



ST. LAURENCE  
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# Fourth Sunday Of Epiphany

January 28, 2024

8:30am

# Welcome to St. Laurence

Worshipping God in the Anglican Tradition Since 1951

## Visitors

If you're new with us, we're so glad you're here! Please fill out a visitor card and let us know a little bit about you and if we can provide you with any information about us. Just drop the card in the collection plate or hand it to an usher. If our service is a little different than what you are used to, we encourage you to participate without any concern for doing things "the right way." We sit, stand and kneel a lot but you can follow along in this bulletin. We want you to feel comfortable and welcome here.

## Children

Your children are welcomed and loved here. We have many families with children of all ages so your kids will make friends quickly. If you prefer that they stay with you in Church, please do so. The voices of small children are always welcome!

We do offer both a nursery and Children's Chapel. Our nursery is in the Parish Hall, the building to the north of the Church. Children 5 and under are welcome there during the service and Sunday School time. Children's Chapel is a worship service just for kids age 8 and younger. Children start in the big Church with their parents and then when called, follow the cross to a service just for them in the Parish Hall. They will re-join their families in time for Holy Communion.

## Who We Are

We are a Christ-centered, liturgical Church, in the catholic tradition of Anglicanism. We are in the Diocese of Ft. Worth, serving under Bishop Ryan Reed, in the Anglican Church in North America. Want to learn more? Check out our website at [saintlaurencechurch.org](http://saintlaurencechurch.org).

## How to Plug In

If you'd like to plug into the many ministry and fellowship activities available at St. Laurence, you may scan the QR codes to:

- Sign up to receive our emails



- Learn more about ministry and fellowship groups



## Preparation for Worship

We encourage all to have a time of prayer and preparation before the service begins. Chatting with friends is best saved for after the service. Consider this prayer before the service begins:

*Guide and direct us, O Lord, always and everywhere with your holy light, that we may discern with clear vision your presence among us, and partake with worthy intention of your divine mysteries. We ask this for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.*

## Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Voluntary in D Minor  
John Stanley

Angelus (Stand)

Entrance

Hymn 493

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## The Liturgy Of The Word

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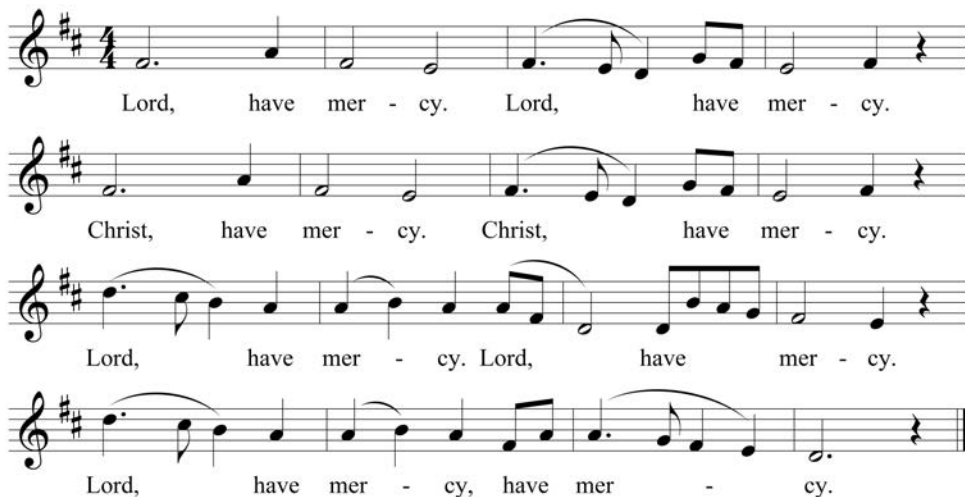
### The Acclamation

2019 Book of Common Prayer, pg. 123

**Celebrant:** Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**People:** And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Kyrie



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### Gloria



The musical score is written on ten staves in G major (one sharp) and common time. The first staff begins with a 4-measure rest. The lyrics are written below the staves, with some words split across lines. The score concludes with a double bar line on the final staff.

