



Fourth Sunday of Advent
Holy Eucharist: Rite II

December 18, 2022
10 a.m.

Welcome to St. John's!

Welcome and thank you for worshiping with us today! Whatever your religious background (if any) and however you have come to be here with us, we welcome you. Whether you are online or in-person, we are glad that you have found us and we invite you to return here any Sunday so we may continue to worship with you. Please visit us on the web at stjohnsmib.org where you can also sign our Virtual Guest Book, and, if you are in-person, please use the welcome cards in the pew racks.

Precautions in place during this pandemic:

Based on Diocesan guidelines face coverings are no longer required. Unvaccinated persons should continue to mask as an expression of concern for others as well as their own safety. It is strongly encouraged to use the available hand sanitizer. Communion is at the altar rail, and wine will be by intinction only (see note at that point in the bulletin).

Preparation for Worship

The organ's chimes are a signal that it is time to take your seat in a pew, refrain from talking, and be in prayer and meditation as preparation for our worship together. The organ voluntary is an opportunity when, if we are properly prepared, we may hear the voice of the Holy Spirit in the confines of our mind.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*The Congregation joins in the portions printed in **bold italics***

There are no organ voluntaries in Advent

Procession and lighting of the Advent Wreath

(Dec. 20) 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen
 (Dec. 21) 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us
 (Dec. 22) 7 O - come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the
 (Dec. 23) 8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som



5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on
 6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of
 7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions
 8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.
 6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight. Re - joice! Re - joice!
 7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.
 8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

The stanzas may be used as antiphons with "The Song of Mary" on the dates given.

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal 1940*, alt.

Music: *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*, plainsong, Mode 1, *Processionale*, 15th cent.;
 adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890)

LM with Refrain

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

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

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

(sung by the choir)

Ludovico Viadana

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you,
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

All sit

Isaiah 7:10-16

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign.

Look, the young woman is with child and shall

bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

Recited by all in unison

*Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.*

*In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.*

*Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*

*O Lord God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?*

*You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.*

*You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.*

*Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*

*Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.*

*And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.*

*Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we
shall be saved.*

Romans 1:1-7

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the

obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Matthew 1:18-25

All stand, as able

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly.

But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will

save his people from their sins."

All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

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

The Sermon

All sit

The Nicene Creed

All stand, as 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 IV

All kneel, as able

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Thomas Church, Eustis and Christ Church, Fort Meade.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the bishops and clergy of The Anglican Church of Korea. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Heavenly Father, watch over and protect our

nation's military members and their families, especially, ***David, Luke, Jeremy, Craig, Dobson, Murray, Joel, Mack, Sergio, Ryan, Jimmy, Carl Jr., Matthew, Julian, Andrew, Jim, Brandon, Kyle, Nate, Stephen, Evan, Patrick, Clay, Ian, and Marsha.*** *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

We pray for our brothers and sisters who cannot be here with us today especially **Barbara, Jan, Bryan, Lilian, Brenda, Joe, and Charlie.**
Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

God of peace and justice, we pray for all those who live under armed conflict in Ukraine, Sudan,

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Announcements

All sit

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

(Eucharistic Prayer A)

At the Offertory, Carol

The Angel Gabriel

Traditional Basque Carol

The angel Gabriel from heaven came,
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
“All hail,” said he, “thou lowly maiden Mary,

Iran and other places around the world. We pray for those with power over war or peace and those commanded to fight, for wisdom, compassion and restraint to guide their decisions. We pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. In the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. **Amen.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Holy Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.**

most highly favored lady,” Gloria!

“For know a blessed Mother thou shalt be,
all generations laud and honor thee,

thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold,
most highly favored lady,” Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,
“To me be as it pleaseth God,” she said,
“my soul shall laud and magnify his holy Name.”

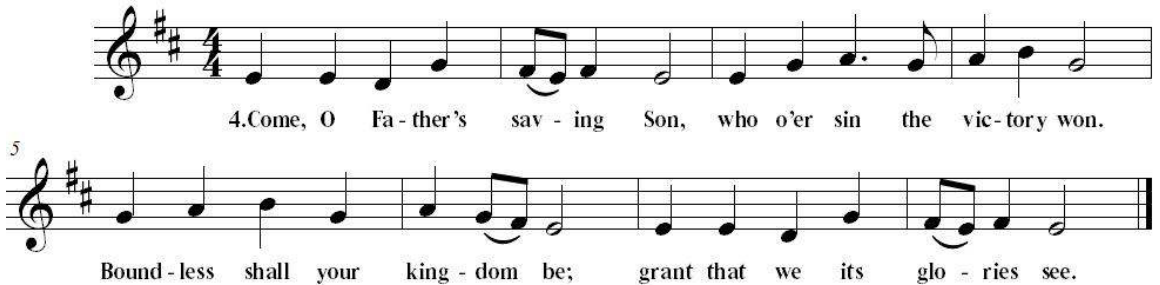
Most highly favored lady, Gloria!

Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born
in Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
and Christian folk throughout the world will ever
say—“Most highly favored lady,” Gloria!

All stand as able

Presentation Hymn

Tune: NUN KOMM DER HEIDEN HEILAND



4. Come, O Fa-ther's sav-ing Son, who o'er sin the vic-tory won.
Bound-less shall your king-dom be; grant that we its glo-ries see.

All things come of Thee, O Lord.
And of Thine own have we given Thee.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
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 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:

Sanctus and Benedictus

(sung by the choir)

Viadana

*Sanctus, sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coelli et terra gloria tua.
Hosannah in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.*

Holy, holy God of the hosts of heaven. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

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

Please kneel as able

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.

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 Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

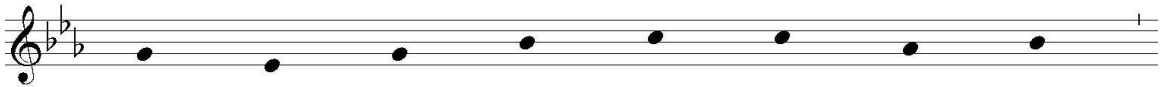
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

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.

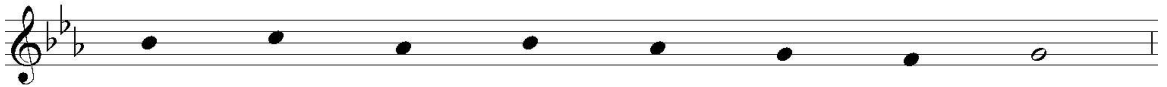
The usher will indicate when it is time for your row to come forward to the altar rail to receive Communion. If you wish to receive Communion in your pew, please let the usher know and it will be brought to you. When you go forward, an usher will indicate where to kneel at the rail, then hold your hands in front of you, one on top of the other, to receive the bread. Due to COVID restrictions, wine is by “intinction” only. No one sips from the common cup. If you wish to receive the wine, after the clergy places the bread in your hand, just hold it out for the chalice bearer, who will dip it in the wine and place it on your tongue. If you do not wish to receive the wine, simply consume the bread and cross your arms over your chest when the chalice bearer comes by, then return to your seat.

Communion Hymn 60, "Creator of the stars of night"

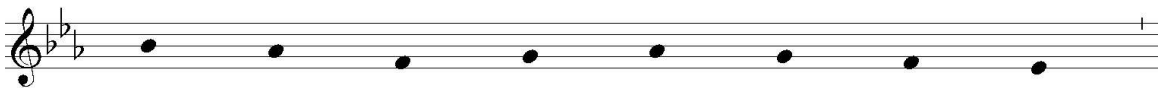
Tune: CONDITOR ALME



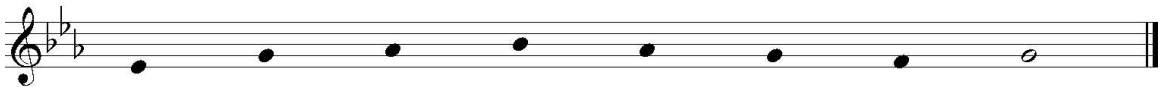
1 Cre - a - tor of the stars of night,
 2 In sor - row that the an - cient curse
 3 When this old world drew on toward night,
 4 At your great Name, O Je - sus, now
 5 Come in your ho - ly might, we pray,
 * 6 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son,



1 your peo - ple's ev - er - last - ing light,
 2 should doom to death a u - ni - verse,
 3 you came; but not in splen - dor bright,
 4 all knees must bend, all hearts must bow:
 5 re - deem us for e - ter - nal day;
 6 and God the Spi - rit, Three in One,



1 O Christ, Re - deem - er of us all,
 2 you came, O Sa - vior, to set free
 3 not as a mon - arch, but the child
 4 all things on earth with one ac - cord,
 5 de - fend us while we dwell be - low
 6 praise, hon - or, might, and glo - ry be



1 we pray you hear us when we call.
 2 your own in glo - rious li - ber - ty.
 3 of Ma - ry, blame - less mo - ther mild.
 4 like those in heaven, shall call you Lord.
 5 from all as - saults of our dread foe.
 6 from age to age e - ter - nal - ly.

