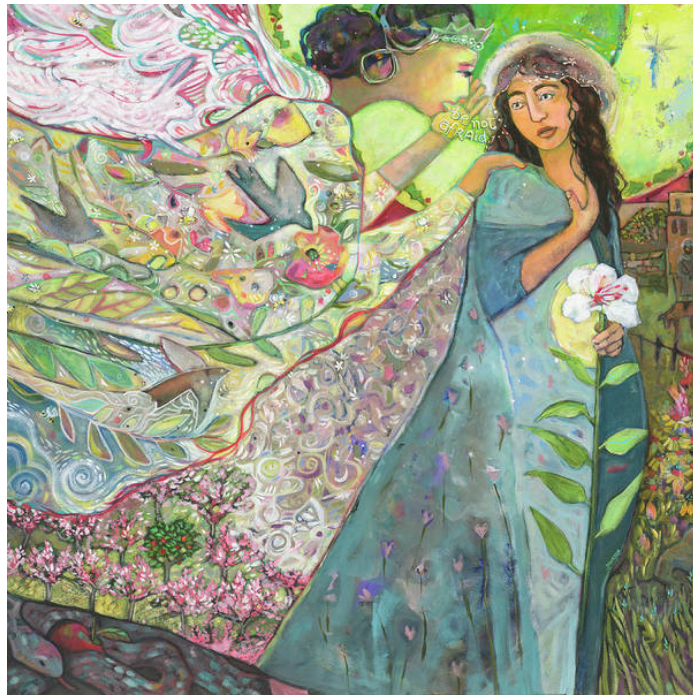


# St. John's Episcopal Church

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## *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT & HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*December 18, 2022*

*10:30 a.m.*

## *Welcome!*

It is our custom to be silent before the service, so as you take some time to pray, please turn off all electronic devices. All you need to participate in the service is found in this bulletin and in the blue hymnals in each pew.

If you are new to St. John's, or have been attending a while but the parish office doesn't yet have your information, please fill out our online newcomer form by scanning the QR code or going to [sjparish.net/newcomer-form](http://sjparish.net/newcomer-form).

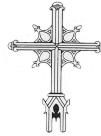
Our ushers are here to create a welcoming and safe space for worship; please let them know if you have questions, need assistance, or become aware of a health or safety concern. They have hearing assist devices available for those who need them. We're glad you're here!



*Scan to fill out online newcomer form.*

Children are always welcome to be in church with their families. We encourage you to sit up front, as children will be more engaged if they can see and hear what's going on. Children are welcome here just as they are; please don't feel you must leave every time your little one makes a sound! We have children's bulletins, books, and other quiet activities available in the narthex (the entrance with the red doors) for children's use during the service. There is no nursery care today so that all of our children and youth can participate in or watch the pageant.

*Cover image: Annunciation by Jen Norton*



**VOLUNTARY** Trumpet Tune in D

John Stanley (1712–1786)

**THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 83** O come, all ye faithful (vv. 1, 2, 3 & 6)

ADESTE FIDELES

*All stand and sing.*

**O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
come, and behold him, born the King of angels;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
Christ, the Lord.**

**God from God, Light from Light eternal,  
lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
only begotten Son of the Father;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
Christ, the Lord.**

**Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;  
glory to God, glory in the highest;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
Christ, the Lord.**

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;  
 Jesus to thee be glory given;  
 Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;  
 O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
 O come, let us adore him,  
 Christ, the Lord.

### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**  
*Celebrant* We light this candle as a symbol of God's love for us and our love for one another. For the Lord rejoices over us with gladness, and renews us in his love. He exults over us with singing and turns our shame to praise.  
*People* **Come, Lord Jesus, come!**

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray. O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  
*People* **Amen.**

### SCENE 1: THE PROPHETS

*All sit.*

### SCENE 2: THE ANNUNCIATION

HYMN 56 O come, O come, Emmanuel (vv. 1, 4 & 7)  
*All sing.*

VENI, VENI EMMANUEL

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,  
 that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.  
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, thou Branch of Jesse's tree, free them from Satan's tyranny  
 that trust they mighty power to save, and give them victory o'er the grave.  
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of all mankind;  
 bid thou our sad divisions cease, and be thyself our King of Peace.  
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

## SCENE 3: THE ROAD TO BETHLEHEM

HYMN 79 O little town of Bethlehem (vv. 1 &amp; 2)

St. LOUIS

*All sing.*

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

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

## SCENE 4: THE ANGELS APPEAR TO THE SHEPHERDS

HYMN 94 While shepherds watched their flocks by night (vv. 1, 2 &amp; 6)

WINCHESTER OLD

*All sing.*

While shepherds watched their flocks by night,  
 all seated on the ground,  
 the angel of the Lord came down,  
 and glory shone around.

