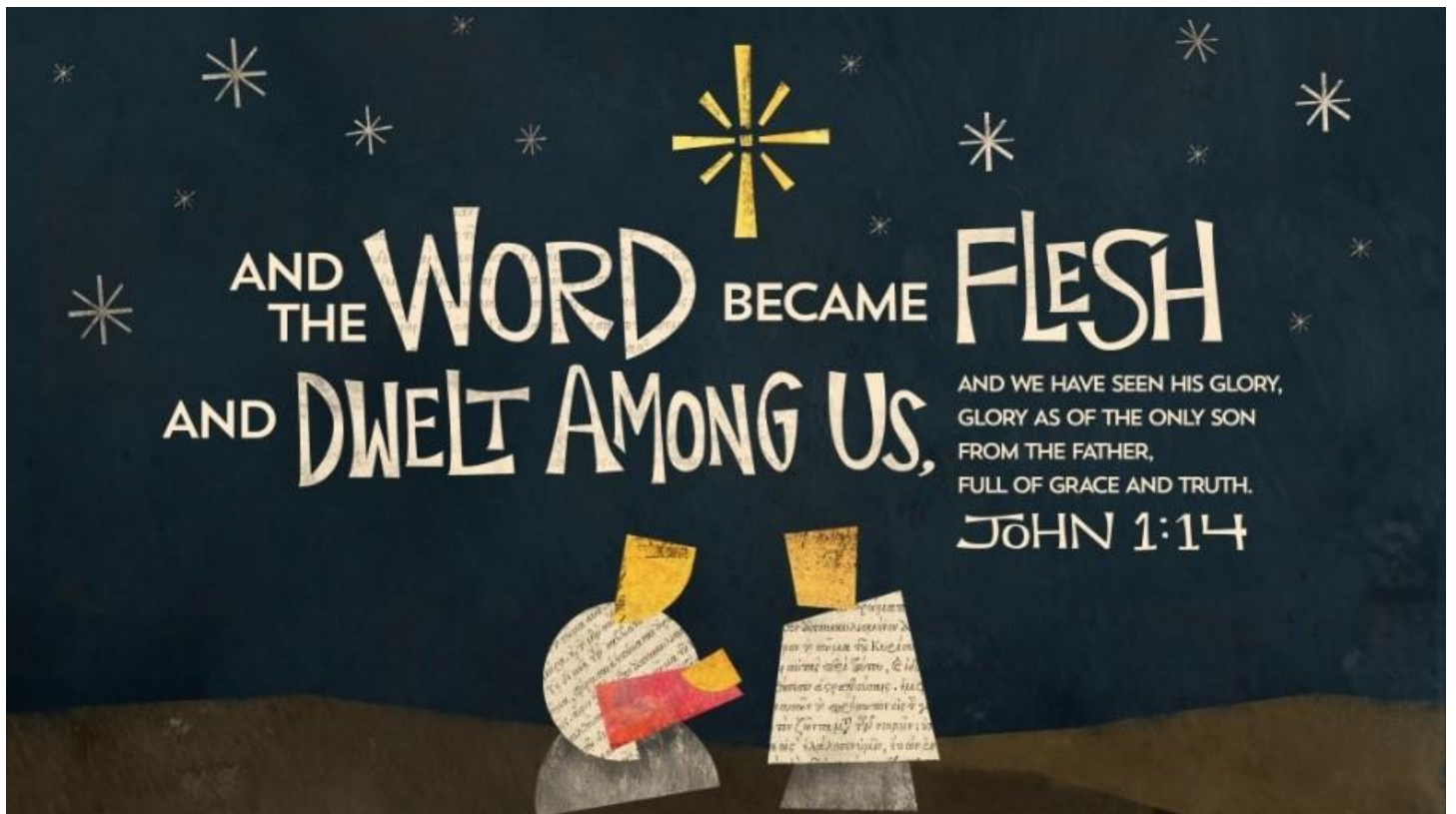


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**Calvary**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



We are here for God  
and we are here for you.

