



The Holy Eucharist, Rite 2



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 10, a.d. 2023 at 10:15 a.m.



Streaming Starts at 10:05 a.m. • Liturgy Starts at 10:15 a.m.
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Welcome

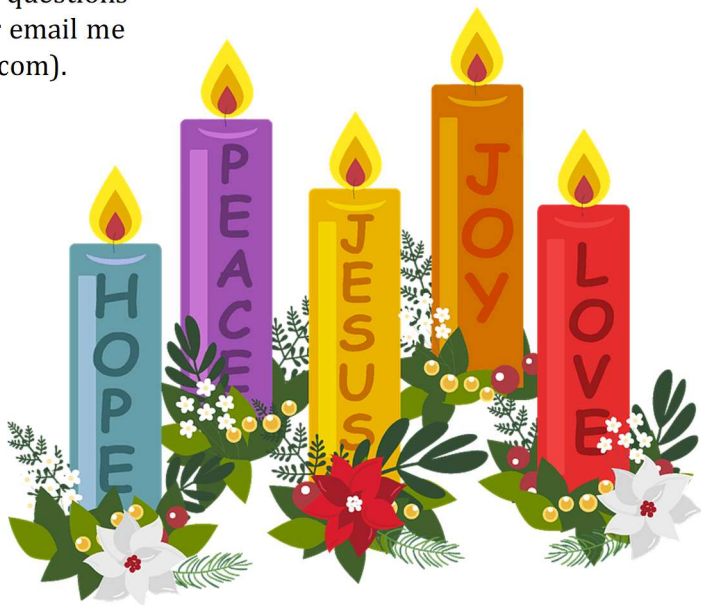
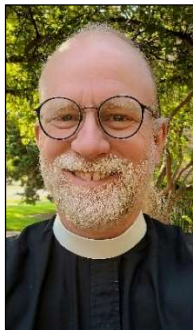
Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church. We are so delighted that you have chosen to worship in this place and in this community today. If you are new to Episcopal worship, this full-text bulletin has everything you need to participate.

Welcome Card. If you are new to Grace, we would love to have a record of your visit. There is a Welcome Card in the pew rack. Please fill out as much (or as little) information as you would like to share with us and place it in the offering plate when it comes by.

A Word about Communion. At the heart of our worship is Holy Communion, which we also call Holy Eucharist. We celebrate it every Sunday with bread and real wine. Please know that we practice an open table; *all Christians* (no matter what tradition you come from) are invited and encouraged to come forward and receive communion. On page 9, there are more details about how we practice communion at Grace.

Again, welcome! If you ever have any questions or thoughts feel free to call, text, or email me (620-314-7520; frted.grace@gmail.com).

Blessings,
Father Ted Blakley, *Priest and Rector*



PRELUDE

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” • Played by Vonda McKenna
arr. by Mark Hayes, ©1985 Gaither Music Company

WELCOME

PROCESSION INTO WORSHIP *stand* “O Come, O Come, Emanuel” (v. 1, 4, 5, 8) • Hymnal 56

**O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.**

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

**O come, thou Branch of Jesse’s tree,
free them from Satan’s tyranny that trust
thy mighty power to save, and give them
victory o’er the grave.**

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

**O come, thou Key of David, come, and
open wide our heavenly home; make
safe the way that leads on high, and
close the path to misery.**

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

**O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.**

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

The Liturgy of the Word

OPENING ACCLAMATION *stand*

The Book of Common Prayer 355

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

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

KYRIE ELEISON: *“Lord, have mercy.”*

Hymnal S-88

**Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison. Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation:
People: **And also with you.** Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins,
Celebrant: Let us pray. that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A moment of silence is observed.

Do Not Be Afraid • A Christmas Pageant

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Step back in time in “Do Not Be Afraid,” a children’s Christmas pageant that weaves together the timeless narratives from the Gospels of Luke and Matthew. Through the eyes of our young performers, experience the journey of Mary and Joseph, the visit of the shepherds, and the arrival of the Magi, all while embracing the central theme of courage and hope. As we bring these sacred stories to life on stage, we invite you to join us in celebrating the message of love and reassurance that resounds throughout the Christmas season: “Do Not Be Afraid.”