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

Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al - might-y God and Fa - ther. We wor-ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry, we praise you for your glo - ry,

Lord, Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy on us, you are seat-ed

at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re-ceive our pray'r, re - ceive our pray'r. For you a -

lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord. you a-lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People:** And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

## Collect of the Day

O God, you know that we are set in the midst of many grave dangers, and because of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant that your strength and protection may support us in all dangers and carry us through every temptation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Children's Chapel Procession

## First Reading (sit)

## Deuteronomy 18:15-22

"The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— just as you desired of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' And the Lord said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.' And if you say in your heart, 'How may we know the word that the Lord has not spoken?'— when a prophet speaks in the name of the Lord, if the word does not come to pass or come true, that is a word that the Lord has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously. You need not be afraid of him."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



## Psalm 111

- 1 Praise the Lord. I will give thanks unto the Lord with / my whole heart, \*  
in the company of the upright, and a- / mong the congregation.
- 2 The works of the / Lord are great, \*  
sought out by all / who have **pleasure** in them.
- 3 His work is worthy to be praised and / held in honor, \*  
and his righteous- / ness endures for ever.



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- 4 He has made his marvelous works to be had / in remembrance; \*  
The / Lord is **gracious** and merciful.
- 5 He has given food to / those who fear him; \*  
he shall ever be / mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He has shown his people the power / of his works, \*  
that he may give them the / **heritage** of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are faithful- / ness and justice; \*  
all / his **commandments** are true.
- 8 They stand fast for / **ever** and ever, \*  
and are / done in truth and equity.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his / **covenant** for ever; \*  
holy and / awesome is his Name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the be- / ginning of wisdom; \*  
a good understanding have all those who live accordingly;  
his / praise endures for ever.

## Second Reading

## I Corinthians 8

Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." This "knowledge" puffs up, but love builds up. If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. But if anyone loves God, he is known by God. Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "an idol has no real existence," and that "there is no God but one." For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Holy Gospel****Mark 1:21-28**

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching. And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.



Homily (Sit)

Fr. Jordan

**The Nicene Creed (Stand)****2019 Book of Common Prayer, pg. 126**

**Celebrant and People:** We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We

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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.

### Prayers of the People

2019 Book of Common Prayer, pg. 128

*The Reader will now read the prayers. After each prayer is the following response:*

Reader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

### The Confession (Kneel)

2019 Book of Common Prayer, pg. 129

Deacon: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

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

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to 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 (Stand)

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.



## The Liturgy Of The Altar

Offertory (Sit)

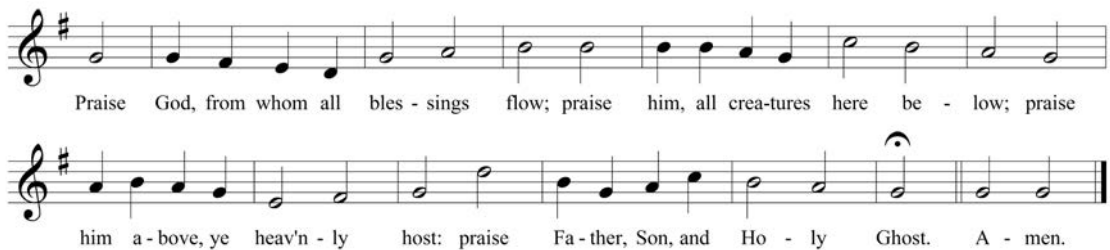
*I Will Give Thanks*

Amy Marcy Cheney Beach

St. Laurence Schola Cantorum

*I will give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart secretly  
among the faithful and in the congregation. The works of the Lord are great.  
His work is worthy of praise and had in honor, And His righteousness endureth forever.  
He hath made a remembrance of his marvelous works; a merciful Lord.  
He hath given food to them that fear Him; He will be mindful forever of His covenant.  
He hath showed forth to His people the power of his works.  
The works of His hands are verity and judgement,  
All His commandments are true, they stand fast forever and ever.  
Holy and reverend is His name. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.  
His praise endureth forever and ever, His praise forever. Amen.*

Doxology (Stand)



### The Great Thanksgiving

2019 Book of Common Prayer, pg. 132

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And with your spirit.

**Celebrant:** Lift up your hearts.

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

**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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### Sanctus



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

### Prayer of Consecration (Kneel) 2019 Book of Common Prayer, pg. 132

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Celebrant and People:** Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

