

The Eagle

A Publication of St. John's Lutheran Church in Albany, NY

From the Pastor

It's an old song...

Orpheus' journey to Hadestown and back is fated before it even begins. It's one of the most well-known stories in Greek mythology, told anew by singer-songwriter Anaïs Mitchell in her acclaimed Broadway hit *Hadestown*. Himself a poet and songwriter, Orpheus falls for the wandering Euridyce, and the young couple's romance blossoms, even as the world around them struggles through increasing "hard times" ... until Euridyce, succumbing to Hades' tempting allure of safety and security, joins him in his "world down below."

Fast forward through several musical numbers and key plot points ... Orpheus ultimately finds Euridyce in Hadestown, and having secured a deal with Hades, they are permitted to leave – except that they must walk single file, and Orpheus isn't allowed to look back to make sure his beloved Euridyce is still following ... and you probably know what happens next...

Far more than a tragic love story, however, *Hadestown* explores a more ominous – and yet hope-filled – tension:

"To the world we dream about... and the one we live in now."

From a changing climate to political and economic tensions, the world of *Hadestown* is hardly a far cry from our own. We stand on the cusp of a national election, even closer by the time you're reading this, and tensions are high, to put it mildly.

It all feels so overwhelming – and like you just want to shut down and ignore it altogether.

Tempting as it is to run far, far away, however, we as people of faith are called to *deeper* civil engagement precisely *because* of our faith. As Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton reminds us, "Civic engagement through political and nonpolitical processes is how we live into our baptism and share Christ's love as we work to make a difference in our communities ... With all the tension and division in our country, we are called to be both a prophetic presence and a reconciling and healing presence in the world."

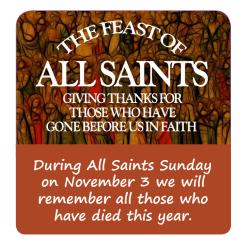
This is more than just about a particular candidate or party "winning." And it's more than just about one day (though Election Day is important and you should VOTE!).

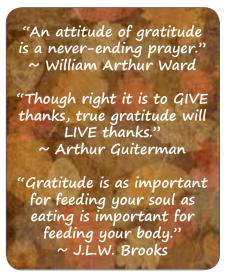
This is about our calling as Christians – to be engaged in the life of the world that God so loves, to strive for justice and peace in all the earth, and to bear witness to light and life in the midst of darkness and despair.

To hold on to that persistent hope of Orpheus, the persistent hope of the church: "He could make you see how the world could be," Hermes sings, "in spite of the way that it is."

~ In hope, Pastor Josh +

On Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, we'll come together to pause and to pray at 12 pm & 8 pm. See page 2.







Our Mission: Worship God. Serve Faithfully. Reach Out.

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All Saints Sunday on November 3

On All Saints Sunday, which is November 3, the church remembers the faithful departed by including the names of those who have died in the past year in its liturgy that day. You are invited to add the names of loved ones (St. John's members or not) who have died since last All Saints Sunday to our necrology ("book of the names of the dead"). Contact the church office anytime before All Saints Sunday (November 3) to have names added. Additionally, you are also encouraged to bring in photographs of loved ones who have died, which we will place on our altar of remembrance during the All Saints liturgy.



Thanksgiving Cantata on November 24

Join us on Sunday, November 24, during 9:30 am worship service. Saint John's Collegium will premiere Dan Foster's Thanksgiving Cantata – Psalm 136 – "Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!" Read more about this special cantata in Dan's message on page 4.

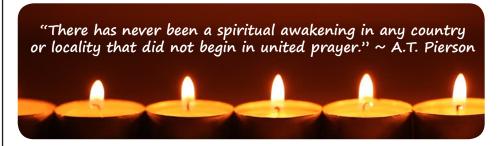


Midday Eucharist & Compline for Election Day on Tuesday, November 5 ... Come Gather With Us!

Take an opportunity (or two) to pause, breathe, and be together as the people of God in the midst of the "changes and chances of this life" on Election Day: Tuesday, November 5. Join us for one or both:

12:00-1:00 pm: Midday Eucharist. Worship with us in-person or online.
8:00-8:30 pm: Compline (night prayer). Join via Zoom on your computer, tablet, or smartphone at stjohnsalbany.org/zoom. Or join by phone: Dial 646-558-8656 and enter meeting ID 687 073 9105 when prompted.

