December 15, 2024

The Third Sunday of Advent: Joy



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CHRIST CHURCH IN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK
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WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH, an Episcopal parish of the worldwide Anglican Communion. We are glad you are here, and we invite you to enter fully into worship this morning, and to receive Holy Communion or a blessing at the communion rail. We invite you to ask questions, explore, and to make yourself known to those around you. Please pick up any other information about the parish located on the table in the back of the church. Tell us more about yourself by filling out one of the cards located in each pew. Help us to make this a place where God's grace is freely shared by all.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME AT ALL SERVICES. Changing stations are available in both rest rooms at the Paterson Street entrance; you can get there through the side door of the church.

WE REJOICE that you have chosen to worship here this Advent season. If you would like to learn more about our Parish, please phone the Parish Office at 732.545.6262. Many of our upcoming events are listed on our web site, christchurchnewbrunswick.org; we hope that you decide to join us.

ABOUT THE LITURGY

Inclusive Language in Worship: Because language has the power to shape our thinking about God and one another, Christ Church makes every effort to bring the language of worship in line with biblical theology that affirms that the personhood of God embraces all that is truly female and male, and that men and women are equals. In our liturgy some historical texts that are widely known and loved are left unchanged.

YOU ARE INVITED to worship with us any Sunday.

Our regular service times are 8:00 and 10:30 AM.

FREE PARKING VOUCHERS

Are available for the Lower Church Street parking deck next to the church grounds. Please see an usher for a voucher and instructions.

INTERCESSIONS

AT EVERY CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST prayer is offered with intercession for the Universal Church, the nation, the welfare of the world, the concerns of this community, those who suffer and those in any trouble, and the departed. Please feel free to add your own petitions during the prayers, either silently or aloud. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, you may also fill out the form in the Prayers of the People book in the back of the Church.

WEEKLY INTERCESSIONS

We remember in today's prayers:

The Sick and Others in Need— *Barb, Brianna, Dennis, Doreen, Edith, Florence, Georgia, Hansford, Jean, Jeannine, Jefferson, Jim, Margaret, Pam, Pat, Robert, Steve, Stanford, Timothy, Tisha, Vivian, Yvonne*

Anglican Cycle *– we pray for The Anglican Church of Tanzania*

Diocesan Cycle *– The Revs: Henry Alan Leonard, Richard M. C. Morley, Susan E. Osborne -Mott.*

Christ Church Ministry *– Altar Guild.*

Birthdays this week *– Yazmyne Abbott, Jordan Davis, Frank Deis, Katherine Hadzimichalis, Kris Hendricks, Cecile Hopkins, Ashley Johnson, Charlie Scott, Nancy Walworth, and Robin Zdanowicz.*

PASTORAL CARE

If you are in crisis, having surgery, are in the hospital and are in need of pastoral counseling from a clergy person, please do not hesitate to contact The Rev. Joanna Hollis—732.354.1450

If you would like to schedule home communion, please contact Rev. Joanna Hollis and she will arrange for either herself, one of the other members of the clergy team or a Lay Eucharistic Visitor to bring communion to you.

Please do not hesitate to contact either Rev. Joanna Hollis or Mervis Johnson if you know of someone who is in need of care or counseling.

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Worshipping God Serving God's People
Christ Church New Brunswick

December 15, 2024
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8:00 AM



THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE ONE

References marked "BCP" are from the black Book of Common Prayer *in your pew.*

PRELUDE *Watchet auf* J.S. Bach

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH Reader: Ronald Brandon
Candle Lighter: Debra Lowe

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

All: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Reader Watch and wait for Christ's coming!
Light candles of hope, peace, joy, and love, remembering the promises of God with prayer.

We light this candle in hope. (*First candle is lit.)*
We light this candle for peace. *(Second candle is lit.)*
We light this candle in joy! *(Third candle is lit.)*

Rejoice! For our Lord is coming into the darkness of oppression's exile to lead us home, as we hear in Zephaniah 3:14-20:
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.
Let us pray together:

All: **O Lord, our redeemer,**
you lead us from languishing in sorrow's shadows into laughter's joy over your abundant restoration. Thank you that you are coming for us to lead us home along your Way, Jesus Christ. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY *BCP, p. 323*

The Presider says

> 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.***

The Presider continues

> 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.

THE KYRIE *BCP, p. 324*

Presider: Lord, have mercy upon us.
People: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Presider: Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Old Testament: Zephaniah 3:14-20

This lesson was read during the lighting of the Advent wreath, so it does not need to be read here.

