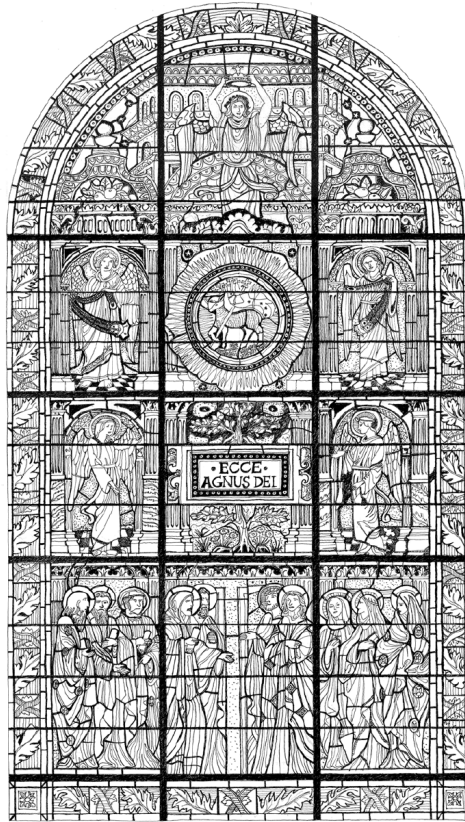


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THE HOLY EUCHARIST
JANUARY 5, 2025 • 10:30 A.M.



WELCOME

To all who are spiritually weary *and seek rest*,
to all who mourn *and long for comfort*,
to all who struggle *and desire victory*,
to all who sin *and need a Savior*,
to all who are strangers *and want fellowship*,
to all who hunger *and thirst after righteousness*,
to all who have been blessed *and wish to give thanks*,
and to whoever will come—*this church opens wide her doors*
and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern*, BWV 739 J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
How Brightly Shines the Morning Star N.W. Gade (1817-1890)

THE INTROIT Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning, dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;
Star of the east, the horizon adorning, guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.
Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining; low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
Angels adore him in slumber reclining, Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.
Say, shall we yield him in costly devotion, odours of Edom, and offerings divine,
Gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean, myrrh from the forest, or gold from the mine?
Vainly we offer each ample oblation, vainly with gifts would his favour secure:
Richer by far is the heart's adoration, dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

Text: Reginald Heber (1783-1826). Music: Malcolm Archer (b. 1952) ©1990 Kevin Mayhew Ltd. Used by permission.

THE WORD OF GOD

The People are invited to stand and sing the opening hymn.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 52 As With Gladness Men of Old *Dix*

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious Lord, may we ever more be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger bed;
There to bend the knee before him whom heav'n and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet ever seek the mercy seat.

As they offer'd gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare;
So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ! To thee, our heav'nly king.

Holy Jesus! Every day keep us in the narrow way;
And when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last,
Where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heav'nly country bright, need they no created light;
Thou its light, its joy its crown, thou its sun which goes not down;
There for ever may we sing alleluias to our King.

Text: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

Music: *Dix*, melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872); arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889) harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

THE ACCLAMATION The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 105

Celebrant Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***
Celebrant I will make thee as a light for the nations,
People ***That my salvation may reach unto the end of the earth.***

The Celebrant prays

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

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. MATTHEW 22:37-40

THE KYRIE

BCP, page 106

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.
People **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, page 107

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

All kneel.

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thine only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: Mercifully grant that we, who know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

The People are seated for the reading of God's Word.

THE LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-9

¹ Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. ² For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. ³ And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. ⁴ Lift up your eyes all around, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip. ⁵ Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult, because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. ⁶ A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news, the praises of the Lord. ⁷ All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered to you; the rams of Nebaioth shall minister to you; they shall come up with acceptance on my altar, and I will beautify my beautiful house. ⁸ Who are these that fly like a cloud, and like doves to their windows? ⁹ For the coastlands shall hope for me, the ships of Tarshish first, to bring your children from afar, their silver and gold with them, for the name of the Lord your God, and for the Holy One of Israel, because he has made you beautiful.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The People are invited to stand and sing the gradual hymn.