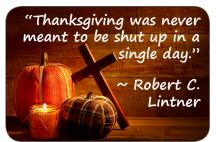
Gather with your St. John's family in prayer on this pivotal day and night.



Choral Evensong & Pie on November 26

Join us for a pre-Thanksgiving service of evening prayer, featuring St. John's Collegium, on Tuesday, November 26, 7 pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (510 Albany Shaker Rd., Loudonville), followed by a time of fellowship with pie. If you can bring a pie (homemade and store-bought are equally welcome), let Pastor Josh know.





Advent Fest Will Be on December 7 at Noon

Mark your calendars for Advent
Fest on Saturday, December 7, from
12:00-3:00 pm! We will gather to
enjoy lunch, decorate our Christmas
tree, make simple holiday crafts, and
sing carols in the spirit of the season.
Afterward we'll have a rehearsal for
our all-ages Christmas Pageant.
Stay tuned for more info, and contact
Pastor Josh if you can help us plan!
See page 3 for All Things Advent.





ALL THINGS ADVENT!

Advent is Coming! A Message from Pastor Josh

As the long green season of Ordinary Time comes to a close, our liturgical year comes to an end and anticipates a new beginning with the season of Advent. On the Day of Pentecost, way back in May, we heard the story of the descent of the Holy Spirit and the beginning of the Jesus movement in the early church; and on All Saints Day, we will remember that same Spirit who continues to inspire its saints, past and present, in lives of faithful service and devotion.

"But wait – what happened to November?" you ask. "What about Christ the King?" Fair questions.

It's true that Advent is traditionally four weeks – and it's also true that it wasn't always that way. In fact, the length of the Advent season has varied over the course of church history – from as few as three weeks to three months. It wasn't until the papacy of Gregory I in the late 6th/early 7th century that Advent was standardized as the four-week season most of us are familiar with today.

In recent years, "The Advent Project" has emerged in favor of a seven-week observance and has gained popularity among Lutherans, Episcopalians, and others, by including the three weeks between All Saints Sunday and the "traditional" start of fourweek Advent. The rationale is two-fold and considers both the secular and liturgical calendars.

On the secular calendar, owing in part to the rampant rise of commercialism in the retail industry, Christmas seems to come earlier and earlier each year. As soon as the last trick-or-treaters leave our porch on Halloween, if not before,

Christmas decorations line the shelves of stores everywhere, and radio stations soon switch their format to 24/7 holiday music (whether we like it or not – so much for Thanksgiving). All of which leaves precious little time for Advent – a season of slowing down and waiting. An extended Advent gives us a chance to reclaim the season. While it might be Christmas at Crossgates by November 1, in church it's still Advent.

Liturgically, an extended Advent dovetails nicely with themes already present in the Sunday lectionary. After All Saints, November's appointed readings are full of themes of the coming reign of Christ over all things ("eschatology," to use a fancy seminary word) – all orienting us to not only the anticipated coming ("advent") of the Christ Child at Christmas, but also to the second advent of Christ at the end of time (whatever that looks like).

So this year, our Advent will look a little different at St. John's: Our paraments and vestments will go blue on November 10 – the First Sunday of Advent – and we'll light not four but seven candles on our Advent wreath. We'll also dust off our traditional Advent words – hope, peace, joy, and love – and add a few new ones: care, faith, and justice.

In this series, More Than Words, each week we'll explore how each of our Advent words invites, challenges, and prepares us for Jesus' arrival, drawing us closer to the God who is even now drawing closer to us. And we'll explore how these are more than just words but reflections of the divine qualities of God and the work of the Holy Spirit.

More Than Words: Weekly Devotions for Advent

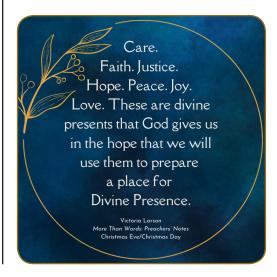


Dive deeper into our Advent theme and words this year with weekly devotions, on your own or with your family.