CAST LIST

<i>Child</i>	Silas Walker	<i>Shepherds</i>	Alex Poland
<i>Grown-Up</i>	Lucy Steen		Daniel Poland
<i>Mary</i>	Ryleigh Spears		Wesley Spears
<i>Joseph</i>	Luke Jackson	<i>Sheep</i>	Matt Smith
<i>Angel Gabe</i>	Benjamin Blakley		Rev. Ted Blakley
<i>Elizabeth</i>	Katelyn Walker		Rev. Bill Waln
<i>Caesar</i>	Titus Walker		Dn. Todd Ray
<i>Angels</i>	Kensley Armstrong		Dn. Shane Schneider
	Claire Long	<i>Magi</i>	Benjamin Blakley
	Ava Waln		Luke Jackson
<i>Star</i>	Owen Stauffacher		Titus Walker
<i>Scene Card</i>	Chris Smith	<i>King Herod</i>	Silas Walker

Special thanks to the following for their help in making our production a success:

<i>Costumes</i>	Susie Ray, Nancy French, Amy Long, Missy Waln
<i>Video & Sound</i>	Toni Cottrell, Fr. Ted Blakley
<i>Special Assistance</i>	Angie Rodriguez

*And a very, very special thanks
to our Director, Missy Waln!*



THE PEACE *stand*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

HYMN *sit*

“There’s a Voice in the Wilderness Crying” • Hymnal 75

Words: James Lewis Milligan, Music: Henry Hugh Bancroft

**There’s a voice in the wilderness crying,
a call from the ways untrod:**

**Prepare in the desert a highway,
a highway for our God!**

**The valleys shall be exalted,
the lofty hills brought low;
make straight all the crooked places
where the Lord our God may go!**

**O Zion, that bringest good tidings,
get thee up to the heights and sing!**

**Proclaim to a desolate people
the coming of their King.**

**Like the flowers of the field they perish,
like grass our works decay,
the power and pomp of nations
shall pass like a dream away;**

**but the word of our God endureth,
the arm of the Lord is strong;
he stands in the midst of nations,
and he will right the wrong.**

**He shall feed His flock like a shepherd,
the lambs he’ll gently hold;
to pastures of peace he’ll lead them,
and bring them safe to his fold.**

The Liturgy of the Table

GATHERING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

In gratitude for who God is and what God does, we give back to God a portion of what God has given to us so that God's mission through this place and this people might flourish. What you give today represents your life and your labors, your loves and loyalties, your joys and thanksgivings, and God receives it with gladness.



DIGITAL OFFERING PLATE: THREE SIMPLE WAYS TO GIVE

- ✓ Go to www.tinyurl.com/Giving2Grace
- ✓ Scan the **QR Code** on the right.
- ✓ Text **GIVE** to **620-542-8024**.

OFFERTORY *sit*

“The Wexford Carol” • Saxophone by Ava Waln

Arr. by Rick Hirsch, ©2021 Eric Andrew Hirsch

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS *stand*

Hymnal 380 (v. 3)

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

Celebrant: All things come of Thee, O Lord.

People: **And of Thine own have we given Thee.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 367

Sursum Corda (“Lift up your hearts...”) *stand*

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.**

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

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Hymnal S-128

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *kneel*

BCP 364

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.**

**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.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *kneel*

BCP 364

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept, in reverent thanksgiving for what Jesus has done for us.

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

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

FRACTION ANTHEM

“O Lamb of God” • Hymnal S-158
Healey Willan (1880-1968)

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

JESUS' INVITATION

This is the Banquet of the Lamb.
It is made ready for those who love God,
And for those who want to love God more.

So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little,
You who have been here often, and you who have not been here long,
You who have tried to follow, and you who have failed.

Come because it is the Lord who invites you.
It is Christ's will that those who want him should meet him here.

ONLINE: THE PRAYER OF ST. ALPHONSUS DE LIGUORI (1696–1787)

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Communion.

My Jesus,

I believe that you are truly present

in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

As though you have already come,

I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you;

never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

IN-PERSON: HOLY COMMUNION IN ONE OR BOTH KINDS

*At this time, an usher will come forward and invite each row to go forward for communion. **Bread.** When it is your turn to receive communion simply extend your cupped hands forward, and a priest will place the wafer of bread in your hands. **Gluten Free.** If you would prefer a gluten-free wafer, extend your hands palms down. **Real Wine.** If you wish to receive the wine, you may drink from the chalice or you may dip the wafer into the chalice. **Two Stations.** You may choose to receive communion at the altar rail or at the station on the right side in front of the pulpit.*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN *sit*

“Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless” • Hymnal 343

Words: James Montgomery; Music: John Bacchus Dykes

**Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
thy chosen pilgrim flock
with manna in the wilderness,
with water from the rock.**

**Lord, sup with us in love divine,
thy Body and thy Blood,
that living bread, that heavenly wine,
be our immortal food.**