“Fear not,” said he, for mighty dread  
 had seized their troubled mind;  
 “Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
 to you and all mankind.”

“All glory be to God on high  
 and on the earth be peace;  
 good will henceforth from heaven to men  
 begin and never cease.”

## THE ANGELS DANCE

*The people say the words in bold.*

*Narrator* And suddenly there was a huge angel choir alongside Gabriel, who were singing:

*People* **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth!**

ANTHEM Ding, dong, merrily on high

arr. David Willcocks (1919–2015)

*Sung by the Choir School and Adult Choir.*

Ding dong merrily on high,  
 In heav’n the bells are ringing:  
 Ding dong! verily the sky  
 Is riv’n with angel singing  
 Gloria Hosanna in excelsis!

E’en so here below, below,  
 Let steeple bells be swungen,  
 And “Io, io, io!”  
 By priest and people sungen  
 Gloria Hosanna in excelsis!

Pray you, dutifully prime  
 Your matin chime, ye ringers,  
 May you beautifully rhyme  
 Your eve'time song, ye singers  
 Gloria Hosanna in excelsis!

## SCENE 5: THE ADORATION OF THE SHEPHERDS

HYMN 96 Angels we have heard on high (vv. 1, 2 & 3) GLORIA  
*All sing.*

**Angels we have heard on high,  
 singing sweetly through the night,  
 and the mountains in reply,  
 echoing their brave delight.  
 Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

**Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
 Why these songs of happy cheer?  
 What great brightness did you see?  
 What glad tidings did you hear?  
 Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

**Come to Bethlehem and see  
 him whose birth the angels sing;  
 come, adore on bended knee  
 Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.  
 Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.**

## SCENE 6: WISE MEN FOLLOW THE STAR

HYMN 128 We three kings THREE KINGS OF ORIENT  
*The people sing the refrain after all verses, and verse 5.*

*Refrain:*  
*O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;  
 westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!*

**Glorious now behold him arise, King and God and sacrifice;  
 Heav'n sings alleluia: alleluia the earth replies.**

## SILENT NIGHT

HYMN 111 Silent night STILLE NACHT  
*The people sing verses 2 and 3.*

**Silent night, holy night,  
 shepherds quake at the sight,  
 glories stream from heaven afar,  
 heavenly hosts sing alleluia;  
 Christ, the Savior, is born!  
 Christ, the Savior, is born!**

**Silent night, holy night,  
 Son of God, love's pure light  
 radiant beams from thy holy face,  
 with the dawn of redeeming grace,  
 Jesus, Lord, at thy birth. Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.**

### THE PEACE

*All stand. Children and youth return to their seats or go to their families.*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*All* **And also with you.**

### THE WELCOME

*All sit.*

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM Ave Maria

Anton Bruckner (1824–1896)

*Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum.  
 Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.  
 Benedicta tu in mulieribus,  
 Blessed art thou among women,  
 et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Iesus.  
 and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
 Sancta Maria, Mater Dei,  
 Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
 ora pro nobis peccatoribus,  
 pray for us sinners,  
 nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.  
 now and in the hour of our death. Amen.*

#### THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100TH

*All stand and sing.*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* This Holy Eucharist is offered to the glory of God in memory of and Duccio Rosselli del Turco and William Ward, who died this past week.

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

*The Celebrant continues.*

We give thanks to you all-holy God, for you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. So we offer our praise to you, as we sing:

## THE SANCTUS

*All sing.*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

The first system of musical notation for 'The Sanctus'. It consists of a treble and bass staff in B-flat major (two flats). The treble staff contains the vocal line with lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and'. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

The second system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the vocal line with lyrics 'might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,'. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are

The third system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the vocal line with lyrics 'God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are'. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

The fourth system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the vocal line with lyrics 'full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -'. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

The fifth system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the vocal line with lyrics 'san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na'. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

The sixth system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the vocal line with lyrics 'in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes'. The bass staff continues the accompaniment.

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: from *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).

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*All remain standing or kneel.*

Glory and praise to you, holy and living God. You sent your beloved child Jesus to enter our world as a baby. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and brought good news to the poor.