**First Sunday after Christmas**  
**The Year of our Lord, 2023, being December 31st**  
**Year B**

# The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

*Please remember to wear your name tags.*

## Prelude

## The Call to Worship

*The Parish Chimes*

## The Processional Anthem

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

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## Welcome

## The Opening Acclamation

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

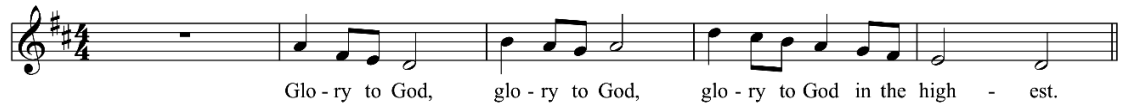
*People:* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.  
Amen**

## The Collect for Purity

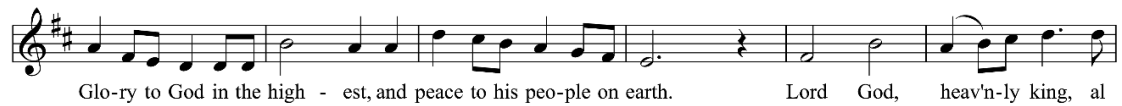
*Celebrant:* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

# Gloria in Excelsis

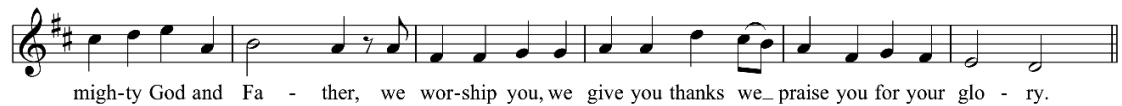
# Mass of St. Thomas | David Thorne



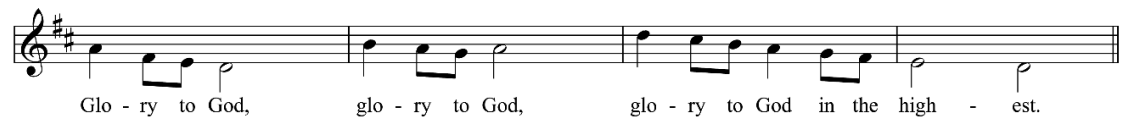
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est.



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly king, al



migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks we\_ praise you for your glo - ry.



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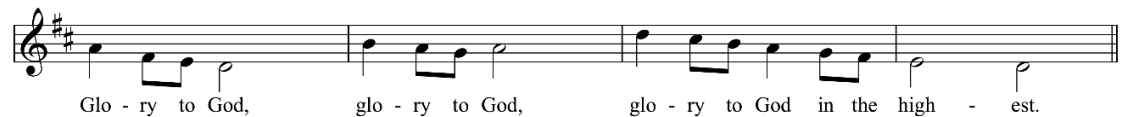
Lord, Je - sus Christ, on - ly son of the Fa - ther,



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, re - ceive our prayer.



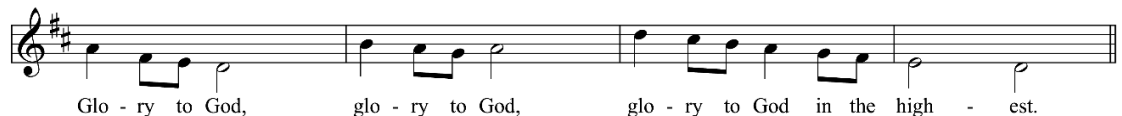
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est.



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 Spi - rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther.



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est.

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## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## A Reading from Isaiah

**61:10-62:3**

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;  
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.  
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,  
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.  
For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,  
and her salvation like a burning torch.  
The nations shall see your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory;

and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the LORD will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm of the Day

147:13-21: Laudate Dominum

13 Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; \*  
praise your God, O Zion;

14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; \*  
he has blessed your children within you.

15 He has established peace on your borders; \*  
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.

16 He sends out his command to the earth, \*  
and his word runs very swiftly.

17 He gives snow like wool; \*  
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; \*  
who can stand against his cold?

19 He sends forth his word and melts them; \*  
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.

20 He declares his word to Jacob, \*  
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.

21 He has not done so to any other nation; \*  
to them he has not revealed his judgments.  
Hallelujah!

# A Reading from Galatians

3:23-25; 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand if your health allows.*

## Gradual Anthem

*Celtic Alleluia*

The musical notation is written on two staves in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The first staff begins with a 6/8 time signature and contains the lyrics: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!". The second staff continues with the lyrics: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! \_\_\_\_". The notation includes various note values, rests, and phrasing slurs.

