pray for the Church of the Epiphany, Newton. In our Anglican Communion, we pray for The Church of the Province of Central Africa.

The Celebrant may add a concluding Collect.

PEACE

CELEBRANT The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Liturgy of the Table

OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY

Chorale

Norman Dello Joio

OFFERTORY (10:30 a.m. only)

*Old 100th
The Hymnal 1982 #380 (st. 3)*

*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing as they are able.

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 God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

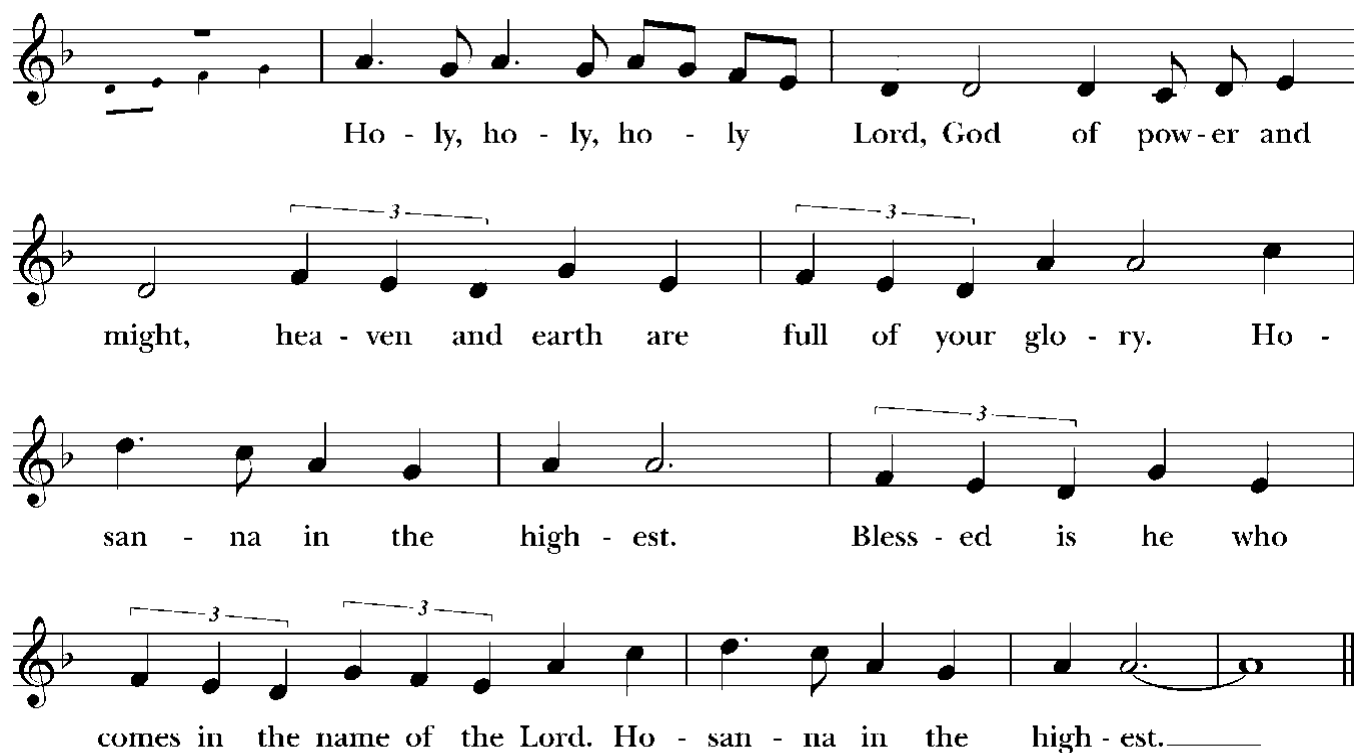
Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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:

Celebrant and People sing

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Robert J. Powell (1932-2025)
The Hymnal 1982 #S 129



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven 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. _____

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:

Celebrant and People

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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, 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,

Celebrant and People

**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 AND FRACTION ANTHEM

CELEBRANT We break this bread
to share in the Body of Christ.

PEOPLE **We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread. Alleluia!**

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All who seek Christ are invited to receive the bread and wine standing or kneeling at the altar rail. If you choose not to receive the wine, let the server know that you want only the bread by placing one hand over your heart (receiving only the bread is full communion). If you prefer not to take communion, you may come forward for a blessing, crossing your arms over your chest, or not come forward at all; no one will judge you.

To receive the wine by intinction, please come to the altar rail. Extend your hands, palms flat, and the bread will be placed there for you to dip the bread into the wine.

To receive the wine by sipping from the chalice, please also come to the altar rail, consume the bread, then please help the Lay Eucharistic Minister guide the chalice to your lips to sip.

