

Celebration of Holy Eucharist

Feast of the Epiphany



Christ Episcopal Church
Kensington, Maryland
January 4, 2026
10:00 AM

A Blessed Sunday & Welcome to All

Whether at home or in-person, we are so glad you have joined us for worship this morning, especially if you are new or visiting!

Children of all ages are welcome in the service! There is also childcare available in the nursery downstairs throughout the morning, and a wonderful Children's Chapel for children ages 3-10 downstairs in the Parish Hall during the first half of the 10:00 a.m. service. They will return to the service in time for communion. Parents/guardians are welcome! There are also child-friendly materials at the back of the sanctuary. Just ask an usher.

Children's Faith Formation, 9:30 a.m. (Sunday School)

PreK - 5th Grade meet on the lower level. The classes flow into Children's Chapel and then they will return to the service in time for communion. Junior Youth Group (Grades 6-8/9) meet in the Children's and Youth Library on the main level. Interested in more info on children's ministry or to receive the weekly Kids Connect email? Contact Children's Minister Ann Enkiri sundayschool@ccpk.org

All are welcome to receive communion. Instructions for communion are in the bulletin just after the invitation. ("The gifts of God for the people of God...") If you would like communion brought to you or a loved one, simply alert an usher.

Offerings. You may make a donation by placing cash or checks in the offering plate, or you may also give online via the link on our website, or simply scan the QR code below. We are grateful for your support!



All-gender restrooms and water are located at the end of the hallway off the back of the sanctuary.

Welcome to all our visitors! We are better for your presence here today.

Please introduce yourself to the clergy and/or the vestry person who makes the welcome announcement today. If you fill out a visitor's card found in the pews, or email Parish Administrator Jen Luna administrator@ccpk.org or 301-942-4673, we'd welcome the opportunity to connect with you, and if you wish, add you to our weekly e-newsletter the Christ Church Connection. If you would like more info about Christ Church, please visit our website at www.ChristChurchKensington.org.

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude *Judean Pastorale (Kings of Orient)*

Franklin D. Ashdown

*** Hymns are in the blue or red "Hymnal 1982", or where indicated, in the red, black & white "Lift Every Voice & Sing" (LEVAS) Hymnal. Both can be found in the pew racks! ***

Processional Hymn #128 *We Three Kings*

Three Kings of Orient

Welcome

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God forever and ever.**

The Collect for Epiphany

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Gloria

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to all peo - ple on earth.

2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly One al - might - y God Cre a - tor we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, Hol - y Child of our Ma - ker, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the High-est; re-ceive our prayer.

6. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit,

in the glo-ry of God E-ter-nal. A-men.

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah *Isaiah 60:1-6*

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

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 proclaim the praise of the LORD.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 *Deus, iudicium* Psalm Tone S-411 Kennedy
The slash / indicates a change in tone. The verse begins on one note, then the word (or syllable) after the slash is sung on a different note. Each verse has two changes.

- 1 Give the King your justice, O / God, *
and your righteousness to the King's / Son;**
- 2 That he may rule your people / righteously *
and the poor with / justice;**
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the / people, *
and the little hills bring / righteousness.**
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the / people; *
rescuing the poor and crushing the op/pressor.**
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon en/dure, *
from one generation to a/nother.**
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown / field, *
like showers that water the / earth.**
- 7 In his time shall the righteous / flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no / more.**
- 10 The rulers of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay / tribute, *
and the rulers of Arabia and Saba offer / gifts.**
- 11 All rulers shall bow down be/fore him, *
and all the nations do him / service.**
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in dis/tress, *
and the oppressed who has no / helper.**
- 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and / poor; *
and shall preserve the lives of the / needy.**
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and / violence, *
and dear shall their blood be in his / sight.**

A Reading from the Letter to the Ephesians *Ephesians 3:1-12*

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles - for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal

purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

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

Sequence Hymn #124 (vv. 1-3) *What star is this with beams so bright?* Puer nobis