On the night before he died for us on the cross, he ate supper with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to God for it, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying: "Take and eat, this is my body, which is given for you. As you eat it, remember me."

After supper Jesus took a cup of wine, again gave thanks to God and gave the wine to his friends to drink, saying: "Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for the whole world for the forgiveness of sins. As you drink it, remember me."

And so we say our story of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

God of love, we offer you these gifts. Send your holy spirit upon us and upon this bread and wine that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ. Grant that we, filled with your spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love. All this we ask through your son Jesus Christ. **AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All* **Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy Name,**

**thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**



**And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power,  
and the glory  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

### THE FRACTION ANTHEM

*All sing.*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

*Music: from Deutsche Messe; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).*

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## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion at St. John's.*

*If you would like a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.*

*If you have mobility limitations and would like a priest to bring Communion to you in your seat, please let an usher know.*

*If you would like to pray with our healing prayer volunteer, go to the baptismal font at the back of the church after receiving Communion.*

## THE PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*Those worshipping online are invited to offer this prayer silently or aloud.*

Gracious and risen Lord, we believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. We love you above all things and we desire to receive you into our souls. Since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into our hearts. We embrace you and unite ourselves wholly to you. Never may we be separated from you. Amen.

## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*All stand.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

*The Celebrant gives the blessing and the people respond, Amen.*

## THE CLOSING HYMN 100 Joy to the world

ANTIOCH

*All sing.*

**Joy to the world! The Lord is come;  
let earth receive her King;  
let every heart prepare him room,  
and heaven nature sing, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.**

**Joy to the world! The Savior reigns;  
let us our songs employ,  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,  
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

**No more let sins and sorrows grow,  
and thorns infest the ground;  
he comes to make his blessings flow  
far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness,  
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.**

## THE DISMISSAL

*The Minister dismisses the people, and the people respond. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!***

THE VOLUNTARY My spirit be joyful *from* Cantata 146

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

arr. E. Power Biggs

*The closing voluntary is a part of worship, extending the beauty of holiness so that the congregation can remember and give thanks for God's presence in Word and sacrament as it has been experienced this day. All are invited to say **Amen** at the end of the Voluntary as a conclusion to our worship.*

**Please stay after the service for coffee hour and to make sandwiches for Loaves & Fishes in Hubbard Hall.**

**THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY**

**Celebrant:** The Reverend Margie Baker

**Assisting:** The Reverend Todd FitzGerald

**Deacon:** The Reverend Walter McKenney

**The St. John's Choir School & Adult Choir**

**Organist and Choirmaster:** Scott Lamlein

**Trumpeters:** Thomas Hintz, Jeffrey Higgins

**Assisting Organist:** Ted Babbitt

**Organ Scholar:** Yingying Xia

**Acolytes:** Ethen Worrell, Caleb Worrell, Danielle Branco

**Ushers:** Dawson Biondi, Elise Biondi, Alice Murchie

**Healing Prayers:** Annabel Clapp, Wes Winterbottom

**Livestream Oversight:** Jenn Baker

**Altar Guild:** June Aziz, Buffy Ineson

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## PAGEANT CAST

**NARRATORS:**

Dawson Biondi, Elise Biondi, Danielle Branco, Ford Gillespie, Alvin Mani, Alice Murchie

**ISAIAH:**

Mason Donnelly

**MICAH:**

Mia Agosto

**GABRIEL:**

Sahara Barrow

**MARY:**

Livvy Lorenzo

**JOSEPH:**

Benjamin Clapp

**DONKEY:**

Eden Baker

**INNKEEPERS:**

Nkosi Barrow, Allison Mani

**SHEPHERDS:**

Mia Agosto, Mason Donnelly, Malcolm Latif, Zeke Latif

**ANIMALS:**

Maxom Goetz, Daniel Katsipis, Lincoln Latif, Savannah Marchion, Grayson Reardon, Noah Reardon

**ANGELS:**

Raphael Katsipis, Brooklyn Marchion, Beatrice Patten, Brielle Worrell, Anna ???, Ellie ???

