



The Second Sunday after Christmas

January 4, 2026

8:00 & 10:00 am

Holy Eucharist

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

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Our Vision Statement

*We are an open, Christ-centered community, caring for each other,
and doing God's work in the world.*

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The office is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9AM-1PM and on Thursday 3-5PM

Prelude

GATHERING RITE

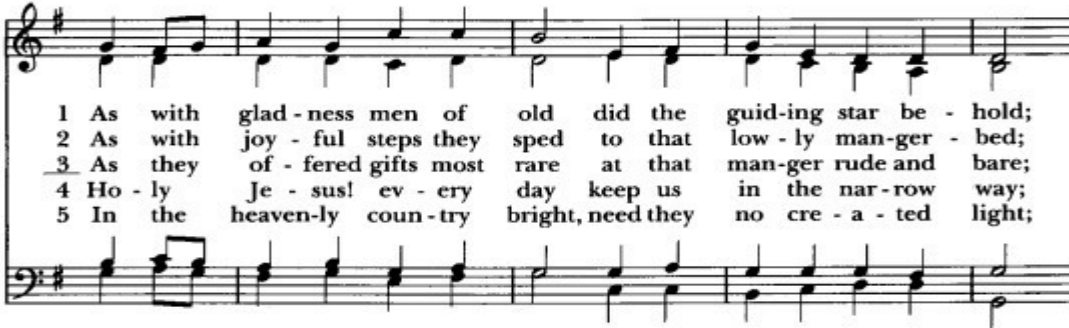
Processional

As with gladness men of old

Hymn 119

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Epiphany



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



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



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

Music: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

Music: Dix, melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872); arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889);
harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

77. 77. 77

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Presider: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

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Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God,
heaven - ly King, al - mighty - y God and Fa-ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 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 prayer.
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 Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Presider: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: 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.**

Liturgy of the Word
The First Lesson
A Reading from the Book of the prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock."

For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

Lector: The word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 84

Quam dilecta!

How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.
Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs,*
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.
Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.
For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, *
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the
tents of the wicked.
For the LORD God is both sun and shield; *
he will give grace and glory;
No good thing will the LORD withhold *
from those who walk with integrity.
O LORD of hosts, *
happy are they who put their trust in you!

The Second Lesson

A Reading from the letter to the Ephesians

Ephesians 1:3-6,15-19

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the

riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

Lector: The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn

The first Nowell

Hymn 109 v 1-3

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Christmas

1 The first No - well the an - gel did say
2 They look - ed up and saw a star
3 And by the light of that same star
4 This star drew nigh to the north - west,
5 Then en - tered in those wise men three

1 was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;
2 shin - ing in the east be - yond them far,
3 three wise men came from coun - try far;
4 o'er Beth - le - hem it took its rest,
5 full rev - erent - ly up - on their knee,

1 in fields as they lay, keep - ing their sheep,
2 and to the earth it gave great light,
3 to seek for a king was their in - tent,
4 and there it did both stop and stay
5 and of - fered there in his pres - ence

1 on a cold win - ter's night that was so deep.
2 and so it con - tin - ued both day and night.
3 and to fol - low the star where - ev - er it went.
4 right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.
5 their gold, and myrrh, and frank - in - cense.

Refrain
No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,
born is the King of Is - ra - el.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

Presider/Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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

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

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

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Kenneth R. Pepin

The Nicene Creed

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

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
By the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People for Christmas

Intercessor/ Deacon: As sisters and brothers, we gather aware of God's grace as our greatest gift. We now pray in intercession for those we carry in our hearts this day.

***People:* Lord, let your Light shine upon us.**

Intercessor/ Deacon: We pray that the peace that was proclaimed by the angels that filled the hearts of the shepherds in the fields would awaken and inspire all who have chosen violence and war.

***People:* Lord, let your Light shine upon us.**

Intercessor/ Deacon: We pray that our hearts remain open to those who are homeless or find themselves hungry. We especially pray for the Perinton Food Shelf, Hands of Hope Kitchen, A Meal and More, and all other ways that we care for those less fortunate.

***People:* Lord, let your Light shine upon us.**

Intercessor/ Deacon: We pray for those who need healing, the lonely, the distraught, the misunderstood, and those who have forgotten how precious they are in the sight of God.

***People:* Lord, let your Light shine upon us.**

Intercessor/ Deacon: We pray for those who are mourning the loss of a loved one this Christmas. For those who holidays are especially difficult, may find the Light of Christ shining brightly amidst the darkness.

***People:* Lord, let your Light shine upon us.**

Intercessor/ Deacon: We pray for our world and all people who inhabit this planet that they may find a pathway to God through faith, hope, and love.