The Gospel *Matthew 2:1-12*

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon The Rev. Sara Thorne, Deacon

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is 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 *Form VI, Book of Common Prayer*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mariann our Bishop, and for all bishops and other
ministers, both lay and ordained;
For all who serve God in the church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray for a peaceful end to the
war in Gaza, Ukraine and violent conflict everywhere. We pray for all refugees. We pray for
the sick of our parish: Helen-Paige Buck, Kevin Conway, Bonnie Douglas, Maggie Elgin,
Doug Leavens, Amri Joyner, Jon Martineau, America Perez, Lissa Ramsepaul, Calvin Smith,

Ellen Thomas, Helen Urquhart and Patrice Upshaw-Whiting; those who love and care for them, and all caregivers everywhere.

You are invited to add your intercessions, silently or aloud.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, remembering especially those who celebrate birthdays this week, including John Ward and Leslie Everheart.

You are invited to add your prayers of thanksgiving, silently or aloud.

We will exalt you, O God;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died. We remember especially Kitty Shuler, J. Carter Grew II, and Alison Verdi; all those tragically killed as a result of gun violence and war, and all whom we now name, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

You are invited to add your own prayers for the departed, silently or aloud.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them
Who put their trust in you.

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

A moment of silence

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

The Presider offers Absolution.

The Peace

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

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Antiphon *The Three Kings*

Peter Cornelius, ed. Klein

Presentation Hymn #124 (v.5) *sung as the offerings are being presented at the altar.*

**To God Creator, heavenly Light,
to Christ, revealed in earthly night,
to God the Holy Ghost we raise
our equal and unceasing praise. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 2

Enriching Our Worship

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

The Sanctus, S-127

Hampton

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, — hea - ven and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
est. Blest is the one who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

**Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation,
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.**

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

Give us this day our daily bread.

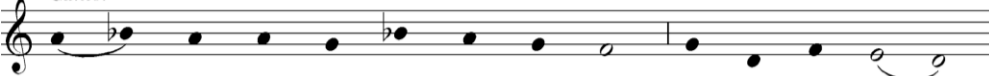
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread


The presider breaks the bread, all respond with the Fraction Anthem. In this anthem, the choir sings the first line, then the congregation repeats.

Cantor



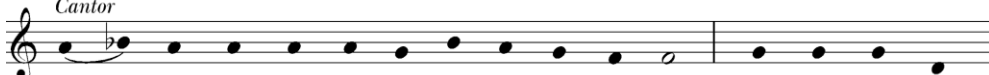
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All



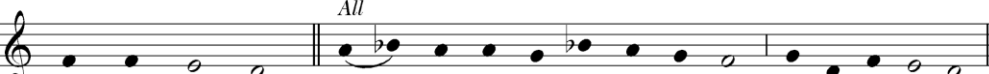
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Cantor



Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us

All



keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Invitation and Communion of the People

Presider The holy gifts of God for the holy people of God.

All are welcome to receive communion at Christ Church.

You may receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and respond to receiving Communion by saying "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available, simply tell your server. You may either drink from a silver chalice or intinct (dip the bread) in the clear glass chalice. Note that consuming the bread only is full participation in the Eucharist. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of receiving communion, indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest. We'd be happy to bring communion to you wherever you are sitting, simply tell an usher!

Healing prayer for yourself, or on behalf of others, is offered during the distribution of Communion in the chapel at the rear of the sanctuary.

Communion Voluntary *Morning Star*

Wilbur Held

Communion Hymn #117 *Brightest and best of the stars of the morning*

Morning Star

Post Communion Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you have put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours. Take us, renew us and remake us. What we have been is past; what we shall be, through you, still awaits us. Lead us on. Take us with you. Amen.