**We would not live by bread alone,
but by thy word of grace,
in strength of which we travel on
to our abiding-place.**

**Be known to us in breaking bread,
and do not then depart;
Saviour, abide with us, and spread
thy table in our heart.**

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

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.**

BLESSING

PROCESSION INTO THE WORLD *stand*

“People, Look East” • WLP 724

Words: Eleanor Farjeon, Music: John L Hooker

**People, look east. The time is near
Of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
Trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the guest, is on the way.**

**Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,
One more seed is planted there:
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,
That in course the flower may flourish.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the rose, is on the way.**

**Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
Guard the nest that must be filled.
Even the hour when wings are frozen**

**God for fledging time has chosen.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the bird, is on the way.**

**Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
One more light the bowl shall brim,
Shining beyond the frosty weather,
Bright as sun and moon together.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the star, is on the way.**

**Angels, announce with shouts of mirth
Christ who brings new life to earth.
Set every peak and valley humming
With the word, the Lord is coming.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the Lord, is on the way.**

SENDING FORTH INTO GOD'S MISSION FIELD

The Deacon bids the people to go forth into the world in mission, using the following or some other dismissal.

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: **Thanks be to God.**



YOUTH CAROLING NIGHT

Wednesday, December 20, 7:00pm

Weather permitting, Grace Youth are planning on caroling around Hyde Park on Wednesday, Dec. 20th at 7pm. The youth invite any parishioners who are interested to join them. They'll finish up by 7:30 pm and will enjoy hot cocoa and hot apple cider afterwards. Please contact Missy Waln for more details.

JOIN US & MAKE IT AN ALL-PARISH CAROLING NIGHT.

**LET'S SING TO OUR NEIGHBORS
ABOUT THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS.**

HELP GET THE CHURCH READY FOR CHRISTMAS

Thursday, December 21, 9:30am

There is nothing quite like our Christmas Eve service at Grace—the liturgy, the music, the lights, the colors. And so, the Altar Guild invites the people of Grace to gather on the morning of December 21st to get the church ready for Christmas, so that we can show the world the beauty of God and the gospel of Jesus Christ.

*Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his name;
Bring offerings and coming into his courts.
Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. —Psalm 96:8-9a*



HYDE PARK LUMINARIES AND SOUP SUPPER

Saturday, December 23, 6:00 to 8:00pm



We are looking for volunteers to help prepare and set out sacks for the Hyde Park Luminaries. We are looking for helpers at 4:30 pm to set up and 9:00 pm to put away.

We are also looking for people to provide a pot of soup or bread item for our soup supper put on by our youth. During the luminaries the church will be open as a warm spot for those who will be out to see all the beautiful lights. The youth need our help to ensure we can feed all our guests.

Sign-up sheets for both of these items are in the Narthex.



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

In memory or thanksgiving

One of our long-standing Christmas traditions at Grace is to make the church beautiful with poinsettias. If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in memory or thanksgiving of someone, please sign up in the narthex or contact the church office. They are \$25 each.

GRACE FOOD PANTRY

Current balance \$2,487.54

Please bring **CANNED FRUIT** for our pantry this month. Thank you for continuing to support this vital ministry, which is just one way we serve Christ by ministering to the needs of the community and the parish. *Thank you for keeping our food pantry funded!*



SCS SANTA SACKS • THANK YOU!

Total raised \$2,700!

Thank you to all who gave to the SCS Santa Sacks. Grace raised \$2,700. That provides sacks for 27 teens. These sacks will include the teen's favorite snacks, ear buds, and gift certificate to Sammy's Shack at HHS where they can purchase Salthawk merchandise.

YOUTH GROUP DINNER SIGN-UP

Sign-up in the narthex

Sign up to bring dinner for our youth groups. Meals can be simple. Drinks and desserts are appreciated, but not required. We eat at 6:30 pm, and we invite those who prepare the meal to join us for dinner. It is a great way to get to know our youth!





Blue Christmas
a service of hope and healing
DEC 21 • 7:00pm
The Longest Night of the Year

CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 pm
Stations of Advent
A Family Friendly Service