PSALM Canticle 9 The First Song of Isaiah (Isaiah 12:2-6)

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.

THE SECOND LESSON Philippians 4:4-7

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.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 3:7-18

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

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.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON The Rev. Joanna Hollis

THE NICENE CREED *BCP, p. 326*

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader As we reflect upon the meaning of God's real presence in our lives this Advent, let us pray for the Church and the world.

The Leader requests the prayers of the People of God for the world, the mission of the Church, and for those individuals who have asked for or need our prayers. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please fill out the form in the Prayers of the People book in the back of the Church.

After the last petition, the Presider adds a concluding Collect.

People **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Presider Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

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

Presider 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.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN "Hark, the glad sound" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, # 72**

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer II, BCP, page 340*

Presider The Lord be with you.
ALL **And with thy spirit.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
ALL **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
ALL **It is meet and right so to do.**

Presider It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

The Presider continues with the Proper Preface of the Day and then continues.

Presider Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS

ALL **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.

The people may stand or kneel as able

Presider All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of
sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same 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.

ALL **Amen**

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the bread.

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

INVITATION

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

The congregation may kneel or sit following the Invitation. All are most welcome to receive Communion. If you do not wish to receive communion this morning, you are cordially invited to come forward with your arms crossed to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available; please speak to the member of the clergy who is serving the bread.

The Bread and Cup are given to the Communicants with these words

Minister The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.
Recipient **Amen.**
Minister The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.
Recipient **Amen.**

AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray.
ALL **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 also are 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 as 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.

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Presider will give the blessing.
People **Amen.**
The Deacon will give the dismissal.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Vom Hummel hoch, da Kim ich her* J. Pachelbel



Advent Lessons & Carols

December 15, 2024
Lessons & Carols, and Rite Two Eucharist
10:30 AM



PRELUDE *Watchet auf* J.S. Bach

ENTRANCE HYMN "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" v.1-3 **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, #56**

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH *Reader: Edna Pozo*
Candle lighter: Catherine Campbell

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

All: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Reader: Watch and wait for Christ's coming!
Light candles of hope, peace, joy, and love, remembering the promises of God with prayer.

We light this candle in hope. (*First candle is lit.)*
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We light this candle in joy! *(Third candle is lit.)*

Rejoice! For our Lord is coming into the darkness of oppression's exile to lead us home, as we hear in Isaiah 35:1-10:
The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom;
like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing.
The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD,
the majesty of our God.
Strengthen the weak hands,
and make firm the feeble knees.
Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear!
Here is your God.
He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.
He will come and save you."

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.
A highway shall be there,
and it shall be called the Holy Way;
the unclean shall not travel on it,
but it shall be for God's people;

Reader continues

no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray.
No lion shall be there,
nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it;
they shall not be found there,
but the redeemed shall walk there.
And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with singing;
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away
Let us pray together:

All: **O Lord, our redeemer,**
you lead us from languishing in sorrow's shadows into laughter's joy over your abundant restoration. Thank you that you are coming for us
to lead us home along your Way, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD: LESSONS & CAROLS

Presider Dear People of God: In this season of Advent, we enter into the hope and longing of all peoples for the Prince of Peace. Together, we wait in joyful expectation for the Wisdom, Love, and Grace of God to strengthen us to bear Christ's love to this sinful and broken world.

Let us hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of God's loving purpose from the time of our rebellion against him until the glorious redemption brought to us by his holy Child Jesus, and let us make this place glad with our carols of praise. As we bear witness to Christ's immeasurable love for all, let us pray for those among whom he was born: the poor and the helpless; the cold and the hungry; the homeless and the displaced; the aged and young children; the victims of poverty, war, violence, injustice and oppression; the

prisoner and the captive; the sick and those who mourn; the lonely and the unloved; as well as all who do not know and love the Lord Jesus Christ.

Silence

Then, as we hear again the message of peace on earth and goodwill among all God's people, we pray for the leaders of the nations, that they may be inspired to work together for the establishment of justice, freedom, and peace the world over.

Silence

And that we may bear true witness to this hope in a divided world, we pray for the peace and unity of Christ's body, the Church universal, that the whole earth may live to praise his name.

Silence

We also pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For those listed on the parish prayer list, and for those we now name aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

Silence

As we rejoice with the saints in heaven and on earth, we remember all who have gone before us in the life of faith, especially those who we now remember aloud or in the silence of our hearts, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Savior, through whom we offer up our prayers for the coming of the Kingdom, in the words Jesus himself taught us, saying:

ALL **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

Presider 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 forever.