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## The Holy Gospel according to John

1:1-18

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**The Sermon**

*The Rev. Jim Stanley, Rector*

**The Nicene Creed**

**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 worshipped 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.***



*Please kneel, sit or stand.*

## **The Prayers of the People**

**Form III**

*Leader:* Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

*People:* **That we all may be one.**

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

*People:* **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Leader:* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

*People:* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Leader:* 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.**

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

*People:* **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

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

*People:* **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Leader:* Give to the departed eternal rest.

*People:* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Leader:* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

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

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

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

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

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

*Celebrant:* 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.*

*Please stand if your health allows.*

## The Peace

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

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Please be seated.*

## The Announcements



## Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

**O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Holy Communion

### The Offertory

*Instrumental*

*The people's offerings are collected and brought forward to the altar.*

*Please stand for the Doxology.*

*Celebrant and People sing:*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him all creatures here below;  
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts;  
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 Eucharistic Prayer A

**BCP 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.**

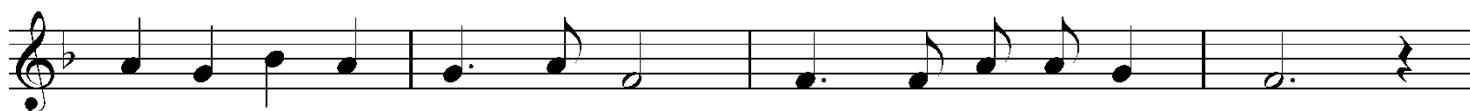
*Celebrant:*

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

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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*



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



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Please kneel, sit or stand.*

*Celebrant:*

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

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

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

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

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith,

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ has risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant:*

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

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

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **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, a period of silence may be kept*

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

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

**Celebrant:** The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Please be seated.*

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the bread and the wine; or just the bread, as is your need or custom. If you are not a baptized Christian, please know that you are also most welcome at the altar rail. Just cross your arms over your chest for a special prayer of blessing. This is God's place and no one is turned away.

*Please let an Usher know if you need the Sacrament brought to your pew.*

## **The Holy Communion Anthem**

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

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*Please kneel, sit or stand.*

*Celebrant and People:*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Please stand if your health allows.*

*The Celebrant blesses God's people.*

**People Amen.**

## **The Recessional Anthem**

*Angels From the Realms of Glory*

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## The Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit Alleluia, alleluia!

*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## Postlude



All are welcome to coffee hour in  
Castle Hall after the service.

# PRAYER REQUESTS

## Calvary Members:

Jim, Jan, Nancy and Mick Caspar, Edward FitzPatrick, The Reverend Celebrant Tom Smith, Francis Mercier, Don Bradley, Jan B., Gwen, Brynn, Kelly, Callie, Lynn L., PK, Amauri, Jayne, Janis Family, Carol Halla, Bill Kendall, Sally McClure, Lee McClure, Tammy McClure, Lee Davis, Eileen Elliot, Alex, Kyle, Crystal Hacker, Lynda Neely, Jim N., Marge, Carol, Kelly, Tranita, Kortney, Bill, Lynne, Ron Berrier, Barbara, Janet, Don, Gladys, Cliff Williams, Carol Visney, Debbie Hall, Teri Pizza, Luke, Linda Dixon, Daven Janis, Gladys Smith, Jennifer Ceplecha and Nicki Jaska.

## For those who are ill, in need, or experiencing hardship:

Aric, Art, Mark, Leah, Kat, Mic, Tuskey Family, Maeann, Kari, Rich, Trever, Bev Madsen, Abby & Family, Rina, Kathleen, Al Thompson, Wayne, Nancy, Ashlee Neely, Larry, Tom Murphy, Emily Hennings, Jim Shannon, Betty Wood, Nicolas Carl, Dirk, MacKenzie, TC Nelson, Barbara, Joshua, Ruth, Bette, Doug, Angie B., Mary, Andres, Brian T, Wendy Joslin, Henry, Alex, Cindy S., Sue, Judy Mazzolini, Richard Rossini, Cal Packard and Pam C.

## Missionaries:

Alpha & Hakha Traore, Rev. Pat in Guinea West Africa Connecting with Love,  
Fr. Russ & Heidi Smith

## Home bound:

Jim H.

## For those in prison:

Gary, Bruce

## For those in the Armed Forces/First Responders:

Alyssa Elliott, Edgar Arellano, Eric M. Casper, Clint, Michael Jancaric, Brian Visney

## For those involved at Magdalene House Ministry:

Gwen O'Loughlin

## College Students:

Austin Nolan, Benjamin Dakis, Allie Castle, Mason Ceplecha

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FOR PRIVATE PETITIONS



Please consider serving Christ and Calvary by sharing in one of our much needed and much appreciated ministries. Please contact Kate Pierson or one of our Churchwardens if you are interested. Training and support will happily be provided.