**HEROD:**

Jx Eikel

**STAR:**

Beatrice Patten

**MAGI:**

James Baker, Jayden Donnelly, Cate Emerick

**CAMELS:**

Dana Crocker, Blythe Peck, Juliette Peck, Virginia Eikel

**CAMEL DRIVERS:**

Bobby Eikel, Jack Patten, James Reardon

**ST. JOHN'S YOUTH CHOIR:**

Catherine Emerick, *Head Chorister*; James Baker, *Prefect*  
Mia Agosto, Eden Baker, Nkosi Barrow, Sahara Barrow,  
Benjamin Clapp, Dana Crocker, Jayden Donnelly,  
Mason Donnelly, Jx Eikel, Virginia Eikel, Livvy Lorenzo  
Blythe Peck, Juliette Peck

**LIGHTING:**

Bobby Biondi, Benjamin Puzzo

**ADULT AND YOUTH ASSISTANTS:**

Angela Allen-Peck, Morgan Babbitt, Allison Branco  
Tichy, Marcos Donnelly, Kate Eikel, Jaime Patten, Paul  
Shaker, Olivia Thaxton, Susan Thaxton, Akilah  
Williams

**In your prayers this week, please pray for:**

Peace in our world, for those serving our country in the armed services, and for all victims of war and violence. Residents of the Caleb Hitchcock Center at Duncaster; the George Beach Apartments, Allen Place, Hartford; and the Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Center.

All those whose hurts, burdens, and fears are unspoken or unknown.

**Those in need of healing, help, and comfort:**

Jim Evans	Susan	Ellie Brown
Kim Green	Sue	Anita Winters
Janet Ray	Whitney Lynch	Edie Tenen
Brad Babbitt	Don Cole	Mary Jo Keating
Ward Farrell	Tom Reichenbach	Robert Connolly
Paul L. Peck	Tessa Trussell Wolf	Ron Grant
Virginia Skeele	Gina Giusto	Alicia Leggett
Marie Montas	Bruce Hatch Lee	Joan Renz
Erna Lawrence	Wendy	Karen Licht
Sam	Daisy	

**Those serving in the military:**

Alex Thaxton  
Christian Dahlstrom

**Those celebrating birthdays:**

Wendy Lincoln	Sherwood Willard	Paul Shaker
Grayson Reardon	Owen Williams	Kassy Perez
Noah Reardon	Beatrice Patten	Winston Booker
Kent Byrd	Alex Vance	

**Those who have died:**

Duccio Rosselli Del Turco, *member of St. John's*  
William Ward, *father of Betsy Chicares*

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for St. Luke/St. Paul, Bridgeport; St. John's, Bridgeport; St. Mark's, Bridgeport; and for the children of the world, the Bishops' Fund for Children, and all ECCT ministries for children at risk.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the Anglican Church of Korea.

**Names for Christmas flower memorials due tomorrow.** If you would like to honor or remember a loved one this Christmas by making a donation toward Christmas altar flowers and poinsettias, you may put your donation and names in a Flower Offering envelope (which are in the pews) and place it in the offering plate, mail or drop off your donation and names to the parish office, or e-mail the names to Ellen at [ellen@sjparish.net](mailto:ellen@sjparish.net) and send in your donation separately. Donations in any amount are welcome. Names must be received in the office by tomorrow, December 19, to be included in the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day service bulletins.

**Important note on year-end giving.** We are so grateful for the pledge payments and other gifts that we receive in the final weeks of the year. **To ensure that your year-end gifts and pledge payments are posted to our bank account by December 31 and appear on your 2022 year-end giving statement, please mail checks, put donations in the offering plate, or make online payments no later than December 25.** Contributions sent in after that date may not be posted by December 31, and will in that case appear on your 2023 statement, even if in payment of a 2022 pledge. **If you plan to donate stock** to St. John's, please contact Financial Administrator Peggy O'Toole at [peggy@sjparish.net](mailto:peggy@sjparish.net) or 860-523-5201 x311, before you or your broker initiate the stock transfer. Stock transfers can take up to two weeks. Thank you for your generous support of St. John's.

**St. John's ornaments for sale after the 10:30 service.** Add a little of that St. John's spirit to your Christmas decor this year by purchasing a limited-edition ornament, featuring a photo (taken by our own Ginny Kemp) of the church's iconic red doors in the snow. These glass ornaments were made by a local company, and proceeds support St. John's mission and ministries. They are available for \$20 each while supplies last. See Annabel Clapp in Hubbard Hall after the service.

**Two opportunities to care for our neighbors: Dignity Grows and Journey Home.** The EYC (youth group) is raising money between now and early February for Dignity Grows, a local organization that provides menstrual and hygiene supplies to women in need. The graphic on page 17 has a QR code for making a financial contribution to support this project. The youth group will also be taking cash donations at several upcoming events. Through Journey Home, we have been connected with a man named David who recently moved into a studio apartment and needs help furnishing it. See the graphic on page 16 for more information.