ALL **Amen.**

Please be seated

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-25

Reader: Mark McMahon
Warden

Reader *God creates man and woman to live in obedience to him in the Garden of Eden.*
In the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up-- for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground-- then the LORD God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
this one shall be called Woman,
for out of Man this one was taken."

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN "Creator of the Stars of Night" v.1-3 **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, #60**

THE SECOND LESSON *Genesis 3:1-22*
Reader:

Reader *God comforts his people and calls on them to prepare for redemption.*
Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, `You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, `You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.
They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The Lord God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,
cursed are you among all animals
and among all wild creatures;
upon your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.
I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will strike your head,
and you will strike his heel."

[To the woman he said,
"I will greatly increase your pangs in childbearing;
in pain you shall bring forth children,
yet your desire shall be for your husband,
and he shall rule over you."
And to the man he said,
"Because you have listened to the voice of your wife,
and have eaten of the tree
about which I commanded you,
`You shall not eat of it,'
cursed is the ground because of you;
in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life;
thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you;
and you shall eat the plants of the field.
By the sweat of your face
you shall eat bread
until you return to the ground,
for out of it you were taken;
you are dust,
and to dust you shall return."

The man named his wife Eve, because she was the mother of all living. And the Lord God made garments of skins for the man and for his wife, and clothed them. Then the Lord God said, “See, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil; and now, he might reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever”—therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he was taken.]

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able and join the choir in singing this hymn.

Carol "Adam Lay Ybounden" J. Laster
Gallery Choir

Bounden in a bond;
Foure thousand winter
Thought he not too long

And all was for an apple
An apple that he tok
As clerkes finden
Wreten in here book

Never had the apple
The apple taken ben
Ne hadde never our lady
A ben Hevene Quen

Blessed be the time
The apple taken was
Therefore we moun singen
Deo gracias

Please be seated.

THE THIRD LESSON *Isaiah 40:1-11*
Reader: Catherine Ambos
Choice Food and Resource Coordinator

Reader *God comforts his people and calls on them to prepare for redemption .*
Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,
that she has received from the LORD's hand

double for all her sins.
A voice cries out:
"In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.
Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.
Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."
A voice says, "Cry out!"
And I said, "What shall I cry?"
All people are grass,
their constancy is like the flower of the field.
The grass withers, the flower fades,
when the breath of the LORD blows upon it;
surely the people are grass.
The grass withers, the flower fades;
but the word of our God will stand forever.
Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good tidings;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,
lift it up, do not fear;
say to the cities of Judah,
"Here is your God!"
See, the Lord GOD comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.
He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
and carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead the mother sheep.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO "Comfort ye My People" Messiah G. F. Handel

Soloist Gregory Lorenz

Comfort ye, Comfort ye my people
Comfort ye, Comfort ye my people
Saith your God ,saith your God

Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem,
Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem
And cry unto her, that her warfare, her warfare is accomplish'd
That her iniquity is pardon'd that her iniquity is pardon'd

The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness,
Prepare ye the way of the Lord,
Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

THE FOURTH LESSON *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

Reader: Nancy Walworth
Altar Guild

Reader *A new covenant is promised which will be written in our hearts .*
The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-- a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able and join the choir in singing this hymn.

HYMN "Lo, How a Rose Er'e Blooming" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, #81**

Please be seated.

THE FIFTH LESSON *Isaiah 64:1-9a*

Reader: Jonathan Gloster
Usher, LEM, Diocesan Treasurer

Reader *God is called upon to act and to come among us.*

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence--
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil--
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.
We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on your name,
or attempts to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.
Yet, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD,
and do not remember iniquity forever.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

CAROL *Candlelight Carol* J. Rutter

Joyful Noise Choir and Gregory Lorenz

How do you capture the wind on the water?
How do you count all the stars in the sky?
How can you measure the love of a mother?
Or how can you write down a baby's first cry?