Blessing of the People

Recessional Hymn #119 *As with gladness men of old*

Dix

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace bearing God's love and light to the world. Alleluia, Alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Postlude *Voluntary on "Dix"*

Robert Lind

*Join us downstairs in the Parish Hall
for refreshments and conversation!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS - January 4, 2026

TONIGHT! Feast of Lights Service at 5:00pm. Come experience the light of Christ cascading down the centuries from one generation to another...a truly memorable candlelight service. ...**Followed by the Annual Twelfth Night Celebration!** The fabulous tradition will be held tonight, directly following the 5 o'clock service. There will be food and fun for all ages. **The church is providing the main dish**, delicious grilled chicken from Talia's in Kensington. **Bring your favorite side dish or desert to share** - all contributions welcome, even if you didn't get a chance to sign up. And we will, of course, sing the song of the namesake holiday. Questions? Contact Aime Keith, aimekeith1966@gmail.com.

Love in Action: Reaching Our Neighbors

Monthly Food Packing at San Mateo Episcopal Church Join us **this week Wednesday, January 7** to help pack 250 bags of groceries for distribution to families in PG County, MD. (note this is the 1st Wed. not the usual 2nd Wed.) We will meet in the Christ Church parking lot at 8:30 a.m. to carpool to Hyattsville together. Interested? Please let Deacon Sara know if you are coming by the *Tuesday* morning so we can arrange carpooling. (sara@ccpk.org)

Do you want to give an enormous gift to your loved ones? Join us for the next gathering of **Prime Timers** (*in the prime of life no matter how you define it!*) at **Noon, Tuesday, January 13** in the Parish Hall. **We will discuss how to plan your memorial service.** Far from morbid, it's a great way to think about how you want to be remembered, favorite hymns, readings, and more! A conversation for people of any age. The Rev. Emily Guthrie will facilitate.

As always, we'll start with lunch. Bring your own, or order a sub (tuna, turkey, ham & cheese, roast beef, cold cuts or veggie sub - \$10). For more info, contact Bob Healy at 202-277-4306, roberthea@gmail.com or Anne Chase 202-277-5266 annechase1951@gmail.com. *If you want lunch, please have your order in by Noon, Monday January 12.*

Food Justice DMV assists our immigrant neighbors with essential food and supplies. Please **donate infant formula and diapers** to help. You can leave them in the hallway across from the Outreach board. Want to know more about Food Justice DMV? Contact volunteer Thea Kayne theakayne@gmail.com or Deacon Sara. (sara@ccpk.org).

Announcing: Second Sunday Carrot Collection at Christ Church!

Every second Sunday beginning **February 8th**, we will be collecting carrots. Bring in **TWO POUND BAGS OF CARROTS** for our neighbors who need our support and love, ...and fresh vegetables. We aim to collect at least 200 2-pound bags of carrots to include in the monthly distribution at San Mateo. So... save the dates: **FEB 8, MARCH 8, APRIL 12, MAY 10.**

Love in Action: Faith & Spiritual Growth

Christ Church: Connect! **Begins January 18.** In three one-hour sessions, we'll discuss where each may be on your faith journey, your inherent spiritual gifts, and potential next steps for

you to take as you follow Jesus's Way of Love at Christ Church. **We will meet on three Sundays (Jan 18, 25 and Feb 1) from 11:30am - 12:30pm in the church library.** While meant specifically for newcomers, this course is open to everyone. It's an opportunity to attend to your individual spiritual path and to build community in a small group. Emily Guthrie and Andrea McGray are excited to lead the course. Childcare will be available in the Nursery. Interested? Reach out to Emily at emily@ccpk.org and/or Andrea at grow@ccpk.org

Faith & Science: A Three-Part Series Come explore the intersection of faith & science this Epiphany season! Led by parishioners Chris Ours, MD, Joan Centrella, PhD, and Ann Hagan, PhD, **the forums will be held Jan 11, Feb 8, and March 1 following the 10am service in the Parish Hall.** Over the course of the series, we will consider what it means to be human, created in the image of God and living in relationship with God and one another, in the context of scientific and technological advancements – and the life of faith.