This list includes pledges received as of Tuesday, December 13.  
The names of *new pledgers* are in italics.

Mia Agosto, *Silvia Agosto*, Emhart & June Aziz, Brad & Janet Babbitt, Bob & Mary Bainbridge, Beverley Baker, Margie & Jenn Baker, Jack & Eleanor Barnes, Richard & Wendy Bartlett, David & Marian Beers, Mike Biondi & Ginny Kemp, Eloise Biscoe, Shirley Blean, *Rachel Boccio*, *Carlos Branco & Allison Tichy*, Lynn & Lissie Brooks, *Jo Anne Burgh*, Chris & Kim Byrd, Stuart & Lindsey Carlisle, *Betsy & Greg Chicares*, Stephan & Francine Christiansen, John & Martha Church, Matt & Alina Ciscel, Elijah & Annabel Clapp, Brian & Susan Clemow, Kate Coley, Robert & Edith Connolly, Sam & Trig Cooley, *Molly Cooper*, Stephen Crocker & Rosa Guzzo, Carlos & Jyothsna Diaz, Pam Dimock, Martin Dodd, Matteo & Marcos Donnelly, Christine Doty, Helen Douglas, Joe Duffy, Linda Dunakin, Bill & Hope Eakins, Nancy Eaton, Bobby Eikel, Jx Eikel, Robert & Kate Eikel, Virginia Eikel, Geoff & Karan Emerick, Tony & Carole Erdman, Martha Fine, Todd & Amy FitzGerald, Rich & Ginny Flinchbaugh, Ben & Ellen Flynn, Danielle Foint, Colin & Ginger Gillespie, *Jerry & Emma Goetz*, Tim Goetz, Jeff & Heidi Gostyla, Craig & Anne Grant, Joel & Beth Grieco, David Grimaldi, Bette-Jane Hardersen, Anne Harney, Jane Harris, *Susan Harrison & Thomas Cloherty*, Matthew & Kara Hart, Ross & Susie Hatch, Randall & Anne Hayes, Patricia & Ronald Hensley, Ryan & Jenn Hill, Frisha Hugessen, Ann Hutchinson, John & Buffy Ineson, Richard Jacques, Dianne Jones, *Donielle & Rick Joslyn*, Iacovos Katsipis & Carla Abdo-Katsipis, John & Beth Kauczka, *Martha Kayser*, Bert & Mary Jo Keating, Sarah Kieffer, Betty Knorr, Ann Krissinger, Pamela Lamlein, Scott & Mary Beth Lamlein, *Richard Lammlin*, Jim & Cindy Lawler, Tom & Wendy Lincoln, Bill Lockery, Joel & Teresa Lohr, *Ben Mabrey*, Michael & Lisa Mahoney, Andy & Liz Marchion, William McBride, David & Tina McCary, Jackie McCauley, *Liz McConaughy & George Giannos*, Patrick Miller, *Dan Minster*, Marnie Mueller, Stewart & Leah Murchie, Ann Newbury, *Tom & Enid Oberholtzer*, Jim & Julia O'Brien, Harriet Odium, Charnley Parr, Caleb Peck & Angela Allen-Peck, *Juliette Peck*, Nancy Pedersen, William & Agnes Peelle, David & Sandy Pond, Mark & Ginny Proft, Christa Rakich & Janis Milroy, *Katie & Patrick Reardon*, *Rai Reyes*, John & Laura Roche, Pieter & Barbara Roos, Mary Russell, Stacey Samuel & Kelsey Bannon, Judith Schaffer, *Linda Schatz*, Michael & Nancy Scheetz, Paul Shaker & Cleveland Williams, Jim Sharp, Nancy Skeelee, Spencer & Mary Sloan, Paul & Jacqueline Smith, William & Margaret Smith, Charles & Carol Sonne, Flora Speer, Mark & Keeley Stater, Reid Sterrett, Christoph & Dale Stretz, John Swift & Lauren Mascola, Paul Thaxton & Susan Murphy Thaxton, Abraham & Sera Thomas, Bowie Thomas, Margaret Thomas, Erika Ulrich, Bill Uricchio & Katy Hart, Alex & Pat Vance, Jeff & Pamela Verney, Audrey Walker, Lyn Walker & Tyler Smith, Gary Wait, John & Anne Walsh, Joan Warner, *Erica Weinstock*, Michael & Jackie Wells, Ted Whittemore, John Wilcox & Virginia Van Dyk, Taffy Wilcox, Sherwood & Maggie Willard, Akilah Williams, Dennis & Jeanne Winkleblack, Wesley Winterbottom, Brenda Zanta