THE GRADUAL HYMN 51

We Three Kings

Three Kings of Orient

We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;
Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again,
King for ever, ceasing never, over us all to reign. *Refrain*

Frankincense to offer have I: Incense owns a Deity nigh;
Prayer and praising, all men raising, worship him, God on High. *Refrain*

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb. *Refrain*

Glorious now behold him arise, King and God and Sacrifice;
Heaven sings alleluia: alleluia the earth replies. *Refrain*

Words: John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891), alt.
Music: *Three Kings of Orient*, John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891)

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

The People remain standing. The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

People ***Glory be to thee, Lord Christ.***

¹ Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ² saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." ³ When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵ They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: ⁶ "And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel." ⁷ Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸ And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." ⁹ After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹ And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹² And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.***

THE SERMON

From the East

The Rev. Brian K. McGreevy

All stand and say in unison

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All kneeling, the Celebrant or other person appointed says the prayers found on page 128 of the BCP.

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

For Steve, our Archbishop, and Chip, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others. We pray thy blessing on our home and world missions: Hope to Home Ministries, Lowcountry Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Lowcountry Pregnancy Center, Star Gospel Mission, Water Mission and the Global Water Center, our mission partners in Haiti, Honduras, Liberia, Rwanda and Uganda, and for the unreached and those across the world who are persecuted for their faith. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially the President of the United States, the members of Congress, and the Justices of the Supreme Court. And we commend to thy gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, especially *those on our parish prayer list*. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially *those on our parish prayer list*. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, [especially _____], in thanksgiving let us pray. Lord, in thy mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

The Reader concludes with this Collect.

Grant these our prayers, O Heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate; who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

People and Celebrant

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest stands alone and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. JOHN 3:16

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 TIMOTHY 1:15

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. JOHN 2:1-2

All stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY ANTHEM There Shall a Star Come Out of Jacob Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

There shall a star come out of Jacob, and a sceptre shall rise out of Israel;

With might destroying princes and cities!

As bright the star of morning gleams,

So Jesus sheddeth glorious beams of light and consolation.

Thy Word O Lord, radiance darting, truth imparting,

Gives salvation; thine be praise and adoration!

Text: Christian K.J. von Bunsen (1791-1860) from the oratorio Christus, published 1874-82. Music: Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847) including *Wie schön leuchtet*, melody attr. to Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608). Used by permission.

All are invited to stand and sing the Doxology.

THE DOXOLOGY

The First Nowell

The First Nowell

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heav'nly Lord;
That hath made heav'n and earth of naught, and with his blood mankind hath bought.
Nowell, nowell, nowell, nowell, born is the King of Israel.

Words: Old English carol, 18th cent. Music: *The First Nowell*, Traditional English carol, pub. 1833

THE SURSUM CORDA

BCP, page 115

The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People

It is meet and right so to do.

All remain standing as the Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer. The People are invited to sing

THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory:
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High,
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest.

All kneel. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer on page 116, concluding with

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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People and Celebrant

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.

People and Celebrant

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table; but thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Remaining kneeling, all are invited to sing the Agnus Dei.

THE AGNUS DEI

H. Willan

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.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion at the high altar or the standing stations in either one kind (bread only) or both kinds (bread and wine). You may stand or kneel to receive Communion. To receive the bread in the traditional way, please place your right palm over your left and the bread will be placed in your palm. You may consume the bread and drink from the chalice (please grasp the bottom of the chalice firmly and guide it to your mouth), or you may leave the bread in your palm and then dip it into the wine when the chalice is brought to you. Those who are not baptized or do not wish to receive Communion (including children who do not yet receive) are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. **The St. Philip's Prayer Team is available at this time. If you would like someone to pray with you, please see them in either side aisle by the large doors.***

COMMUNION HYMN 50

Saw You Never in the Twilight

Charters

1. Saw you nev - er, in the twi - light, when the sun had left the skies,
 2. Heard you nev - er of the sto - ry how they crossed the des - sert wild,
 3. Know ye not that low - ly ba - by was the bright and morn - ing Star?

up in heaven the clear stars shin - ing through the gloom, like sil - ver eyes?
 jour ney'd on by plain and mount - ain, till they found the ho - ly Child?
 He who came to light the Gen - tiles, and the dark - ened isles a - far?