Candlelight, angel light, firelight and star-glow
Shine on his cradle 'til breaking of dawn
Gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo!
Angels are singing "The Christ child is born"

Shepherds and wise men will kneel and adore him
Seraphim 'round him, their vigil will keep
Nations proclaim him their Lord and their saviour
But Mary will hold him and sing him to sleep

Candlelight, angel light, firelight and star-glow
Shine on his cradle 'til breaking of dawn
Gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo!
Angels are singing "The Christ child is born"

Find him in Bethlehem laid in a manger
Christ our redeemer, asleep in the hay
Godhead incarnate and hope of salvation
A child with his mother that first Christmas Day

Candlelight, angel light, firelight and star-glow
Shine on his cradle 'til breaking of dawn
Gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo!
Angels are singing "The Christ child is born"

THE SIXTH LESSON: *Zephaniah 3:14-18*

Reader: Eliyah Caruso
Joyful Noise Choir

Reader *The Lord will be among us; we are summoned to rejoice and sing.*

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.

Please stand as you are able and join the choir in singing this hymn.

HYMN "Go Tell it on the Mountain" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, #99**

THE SEVENTH LESSON: *Isaiah 65:17-25*

Reader: Meegan Adames
Vestry, Finance Committee

Reader *God promises a new heaven and a new earth.*

For I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.
But be glad and rejoice forever
in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy,
and its people as a delight.
I will rejoice in Jerusalem,
and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,
or the cry of distress.
No more shall there be in it
an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.
They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
They shall not labor in vain,
or bear children for calamity;
for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD--
and their descendants as well.
Before they call I will answer,
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
but the serpent-- its food shall be dust!
They shall not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

SOLO "Mid-Winter" B. Chilcott

Soloist Gregory Lorenz

In the bleak mid-winter frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter, long, ago, long ago

Our God, heav'n cannot hold him nor earth sustain;
Heav'n and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign:
In the bleak mid-winter a stable place sufficed.
The Lord God Almighty Jesus Christ.

Angels and archangels may have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;
But only his mother in her maiden bliss
Worshipped the beloved with a kiss.

What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man i would do my part;
Yet what I can I give him - Give my heart,
Give my heart, my heart

Soloist: Gregory Lorenz

THE EIGHTH LESSON: *Luke 1:26-38*

Reader: Doreen Sirjue
Choir

Reader *The Angel Gabriel announces to the Virgin Mary that she will bear the Son of the Most High.*

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

HYMN "The Angel Gabriel Came from Heaven" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, #265**

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: O Little Town of Bethlehem D. Forrest

1 O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting light;
the hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.

2 For Christ is born of Mary;
and, gathered all above,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wond'ring love.
O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the King,
and peace to men on earth.

3 How silently, how silently,
the wondrous gift is giv'n!
So God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of His heav'n.
No ear may hear His coming,
but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive Him still,
the dear Christ enters in.

4 O holy Child of Bethlehem,
descend to us, we pray;
cast out our sin and enter in;
be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels,
the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
our Lord Emmanuel!

THE COLLECT FOR ADVENT

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 forever. ***Amen.***

FINAL HYMN "Lo! He comes with Clouds Descending" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, #57**

BLESSING

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

DISMISSAL

The Presider will give the blessing.

People **Amen.**

The Deacon will give the dismissal.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Vom Hummel hoch, da Kim ich her* J. Pachelbel

Special thanks to the musicians today. Please join us for refreshment and more holiday music by the Rutgers a cappella group Deep Trebles in the Nicholas Room.

Soprano: Zida Abbott, Catherine Ambos, Erika Amato*, Margaret Brown -Stansbury Amani Cole - Felder*

Alto: Pat Buckendahl, Catherine Campbell*, Louise Deis, Mara Adler O'Kelly*

Tenor: Gregory Lorenz*, Matthew Marano*

Bass: Paul Ambos ,Gordon Arsenoff*, Chris Davis, Stephen Greenwood*

Joyful Noise: Eli Caruso, Abby Caruso, Harry Caruso, Olli Caruso

Saxophone: Birsa Chatterjee

Piano: Janette Goleme

Gallery Choir*

Parish Notes for December 15, 2024

Schedule for December 15— December 21, 2024

Parish Office Hours This Week:
The Parish Administrator will be away until January 7. Contact Rev. Hollis for assistance.

Sunday	**8:00 a.m.**	**Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary**
	9:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	10:30 a.m.	**Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary**
Tuesday	6:00p.m.	Grief Support Group, Zoom
	7:00p.m.	Tuesdayers, Zoom
Wednesday	**12:00p.m.**	**Noonday Prayer, Zoom**
	6:00 p.m.	Advent Series, Zoom
	7:30 p.m.	WomenSpirit, Zoom
Thursday	4:00p.m.	Children's Pre- Choir Rehearsal, Games and Homework Time
	5:00p.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	7:00p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
	7:00p.m.	St. Alban's Bible Study, Zoom

*Join Us AFTER THE 10:30 AM Service for Coffee Hour in the Nicholas Room

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Join Christ Church today during coffee hour for a special holiday performance!