7:00 pm
Choral Eucharist
• 6:40 Christmas Music
• 6:30 Streaming Starts

THE PEOPLE
WALKING IN
DARKNESS
HAVE SEEN A
GREAT LIGHT
- Isaiah 9:2 -



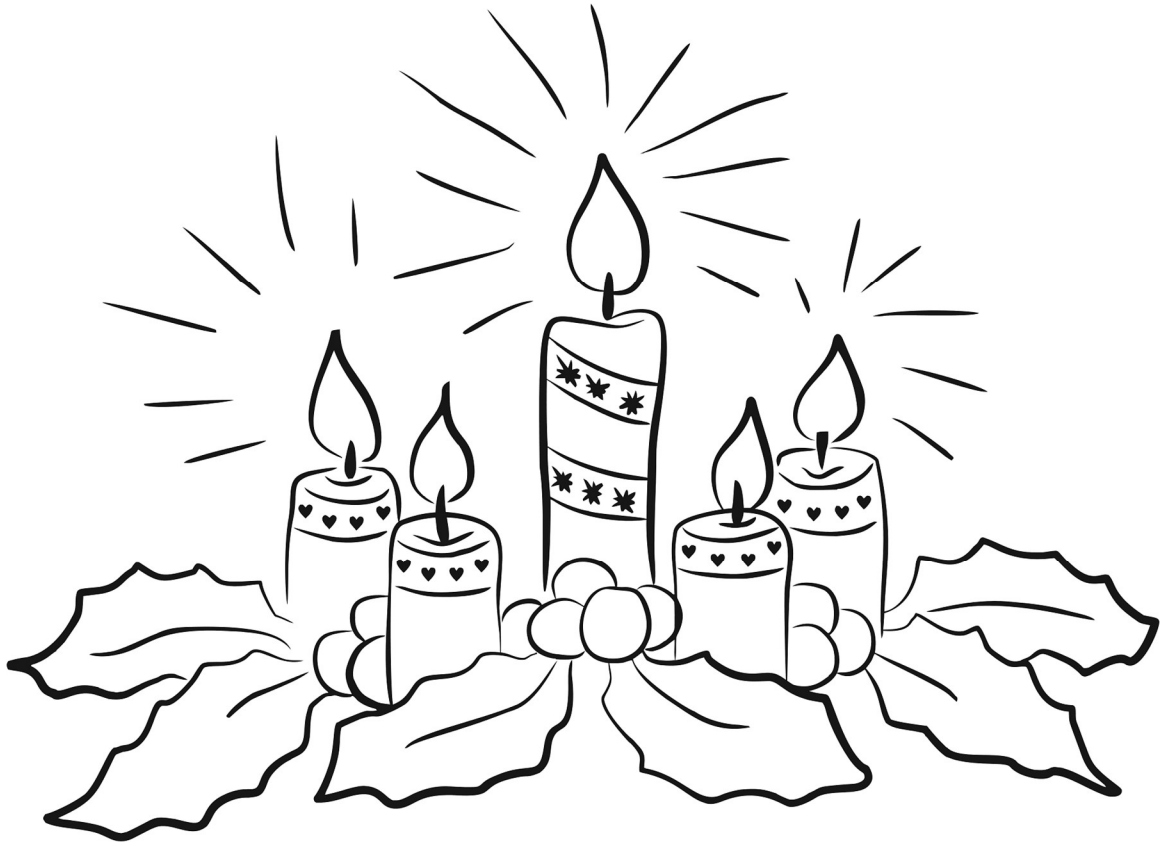
CHRISTMAS DAY

and the
Word
became
flesh
and dwelt
among us
John 1:14a

10:00 am
Holy Eucharist II
With Music
Streaming Starts 9:50 am

Joy to the World!





emmanuel

GOD WITH US

ONLINE PRAYER

- 9:00 pm • Every Night Compline Online at Nine (FB LIVE)
- 12:30 pm • Mondays & Wednesdays Centering Prayer (FB LIVE)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 • CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

- 8:00 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 • Spoken
- 9:15 am Adult Sunday School
- 10:15 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 • Music
Christmas Pageant: "Do Not Be Afraid"
- After 10:15 am Service Fellowship Hour

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

- 7:00 pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

- 9:30 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite 1
- 10:00 am Adult Bible Study
- 1:00 pm Daughters of the King
- 6:30 pm MS-HS Youth Group

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

- 8:00 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 • Spoken
- 9:15 am Adult Sunday School
- 10:15 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 • Music
- After 10:15 am Service Fellowship Hour



SCRIPTURES FOR NEXT SUNDAY • ADVENT 3

- Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11
- Canticle 15
- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
- John 1:6-8, 19-28





CLERGY, STAFF, AND COORDINATORS

The Rev. Dr. J. Ted Blakley	Priest and Rector
The Rev. Amy Long.....	Assistant Priest
The Rev. Bill Waln.....	Assistant Priest
The Rev. Larry Steadman.....	Priest Associate
The Rev. Larry Carver	Priest in Residence
The Rev. Todd Ray.....	Deacon
The Rev. Shane Schneider	Deacon
Missy Waln.....	Music Director
Vonda McKenna	Pianist
Jan Howard	Organist
Kinley Lewis.....	Nursery
Laura Southards	Sexton
Angie Rodriguez.....	Office Administrator