



# The Flame

December 2024

**Our Mission** is to be a welcoming place where people meet Christ and grow in their relationship with God through our worship, service, and fellowship.

## Holiday Service Times

As Advent unfolds and Christmas approaches, we are once again offering additional services to celebrate the holidays. This year our Blue Christmas Service will return on Saturday (21 Dec) at 5:00pm. On Sunday (22 Dec) we will have our usual 8am service with our Christmas Pageant performed at the 9:30am service. We will offer three services on Christmas Eve. Our 5pm service will be family orientated with our youth and adult bell choirs, along with vocal choir. Our 7pm service will be a typical Rite II service with the adult bell and vocal choirs; and our 10pm service will be a typical Rite I service. On Christmas morning, we will offer a simple Eucharist beginning at 10am. There will be no Wednesday morning service on 1 Jan. However, Compline will still be shared at 8pm on New Year's Day. Please plan to join us this Christmas Eve or Day to give thanks for the love God revealed to us with the birth of Jesus. Services listed below and identified with an \* will also be broadcast live on our Facebook page.

<b>21 Dec</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Blue Christmas *</b>
<b>22 Dec</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Eucharist with Christmas Pageant *</b>
<b>24 Dec</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Christmas Eve (Family Eucharist)</b>
<b>24 Dec</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Christmas Eve (Traditional Rite 2) *</b>
<b>24 Dec</b>	<b>10:00 pm</b>	<b>Christmas Eve (Traditional Rite 1)</b>
<b>25 Dec</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Christmas Day (Simple Rite 2) *</b>



## Fr. Tom's Tidbits



It is hard to believe that with the start of this Advent, we begin our 17<sup>th</sup> year together. For me, it has been a real blessing; and a part of me, while looking forward to retirement in June, is not totally ready to let go. Still, I know it is time, and I am excited about the opportunities that lay ahead, both for me, and for our parish. As I reflect back on the last sixteen years, we have been through so much, and done so much, together; and while we have had our occasional struggles, we have been so blessed to always come out of them stronger and better prepared to face whatever new struggles we were yet to encounter.

I know some in our parish are worried about what lies ahead. Change is often unsettling. But change can be healthy too. When I first arrived, I encountered some of the same worries, how would I fit in, what direction would I lead us, what would be my priorities, how much different was I going to be from your last priest. Some in our community were very direct as they tried to find answers to their questions, others sat back and watched, some critically, others hopefully. Thanks to some very wonderful members, and the grace of God, we made it through that first year, and as we did, our worries subsided, and we began to journey side by side working to fulfill our calling as the body of Christ.

After a year of sizing one another up, and building a trust that must exist if we were to succeed, with the help of Jennifer Wilson, we came together to develop a statement that truly describes who we are and why we are here. That statement, which defines our shared mission and ministry, is the one we find in large letters on the wall in our parish hall. "We are a place where people meet Christ and grow in their relationship with God, and one another, through our worship, service, and fellowship".

That statement has kept us focused over the years, guiding us in what we do, how we do, and why we do those things we do as followers of Christ. Might it change with the arrival of a new priest? Maybe, but somehow, I doubt it will change significantly. Why? Because it was not a statement that came out of who became together, but is one that is grounded in who this community was before I arrived. All we did was to put words to what previously had none.

*Father Tom*

The church office will close at noon Tuesday December 24<sup>th</sup> and be closed December 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> for the Holidays.



The church office will be closed, Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> for the holiday



## Rector Search Update

We recently received a message from Canon Liz that our profile, compensation package and rector search is live. The Diocesan Office will be taking applications through January 13, 2025. We are hopeful to start interviews after February 1, 2025. Hopefully, we will find the right candidate and the transition can begin.

Bill, & Marcia



## Deacons Corner



The hustle and bustle of the holidays are upon us. For many of us, the hustle and bustle of the holidays are only different from the rest of the year in that it is the holidays. I know hustle and bustle has been a part of my entire life. I am one who wanted to do everything as a child. As an adult, I had a fear of missing out so I kept pushing myself to do more and be part of everything.

When I brought babies home from the hospital I was told to sleep when they slept. I found I couldn't. I just wanted to stare at them.

When I hosted an event, even one year after year, I tried to do something unique each time which often required that I stay up late and make décor or games, research activities and cooked. Even when people offered to help, I wanted them to relax and enjoy the event while I missed it because I had so much to do.

I picked up new hobbies in my 30s and new sports in my 40s. The entire time I was raising a family and managing a career. I added seminary in my 50s.