The **Deep Trebles**, an a cappella group from Rutgers, will perform immediately following the service. Don't miss this festive musical experience!





Join The Christ Church Grief Support Group

Our next session is Tuesday, December 17 at 6pm.

This six-session series is for adults grieving the death of a loved one. The group includes education about grief and loss and provides participants an opportunity to share their experience.

Allow us to connect ***hand-in-hand*** with you!

6pm-7pm: December 17; January 7 & 21.
Zoom link:
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88251220962?pwd=JZe07lfHvdr441lMlLKSxrgR3CzFQL.1

Meeting ID: 882 5122 0962 Passcode: 782916
Sessions will **not** be recorded.



Christ Church Annual Giving Tree

For the Angel Tree this year we are collecting Visa gift cards in the amount of $25 for there use in the Rector's Discretionary Account. Cash/checks are also accepted, please write Angel Tree in the memo line of checks.

Extra funds will be shared with the Men's Rotating Shelter.
This campaign will fund from Dec.1-29, 2024.
Thank you for your generosity!



Vestry Key Topics

1) The Vestry celebrated the funding of the Handilift repair and approved a down payment to start the work.
2) The Vestry approved the 2025 Budget.
3) The Vestry was informed of the work with trinity Wall Street for the revitalization of the Church's campus.



Have you completed your online Pledge Certificate for 2025? The link is located in the weekly email. A paper copy can be found on the table in the back of the church.

Thank you to those who have pledged $233,274 to date.

Mervis Johnson
Mark McMahon and
Roberto Silva Moreira
Sheila Cooper
H. Arthur Phills
Sarah Braun
The Pullaro Family
Jo Duhr
Wendy Benjamin
Vincent Ryan
Elizabeth and
Jonathan Clark
Gordon Arsenoff
Jean Houvener
Hansford Kilkenny
Sandy Smithson
Kenreic and
Marva VanLoo
David and
Beverly Briggs
Meegan Adames
Patricia Buckendahl
Mel & Alice Garber

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Margaret Brown-Stansbury
Nancy Walworth and
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Yvette Bailey
Doreen Sirjue
Joanna and
Stephen Greenwood
Tanya Penman-Sterling
Liard, Deborah, Jaylen &
Aaliyah Weston
Louise & Frank Deis



The Days Are Surely Coming: Reducing Harm, Preparing the Way

Abolitionist Advent Series 2024

Next Meeting Wednesday, December 18th @ 6pm

The days are surely coming, says the Holy One, when I will fulfill the promise I made to…execute justice and righteousness in the land.
Jeremiah 33:14-15

"Abolition is about presence, not absence. It's about building life-affirming institutions…what the world will become already exists in fragments and pieces, experiments and possibilities… Abolition is building the future from the present in all the ways that we can."
- Ruth Wilson Gilmore

This year, we will be exploring the United Church of Christ's *Join the Movement Racial Justice* initiative by using and reflecting on the 2024 Abolition Advent Calendar. In this season of waiting and anticipation, we, too, are invited to hold together visions of the future for which we are waiting and preparing and the recognition of how deep our longing is for that future to be made flesh in our midst. *In this way, our practices of Advent are practices of abolition, because abolition calls us to dismantle* the enslaving paradigms *of our day as we imagine and prepare the way for a future of freedom and flourishing for all.*

So this Advent, as we await and prepare for the coming of transformational Love in flesh and bone, we want to invite your engagement with generative connection between scripture readings for the season and contemporary abolition movements, in particular this year, the harm reduction movement. Each week we will explore one of the principles of harm reduction as the lens through which we are encountering the Advent scriptures and imagining abolition.

We hope you will make these reflections part of your waiting, hoping, and preparing this Advent, as you deepen your understanding of abolition as part of the work of practicing antiracism.

Join us for discussions via Zoom at 6pm: December 18th.

We invite EVERYONE (series participants or not) to sign up to receive Abolition Advent Calendar in your inbox: https://tinyurl.com/47zdje6b.

Advent Series Zoom link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83944528112?pwd=dEtESlByM1BzdzU3QWlMbTB2SXBHQT09





THE HOLLY WEARS THE CROWN.