Each week includes a selection from Sunday's scripture readings; a short reflection exploring the week's theme; a weekly prompt for prayer, journaling, or meditation; a prayer; other words from sacred or secular sources reflecting on the theme; and six short verses of daily scripture to inspire you throughout the week. Explore it all, or choose your own adventure! The best devotional resource is the one you actually use, so integrate these devotions into your spiritual practice in the way that best supports your life. Download the devotional here. We'll also have a few printed copies available at church

Weeks of Advent

Nov. 10: First Sunday – Care
Nov. 17: Second Sunday – Faith
Nov. 24: Third Sunday – Justice
Dec. 1: Fourth Sunday – Hope
Dec. 8: Fifth Sunday – Peace
Dec. 15: Sixth Sunday – Joy
Dec. 22: Seventh Sunday – Love



FAITH FORMATION & MUSIC "NOTES"

Adult Forum: A Case For Love on November 3



Join our Adult Forum Sunday, November 3, following worship for a screening and discussion of the 2024 documentary A Case for Love. The film will begin at 11:30 and is 1 hour.

40 minutes. Lunch will be served. Please RSVP to Pastor Josh by November 1 if you'll attend (not required, but helpful to plan food). A short discussion and time to debrief the film will follow. A Case for Love examines whether or not love specifically unselfish love - is the solution to the extreme societal and political divide facing the U.S. Watch the trailer here.

Casting Call for All-Ages **Christmas Pageant!**



On December 22. the last Sunday of Advent, we'll perform this year's Christmas pageant - "The Biggest Fan of Jesus"

- and we need YOU to be a part of it! There's a role for all ages and all comfort levels - from front-and-center John the Baptist (you get to be snarky with Pastor Josh!) and the angel Gabriel (you get to be snarky with John the Baptist!) to the non-speaking donkey and sheep (and lots of roles in between). Rehearsals include:

- November 10 after church A read through of the whole script to get familiar with the story.
- December 7 after Advent Fest (see p. 2)
- · December 8 & 15 after church

Afraid of memorizing your lines? Don't be! No need to go off-script. Think you can't act? Sure, you can! This is quite possibly the least threatening and most friendly theatre audience ever. Get in touch with Pastor Josh if vou're interested ... before Pastor Josh hunts YOU down and corners you into a role.

Join Next Faith on Tap on November 6

Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit Come tap into some great times (LCHS) & St. John's invite you to join us for good conversation and delicious local brews (soft drinks also available) at the Warbler Brewery (155 Delaware Ave. in Delmar). Faith on Tap is held on first Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 pm; next one is November 6. BYO dinner from a local restaurant (three in Warbler's strip mall).

of fellowship with your good friends from LCHS & St. John's ... and maybe make new ones!



Enjoy Thanksgiving Cantata on November 24

On Sunday, November 24, Saint John's Collegium will premiere my new Thanksgiving Cantata -Psalm 136 - "Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!"

Inspired primarily by the music of Jean Baptiste Lully and that greatest of all composers and Lutheran, Johann Sebastian Bach, I just composed a cantata in the Baroque style. A setting of Psalm 136, verses 1-5, like beloved cantatas of the distant past which are still widely sung in church and in concert, it contains choruses, arias, and a duet.

The idea of writing music in earlier styles is not new; many baroque composers wrote in stile antico (antique style) as an homage to the older composers they studied and who continue to inspire us all. When they did, they often notated their music to appear like older music to ensure contemporary readers didn't miss the point. There are notable examples in Bach's great Mass in B-minor ("Dona nobis pacem"), and in Handel's seminal oratorio Messiah ("And with his stripes we are healed"). Johannes Brahms, Igor Stravinsky, Dmitri Shostakovich, and many other more recent composers wrote pieces in earlier styles.

My favorite contemporary composer of baroque music is Elam Rotem - composer; early music scholar with an enormous YouTube following; bass singer: harpsichordist; and all-around Renaissance man. In 2020 he premiered his setting of The Lamentation of David and posted his beautiful recording to YouTube. Follow the link HERE or use the OR Code below to listen.

So now I trod this venerable path and offer a modern baroque cantata to the glory of God and to my congregation. Please INVITE people on November 24. We're excited to share our old-sounding new sacred music!

~ Dan Foster, Director of Music



Click on the OR Code or the check out the link in the article above to hear Elam Rotem's composition of "The Lamentation of David," then join us November 24 for Dan Foster's Thanksgiving Cantata!

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Thank You's!

Special thanks this month to ...

