



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE  
GOOD SHEPHERD



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THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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**10:30A**

**THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**DECEMBER 12, 2021**

# WELCOME

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## WORSHIP

The Holy Eucharist – readings from and responses to the Bible and the celebration of Holy Communion – is the central act of Sunday worship in the Episcopal Church. This leaflet contains the text and hymn references necessary to participate in this service. The hymnal is the blue book found in the pew racks. The page numbers to the right of some headings, while not necessary to participate in the service, refer to *The Book of Common Prayer* (red book) found in the pew racks.

## RESTROOMS

Public restrooms are available in the narthex and the Parish Life Center atrium.

## PARKING

In addition to on-campus parking, space is available (Sunday mornings only) at Tarrytown Shopping Center across Windsor and Wells Fargo Bank one block east on Windsor. If you park on a street, please be sure that you are not parked in a fire lane or blocking a driveway.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you are new to Good Shepherd or are interested in learning more about our community, please fill out a newcomer card located in the pew racks, narthex, or Parish Life Center atrium and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or clergy person. You can also fill out a newcomer card online at [gsaustin.org](http://gsaustin.org) > **connect** > **let's connect**.

Call the parish office at **512.476.3523** if you have questions about baptisms, weddings, membership, or any other needs.

## PRELUDE

## ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN 59 *Hark! A Thrilling Voice is sounding*

MERTON

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, holy and living One.

*People* You come to your people and set them free.

## BLESSING AT THE ADVENT WREATH

*Celebrant* God of gladness and exultation, you scatter the darkness of sin and loss,  
and promise restoration and wholeness in the coming of your Son,  
May the ever-increasing brightness of this wreath be a sign to us  
of his approaching nearness, that we may live joyfully, sustained by your promises,  
as we eagerly await the day when they will be fulfilled.

*All* Come, Lord Jesus.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant* The voice of John the Baptist cries in the wilderness  
Prepare the way of the Lord.  
Let us turn away from sin, then, and towards the Lord,  
confessing our failings in penitence and faith. (*Silence*)

*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.  
In your mercy forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall become;  
that we may act justly, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen

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**Today's Readings**

*Zephaniah 3:14-20 Zephaniah, a prophet with royal connections, lived around the 7th century BC. Despite foreign threats he believes that Jerusalem, under God's protection, will survive.*

*Philippians 4:4-7 Paul encourages the Philippians with joyful hope.*

*Luke 3:7-18 John the Baptist preaches an uncompromising message of social responsibility and reminds the people of the coming one.*

—Bennett, Bill

*Short Introductions to the Bible Readings for the Revised Common Lectionary.*

*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.

*All* Amen.

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever.

*People* Amen.

**The Readings**

**FIRST READING** *A Reading from the book of Zephaniah*

*3: 14-20*

*Lector* Sing aloud, O daughter Zion;  
shout, O Israel!  
Rejoice and exult with all your heart,  
O daughter Jerusalem!  
The LORD has taken away the judgments against you,  
he has turned away your enemies.  
The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst;  
you shall fear disaster no more.  
On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:  
Do not fear, O Zion;  
do not let your hands grow weak.  
The LORD, your God, is in your midst,  
a warrior who gives victory;  
he will rejoice over you with gladness,  
he will renew you in his love;  
he will exult over you with loud singing  
as on a day of festival.  
I will remove disaster from you,  
so that you will not bear reproach for it.  
I will deal with all your oppressors at that time.  
And I will save the lame  
and gather the outcast,  
and I will change their shame into praise  
and renown in all the earth.  
At that time I will bring you home,  
at the time when I gather you;  
for I will make you renowned and praised  
among all the peoples of the earth,  
when I restore your fortunes  
before your eyes, says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Choir* Surely, it is God who saves me; \*  
 I will trust in him and not be afraid.  
 For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \*  
 and he will be my Savior.  
 Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \*  
 from the springs of salvation.  
 And on that day you shall say, \*  
 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;  
 Make his deeds known among the peoples; \*  
 see that they remember that his Name is exalted.  
 Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \*  
 and this is known in all the world.  
 Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \*  
 for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

SECOND READING *A reading from the Letter to the Philippians*

4: 4-7

*Lector* Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*Cantor* The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
 because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

## THE GOSPEL

3: 7-18

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

*Gospeller* John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire."

And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages."