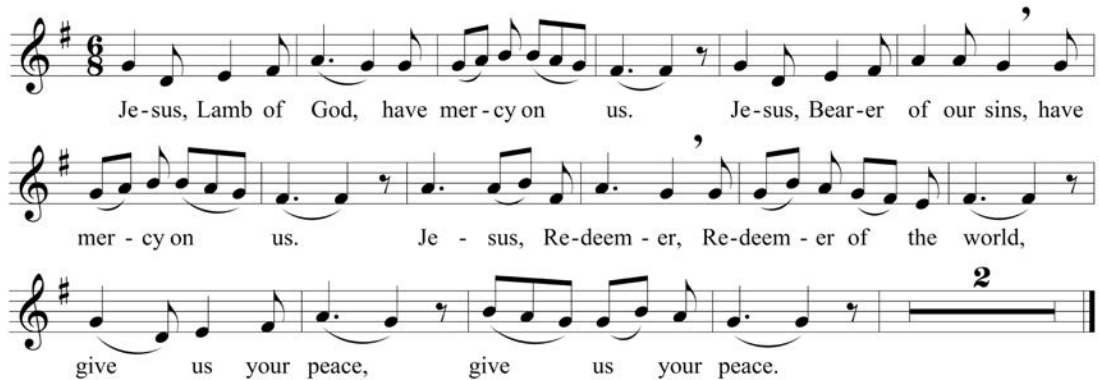
**Celebrant and People:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### The Breaking of the Bread 2019 Book of Common Prayer, pg. 135

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People:** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei



Holy Communion

*O Thou Who at Thy Eucharist Did'st Pray*

Mogens Wöldike

St. Laurence Schola Cantorum

*O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray that all thy Church might be for ever one,  
grant us at every Eucharist to say with longing heart and soul, "thy will be done."*

*O may we all one Bread, one Body be, through this blest Sacrament of unity.*

Hymns 339, 310

**Post Communion Prayer (Kneel) 2019 Book of Common Prayer, pg. 137**

**Celebrant and People:** Heavenly Father, We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

**Blessing and Dismissal**

**Deacon:** Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

Procession Out

Postlude

Hymn 616

Voluntary on "Old Hundredth"

Henry Purcell

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# Sunday School Today

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*Sunday School classes are at 9:50am between the services.*

Grade/Class	Today's Topic
Pre K-5th Grades	Sunday School kids learn more about their adoption into God's family through Baptism.
Middle School	Confirmation Class: Who is Jesus?
High School	Christian Apologetics: God and Evidence, Part 2
Parish Hall Class	The gifts of the Holy Spirit.
Ladies's Bible Study	"The Gospel on the Ground: The Grit and Glory of the Early Church in Acts." Watch video 2

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## Worship Schedule

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Daily Mass		Morning Prayer	
Sunday	8:30 & 10:45am	Sunday	7:45am
Monday	9:30am	Monday-Saturday	9:00am
Tuesday	9:30am	Evening Prayer	
Wednesday	6:30pm	Sunday	
Thursday	12:10pm	Evensong & Benediction	5:00pm
Friday	9:30am	Wednesday	6:00pm
Saturday	9:30am	Confessions	
		Saturday	10:00am

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## Activities for Week of January 28

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Sun, Jan. 28	Sunday School	9:50am
	High School Fellowship Lunch	12:15pm
	Anglican Essentials	5:30pm
Mon, Jan. 29	Sacred Arts Icon Class	10:00am
Tues, Jan. 30	Parent's Day Out	9:00am
	Tuesday Morning Bible Study	10:00am
Wed, Jan. 31	Wednesday Night Dinner	6:00pm
	Middle School Youth Group	6:00pm
	Bible Study on Titus	6:30pm
	Canterbury Choir Rehearsal	6:30pm
	St. Laurence Chorale Rehearsal	7:30pm
Thurs, Feb. 1	Parent's Day Out	9:00am
Fri, Feb. 2	Men's Bible Study	6:30am
Sat, Feb. 3		



## The 40 Days of Lent Begin

Join us for Ash Wednesday services  
on Feb. 14

7:00am

Noon (with childcare)

7:00pm (with childcare)

Confessions: 11:00am and 6:00pm

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# Announcements

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## Worship

**Scout Sunday is Sun, Feb. 4.** This is the day we honor all those boys, girls and adults involved in Scouting. Boys from our own Boy Scout Troop 168 will be our ushers that day and we will have a special blessing for all those involved in any type of Scouting program - Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Brownies, Venture, etc. We encourage everyone involved in scouting to come in their uniform.

**Funeral for Ronnie Montgomery - Feb. 12.** The funeral for Ronnie Montgomery is Mon, Feb. 12 at 1:30pm, followed by a light reception in the Parish Hall. All are welcome. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

## Service

**Toilet Tissue Sunday is Today.** Please bring all your toilet tissue donations to the red wagon in front of the Parish Hall today and we will get it to GRACE. Thank you.