When it comes to Advent and Christmas, I tend to do all of the decorating, shopping, wrapping and food planning for my home. I also want to go see lights, ice skate, participate in other Christmas activities.

I sometimes miss the forest for the trees. As a few of you have recently reminded me, I need to sometimes say no so I don't burn out. Honestly, I don't want to say no because I simply want to do and be a part of everything. But, I know I cannot.

I've been thinking about Carole lately. Carole was a woman I met early in my career. She was actually a customer of mine and one year she shared with me the most important part of Christmas for her. Each year, she would volunteer to watch her sister's severely disabled adult child on Christmas Eve while her sister and brother-in-law could go to church, out to dinner and just get a little break.

Carole's niece was usually in bed asleep for most of the evening and Carole would sit quietly, read the story of Christmas from the Bible and then rest. The respite she gave her sister and brother-in-law was actually a bit of respite for herself. Carole turned down every invitation to a Christmas activity so that she could serve her family, spend time with God and then rest.

From an older point of view, I now realize how perfect of a formula for enjoying the season and feeding one's soul Carole developed. Will I settle down and do just that? That's not likely. I'm still a doer. I still don't want to miss out. However, I will take a note from Carole and remember to prioritize service, spirituality and add rest to the busyness of the season.

I hope you all have the opportunity to do the same.

*Deacon Terri*

## Parish Life

### Thanksgiving Eve

Our annual Thanksgiving Eve worship service was, as always, a blessed time to spend together giving thanks for all that we have, and the opportunities we have been given to share it with others. Afterwards, many hands made the holiday greenery go up quickly and before we knew it we were enjoying a feast from the wide assortment of pies present. Thank you to all who brought a pie to share and to all who joined us for the evening's fun, fellowship, and of course, pie.



## 2025 Budget Planning



If you have not yet submitted your 2025 Estimate of Giving Card, please do so as soon as possible. Our Vestry is working to finalize our 2025 budget and are currently falling short of our goal. The current 2025 draft budget is posted on the Chapel hallway bulletin board.

## Family Advent Workshop

On the Sunday before Thanksgiving (Christ the King Sunday) our Christian Ed team offered their Advent Family Workshop following our 9:30am service. With crafts for all ages, coffee hour was more than just enjoying good company and tasty snacks. Families made Christmas ornaments, assembled Advent wreaths, and enjoyed other crafts as well. Special thanks to Cindy Pekarek, Jean Cook, Lisa Weilandt, and Maggie Howell for their planning, organizing, and helpfulness during this fabulous event.



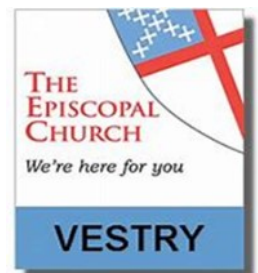
## Holiday Craft Fair

Don't miss out on this year's Holiday Craft Fair and Bake Sale, Saturday, Dec 7<sup>th</sup>. This event is one that many in our community look forward to with many of the same vendors returning year after year. It is also a great opportunity to do a little gift shopping for that special person in your life, check out some of the handiwork of some in our parish, and a time when the Women of Spirit (with the help of all those who love to bake) raise funds by selling baked goods to the large number of visitors we get. If you would like to bake something for the Women of Spirit tables, please contact Karen Gray or the church office. If you are not a baker, there is always a need for a few volunteers. Volunteer sign-up sheets are located at the Spirit Hub.



## Vestry Nominations

It is once again the time of year we begin to look for members of our parish interested in being part of our Vestry team. The Vestry's role is to encourage and support the ministries of our parish, serve as the stewards of our parish resources, and to act as the legal agent of the church. The Vestry meets once a month for about 90 minutes and has a day retreat in early February. Any confirmed member of the Episcopal Church, who has been at CHS for at least 6 months, is eligible to serve. If you would like to learn more about this ministry, please visit with our Senior Warden (Cindy Pekarek), our Junior Warden (Judy Darrell), or any current member of the Vestry.



## 2024 Contributions



As the end of year approaches, many look for ways to reduce their current year tax expense. Did you know that you can make a donation to the church for something needed next year and get the tax credit this year? Checks received by Sun (12 Jan) and dated 31 Dec or earlier will be applied to your 2024 Giving Statements.