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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**We pray for those...**


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**In need of comfort**

Jack Jennings  
 Robert Reynolds  
 Bob Malouf  
 Gordon  
 Ben  
 Donna Martin  
 Jack and Donna Cashion  
 Bob Zelsman  
 Jaxson White  
 Pam Bell  
 David  
 Larry  
 Roy  
 Kelly Wynne Ferguson  
 Walt Ferguson  
 Robin  
 Ryan Charbeneau  
 Stephen Ankenbauer  
 Gregory Neff  
 Mary  
 Gary Gartzke  
 Elizabeth  
 George Hickox  
 Will  
 Griffin Perkins  
 Ardon Moore  
 Gennie  
 Barbara Eckert  
 Meredith Skogman  
 Ernie Dean  
 Pat Jones  
 Ann Whiting  
 Sam Perry  
 Mollie Shands  
 Tom  
 Julie Harrington  
 Coleman Horton  
 Anne  
 Harriet Rutland  
 Michael  
 Taylor  
 Rutland family  
 Cashion family  
 Williamson family  
 Robinson family  
 Richardson family  
 Ferguson family  
 Neff family

*Celebrant* Let us profess our faith.

*All* 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.

*Celebrant:* God of justice and peace, from the heavens you rain down mercy and kindness; hear and answer our prayers, that all on earth may acknowledge your marvelous deeds.

*Leader:* For peace in the world: May wars on every continent cease, may nations be at rest, may refugees and survivors find new homes and the resources to begin again. May wounds be healed, losses mourned, and honorable deeds remembered.

Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* For peace in the church: May we be reconciled with all Christian men and women, that peace may prevail over conflict, and that we may be re-gathered into one family, rejoicing in one baptism, nourished by one Eucharist, and exercising one ministry in many forms.

Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* For this assembly: May we relinquish our vested interests and seek peace with one another. Help us to give up the grievances we harbor within our families and communities; teach us to live in trust and hope.

Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* For peace where we live and work, and for peace within ourselves: May we know the deep silence of God's presence, and recognize in one another, and in all creation, reflections of God's beauty.

Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* For young people: may they know shelter and belonging in our midst. May we minister loving acceptance and deep joy to all we meet.

Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* For the elderly and the infirm, and those who have asked our prayers; for ... and for whom else would you pray? *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Leader:* For those who have died, and those who mourn their loss; (for ... ) and for whom else would you pray? *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy,

*People:* Hear our prayer.

*Celebrant:* Holy God, already in our midst and yet to come,  
your presence delights us even now as we long for your peace and healing.  
Renew us in your love, baptize us with the fire of your Spirit,  
and console us with an answer to our prayers,  
for we make them with faith and confidence

*All:* Amen.

## The Peace

*Celebrant:* In the tender mercy of our God,  
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,  
to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death,  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Luke 1: 78-79*

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## Expecting the birth of a child

Emily Plauche  
Lee Lee Paschal  
Kimberly Moore  
Mackenzie Pinhouster  
CoCo Robertson  
Morgan Wenske Preston  
Emily Spears  
Cassie Graydon Lemons  
Megan Burrus

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## Births

Adelaide Collins Kline  
Wilson Huntley Hughes  
Jack Chapman Bauer  
Faith Ferguson

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## Deaths

Harriet Rutland  
Kevin Williamson

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## Serving in the armed forces

Scott Simpson  
Caleb Hayen  
Shay Archer  
Connor Downing  
Alexandra Mauro  
Michael Hart  
Nico Barrangan  
Joseph Turner  
Davis Brown  
Brandon Sharp  
Jim Lively  
Andrew Gray  
Claten Bechtol  
Zachary Pierce

# The Holy Communion

## THE OFFERTORY

*Rejoice, Christ is born of the Virgin Mary! A time of grace is here, for which we had hoped; songs of joy we devoutly return. God is made man, nature marvels. The world is renewed by Christ's reign. Ezekiel's gate was closed, but could be passed through. Thus, the light shone and found salvation. therefore, our assembly sings now in brightness. We bless the Lord; greetings to our King.*

ANTHEM *Gaudete!*

16thc. Spanish, Adapted

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*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 our thanks and praise.

## PREFACE OF ADVENT

(P.378)

## SANCTUS

S 128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

(P.367)

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*People* We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All* Our Father, who art in heaven,  
 hallowed be thy Name,  
 thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in heaven.

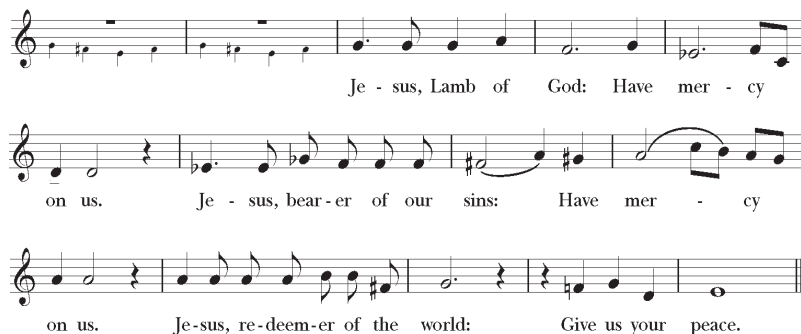
Give us this day our daily bread.

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.