During the Advent season you may see arrangements of Holly. Throughout Germany and Scandinavia Holly is known as Christ Thorn. The prickly leaves represent the crown of thorns that Jesus wore when he was crucified. The berries are the drops of blood that were shed by Jesus on the day he was crucified, because of the thorns. Legend states that holly berries were originally white, but that the blood Christ shed for the sins of humankind stained the berries forever red.

Text from the English Carol: *The Holly and the Ivy*

2) The holly bears a blossom, white as the lily flower,
and Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ, to be our sweet Savior. [Refrain]
3) The holly bears a berry, as red as any blood,
and Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ, to do poor sinners good. [Refrain]
4) The holly bears a prickle, as sharp as any thorn,
and Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ, on Christmas day in the morn. [Refrain]

Interfaith Rotating Shelter

Every winter, houses of worship in New Brunswick unite to open their doors to our unhoused neighbors. We rotate from church to church each week and typically house about 15 men. The shelter runs from 22 December to 10 March, when the temperatures are below freezing. Christ Church will be hosting 4 January to 12 January and 16 February to 23 February.

The ministry has been running for over 20 years, and is recognized by our homeless neighbors and by community leaders as compassionate, life-saving, and much needed. This year, our needs are:

- Volunteers to stay overnight with the guests
  A full shift is 7 PM – 7AM and partial shifts are possible.
  At Christ Church, volunteers will typically sleep in the choir room from 11 PM – 5:30 AM and then start the coffee pots.
- Volunteers to help with move-out and cleaning on Sunday, January 12th
- Volunteers to cook or bring meals for 15 guests + 3 volunteers
- If you can't volunteer your time, you can also donate supplies or money

To sign up for a shift or meal, please reach out to Jason Kaelber at interfaithrotatingshelter@gmail.com or 848 228 3620. We also have volunteer openings for February at First Reformed Church and elsewhere, so you need not restrict yourself to the days Christ Church is hosting.

Thank you for supporting this ministry and the homeless men of New Brunswick!

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following parishioners have been appointed to the Annual Meeting Committee of Christ Church for the February 2, 2025 Annual Meeting of the parish:

Sheila Cooper
Wendy Benjamin
Rev. Joanna Hollis
Margaret Brown-Stansbury
Nancy Walworth
Penny Gordon, Chair

The offices to be filled at the meeting are:

One 1-yr term – People's Warden (elected position)
Two 3-yr term Vestry slots for the following functional positions:
Discipleship
Outreach
One 2-yr unexpired term Vestry slot for the following functional positions:
Stewardship
Three 1-yr term representatives for Deputy to Diocesan Convention (1 meeting + associated costs)
Three 1-yr term representatives for Alternate to Diocesan Convention (1 meeting + associated costs)
Six 1-yr term representatives for Delegate to Northern Convocation (Attend 3 local meetings)

Nominations for the offices to be voted on should be made through the Committee by completing and signing a nomination form and submitting it to the parish office or giving it in person to any member of the Committee.

Dated:October 24, 2024

Joanna Hollis, Rector

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

		December 15	December 22
	Presider	Joanna Hollis	Joanna Hollis
	Preacher	Joanna Hollis	Joanna Hollis
	Deacon	Rev. Daphne Roberts	Rev. Daphne Roberts
	Organist	Suzanne McDonald	Suzanne McDonald
8:00 a.m.	**8 AM**	**8 AM**	**8 AM**
	Lector & Intercessor	Mark McMahon	Meegan Adames
	LEM	Kevin Stansbury	Debra Lowe
	Vestry Announce-ments	Sheila Cooper	Jim Nichols
	Acolytes (3)		
	Ushers		
	Altar Guild	Mervis Johnson	Nancy Walworth / Sheila Cooper
10:30 a.m.	**10:30 AM**	**10:30 A.M.**	**10:30 A.M.**
	Lector & Intercessor	Doreen Sirjue	Stephanie Elson
	LEM		Mel Garber
	Acolyte / Server		
	Vestry Announce-ments	Meegan Adames	Gordon Arsenoff
	Usher	Peggy Smith	Peggy Smith
	Production Minister	Steve Caruso	Steve Caruso
	Altar Guild	Mervis Johnson	Nancy Walworth / Sheila Cooper
	Counters	N/A	N/A

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Historic Christ Church is a mutually supportive Christian community worshiping in the living Anglican tradition of beauty in liturgy and music. Christ Church bears witness to the love of Christ in prayer, service and fellowship.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME HERE.

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The Reverend Daphne Roberts, *Deacon*
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Brittney Girault, *Parish Administrator*
Elaine Winkler, *Bookkeeper*
Carlos Garcia, *Sexton*

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