## Annual Ministry Reports



Attention all Ministry Team Leaders. It is once again that time of the year to begin pulling together your end of year reports for the Annual Parish Meeting. Please submit a short description of the work your ministry did this past year, along with some hopes for next. We request that all reports be forwarded to the office ([holyspirit@chsepiscopal.org](mailto:holyspirit@chsepiscopal.org)) no later than Sunday (12 Jan 25) so that a draft report is available for review Sunday (26 Jan). If you have any questions, please contact Jean Cook at the office.

## Endowment Fund Grant Requests

Does your ministry have an idea, but not sure how to fund it? If so, stop by the Spirit Hub and pick up one of our Endowment Fund Request forms. All requests for 2025 grants need to be submitted by Sunday (15 Dec). Our Endowment Board will review all requests and forward those meeting the criteria stated to the Vestry for approval and funding. Grant requests may or may not be funded to the full requested amount based on availability of funds.



## 2025 Giving Envelopes



Those who requested envelopes for their monthly giving can pick them up at the Spirit Hub beginning Sunday (15 Dec). If you did not request envelopes, and now would like to, please contact the office and we will try to have them for you as quickly as possible.

## Presence Candle and Altar Bread



Sign-up sheets for 2025 Altar Bread baking and Presence Candles are now in the white book at Spirit Hub. Please remember to fill out the blue card in the front of the book for your presence candle.



## Fluff and Polish



On the Tuesday before Thanksgiving, our altar guild held their annual fluff and polish party getting our holiday decorations ready to be hung and the silver looking their best for our guests. Another group of volunteers installed batteries and checked out our handheld candles in anticipation of using them once again during our Christmas Eve service. As preparations for the holiday season move forward with a full head of steam, Susan Powell and Barb Smith (our Altar Guild

Directors) wish to invite anyone who would like to learn more about their ministry and how they prepare our worship space for services, to please visit with them, or any member of their team.



## End of year giving

YEAR END GIVING

YOUR GIFT MAKES

A DIFFERENCE

For those in our parish who are 70 ½ or older in 2024, did you know that you can make a qualified charitable distribution (QCD), of up to \$100,000, from your IRA directly to Church of the Holy Spirit? For those who are not yet 70 ½, once you reach this age, current tax laws mandate that you take minimum distributions from your IRA called your required minimum distribution (RMD). These distributions from your IRA are included in your taxable income.

However, the QCD reduces the amount of your IRA distribution included in taxable income and reduces your RMD. If you are using the standard deduction, using a QCD will reduce your taxable income by the amount distributed directly to the parish, thus reducing your income taxes even though you do not itemize your deductions. A win-win. (This is an extract taken from an information flier provided by our Diocesan Treasurer.)

## Snow Days

With winter upon us, here is a brief reminder of how church activities are impacted by the weather. During the week (Monday – Friday), when the Bellevue Schools are closed due to hazardous road conditions the office will be closed and all scheduled parish activities (except for AA and AlAnon) are cancelled. Should the schools be closed for cold temperatures/wind chills, the office will be open during normal business hours. After hours activities may be held at the discretion of the coordinating ministry. When hazardous road conditions are present, please call the office at 402-291-7732 before venturing out to make sure someone is here.



On the weekends, every effort to hold regular services will be attempted. Should inclement weather arrive on a weekend, before making the journey to CHS, please check Facebook and/or the parish website for information about services. Fr. Tom will post any cancellations or change in service times at least 30 minutes before the originally scheduled service times.

## Youth Activities

### Roller Skating



Last month our youth took a break from their regular Wednesday's Journeys program to have a night of fun at Skate City. This year our Journeys youth invited parish youth 8-18 and were blessed with new faces joining in the fun. While the kids skated, parents had an opportunity to get to know one another better and enjoy a time of blessed fellowship.



## New Year's Eve Lock-in

It is coming!!! Our annual youth group lock-in is right around the corner. Each year, our older youth provide childcare for our younger youth from 7:00 pm until 1:00 am so that parents may go out for dinner, bowling, or a movie to bring in the new year. Childcare costs are \$5/hr per child (ages 3-9). All funds raised during this event go to support our youth group activities. After all the younger youth go home, youth 10 and up get to spend the night enjoying fun, food, and fellowship. Permission slips and childcare reservations forms may be found at the Spirit Hub beginning Sunday (8 Dec). For more information, please contact Fr. Tom.



## Christmas Pageant

Our youth group Christmas Pageant will take place during our 9:30 am service on Sun (22 Dec). This is always a joyous event and one not to miss. Please plan to join us in-person or online to hear the Christmas story as told by our youth.