- All who donated items for the CACC Shelter (Capital Area Council of Churches Emergency Homeless Overflow Shelter), now located at First Church in Albany.
- Karen Bielinski, Nick Klapp, & Lindsay Stannard for providing food and helping with devotions for Food & Faith at Cornerstone Campus Ministry in October.



October 2024

To our St. John's Family:

Thank you so much for your thoughts, prayers and acts of kindness extended to each of us following Steve's passing. We are beyond grateful for every text, call, note, card... for all the support you have provided throughout this time of grief. Your enduring love will always be cherished and remembered. We are indebted to you for walking this road with us.

~ Karen, Staren, Melissa & Nick

Need 2025 Calendars



We are collecting 2025 calendars for Rehabilitation Support Services (RSS) clients to

track appointments, meds, etc. Please place them in the Chapel. "Never stop doing little things for others. Sometimes those little things occupy the biggest parts of their heart." ~ Unknown



In Our Prayers

For whom or what shall we pray?

- For the family and friends of Steve Bielinski (spouse of Karen and father of Staren) who died on Tuesday, August 27, after an extended hospital stay.
- For the family and friends of Gloria Fraley who died on Saturday, September 14.

Submit a prayer request <u>online</u> or contact Pastor Josh Evans.

If you or a loved one would like a pastoral call or visit, please call or text Pastor Josh Evans at 518-250-9098, or schedule a time to meet using calendly.com/revjoshevans.



Please Give to LDR

Hurricanes Helene and Milton hit the Florida coast and ravaged Southeastern states. Your gifts equip Lutheran Disaster Response to respond to storms and other natural disasters. Give directly to LDR or make a designated gift online at st.johnsalbany.org/give ("Lutheran Disaster Response") or by cash/check to St. John's (please specify "LDR").



Current ALT Collections



ALT Collections for November will be for the Albany Maritime Ministry Christmas at Sea Program 2024. Albany Maritime Ministry (AMM)

collects gift-wrapped shoe boxes filled with items that seafarers will enjoy while they are away from their families during the holidays.

Beginning November 6, wrapped gift boxes can be dropped off at:
Unity Lutheran Church (1500 Western Ave., Albany) or the Albany Port District Commission (106 Smith Blvd., Albany). For more info, call Dick Walker at 518-713-4882.

Suggested items for boxes include:

- Something local to Albany or New York: NY trinket, postcard, neat photograph you've taken;
- Warm clothing: knit cap or gloves, work gloves, warm socks, sweatshirt (M, L or XL);
- Paper, envelopes, pencils, pens;
- Activity books, puzzles, word searches:
- Toiletries: razor/shaving cream aftershave, toothbrush, toothpaste/ floss, deodorant/fragrant soap brush or comb, lotion;
- AA/AAA batteries (No candy for the boxes, please.)
 Thank you for your support!

It's Time to Fall Back!

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 3. Don't forget to turn your clocks back before going to bed Saturday night!



EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Transgender Day of Remembrance: Nov. 20

Transgender Day of Remembrance, observed every year on November 20, is dedicated to honoring the memory of transgender individuals whose lives were lost in acts of antitransgender violence. Join us for a special service on Wednesday, November 20, at 7 pm. Led by Mother Grace Ferris, Pastor Josh Evans, and other area faith leaders, it will be held at Eastern Parkway United Methodist Church (located at 943 Palmer Ave. in Schenectady).



"Beloved, you are queer-fully and wonderfully made in a body and spirit that is cherished and loved by the Divine of all creation. You are a gift to your neighbor, community, church. Celebrate your holy wholeness!"

~ ReconcilingWorks

Happy Birthday!

November 3 Michael Centanni November 7 Ashlev Barthelmas Joseph Pierle, Sr. November 7 November 16 Mary Liebenhagen November 19 Linda Davis November 25 Nancy Dover November 29 Mary Heitzman November 30 Darhon Rees-Rohrbacher

"Birthdays are good for you. Statistics show that people who have the most live the longest." ~ Larry Lorenzoni



Your Help is Needed for CACC Shelter Meal

As the Capital Area Council of **Churches Emergency Homeless** Overflow Shelter prepares to welcome guests into their new home at First Church in Albany, it's that time of year again when area congregations provide meals. St. John's is up Tuesday, November 26, and we're looking for volunteers to help us prepare the meal after church on Sunday. November 24. We'll prepare meatloaf as the main dish; side dishes (cooked veggies, salad, etc.) and dessert are also needed. If you can help with meal prep or food donations, contact Karen Bielinski at 518-461-3650 or kbielins@nycap.rr.com. Monetary donations also welcome. Give online at stjohnsalbany.org/give ("CACC Shelter") or by cash/check to St. John's (specify "CACC Shelter").