***People:* Lord, let your Light shine upon us.**

Intercessor/ Deacon: Let us pray that the joy that finds us this Christmas season will bubble over into our lives, our families, friends and places of work. We pray that we here at St Luke's will continue to grow.

***People:* Lord, let your Light shine upon us.**

Lector/ Deacon: Let us pray for our church universal and all who guide us in this journey; Sean or Presiding Bishop, Kara, our bishop, Ken, our rector, Rich, our deacon, Pat, and Sherry, our wardens. We also pray today for St. Peter's Church, Henrietta; Standing Committee, The Rev. Joel Wilbur, The Rev. Jim Adams, The Rev. John Andrews, Stewardship of the earth, and The Church of the Province of Central Africa.

***People:* Lord, let your Light shine upon us.**

Presider: God who is light in our darkness, hope in our moments of despair, and love that is all around us. Receive our prayers this Christmas season, with Your Word made flesh in Jesus and with the power of Your Holy Spirit moving through all of our hearts and lives.

***People:* Amen**

The Confession and Absolution

Presider: We come seeking forgiveness for all we have failed to be and do as members of Christ's body.

***People:* Loving and all seeing God, forgive us where we have failed to support one another and to be what we have claimed to be. Forgive us where we have failed to serve you; and where our thoughts and actions have been contrary to yours, we ask your pardon.**

Presider: God forgives us; be at peace. Rejoice and be glad for Christ is reconciliation for all the human race. I absolve you of your sins in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

***People:* We shall be one in Christ, one in our life together. Praise to God who has created us, praise to God who has accepted us, praise to God who sends us into the world.**

The Peace

Presider /Deacon: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

Presider /Deacon: Let us share a sign of Christ's peace with one another.

Liturgy of the Table

Presider: All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.

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Christmas

Unison or harmony



1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, on
2 Why lies he in, such mean es - tate where
3 So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, come,



Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with
ox and ass are feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for
peas - ant, king, to own him; the King of kings sal -



an - thems sweet, while shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
sin - ners here the si - lent Word is plead - ing.
va - tion brings, let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.

Refrain



This, this is Christ the King, whom shep - herds



guard and an - gels sing; haste, haste to



bring him laud, the babe, the son of Ma - ry.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord is with you

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

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider: Holy God, source of life and without end, we give thanks to you! You continually call all life into being, cradling your creation in compassion.

***People:* You spread out the heavens like a tent and enclose the seas. You fill the world with wondrous creatures and know all things as truly good.**

Presider: You send your heavenly messengers of hope, day and night, and with them we sing and give glory to you:

Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
Ho ly, ho - ly, hol - y Lord, God of power and might,
hea - ven 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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Presider: In the days of Simeon and Anna, You lean toward the earth.

Your eternal Spirit becomes known to us through Your Beloved.

Born into the family of Mary and Joseph, Jesus is cradled beside the beasts and warmed by their breath. Here is your child, like all Your children, woven into life by the Spirit and in need of compassion.

People: **Worldly rulers are troubled by your dawning reign— embodied in this child, in whom the fullness of Your Spirit is pleased to dwell.
Born of Your Spirit.
Full of Your Grace.
Radiant with Your Beauty.**

Presider: As your Beloved servant, Jesus becomes empty of might upon the cross.
As the Risen Anointed One, Jesus is forever embraced by You as Christ,
embodying Your eternal mercy and restoring justice to all the earth, now
and forever.

People: **And so, together we stand, rejoicing in all that You, All-loving God,
have done and continue to do for us. Holy God, as You visit us in the birth
of Jesus, heal our blindness so that we may see Your presence now and
always within and among us. In these delightful creatures of bread and
wine—holy food and holy drink—help us to taste the banquet of heaven
here on earth.**

Presider: We remember how Jesus takes bread, blesses, breaks it, and gives it to his
friends saying, “Take, eat: this is my body being given for you. Do this in
remembrance of me.”
Likewise, the Beloved holds the cup of wine, blesses it, and gives it to them
saying, “Drink this, all of you. This cup is the covenant in my blood,
being poured out for you and for many, that you may know God always holds
you in tender forgiveness. Do this for the remembrance of me.”
Therefore, we claim the mystery of our faith:

People: **Christ has died,
Christ has risen,
Christ will come again.**

Presider: Now send your Spirit over these gifts of bread and wine that they may be for
us the Body and Blood of Your Christ. Grant that we, burning with Your
Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love. Holy God, You
shed your grace brighter than starlight on us, that our hearts may radiate Your
good tidings to all and renew the weary world in Your name: Emmanuel,
God with us, Holy God, to You we give honor and glory in joy, now
and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

**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.**

Breaking of the Bread

Presider: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.
All are invited to God's table.

Fraction Anthem

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The Holy Eucharist

Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

The Communion of the People

This is God's table and All are welcome.