Faith Formation for Children on Sunday mornings

Lessons and activities for Pre-K through 5th graders begin at 9:30 am on Sundays, downstairs. Junior Youth Group for grades 6 through 9 meets in the youth library upstairs. Children's Chapel at 10:00 a.m. for ages 4-10. Children return to the sanctuary at the peace. Nursery Care is available for ages 0-3 from 9:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. on Sundays. Want more info? Contact Children's Minister Ann Enkiri, sundayschool@ccpk.org.
Note no Junior Youth Group on 1/4/26. Resumes next week.

Start 2026 with a Bang and Bible study! Join the Sunday 4pm Bible study in the library or via Zoom. We always have informative and entertaining discussions! No prior preparation needed. Questions? Contact Lee Puricelli leepuricelli@yahoo.com

Lectio Divina, Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom. Join us in the contemplative practice of Lectio Divina, combining scripture reading, meditation, and prayer. Lectio is particularly lovely and enriching in a group setting. Questions? contact Lissa Ramsepaul at: lissacr@comcast.net.

Love in Action: Racial & Social Justice

Mercy Team Support the vulnerable in the current political crisis. Join the Mercy Team distribution list by contacting Cynthia Mitchell at justice@ccpk.org or Thea Kayne at theakayne@gmail.com. This is the best way to find out about emerging needs, opportunities to work for justice and equity, and Mercy Team meetings.

Care Pod Ministry The Mercy Team has formed a "Care Pod" - a circle of care and support - for a family of four with urgent needs following the deportation of a loved one. Watch the CC Connection in the future for a sign-up genius with specific items to contribute to help us support the family.

There are hundreds of families in crisis in our area. If you would like to have a major impact on the well-being of a family in crisis, please consider volunteering to be part of a second Care Pod. Email Thea Kayne for more information.

We raise to God those who are on our hearts and are in need of prayer:

Friends and Family of our Community

All who ask for prayers through our website

Anthony

Bob (friend of Nachin Bone)

Santo Borruso (father of Sarah Burruso)

Bruce Beamer (uncle of Nina Upshaw)

Betty

Charles

Coley Beggy (friend of the Hoffeditz Family)

Susan Best (sister-in-law of Jeff Taylor)

Steve Campbell (Uncle of Jackie Campbell Waidmann)

Moises Carera and the Carera family

Susan Catlette

Cecelia

Cindy

Eric Cozzens (son of Peter Cozzens)

Yvonne Dean (friend of Bonnie Douglas)

Kelly Doig (friend of Katie, Jackie & Katherine)

Daniel Epps (father of Cynthia Mitchell)

Gerald & Sandy Giddings (relatives of Liz & Bob Quinn)

John Godfrey (brother of Rena Godfrey)

Sandra Goldman (mother of Brad Christmas)

Gema Guarin (friend of Joan Centrella)

Rob Guzzon (father of a friend of Katherine Chatt)

Laura (friend of Betsy Robbins)

Doug Hanscom (friend of Emily Guthrie)

Lisa Harrison (friend of MaryBeth and Mike Etherton)

Earl Hill (godfather of Sean Quinn)

Terry Hodge (friend of Annie Seale)

Amanda Hoey (daughter of Anne Witt)

Bob Hoffman and his son Cornell

Floris & Rob Houston (friends of Joan Centrella)

John (friend of Mary Ellen Huzzard)

Nelly Jones (mother of Jennifer Jones)

Robert Kellam (cousin of Victoria Thanos)

Neal Klasky (friend of Lori Pujol)

Nancy & Pete Lane (sister & brother-in-law of Joan Centrella)

Abbi Livay (granddaughter of Ann Hagan)

Chris Lloyd (friend of Kitty Shuler)

Ray Martens (uncle of Roma Hart)

Martha (prayers for healing)

Maureen (friend of Donna Berkowitz)

Chris McCann (cousin of Katie Wallace)

Nick McGray (father of Craig McGray)

Meaghan Morin (Kensington neighbor)

Melanie Moxness (niece of Dwight Allen & Joan Centrella)