Calling All of Our Thrivent Members!

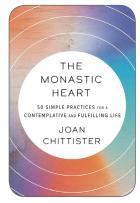
Do you like free money? Do you like supporting the ministries of St. John's? Then Thrivent Action Grants are for you! As a Thrivent member, you are eligible to apply for two minigrants of \$250 each per year. If you still have grants available, please consider applying so we can use the money for upcoming outreach initiatives, including our Christmas gift card collection for the Sacred Heart Outreach Center and Albany Maritime Ministry's Christmas at Sea gift boxes (see page 6). Learn more about **Thrivent Action Grants HERE** If you have questions about applying or have Thriventspecific questions, please contact Lindsay Stannard.

A Note About Winter Weather Closures

The safety of our community members is our priority. In the event of inclement weather that requires the cancellation of a liturgy or other church event, we will communicate that news promptly via email and local news media. Information will also be posted on our website and Facebook page, as well on our phone recording.



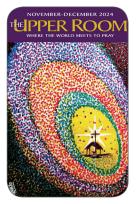
First Lutheran Book Club



Join us for First Lutheran Book Club on Thursday, November 21, at 6:00 pm at Nine Pin Cider Works (929 Broadway in Albany). This month's book is "The

Monastic Heart" by Joan Chittister.

Your Daily Devotions



You can pick up the November-December edition of The Upper Room at church or read it online. Want us to mail you a

copy? Please contact Maggie.

Note about celebrating our members' birthdays: If you prefer *not* to have your birthday shared in *The Eagle*, please contact Pr. Josh. If we *missed* your birthday, we apologize! Please let us know if you'd like it shared in the next issue.



AROUND ST. JOHN'S ... AND BEYOND!







On Rally Sunday, September 8, St. John's Sunday School kids celebrated #GodsWorkOurHands by making homemade cards for our members who are homebound. The cards were added to gift bags, along with fresh-cut flowers.







From St. Johns' Facebook Post on September 15: "Hey Colonie! Need a Pride flag? Sometimes, you just need to order 50 little flags to share God's abundant and extravagant love when your one big flag gets vandalized."







The weekend of September 21-22, Upstate NY Synod held its retreat at King of Kings Lutheran Church in Liverpool, NY. At left: Pastor Josh shares a message. Center: Pastor Josh is pictured top row, center. Right: Members hold discussions.







On Sunday, October 6, we gathered for a special outdoor liturgy and animal blessing. Five dogs, three cats, one stuffed animal, and 37 humans gathered outside for our celebration of St. Francis and all of God's beloved creatures.

CONNECT WITH US

St. John's Calendar ~ November 2024

Sunday, November 3
All Saints Sunday

Daylight Saving Time Ends: Fall Back

9:30 am: WORSHIP: All Saints Sunday 10:45 am: Adult Forum: *A Case for Love* (Film: view & discuss)

Tuesday, November 5 Election Day

12:00 pm: Midday Eucharist 8:00 pm: Compline (Night Prayer)

Wednesday, November 6

6:30 pm: Faith on Tap at Warbler

Sunday, November 10 9:30 am: WORSHIP

Monday, November 11
Veterans Day (Office Closed)

Sunday, November 17 9:30 am: WORSHIP Tuesday, November 19

7:00 pm: Council Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, November 20

Transgender Day of Remembrance

7:00 pm: Service with Local Faith Leaders at Eastern Parkway UMC

Thursday, November 21

6:00 pm: Book Club: Nine Pin Cider

Sunday, November 24

9:30 am: WORSHIP featuring Thanksgiving Cantata by Dan Foster 10:45 am: Meal Prep at St. John's for CACC Shelter

Tuesday, November 26

7:00 pm: Choral Evensong & Pie at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Thursday, November 28
Thanksgiving Day (Office Closed)



Worship at St. John's

Worship in-person: 303 Sand Creek Road in Albany or online: youtube.com/@StJohnsAlbany

Watching online? Let us know you're here through "Online Worship Attendance" page.