## Help furnish an apartment!

### Items needed:

one nightstand  
 small dining table  
 two chairs for dining table  
 8x10 area rug  
 pots and pans  
 linens (for queen-sized bed)  
 small TV  
 coffee maker  
 dishes  
 toaster  
 wall mirror  
 towels  
 lamps  
 space heater  
 fan  
 comfortable chair  
 shelf for bathroom (small)  
 bathroom cleaning supplies  
 personal care products  
 general cleaning products  
 laundry detergent

St. John's is partnering with Journey Home—a community organization working to end homelessness in Connecticut—to furnish an apartment for their client David, who moved into a new apartment in Hartford this fall.

Here's how you can be part of this project:

- Donate one of the listed items in good (or new!) condition.
- Help with picking items up and bringing them to David's apartment.

The apartment is very small, so we are only collecting the specific items listed here. If you have items to donate, want to help with pick-up and drop-off, or have any questions, e-mail Mary Sypek of the Community Service Committee at [marysypek@gmail.com](mailto:marysypek@gmail.com). She and Laura Roche will also be available at coffee hour this Sunday, December 11.





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# HYGIENE SUPPLIES PACKING PARTY

Together, let's help alleviate period poverty in our own community!

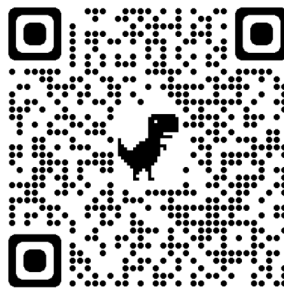


**\$10 creates 1 tote with a month's worth of hygiene supplies for our neighbors in need!**

**WHEN:**

February 5th, 2023!

**DONATE:**





### **Stay connected with your St. John's community by setting up your profile in Realm!**

Realm is a cloud-based database for managing church membership records. With a computer or smartphone, church members can use Realm to access an online parish directory, manage their own individual and family information, pledge online, pay pledges online, keep track of pledges and gifts, communicate with parish ministry groups, register and pay for events, and more.

Realm will be most useful to both church staff and parishioners if EVERYONE who has online access signs up, whether or not you expect to use Realm regularly. **It is especially important that you set up your privacy settings**, as you will only be included in the parish directory if you select "Anyone in the church" in your privacy settings.

All adult church members for whom we have a working e-mail address should have received an e-mail invitation to set up login credentials and a profile in Realm. The e-mail subject line read **St. John's Episcopal Church: Join our online community!** The e-mail includes straightforward instructions for the set-up process, and a link to a PDF document with more detailed information.

If you did NOT receive an e-mail invitation, please contact Ellen in the parish office ([ellen@sjparish.net](mailto:ellen@sjparish.net)) with your preferred e-mail address.

If you previously set up login credentials for making online gifts/pledge payments and/or using the Church Life app, you may login to Realm at [onrealm.org/sjparish](http://onrealm.org/sjparish) with those credentials (you will be prompted to reset your password). A document with step-by-step instructions for setting up your profile is available at either entrance to the church, or online at [sjparish.net/realmhowto](http://sjparish.net/realmhowto). It's best to use a computer to set up your Realm account, and then download the Realm Connect app for use on your smartphone or tablet.



WORSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S  
THIS CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS EVE

**4 PM HOLY EUCHARIST WITH THE ST. JOHN'S CHOIR SCHOOL**

MUSICAL PRELUDE AT 3:45 P.M.

**11 PM HOLY EUCHARIST WITH THE ST. JOHN'S ADULT CHOIR**

MUSICAL PRELUDE AT 10:30 P.M.

CHRISTMAS DAY

**10:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HYMNS**

*But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. - Luke 2: 10-11*

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist

The 10:30 service is also livestreamed at [sjparish.net/services](http://sjparish.net/services).

Choral Evensong or Celtic Eucharist at 5 p.m. on select Sundays.

Daily Morning Prayer by phone at 6:45 a.m. Monday through Friday

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2022–24: Lissie Brooks, Marcos Donnelly, Rosa Guzzo, David McCary