Miriam

Nicole

Julianne Paige (mother of Jason Paige)

Cabrini Pak (friend of Dwight Allen)

Dawn Porter (friend of Liz McLeod)

Vivian Puricelli (mother of Lee Puricelli)

Ricky Reeves (grandson of Pat Reeves)

Robbie (friend of Sibbie O'Sullivan)

Andrew Rupli (son of Brenda Rupli)

Lori Richards (sister of Lisa Albright)

Sarah Rosenbaum (friend of Helen Urquhart)

Karen Sechrist (friend of Liz Quinn)

Margarita Serrano

Jerry Sheard (brother of Liz Quinn)

Scott Sherman (brother of Sara Thorne)

Sr. Margaret (friend of Leslie Everheart)

Naneita Smith (daughter of Calvin Smith)

Ben Sudbrink (son of Emily & Bill Sudbrink)

Jim Tavares (brother of Phyllis Knight)

Rick V. (friend of Lori Pujol)

Mia Van Beek (sibling-in-law of Madison Chase)

Ronald Young (cousin of Patrice Whiting)

Those in our community in need of healing prayers:

Helen Paige Buck, Kevin Conway, Bonnie Douglas, Maggie Elgin, Doug Leavens, Amri Joyner, Jon Martineau, America Perez, Lissa Ramsepaul, Calvin Smith, Ellen Thomas, Helen Urquhart and Patrice Upshaw-Whiting; all caregivers; all federal civil servants and those impacted by funding cuts; and all who grieve the loss of a loved one, a relationship, a job, or a dream.

Those in need of continued prayer: Nora Buckley, Dorothy Clarke, Sara Cowan, Florence Crozier, David Dixon, Stephanie Feller, John Frohman, Ray Gardiner, Liz McLeod, Lee Puricelli, and Betsy Robbins.

We remember those serving our country: Clara Bartram, Alex Cox, Michael Cullinane, Alex Miller and David Hanna.

We remember those who have died: especially Kitty Shuler; Bishop J. Clark Grew II (father of Sarah Haskell); Alison Verdi; Tom Van Beek (brother-in-law of Madison Chase); victims of natural disasters; and those tragically killed as a result of gun violence and war.

We give thanks: for all in our parish who celebrate their birthdays this week, John Ward (1/5) and Leslie Everheart (1/5),

Have we missed your birthday? Please let us know!

Send your prayer requests to administrator@ccpk.org

Staff

Rector

The Rev. Emily Guthrie
emily@ccpk.org

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This Week at Christ Church

Sunday, January 4 – Epiphany Observed

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, spoken, *In person only*
9:30 AM Children's Faith formation
10:00 AM Children's Chapel, *Parish Hall*
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, *In Person only – see 5pm for streaming!*
11:30 AM Choir Rehearsal
4:00 PM Bible Study, *In Person (Library) & Live on Zoom*
5:00 PM The Feast of Lights & Holy Eucharist, *In Person & Live streaming*
6:00 PM 12th Night Party in the Parish Hall.

Monday, January 5 – Office Closed

8:30 PM Compline, *Live on Zoom*

Tuesday, January 6

7:30 PM Holy Handcrafters, Library

Wednesday, January 7

6:30 PM Evening Prayer, *Live on Zoom*

Thursday, January 8

12:15 PM Midday Prayers for Peace, *Live on Zoom*
7:00 PM Lectio Divina, *Live on Zoom*
8:30 PM Compline, *Live on Zoom*

Sunday, January 11

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, spoken, *in person only*
9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal
9:30 AM Children's Faith formation
10:00 AM Children's Chapel, *Parish Hall*
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, *In Person & Live Streaming*
11:30 AM Choir Rehearsal
11:30 AM Faith & Science Forum, *Parish Hall*
4:00 PM Bible Study, *In Person (Library) & Live on Zoom*
5:00 PM Holy Eucharist, *In Person & Live on Zoom*

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Processional Hymn #128 *We Three Kings*

Three Kings of Orient



1 We three kings of O - ri - ent are, bear - ing
 2 Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I
 3 Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I: in - cense
 4 Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a
 5 Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and



1 gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain,
 2 bring to crown him a - gain, King for ev - er,
 3 owns a De - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing,
 4 life of gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing,
 5 God and Sac - ri - fice; heaven sings al - le -



1 moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
 2 ceas - ing nev - er o - ver us all to reign.
 3 glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship him, God Most High.
 4 bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
 5 lu - ia: al - le - lu - ia the earth re - plies.