Communion Hymn

Of the Father's love begotten

Hymn 82

Christmas

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1 Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten, ere the worlds be -
2 O that birth for ev - er bless - ed, when the Vir - gin,
3 Let the heights of heaven a - dore him; an - gel hosts, his
4 Christ, to thee with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly



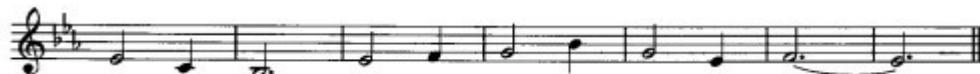
gan to be, he is Al - pha and O - me - ga,
full of grace, by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,
prais - es sing; powers, do - min - ions, bow be - fore him,
Ghost, to thee, hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing,



he the source, the end - ing he, of the things that
bore the Sa - vior of our race; and the Babe, the
and ex - tol our God and King; let no tongue on
and un - wea - ried prais - es be; hon - or, glo - ry



are, that have _____ been, and that fu - ture
world's Re - deem - er, first re - vealed his
earth be si - lent, ev - ery voice in
and do - min - ion, and e - ter - nal



years shall see, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! _____
sa - cred face, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! _____
con - cert ring, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! _____
vic - to - ry, ev - er - more and ev - er - more! _____

This hymn may be performed in equal note values: ♩ ♪ ♪ ♪

Words: Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-410?); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866)
and Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877), alt.

Music: *Divinum mysterium*, Sanctus trope, 11th cent.; adapt. *Piae Cantiones*, 1582

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Sending Rite

Presider: Let us pray together

People: **Holy God, God of Abraham and Sarah and Hager,
God of Mary and Joseph,
God of Angels and Shepherds and Stars,
God of our Beloved, Jesus of Nazareth:
You are God of all the earth.
You reveal to us again that all people are your beloved children
and that all creatures are your handiwork.
Let us never cease to tell the story of your boundless love
in all we say and do.
Amen.**

Choir Anthem

The Blessing

Presider: May Christ our infant Savior give you the joy of Bethlehem shepherds, the awe of the worshiping sages, and the humility and love of the Holy Family. The blessing of God our Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you forever and ever.

People: Amen.

Sending Hymn

Go tell it on the mountain

Hymn 99

Refrain

Go tell it on the moun - tain, o - ver the hills and

ev - ery - where; go tell it on the moun - tain, that

Je - sus Christ is born! 1 While shep - herds kept their
2 The shep - herds feared and
3 Down in a low - ly

watch - ing o'er si - lent flocks by night, be -
trem - bled when lo! a - bove the earth rang
man - ger the hum - ble Christ was born, and

Repeat Refrain

hold, through-out the hea - vens there shone a ho - ly light.
out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sa - vior's birth.
God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

Words: Afro-American spiritual, 19th cent.; adapt. John W. Work (b. 1901)
Music: *Go Tell It on the Mountain*, Afro-American spiritual, 19th cent.;
arr. Horace Clarence Boyer (b. 1935)

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Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord and one another.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Juliet gathering will be Thursday , January 15th. We will meet at McArdles, 1355 Fairport Rd, at 1:00 pm. Please let Marti StGeorge know if you plan to attend. 402-9207 or martistg51@yahoo.com. We look forward to seeing you, ladies!

Please continue your prayers for those still suffering from the horrific hurricane in Jamaica, the people of Ukraine, the people of Gaza, and other war-torn countries.

We pray that our parish would continue to grow and that more young families would see our church as a spiritual home.

We pray for all refugees, for all those displaced from home due to violence or intolerance.

We also pray for those in our parish family who need or requested our prayers:

Alice Hardin, Sue Veronda, Ellen Wheeler, Violet Palecki (mother to Sharon Scott)

Don Roemermann, Robert Hurlbut, Winnie Allen, (mother to Susan Palomaki) Linda, and Michael Dertzo (parents to Melissa Panara). Lou Ann Washing (friend of Susan Miller), and

Dr. Bruce Baker (father of Patti Winn)

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St. Luke's Vestry

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Treasurer– Tom Marullo

<i>The participants in the service this week and next are:</i>			
8:00 AM	January 4	8:00 AM	January 11
<i>Acolyte</i>	Chad Olson	<i>Acolyte</i>	Cathy Thayer
<i>Lector/Intercessor</i>	Sharon Scott	<i>Lector/</i>	Sharon Grantham
10:00 AM		10:00 AM	
<i>Acolyte</i>	Vic Bridges	<i>Acolyte</i>	Karen Keegan
<i>Lector/Intercessor</i>	Susan Prenner	<i>Lector/</i>	Gary Gocek
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To use the hearing loop: Sit closer to the middle of the room, switch to the "T" setting on your hearing aid, then manually adjust your volume.