## Capital Campaign

**Capital Campaign Update to the Parish - Feb. 11.** Everyone in the Parish is invited to a Capital Campaign Update on Sun, Feb. 11 between the services at 9:50am in the Parish Hall. Fr. Jordan and the campaign chairs, Mark Jameson, Greg Jones and Lisa Lapiska, will bring you up to date on all the plans: what the architects are doing, the activities the campaign committees are planning and the big role the youth are playing. Come hear all about it! This will be instead of adult Sunday School this day. Kids and youth will still have Sunday School.

## Youth

**High School Youth Group (9-12th grade)** Join us today for our Fellowship Lunch at BJ's Restaurant in Southlake from 12:15-1:45pm. Contact Katie LaPenna at [katielapenna@gmail.com](mailto:katielapenna@gmail.com) for more info.

**Middle School Youth Group (6-8th grade).** This weeks "I Am" statement (I AM the door of the sheep) stresses that no one can enter the kingdom of heaven by any other means than Christ Himself. We'll discuss in depth what this means and also learn what Old Testament prophecy this statement fulfills. Meet in the Parish Hall at 6:00pm for dinner and then we'll walk to the Youth Room at 6:30pm for Youth Group. Pick up is at 8:00pm. Contact Katie LaPenna at [katielapenna@gmail.com](mailto:katielapenna@gmail.com) for more info.

**Parent and Youth Summer Mission Trips Info Meeting - Feb. 4.** All Middle School youth, High School youth and their parents are asked to attend an Information Meeting all about the Summer Mission Trips. Sun, Feb. 4 at 12:15pm in the Parish Hall. Get all the info you need



about the upcoming trips, along with important fundraiser dates and other expectations. Please make sure both parents and youth attend. Contact Katie LaPenna at [katielapenna@gmail.com](mailto:katielapenna@gmail.com).

**Bishop's Ball - Feb. 10.** All Middle School and High School Youth are invited to the Diocesan Bishop's Ball on Sat, Feb. 10. Meet in the Youth Room at 5:30pm and then car pool to St. Vincent's in Bedford. Dinner will be served. Please pick up at 9:15 at St. Laurence. The theme is "Luau" and the night will include dinner, dancing, games and compline. Cost is \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Use the QR code to the right to register.



## Parent's Day Out

**Parent's Day Out Registration Opens to the Parish - Feb. 5.** On Mon, Feb. 5, our Parent's Day Out program will open for registration for the 2024-2025 school year to the Parish only. This is one week before we open registration to the public. This incredible ministry fills up every year so if you are interested, we encourage you to take advantage of this time before registration is open to the public and register your child that week. Our program is for children from 18 months to 4-1/2 years old and is on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am-2:00pm. For more information go to the Parent's Day Out website at [stlaurenceparentsdayout.com](http://stlaurenceparentsdayout.com) or contact Director, Erin Wallace at [stlpdodirector@gmail.com](mailto:stlpdodirector@gmail.com).

## Fellowship

**Annual Parish Meeting - Feb. 4.** Next Sunday is the Annual Parish Meeting. We hold it on the first Sunday in February so that we hit that empty Sunday night sweet spot between the NFL Conference Championships and the Super Bowl. We know you're free that night, so join us to hear all about the exciting plans for 2024 and to elect your new Vestry members and Diocesan Delegates. If you can't make it, you can join in and vote on Zoom. Sun, Feb. 4, Evensong at 5:00pm, Potluck dinner at 5:45pm, Meeting at 6:30.

**Mardi Gras Chicken Dinner Social - Feb. 9.** We're heading to New Orleans for Mardi Gras for our big time Social Event on Fri, Feb. 9 at 6:00pm (please note this is a Friday night.) Event starts at 6:00pm, dinner will be served at 6:30pm. We're eating Babe's Fried Chicken with all the fixins because, well, everyone loves Babe's chicken! But we're throwing in some gumbo for you die hard Cajuns. Wear your beads and masks and join us for a super fun evening. All are welcome! \$20 per person. Beer, lemonade and water included. Bring your own wine and a dessert for the Dessert Contest. Nursery is available free for age 5 and under and a supervised Movie night with Babe's chicken tenders for older children at \$5 per child or \$10 per family. Scan the QR code to the right to register.



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# Clergy & Staff

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Fr. John Jordan, Rector  
Fr. Matthew Rogers, Associate Rector  
Fr. Travis Province, Curate  
John Heimel, Organist and Choirmaster  
Katie LaPenna, Youth Ministry Director  
Hilary Hale, Children's Ministry Director  
Liam Estes, Youth and Children's Ministry Assistant  
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