The Post-Communion Prayer

All kneel, as able

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.

The Blessing

Hymn, "Come, thou redeemer of the earth"

Tune: PUER NATUS NASCITUR

1. Come, Thou Re - deem - er of the earth, And
 2. Be - got - ten of no hu - man will, But
 3. The vir - gin womb that bur - den gained With
 4. Forth from His cham - ber go - eth He, That
 5. From God the Fa - ther He pro - ceeds, To

man - i - fest Thy vir - gin birth: Let ev - ery age a -
 of the Spi - rit, Thou art still The Word of God in
 vir - gin hon - or all un - stained; The ban - ners there of
 roy - al home of pur - i - ty, A giant in two - fold
 God the Fa - ther back He speeds; His course He runs to

dor - ing fall; Such birth be - fits the God of all.
 flesh ar - rayed, The prom - ised Fruit to man dis - played.
 vir - tue glow; God in His tem - ple dwells be - low.
 sub - stance one, Re - joic - ing now His course to run.
 death and hell, Re - turn - ing on God's throne to dwell.

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!



THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

"Gabriel's Message" is a Basque Christmas folk carol about the Annunciation to the Virgin Mary by the archangel Gabriel that she would become the mother of Jesus. It quotes the biblical account of the Annunciation (Luke, Chapter 1, verses 26-38) and Mary's Magnificat (Luke 1.46-55).

Originally based on Angelus Ad Virginem, a 13th or 14th Century Latin carol, it was collected by Charles Bordes and then paraphrased into English by Sabine Baring-Gould, who had spent a winter as a boy in the Basque country. The use of the lilting phrase “Most highly favoured lady” makes it a favorite carol of any.

We receive “Come, thou Redeemer of the earth” in John Mason Neale’s translation of *Veni, Redemptor gentium* as it appeared in *Hymnal Noted*. Then as now, the original Latin text is attributed to St. Ambrose (340-397). The 1909 hymnal companion to the New Edition (1904) of *Hymns Ancient & Modern* says that Augustine himself attests to the authorship by Ambrose, and the text has been used in the Mozarabic (Iberian), Ambrosian (Milan), and Latin rites. It is based on Matthew 1:23 in the Christmas birth narrative.

“Creator of the stars of night” is an anonymous hymn translated by John Mason Neale, (1818-1866). The Latin original, found in a ninth century manuscript in Bern, Switzerland, was appointed to be sung on certain days during Advent. In stanza two there is more than a hint of the hymn “At the name of Jesus.” In this hymn the inclusion of a final *doxology* (a Trinitarian formula of praise) appears for the first time in a Latin hymn.

The musical setting the choir sings of the Ordinary is from Viadana’s *Missa Sine Nomine* (Mass without a name).

VISITORS AND GUESTS: Welcome to St. John’s! We hope you will stay after the service for an opportunity to chat. Nibbles, coffee and bottled water will be provided in our Parish Hall . If you have questions about baptisms, weddings, membership, or any other need we can respond to, please call the Church Office at: 321-254-3365. And if you wish to know more about this church or to be included on our weekly and newsletter mailing lists, please call the office or email us at office@stjohnsmlb.org.

SIGN OUR VIRTUAL GUEST BOOK! Scan the QR code at right or visit stjohnsmlb.org and click on Virtual Guest Book to let us know you were here and pass on any comments you would like to make!

THE ALTAR FLOWERS AND SANCTUARY CANDLE may be given in memory of a loved one, or to commemorate some occasion. Contact the church office at office@stjohnsmlb.org or

321-254-3365.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Edie Bennett, Sharon Tuten.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Paul & Lorraine Burleson, Hasty & Julie Miller.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: No adult education today, resumes Jan. 8.

YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: No christian education today, resumes Jan. 8.

TGIF: Men’s Bible study, Fridays, 8 a.m., at La Loma Coney Island, 1180 Aurora Rd, Melbourne, 32935. 321-254-8559. No TGIF on Dec. 30, but we will gather on Dec. 23.

THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED make this a great week of hosting with **Family Promise!** It takes many hands and all who pitched in are appreciated!

MUSIC AT ST. JOHN'S: Let Dr. D know that you'd like to be a part of the music in the parish. Singers and instrumentalists are welcome. There are no auditions; all that is necessary is an ability to read music and a willingness to be faithful.

ST. JOHN'S CHAT is a great way to keep up with St. John's news and information! If you are not subscribed to this list, please email office@stjohnsmlb.org. Note that this is separate from the weekly "**St. John's eNews**" which comes out every Thursday at 4 p.m. You may request a subscription to that list as well!

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Christmas Brunch

TODAY, Dec. 18, following 10 a.m. service
No Christian Ed., resumes Jan. 8, 2023.

Christmas Eve Festival Worship

Saturday, Dec. 24, 8 p.m. Carols, 7:40 p.m.

Christmas Day Worship

Sunday, Dec. 25, 10 a.m.
No Christian Ed. Resumes Jan. 8, 2023.

Festival of Lessons and Carols

Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023, 10 a.m.
No Christian Ed. Resumes Jan. 8, 2023.

Epiphany, Festival of Light

Friday, Jan. 6, 2023, 7 p.m.
With other area churches.

A PRAYER REQUEST BOX is now available from the St. John's Order of the Daughters of the King in the Sanctuary beside the votive candles. We have taken a vow to pray for others and we take this vow seriously. In lieu of access to the prayer box, please give prayer requests directly to any Daughter listed on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

PRAYER IS AVAILABLE at the altar rail immediately following the service.

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	Dec 18	Dec 24	Dec 25
Greeters	A. Weeks	A. Weeks	A. Weeks
Ushers	B. Chernault J. Miller	L. Fletcher J. Bond	J. & S. Hamilton
LEM	J. Hamilton	K. Oas	R. Huffman
Altar Guild	D. Miller-Caldwell	K. Oas	L. Bennett
Counter	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	K. Wilson
A/V	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz

FAMILY PROMISE: is always in need of volunteers. If you can help please speak to Lee Steininger or Ben Kendall for details.

NEED A ZOOM MEETING? A "zoom room" is available for church zoom meetings or hybrid meetings. Please contact office@stjohnsmlb.org to set it up.

DAILY BREAD: Additional servers would be most welcome for the first Thursday of each month, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. The upcoming duty day is January 5. If you can help please contact Jackie Bond.

LOANING OF CHURCH ITEMS: If you would like to borrow tables, chairs, cribs, linens, etc. please speak with Fr. Eric or Deborah Miller-Caldwell, Jr. Warden. Please contact Deborah at farxper@gmail.com, Fr. Eric at eric@stjohnsmlb.org, or call the church office at 321-254-3365.

ST. JOHN'S OUTREACH FOCUS for the month of December has been designated for Wholeness to Freedom Food Pantry, serving the needs of the

community in our own backyard. This is the same food pantry that receives the non-perishable foods we collect and deliver to them monthly. For more information visit their website at wholenesstofreedom.org. Contributions in the blue or lilac envelope, or marked for Outreach will go to the food pantry.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY information is available in the church newsletters, *The Good News*. Visit stjohnsmlb.org > About > Church Newsletters. More detailed reports are available from the church office.

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READINGS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY: Isaiah 9:2-7, Titus 2:11-14, Luke 2:1-20, Psalm 96



You are personally invited to join a community of women who believe in the power of prayer, service to others, and the sharing of the gospel to expand the Kingdom of God. You can find out more about the DOK St John's Chapter by contacting Mary Highland at 321-831-2796 or mhighland7@gmail.com.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

- Sun (12/18) No Christian Education today, resumes Jan. 8
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.
Christmas Lunch, in the Parish Hall after the service.
Family Promise Hosting ends today.
- Wed (12/21) Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m. in the Choir Loft.
- Thur (12/22) Staff Meeting, Rector's Office, 11 a.m.
- Fri (12/23) TGIF, Men's Bible Study, 8 a.m., La Loma Coney Island Restaurant, 1180 Aurora Rd.
- Sat (12/24) Christmas Eve Festival Worship, Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 8 p.m. Carols, 7:40 p.m.
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Christmas Day Worship, Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.

All Zoom and Livestream links are available by visiting stjohnsmlb.org > Parish Life > Calendar, then clicking on the event. Or you may email office@stjohnsmlb.org and we will send you the link.

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