Please wait for an usher to release you from your pew to come forward. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

HYMN

Oh, Sleep Now, Holy Baby

A la ru

The Hymnal 1982 #113

Introduction/Interlude



1 Oh,
2 You

1 sleep now, ho - ly ba - by, with your head a - gainst my
2 need not fear — King He - rod, he will bring no harm to

1 breast; — mean-while the pangs of my sor - row are
2 you; so rest in the arms of your mo - ther who

Refrain

1 soothed and put — to rest. A la ru, a la
2 sings you a — la ru.

mè, A la ru, a la mè, a la ru, a la

mè, a la ru, a la ru, a la mè.

The congregation stands when the Celebrant returns to the altar.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

This prayer takes the place of the Postcommunion Prayer for those worshiping at home.

Gracious God, since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and

strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

The people stand as they are able.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**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.**

PRAYER FOR THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

After the prayer, the People respond

Amen.

BLESSING

(Hymn continues on the next page)

HYMN

As with Gladness Men of Old

Dix

The Hymnal 1982 #119 (st. 1-3)

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;

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,

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 heav - en - ly King.

DISMISSAL*The priest offers a dismissal, and the people respond*

PEOPLE

Thanks be to God.**POSTLUDE**

Go Tell it on the Mountain

Norah Duncan IV





Hearing Loop assistance is available inside this building. Set hearing aid on “T” (telecoil) setting. Headsets are also available in both the narthex and Miller Hall that will allow access to the Hearing Loop. Please see an usher for help.

WE WELCOME CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

We welcome children of all ages in all our worship services. In the narthex, you can find worship bags with quiet activities for children. **Nursery for children Kindergarten age and younger is available today beginning at 10:15 a.m. for our 10:30 a.m. service.** An usher can direct you to our nursery located on the lower level of our parish building.

THIS SUNDAY AT ST. PHILIP’S

- **Sunday at 8:00 a.m.** – During this season, we enjoy the beautiful traditional language of Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, in our Sunday morning 8:00 a.m. spoken service. For this service, we will be using *The Book of Common Prayer*, so bring your own (or use one of our pew copies)! We will enjoy music voluntaries at the prelude, communion, and postlude.
- **NO Coffee & Conversation, Adult Forum, or Youth Sunday School, or Godly Play January 4** – Sunday School classes for all ages will resume Sunday, January 11, 2026, at 9:15 a.m.
- **Children’s Church at 10:30 a.m.** – On Sunday all children (K-5th grade) are invited to Children’s Church during the Liturgy of the Word in the 10:30 a.m. service. Children may be brought to the Sunday School room across from the Godly Play room (the youth classroom) before parents/grandparents go to church. Children will be taken to the church during the Peace and should join their family for communion.
- **Sunday at 10:30 a.m.** – Join us for Holy Eucharist, Rite II (with music) at our 10:30 a.m. service.
- **Coffee Hour after the 10:30 a.m. service** – All are invited and always welcome to join us in Miller Hall (our large upstairs meeting room) after the 10:30 a.m. service for juice or coffee and fellowship. This is a great chance to mingle, meet new people, or just relax with friends.

GIVING IS A SPIRITUAL ACT!

Thank you for investing your time in the work and mission of St. Philip’s. Your volunteer effort supports many ministries at St. Philip’s. Visit Easel Alley (outside the parish office) or visit <https://www.stphilipsbrevardnc.org/ministries> to find spiritual work that calls to you, and learn how to get involved.

THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS

Wait! Don’t put away those Christmas decorations! In our liturgical year, the Christmas season immediately follows Advent. The traditional Twelve Days of Christmas begin with Christmas Eve on the evening of December 24 and continue until the feast of

Epiphany on January 6. In church, notice that our hangings change to white, symbolizing purity, hope, and joy: Christmas is the season when we proclaim the unique nature of our God – that God does not stand distant from us, but fully enters our lives – Emmanuel, "God with us."

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Birthdays

06 Ruth Le Pine	07 Renee Trudeau	09 Amanda Mosser
06 Judith Egan	07 Zif Clark	09 Libby Ridley
06 George Gaines	07 deRo Myers	09 James Nelson
07 Billie Begg	08 Ann Timberlake	
07 Chris Foster	08 Megan Krintz	

WEEKLY SERVICES AT ST. PHILIP'S

Join us each week at our services of Holy Eucharist!

- Sundays, 8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite I (*spoken*)
- Sundays, 10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II (*with music*)
- Tuesdays, 2:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist Rite II (*College Walk Senior Living Community Chapel*)
- Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing (*Chapel*)

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OUR VISION: *Rooted in God's word and guided by Christ's example, St. Philip's Episcopal Church will be a loving, inclusive community committed to living out Christ's commandments.*



OUR MISSION: *Guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit, and informed by Scripture, tradition and reason, we will:*

- *Learn and teach by word and example how God continues to be at work in the world and in our lives;*
- *Love and serve all people as Christ loves us;*
- *Grow in faithful stewardship of the resources God has given us; and*
- *Celebrate joyfully this faith in our life, worship, prayer, and service.*