*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God

# THE COMMUNION

ANTHEM There Was a Man named John

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* Loving God,  
your Son Jesus Christ has come to us in flesh and blood,  
in bread and wine, in word and Spirit.  
Make us holy  
and bring us to perfection,  
when we stand before him  
who comes to judge the living and the dead,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## THE BENEDICTION

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you

*People* And also with you

*Celebrant* May God, who loved the world so much that he sent his only Son  
to come among us in great humility,  
open your eyes to look for his coming again,  
and the blessing of God Almighty,  
✙ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you, and remain with you always.

*People* Amen.

HYMN 68 *Rejoice! Rejoice, believers*

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## DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

## About Communion

Russell Schulz

*Church of England (adapted)*

*We are an open and inclusive community, committed to the unity of Christ's Body, the Church, and to welcoming all to the Table of the Lord. Gluten free wafers are always available.*

*If you do not wish to receive Communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms against your chest.*



## STAFF DIRECTORY

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### CLERGY

The Rev. Channing Smith  
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The Rev. Stanford Adams  
*Vice Rector*

The Rev. Marcea Paul  
*Priest for Pastoral Care*

The Rev. Terry Gleeson  
*Priest for Liturgy & Formation*

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Sarah Gobble  
*Assistant Head of School*

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### CLASS OF 2022:

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*Senior Warden*

Lisa McMinn  
*Junior Warden*

Paige Hoover

Rod Lowman

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Donna White

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Sarah Sarahan

Erin Stephens

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*Treasurer*

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## DECEMBER

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**TODAY**  
DECEMBER 12

### CHORAL EVENSONG

Join us on the Windsor Campus at 6:00p for Choral Evensong, an evening prayer that has its origins in the monastic hours and is one of the treasures of the Anglican Communion. The church gathers in the evening to give thanks for the day that is ending, lifting up to God the needs and sorrows of our community and the world.

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**TUESDAY**  
DECEMBER 14

### WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS TEA

Join us for fellowship and merriment in celebration of the Advent season and one another. Drop by or stay the whole time from 4:00-7:00p, in Parish Life Center on the Windsor Campus.

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**FRIDAY**  
DECEMBER 17  
*Deadline*

### CHRISTMAS MUSIC AND FLOWER DONATIONS

Every year, we are fortunate to receive donations that allow us to afford the beautiful poinsettias and outstanding Christmas music for our Christmas Eve worship services. For recognition in the Christmas Eve leaflets, donations must be in the Good Shepherd office or online, no later than Friday, December 17. To donate online visit: [gsaustin.org/events/christmas-music-flower-donations/](https://gsaustin.org/events/christmas-music-flower-donations/).

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**SUNDAY**  
DECEMBER 19

### RISE AGAINST HUNGER PACK

Our favorite Advent 4 tradition returns this year as we pack 35,000 meals for those in need. This is the perfect opportunity to invite friends and family to share in the joy of giving. Volunteers are needed! Please visit our website to sign up to help with set up and clean up. The pack will follow our 10:30a worship service on both campuses. Dress comfortably and don't forget... "Rice goes last!"



### CHRISTMAS EVE, CHRISTMAS DAY AND CHRISTMAS I WINDSOR CAMPUS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

#### CHRISTMAS EVE / FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24

- 2:00p | Holy Eucharist with Children's Choir & Christmas Pageant\*  
/ WINDSOR CAMPUS, SANCTUARY
- 4:30p/5:00p | Carols for Christmas + Holy Eucharist with Good Shepherd Choir & Orchestra\*  
/ WINDSOR CAMPUS, SANCTUARY + LIVESTREAMED AT GSAUSTIN.ORG
- 4:30p/5:00p | Carols for Christmas + Holy Eucharist with Acoustic Band  
/ WINDSOR CAMPUS, PARISH LIFE CENTER
- 7:30p/8:00p | Carols for Christmas + Holy Eucharist with Good Shepherd Choir & Orchestra\*  
/ WINDSOR CAMPUS, SANCTUARY + LIVESTREAMED AT GSAUSTIN.ORG
- 10:30p/11:00p | Carols for Christmas + Holy Eucharist with Good Shepherd Choir & Orchestra  
/ WINDSOR CAMPUS, SANCTUARY

#### CHRISTMAS DAY / SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25

- 10:30a | Holy Eucharist / WINDSOR CAMPUS, SANCTUARY

#### CHRISTMAS I / SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

- 8:00a | Holy Eucharist / WINDSOR CAMPUS, SANCTUARY
- 10:30a | Lessons & Carols + Holy Eucharist  
/ WINDSOR CAMPUS, SANCTUARY + LIVESTREAMED AT GSAUSTIN.ORG

\*Outdoor seating will be available, weather permitting, for the 2:00p, 4:30p/5:00p (Windsor sanctuary), and 7:30p/8:00p.



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