So of old the wise men, watch - ing, saw a lit - tle stran - ger King;
 How they o - pened all their treas - ure, kneel - ing to that in - fant King;
 And we, too, may seek his cra - dle; there our hearts' best treas - ures bring;

and they knew the King was giv - en, and they fol - lowed it from far.
 gave the gold and fra - grant in - cense, gave the myrrh in of - fer - ing?
 love, and faith, and true de - vo - tion for our Sa - viour, God, and King.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895)
 Music: CHARTRES, French melody arr. Charles Wood (1866-1926)

COMMUNION HYMN 36

What Child is This

Greensleeves

What Child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain: This, this is Christ, the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary!

Why lies He in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here the silent Word is pleading. *Refrain*

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh, come, peasant, king to own Him.
The King of kings salvation brings; let loving hearts enthrone Him. *Refrain*

Text: William Chatterton Dix, c. 1865. Music: *Greensleeves*, English, before 1642

COMMUNION HYMN 46

Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning

Morning Star

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning, dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;
Star of the east, the horizon adorning, guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining; low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
Angels adore him in slumber reclining, Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.

Shall we then yield him, in costly devotion, odours of Edom, and offerings divine,
Gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean, myrrh from the forest, or gold from the mine?

Vainly we offer each ample oblation, vainly with gifts would his favour secure:
Richer by far is the heart's adoration, dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

Text: Reginald Heber, 1811, alt. Music: James P. Harding, 1892

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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Kneeling, the People join in saying this prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us, thereby, of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works that thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

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After the blessing, all are invited to stand and sing the closing hymn.

Earth has many a noble city; Bethlehem, thou dost all excel;
Out of thee the Lord from heaven came to rule his Israel.

Fairer than the sun at morning was the star that told his birth,
To the world its God announcing seen in fleshly form on earth.

Eastern sages at his cradle make oblations rich and rare;
See them give, in deep devotion, gold and frankincense and myrrh.

Sacred gifts of mystic meaning: incense doth their God disclose,
Gold the King of kings proclaimeth, myrrh his sepulcher foreshows.

Jesus, whom the Gentiles worshipped at thy glad Epiphany,
Unto thee, with God the Father and the Spirit, glory be.

Text: Aurelius Clemens Prudentius, 348-413; Tr. Edward Caswall, alt.
Music: *Stuttgart*, adapted from a melody by C.F. Witt, Gotha, 1715.

THE DISMISSAL

*The Priest dismisses the People, and the People respond: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Fanfare on *Shine, Jesus, Shine* Christopher Tambling (1964-2015)

***Please join us for an Epiphany fellowship brunch in the
Parish Hall immediately following this service.***

Happy New Year! Back in Session:

- Sunday School, Rector's Forum
- Wednesdays Alive! service/supper/class (Wednesdays beginning at 5:30 p.m.)
- Rector's Bible Study (Thursdays at noon)
- Middle School Youth Group (Fridays at 6:00 p.m.)

Resuming Soon:

- High School Youth Group (resumes next Sunday, January 12)
- inSPIRE/eSPIRE mailing (resumes January 15)

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Preacher

The Rev. Brian K. McGreevy

Ushers

John Settle, Lowell Grosse,
Ken Humphrie, Reagan Jackson

Greeters

Margaret and Robert McKenzie

Lector

Ian Crosby

Chalice

Foster Gaillard, DuBose Egleston,
Arthur Grimball, Malcolm Rhodes

Acolyte Mentor

Daniel Layfield

Acolytes

Matilda Bricker, Charles Finland, Claire Finland, Daniel Layfield,
Virginia Layfield, Caroline Robinson, Atticus Humphries

Prayer Teams

Garden Frampton and Joanna Macmurphy,
Jane McGreevy and Elisa Bricker

Altar Guild

Pat Wardlaw, Derrill Hagood

Flower Guild

All Teams, the ECW, and volunteers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The “Ungreening” of the Church is this Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. All helping hands would be welcome and appreciated at this cleanup, and you can help us get a head start by taking home any of the poinsettias on the altar steps and in the narthex—first-come, first-served!