2024	January 7 Fr Jim Stanley 9:00 am Epiphany; de-green	January 14 Fr Jim Stanley 9:00 am Russ & Heidi Smith!	January 21 Fr Jim Stanley 9:00 am	January 28 Fr Jim Stanley 9:00 am Annual Meeting 10:30
Opening	Jim	Jim	Jim	Jim
Preacher	Fr Jim	Fr Jim	Fr Jim	Fr Jim
Music	Holly	Holly	Holly	Holly
A/V				
Chalice	Ada	Ada	Ada	Ada
Pop-Up Chalice	Grant	Grant	Grant	Grant
Old Testament & Psalm	Carla	Carla	Marilyn	Grant
New Testament	Marilyn	Grant	Carla	Carla
Intercessor	Grant		Grant	
Ushers (Greeters)	Marilyn	Marilyn	Marilyn	Marilyn
	Jim	Jim	Jim	Jim
Coffee Host	Kate	DOK reception for Russ & Heidi Smith	Kate	John's breakfast
Altar Guild	Ada	Kate	Barb	Carol
Altar Flowers				
Offering Counters	Grant, Carla	Grant, Carol	Carol, Pat	Grant, Carla



## **Advent Bible Study**

Father Jim's Advent Bible Study is on a break for the holidays but will return January 8<sup>th</sup>. Meanwhile copies of the study guides are available in the narthex.

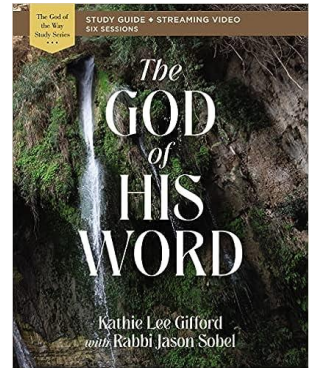


## **Daughters of the King**

The Castle Chapter of The Order of The Daughters of the King is next scheduled to meet on Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at Jan Bruesch's home. For any questions, please see Carla Castle or Jan. All are invited to join us for prayer, study, and fellowship.

## Thursday Book Group

The Thursday book group is continuing with: "The God of the Way" by Kathy Lee Gifford and Rabbi Jason Sobel. We are on the 2nd video study called "The God of His Word" with a study guide accompanying. The group meets at 2 pm. If you are interested in attending, please contact Janet Bruesch.



## Supporting Calvary



Calvary's Stewardship Giving Campaign has raised **\$170,000** in pledges to support Calvary through 2024! Thank you for your generosity! That just leaves \$5,000 to our goal!

## Russ and Heidi Smith

On Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 a.m, Calvary will welcome guest preachers and celebrant Fr. Russ and Heidi Smith, SAMS missionaries to Chile. Russ and Heidi will share news of God's mission and message in that wonderful country during the sermon and at a coffee hour Q & A. Calvary has supported the Smiths in the past and we're excited to renew this relationship!





## Grocery Bags Needed

Good, clean grocery bags are always needed at Outreach House food pantry. There is a collection bin in the narthex, labeled for this purpose. Please donate your clean surplus paper, plastic or reusable grocery bags in this bin, and Kate Pierson will deliver them to Outreach House each week.

# January Celebrations



**Gladys Smith**  
**Carol Halla**  
**Laura Waterman**

## Sunday Scavenger Hunt

Each week the Calvary News and Notes newsletter features a picture from somewhere in and around Calvary. This week's clue is on the right. If you do, email the office at [office@calvarylombard.org](mailto:office@calvarylombard.org), or call 630-620-8899.

Last week



# Jeri Kellan



recognized the ornament on the Christmas Tree.



# Ministers of the Liturgy

Rector	Father Jim Stanley
Director of Music:	Holly Herber
Parish Administrator:	Laura Waterman
Audio Visual Minister:	Xavier Conde, Alex Perez and Drew Abel

# The Vestry

Senior Warden:	Jim Filkins
Junior Warden:	Kate Pierson
Buildings & Grounds:	Stephenie & Donald Castle
Events/Outreach:	Joe Latona
Finance:	Lisa Pardue
Formation/Education:	Marilyn Stein
Stewardship:	Jeri Kellan
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