Follow along with the liturgy: stjohnsalbany.org/bulletin (link updated weekly by Friday)



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Eagle Deadline

Please note: Submissions for the December 2024 edition of *The Eagle* are due by **November 18**. Submit your announcement(s) online or contact the church office. Thanks for staying connected!

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Please feel free to reach out to your church staff at any time! We want to connect with YOU.

Church Office Hours

Monday

Pastor Josh Evans 10 AM – 4 PM Maggie Anderson 12 PM – 4 PM

Tuesday – Thursday Pastor Josh Evans 10 AM – 4 PM

Friday

Maggie Anderson 10 AM – 4 PM

Please call ahead before you go to ensure someone is in the office.

Contact Our Council

You can email St. John's Council at council@stjohnsalbany.org and your message will be sent to all of our Council members. It's one-stop-shopping (er, sending) for communicating with our Council!





SERVING IN WORSHIP

We Need Your Help to Make Worship Happen!

There's a role for everyone in Sunday worship, and we're always eager to welcome new volunteers. Whether front-and-center as an assisting minister or behind-the-scenes on altar guild, there's a role for you! Simply contact Pastor Josh if you'd like more details. Can't make your scheduled date? Please contact BOTH Maggie AND Pastor Josh.

NOVEMBER 2024 • Worship Services at 9:30 am							
Date	November 3	November 10	November 17	November 24			
Presiding Minister	Pr. Josh Evans	Pr. Josh Evans	Pr. Josh Evans	Pr. Josh Evans			
Assisting Minister	Lindsay Stannard	Karen Bielinski	Paula Schwab	Karen Bielinski			
Minister of Music	Dan Foster	Dan Foster	Dan Foster	Dan Foster			
Reader	Melissa Savage	Lindsay Stannard	Avery Heaney	Karen Bielinski			
Communion Assist.	Melissa Savage	Joy Pierle	Joy Pierle	Lindsay Stannard			
Sacristan (Altar Gld.)	Paula Schwab	Linda Davis	Paula Schwab	Maggie Anderson			
Bread Baker	Sheryl Centanni	Sheryl Centanni	Sheryl Centanni	Sheryl Centanni			
Livestream Tech	Jerry Schwab	Shea Stannard	Shea Stannard	Shea Stannard			
Offering Counters	N/A	Jerry Schwab Karen Seiz	N/A	Lindsay Stannard Judy Szesnat			

"What
we have
done for
ourselves
alone, dies
with us;
what we
have done
for others
and the
world,
remains
and is
immortal."
~Albert Pike

DECEMBER 2024 · Worship Services at 9:30 am							
Date	December 1	December 8	December 15	December 22	December 29		
Presiding Minister	Pr. Josh Evans	Pr. Josh Evans	Pr. Josh Evans	Pr. Josh Evans	Pr. Josh Evans		
Assisting Minister	Lindsay Stannard	Paula Schwab	Karen Bielinski	Lindsay Stannard	Karen Bielinski		
Minister of Music	Dan Foster	Dan Foster	Dan Foster	Dan Foster	Dan Foster		
Reader	Thaisa Beach	Lindsay Stannard	Avery Heaney	Melissa Savage	Thaisa Beach Melissa Savage Karen Bielinski		
Communion Assist.	Karen Bielinski	Joy Pierle	Lindsay Stannard	Melissa Savage	Joy Pierle		
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Bread Baker	Karen Bielinski	Karen Bielinski	Karen Bielinski	Karen Bielinski	Karen Bielinski		
Livestream Tech	Shea Stannard	Shea Stannard	Shea Stannard	Shea Stannard	Shea Stannard		
Offering Counters	N/A	Karen Bielinski Shea Stannard	N/A	Linda Davis Lindsay Stannard	Jerry Schwab Karen Seiz		

CHRISTMAS EVE • at 7:00 pm				
Presiding Minister	Pr. Josh Evans			
Assisting Minister	Lindsay Stannard			
Minister of Music	Dan Foster			
Reader	Karen Bielinski Lindsay Stannard			
Communion Assist.	Karen Bielinski			
Sacristan (Altar Gld.)	Paula Schwab			
Bread Baker	Karen Bielinski			
Livestream Tech	Shea Stannard			



"If you are more fortunate than others, build a longer table, not a taller fence." ~ Author Unknown