Refrain

O ——— star of won - der, star of night,

star with roy - al beau - ty bright; west - ward lead - ing,

still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light!

Sequence Hymn #124 (vv. 1-3) *What star is this with beams so bright?* Puer nobis

Unison or harmony

1 What star is this, with beams so bright, more beau - teous
2 True spake the pro - phet from a - far who told the
3 The guid - ing star a - bove is bright; with - in them
4 O Je - sus, while the star of grace im - pels us
5 To God the Fa - ther, heaven - ly Light, to Christ, re -

1 than the noon - day light? It shines to her - ald
2 rise of Ja - cob's star; and east - ern sa - ges
3 shines a clear - er light, and leads them on with
4 on to seek thy face, let not our sloth - ful
5 vealed in earth - ly night, to God the Ho - ly

1 forth the King, and Gen - tiles to his crib to bring.
2 with a - maze up - on the won - drous to - ken gaze.
3 power be - nign to seek the Giv - er of the sign.
4 hearts re - fuse the guid - ance of thy light to use.
5 Ghost we raise our e - qual and un - ceas - ing praise.

Communion Hymn #117 *Brightest and best of the stars of the morning*

Morning Star

1 Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,
 2 Cold on his cra - dle the dew - drops are shin - ing,
 3 Shall we then yield him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion,
 4 Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple o - bla - tion,
 5 Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,

1 dawn on our dark - ness, and lend us thine aid;
 2 low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
 3 o - dors of E - dom, and of - ferings di - vine,
 4 vain - ly with gifts would his fa - vor se - cure,
 5 dawn on our dark - ness, and lend us thine aid;

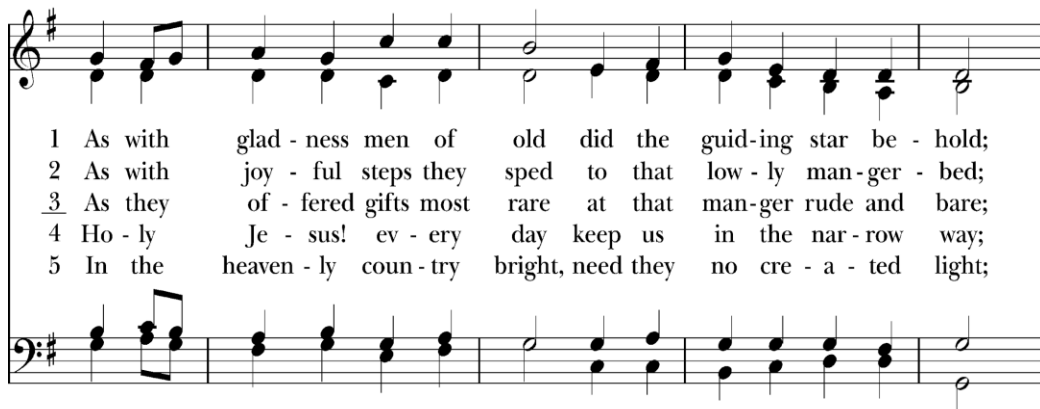
1 star of the east, the hor - i - zon a - dorn - ing,
 2 an - gels a - dore him in slum - ber re - clin - ing,
 3 gems of the moun - tain, and pearls of the o - cean,
 4 rich - er by far is the heart's a - dor - a - tion,
 5 star of the east, the hor - i - zon a - dorn - ing,

1 guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
 2 Ma - ker and Mon - arch and Sa - vior of all.
 3 myrrh from the for - est, and gold from the mine?
 4 dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.
 5 guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.