The Monthly Men’s Lunch is this Wednesday, January 8, at noon in the Parish Hall. All men of the community are invited to enjoy a delicious meal and to hear the testimony of Citadel graduate Isaiah Bailey, an area representative for the Lowcountry Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Our Grandparents@Prayer monthly drop-in is this Thursday from 11:00–11:45 a.m. in the chapel, conveniently timed for you to stop by before the first Rector’s Bible Study of 2025 to pray intentionally for your grandchildren. Resources are provided, and prayer team members are available to pray with you if you’d like.

New Offerings Beginning Soon: Some of our established midweek Bible studies are starting new topics, and some new groups are starting up. Browse all of our current offerings and registrations at saintphilips.church/discipleship!

Guest Speaker and Preacher: We are blessed and honored to have the Very Rev. Canon Dr. Bryan C. Hollon, President of Trinity Anglican Seminary in Ambridge, PA, joining us next Sunday as preacher at both services and guest speaker at the Rector’s Forum (9:30 a.m.)

St. Philip’s Academy Open Information Session is next Sunday, January 12, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All parents, especially those interested in enrolling their child(ren) in 4K or kindergarten at St. Philip’s Academy for the 2025-2026 academic year, are invited to attend. Kindly register to help us plan. Enrollment applications will be available, and childcare is provided upon request during registration. Questions? Email stpacademy@stphilipschurchsc.org.



Our Young Adult/Parent (of 0-18) Oyster Roast is next Sunday, January 12, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on the Parish House lawn. Tickets are \$30 per person (pay-what-you-can available), and we will have oysters, chili, beer, wine, soft drinks, and water. Childcare for kids 0–3 is available by request during registration, but this is otherwise an adults-only event.



GriefShare, a 13-week video-based support group, is a Christian ministry hailed as the number-one grief support group in the world. Susan Keller and Juanita Orvin will be facilitating a GriefShare group at St. Philip’s on Wednesday evenings (7:15 to 8:45 in the Parlor) beginning January 22. Please scan the QR code to register, or email susanckeller55@gmail.com if you prefer.

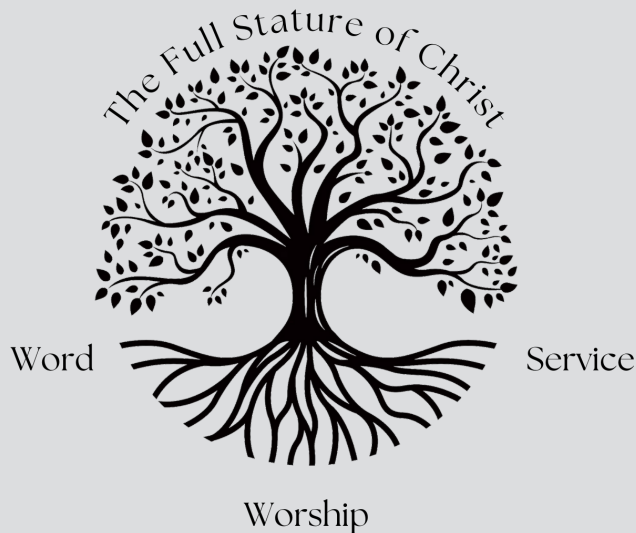


Important Dates:

- **Tomorrow** - Come Further Up, Come Further In men’s fellowship (7:00 p.m. at Henry’s)
- **January 12** - Second Sunday Choral Evensong (4:00 p.m.)
- **January 25** - Prayer as Worship workshop (9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m., lunch provided)
- **January 26** - Star Gospel canned food drive

*For further details and for registrations, please visit saintphilips.church/events
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St. Philip's Tree of Life



We are disciples of Christ, and for us to foster a personal relationship with him, become mature Christians, and grow into the full stature of Christ, we engage in ALL of the following—please join us!

- weekly or twice-weekly corporate worship (making the Lord's Day a priority)
- weekly Sunday Christian formation (e.g. Rector's Forum, Sunday School)
- weekly corporate Bible study (Rector's Bible Study and/or small group)
- daily prayer and study of God's Word
- service to the church (lay ministry, missions, etc., plus tithing)
- Christian fellowship (e.g. foyer group, Theology on Tuesdays)
- making disciples (sharing the faith)

RESOURCES

The Rector's current recommendations for daily devotionals and online resources are available at:

saintphilips.churchcenter.com/pages/resources





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