## Christian Ed



The Sunday School youth invited the congregation to help with their gratitude bulletins board. The feathers show all the things our Sunday School kids are thankful for. The leaves represent the congregations' thankfulness. The collaboration to thank God for His blessings is wonderful!

On Sunday December 22<sup>nd</sup> the Sunday School kids will present the annual Nativity Play during the 9:30am service. Please come and support us! There will be treats and gifts for the kids during coffee hour afterwards. J2A will provide skits each Sunday in Advent that culminate on Christmas Eve. We are blessed to have so many kids & youth usher us into the sacred season of Christmas!

Christmas Break: Sunday School will not meet on December 29<sup>th</sup> or January 5<sup>th</sup>. We want to give teachers and kids alike time to relax and connect with their families. Sunday School will resume on January 12, 2025.



"Wireless communication is nothing new.  
I've been praying for 75 years!"

# Outreach

## Thanksgiving Baskets

The Bellevue Food Pantry was excited to learn we had pulled together 40 Thanksgiving Boxes for the holiday season. Each box contained 2 boxes of stuffing, 1 box of Chicken broth, 2 cans of green beans, 2 cans corn,



1 lg can of yams, 2 boxes of Jiffy Cornbread Mix, 1 box brownie mix, 1 can cranberry sauce, 1 8oz package of potatoes, 1 package of turkey gravy, 1 lg roasting pan with baking bag, and a \$25 gift card for the protein of their choice. Thank you to all who made this gift to the local community a possibility.



## Mobile Pantry



Last month's mobile pantry was a huge success. We ran out of product at 11:00. Thankfully, only a few people stopped by after we ran out, and we were able to direct them to where they could find out about other pantries in the coming week. Thanks to all our scouts who joined in to help make the holidays a little better for those in need.

Our next pantry is scheduled for Saturday (21 Dec). We don't have any scouts to help that weekend, so volunteers are needed. If you have 2025 Calendars you don't need, please drop them off at the Spirit Hub. We will hand them out to our pantry guests.



## Hands of Hope

If you picked up a Hands of Hope Gift Request, please return it, with the unwrapped gift, by Sunday (1 Dec). We must deliver all gifts to Bellevue Together on Monday (2 Dec) for sorting and wrapping.



## DOK Care Packages



Last month, the members of Holy Spirit's Daughters of the King chapter met in the parish hall to pack College Care Boxes. Fifteen total boxes were filled with goodies and something special. Thanks to a grant received from the Clarkson Foundation, they provided each recipient with a personalized insulated water bottle.



## Mission Santa Ana

Our team had another very successful trip. Last month our focus was on building and installing an altar rail and hanging ceiling fans. While both projects were expected to be fairly simple and straight forward, we ran into several complications. But in the end, we succeeded to not only complete these projects, but to also scrap and paint areas on the outside of the church in need, repair and paint areas inside the church that had not yet been worked on during previous trips, along with some other small projects the community requested. Our next trip to Mission Santa Ana is planned for 3-10 May. To learn more about how you can take part in the work we do in the DR, please visit with Fr Tom.



# ***FINANCIAL REPORT***

## Financial Report as of October 31, 2024

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>
Pledged	\$ 15,784.00	\$ 17,512.17	\$ 164,454.00	\$ 175,121.67
Other Inc.	<u>\$ 1,505.74</u>	<u>\$ 2,415.83</u>	<u>\$ 27,041.38</u>	<u>\$ 24,158.33</u>
Total Inc	\$ 17,289.74	\$ 19,928.00	\$ 191,495.38	\$ 199,280.00
Expenses	\$ 17,289.55	\$ 20,032.67	<u>\$ 185,392.29</u>	\$ 200,326.67
			\$ 6,103.09	

## **Vestry Meeting Minutes**

**November 21, 2024**

Vestry Members present: Fr. Tom Jones, Barb Smith, Cindy Pekarek, Judy Darrell, Kristi Smith, Lori Erickson, and Rick Horejs, Vince Cummings, Jr. Also present: Carol McLaughlin, recorder.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM. Father Tom opened the meeting with prayer. He then introduced scout Taegan McCornick who presented his proposal for an Eagle Scout Project. Taegen outlined his plan to remove the large overgrown bushes along the west side of the church and replace them with new bushes that will grow to a moderate height, about 3 feet tall. There was discussion as to the type of bushes; Taegan will measure the space and get information on a few different varieties and present them for approval. For fundraising he would like to hold a pancake breakfast at the church. A car wash was also suggested to him. He plans to begin the project in early spring, and estimates that it will take around 2 weeks to complete, plus extra time to water the new bushes until they take hold. A vote was held, and it was unanimous in favor of this proposed project.

**SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE:** Fr. Tom advised that the information on our new rector search is now out on Facebook and is available for sharing and for potential candidates to see. Please share this to get the word out to more interested people.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Fr. Tom presented the Financials in Marcia's absence.

On the Budget vs. Actuals report, contributions are at 94% which is a little down from where we are normally, and income is at 96% overall which is not too bad. For expenditures, there wasn't anything really out of the ordinary. Interestingly, our operating income was \$17,289.74, and our operating expenses was \$17,289.55, a difference of just \$.19. Overall, we are \$6,000 in the black right now.

On the Changes in Equity report Fr. Tom noted \$2,100 expense in outreach misc. which was mostly for trunk or treat and Moving Vets Forward. Under discretionary fund, \$900 went out for t-shirts for the mission trip, and under the building fund \$330 was for new phones and \$3,358 was for the driveway lights. Also, we bought two new computers last month. We also lost \$6,800 in the endowment fund.

Balance Sheet: Net Cash Assets \$294,878. Total Available Assets \$769,473.

**M011-21-01:** Barb moved, and Rick seconded that we accept the reports as presented. Motion passed with unanimous approval. **M11-21-02:** Judy moved, and Lori seconded that we pay the bills. Passed with unanimous approval.

Fr. Tom went over the expenditure requests for the month, signed by Judy in the Treasurer's absence.

<b>FUND</b>	<b>EXPENSE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Rector Discretionary	Mission T-Shirts	895.00
Outreach Misc.	Signs	125.00
Altar Guild	Artificial Flowers	56.58
Altar Guild	Small Refrigerator	50.06
Computer Fund	Office Computers	1,769.58
Building Fund	Light Bulbs / Drill	131.18
Oktoberfest	Supplies / Prizes	162.99
Youth Activities	Bellevue Berry Farm	660.00
Holiday Fair	New Signage	195.27
Outreach Misc.	Moving Vets Forward	498.00
Altar Guild	Candles and Hangers	239.80
Building Fund	Phone System Conversion	349.50
DOK	College Care Packages	69.00
Building Fund	Signage	48.00
Conley Memorial Fund	Plaques	158.00
DOK	College Care Packages	150.00
Vicar of Mission	Supply Clergy	261.64
DOK	College Care Packages	196.05
Funeral Fund	Funeral	138.50
Altar Guild	Artificial Flowers	32.31

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Fr. Tom went over some upcoming calendar items. The Thanksgiving Eve service on November 27 will be followed by hanging of greenery in the church and the annual pie fest. The office will be closed November 28 and 29 for the Thanksgiving Holiday. The Vestry Christmas dinner is Friday, December 6. The Holiday Craft Fair and Bake Sale is December 7.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS / UPDATES:**

Water Damage: We received a second check from the insurance company for \$428.45 which paid for everything but our deductible.

Sanctuary Lighting: Our order was supposed to be in this month, but we have been told that the supplier was missing required paperwork. They now estimate order will be in early mid February.

Sound System/Third Microphone: What we ordered has been discontinued by the manufacturer, so we are getting new information on what is available now. We may not have in time for Christmas, depending on what we order.

Fr. Tom handed out the current Status of Pledge Drive. Our goal this year was \$211,000, and we have received pledges of \$207,000 already. He projects we will be at \$213,900. He then explained the non-pledge envelope amount of \$20,330 which was based mostly on members who usually pledge but who have not yet turned in pledges. These are included in the non-pledge figure for now. The expected budget income for next year is currently at \$241,117, but he projects we will end up at \$243,617. Subtracting expenses puts us at \$12,000 in the hole, which would actually be \$9,900 in the hole using current projections.

Fr. Tom handed out Draft #4 of the 2025 Budget. He thinks we will finish out the year pretty close to our planned income. No changes to the budgeted items in Administrative. There is one change under Building and Grounds: Utilities/Gas estimate was increased to \$6,000. The section on Rector shows an amount of \$53,050 titled Rector Variance, which represents expenses planned in support of the new Rector, which includes potential health insurance cost. The other items in red on the report are what is estimated as expense for Fr. Tom for the portion of the year that he is still here. Overall total planned expenses for 2025 comes out to \$253,522.

Fr. Tom handed out the proposed 2025 Parish Calendar and 2025 Fundraiser/Outreach schedule. Vestry members need to reach out to their ministries to verify that these dates are correct.