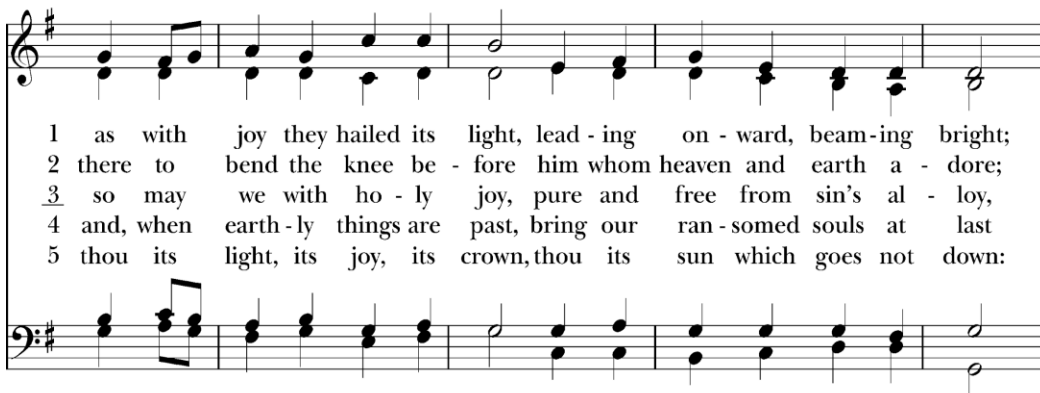
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Recessional Hymn #119 *As with gladness men of old*

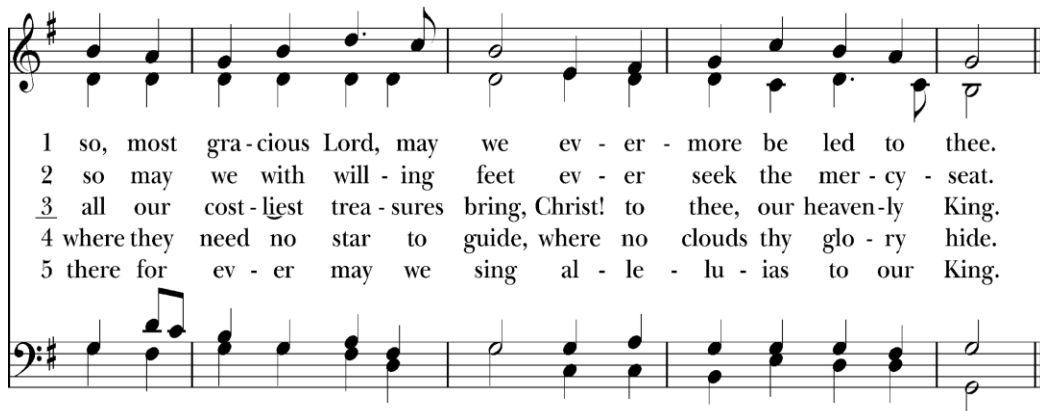
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1 As with glad - ness men of old did the guid - ing star be - hold;
 2 As with joy - ful steps they sped to that low - ly man - ger - bed;
 3 As they of - fered gifts most rare at that man - ger rude and bare;
 4 Ho - ly Je - sus! ev - ery day keep us in the nar - row way;
 5 In the heaven - ly coun - try bright, need they no cre - a - ted light;



1 as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam - ing bright;
 2 there to bend the knee be - fore him whom heaven and earth a - dore;
 3 so may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - loy,
 4 and, when earth - ly things are past, bring our ran - somed souls at last
 5 thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:



1 so, most gra - cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.
 2 so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek the mer - cy - seat.
 3 all our cost - liest trea - sures bring, Christ! to thee, our heaven - ly King.
 4 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.
 5 there for ev - er may we sing al - le - lu - ias to our King.