Kristi reported that the turnout and parish response to the presentation on Alzheimer's last Sunday was very good. Fr. Tom thanked Kristi for her work on this.

Vestry members also need to remind their ministry team leaders that Sunday December 15 is the deadline for turning in grant requests.

**DECISION ITEMS:**

There were no decision items this month.

There was no further business. **M11-21-03:** Rick moved and Barb seconded that the meeting adjourn. Passed with unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

**Holiday Ministry Schedule**

<b>Ministries</b>	<b>Blue Christmas Dec. 21, 5pm</b>	<b>Sanctuary Set-up Dec. 23,</b>	<b>Christmas Eve Dec. 24, 5 pm</b>	<b>Christmas Eve Dec. 24, 7pm</b>	<b>Christmas Eve Dec. 24, 10pm</b>	<b>Christmas Morning</b>
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Sharon J Sue P Barb S Charlotte A	Leslie N Charlotte A Joan C Kathy B Carol M Paige H Barb S Sue P	<i>Re-Set</i> Sue P Barb S	<i>Re-Set</i> Sue P Barb S	<i>Re-Set</i> Jan s Carol M Sue P Barb S	<i>Re-Set</i> Sharon J Sue P Barb S
<b>Greeters</b>	Barb S		Doug & Pam C	Barb S Bill F		Barb S
<b>Ushers</b>			Doug C Lora C	Casey & Ryan M	Chris D	Sharon J
<b>LEM</b>	Charlotte A Brian C		Brian C Carol S	Carol S Doug A		
<b>Acolytes</b> Crucifer Torch Torch			Isaiah CH Olivia H MacKenzie C	Kyper M Vincent C Ailynn M	MacKenzie C	

## UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS!



**Dec 6** - Set-up for Bake/Holiday Fair  
**Dec 7** - Holiday/Bake Sale - 9am - 3pm  
**Dec 8** - Finance Committee Meeting - 11am  
**Dec 12** - Vestry meeting - 6:30pm  
**Dec 21** - Mobile Food Pantry - 10am - 11:30  
**Dec 21** - Blue Christmas - 5pm  
**Dec 22** - Christmas Pageant - 9:30 service  
**Dec 24** - Office closes at noon  
**Dec 24** - Christmas Eve Services - 5pm, 7pm, 10pm  
**Dec 25** - Christmas Day Service - 10am  
**Dec 25 - 26** - Office Closed  
**Dec 31** - Youth Group Lock in  
**Jan 1** - Office Closed



## LAY MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

Ministries	Dec 1	Dec 8	Dec 15	Dec 22	Dec 29
<b>VPOD</b>	Judy D	Kristi S	Lori E	Patrick H	Barb S
<b>Hospitality Team</b> 9:30 am <i>Greeters ,Ushers &amp; Coffee Hour Host</i>	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	Team 1	Team 2
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	Team 1
<b>Spirit Hub</b>	Lay Eucharist Ministrers	Lay Eucharist Visitors	DOK	Outreach Magdalene	Men of Spirit
<b>Altar Bread</b>	Sue P	Sue P	Sue P	Sue P	Sue P
<b>Recycle Team</b>	Jan S	Marcia A	Susan H	Karen G	Karen G
<b>LEM Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	Kathy B Toby W	Kristi S	Charlotte A	Charlotte A Brian C	Amber C
<b>LEM Sunday</b> 8:00 am	Doug A	Dcn Terri	Doug A	Dcn Terri	Doug A
<b>LEM Sunday</b> 9:30 am	Carol S Emily W	Jan S Grace W	Dcn Terri Brian C	Lori E Michele H	Vincent C Carol S
<b>Acolytes</b> Crucifer Torch Torch	Isaiah JH MacKenzie C Ailynn M	Kyper M Eve- lynn C Mya H	Olivia H Vincent C Isaiah CH	Isaiah JH Evelynn C Vincent C	Isaiah JH Mya H

*Please submit articles for the  
 January 2025 FLAME to the  
 church office by December 17th.  
 Thank you*



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# December



## Regular Services:

**Sunday:** 8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I  
9:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II \*  
**Wednesday:** 9:30 am Holy Eucharist \*  
**Saturday:** 5:00 pm Holy Eucharist  
\* Broadcast live on Facebook

## Education: September - May

**Sunday:** Sunday School @ 10:45 am  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study @ 10:15 am  
Journey to Adulthood @ 6:30 pm

## Office Hours:

**Monday – Thursday:** 9:00 am–3:00 pm  
**Friday:** 9:00 am–Noon

## Rector's Day Off:

**Friday**

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