



The Shepherd's Voice

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

January 2025

Bath Your Soul in Silence

*'And when Jesus had sent them (disciples) away,
he departed into a mountain to pray.'*

— Mark 6:46

Very few of us know about or practice the secret of bathing our souls in silence. It was a skill and practice our Lord Jesus Christ knew very well. There were times when He had to send the multitudes away so He could retire alone into the silence of the mountainside. There He would turn the God-ward side of His soul towards heaven and for a long time expose Himself to the face of His Father in heaven.

For me, my eyes and ears and spirit are aware of the immaturities in our times ranging from so-called Christian evangelism to those leading our nation. It seems to many in society, the more noise that's made, the more we advertise, the more clanging symbols we strike, the more masks we wear, the happier and better we'll be. All of the signs of immaturity are among us.

We are seeing and experiencing a general abhorrence for the opportunities of being alone, of being silent before the Lord so He can speak to us. This is what Jesus knew very well. As He traveled about with the disciples healing, calming, preaching, and inviting others to see with fresh eyes and hear with unstopped ears the need to be silent before His Father for the Spirit's guidance and wisdom is paramount. In reading Holy Scripture the people of Jesus' day were just as busy as we are today. They, like us, shrink away from allowing our souls to be bathed in the healing silence in the presence of God.

Think about it. We stare into our electronic screens for hours at a time, never blinking, then become overly anxious about everything. How often I hear, "Father Galen, I know you're so busy I didn't want to bother you." You're never a bother; that's what I'm here for. To listen to you in a quiet setting, then suggesting you spend some time alone in prayer with your heavenly Father. Jesus set the example that we must follow, he lived in a noisy confusing world. I therefore invite you to send the clanging sounds of the world to the sea. Then like Jesus go into a mountain to pray. Turn the God-ward side of your soul towards heaven, bathing it there for the long-time exposure to Our Father in heaven.

***"Father, grant that we might not forsake the quest for solitude and silence
until we have really mastered this discipline,
no matter how busy our lives continue to be. Amen."***

— A. W. Tozer

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Getting Through the Christmas Blues

People often call the emotional let down after Christmas the “blues”. Which may be due to a connection to a past loss or a disappointment in the seasonal festivities. Others feel much more than the “blues” because of a recent loss of a loved one, a problematic marriage relationship, or a job.

Ways to cope with the Christmas Blues

- Accepting your situation as it is and not burdening yourself by adding the types of activities that make things worse.
- Confide in a **trusted** family member or friend: Share that you are struggling this year and would value their understanding, confidentiality and support during this time.
- Prioritize exercise: This can be life-giving to your mood. God is steeped in nature. It is good for the soul to spend time in nature walking. Exercise also produces endorphins that elevate your mood. It is good self-care to workout, to walk, or to do physical work.
- If this season is the anniversary of losing a loved one use your creativity. Fill a new vase with flowers, paint a room a new color, do things that have a creative component to it like sewing, woodworking, painting, scrapbooking, ancestry search, etc. Make something new or in remembrance of your loved one.
- If you are alone and lonely, see if you can get together with someone else who is alone or go somewhere you are with people. Listen to what your body is telling you. Sometimes you need to join with others and other times you might need quiet solitary time.

Spiritual Needs are Important

You may feel God is far away or absent, but God is there waiting for you to turn to Him. It is actually an opportunity for growth. Setting aside time to reflect and listen to God through prayer and spiritual activities can bring a wealth of meaning, new strength and wisdom. The saints before us suffered and they put their trust in God each day.

- Set aside a time each day to light a candle in thanksgiving for the blessings you have received that day. Blessings are always there even in times of trial.
- Start a spiritual journal and speak to God through your writing. Then, looking back, note how God has been faithful.
- Read the Bible in small sections each day. Try the Book of Psalms or one of the Gospels, then reflect on how it is speaking to you during this time. The Book of Common Prayer is also a rich source to read.
- When reading is difficult, listen to recordings, or spiritual books on line. Christian music is very helpful during this time.
- Attend Sunday service or online to keep in touch with your faith community. This is so important for fellowship and faith support. Faith is meant to be shared and experienced within community, not alone.

Attend the **BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE** and bring a friend or neighbor.

THIRD ANNUAL BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Friday, January 3rd at 6:30 p.m.

Blue Christmas services have a more quiet, somber feel than a traditional Christmas worship service. Scripture, music, and meditations/sermons focus on the comfort God offers during dark times.

Blue Christmas services include an emphasis on candles, with people in the congregation invited to come forward and light a candle in memory of someone or to mark an event in their lives. Some will say words out loud, others silent in prayer. Candles are also sometimes lit as prayers or Scripture readings are recited. It is wonderful to have a quiet, spiritual time during a busy season.

Something Always Happens When We Pray

Intercessory Prayer

A Time for Soaking and Healing Prayer.

Will be available after this service.



Good Shepherd's Purpose

*Our purpose is to worship
God in His church
and
to minister the love of
Jesus Christ to those
within our parish family
and to
those outside the church.*

Good Shepherd's Motto

*Come....See....Discover....
The joy of being connected to God.*

"If I've gotten right with God, why do I need to participate in church?"

We participate in the church because we love God. When we love someone, we want to see that their desires are fulfilled. We might say that the church is the Holy Spirit's workshop where the image of God is fully formed in us.



Our Parish Family



Birthdays



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|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Theo Schmidt | 2 Carrie Correll | 3 Zayden Driver |
| 7 Josie Cunliff | 7 Michelle Ham | 7 Rosemary Terry |
| 10 Ian Herbig | 10 Larry Reed | 11 Tracy Holmes |
| 12 Phyllis Cameron | 12 Nina Edwards | 12 Pat White |
| 14 Jason Hedge | 16 Douglas Rogers | 20 Jennifer Hamilton |
| 20 David Neilson | 22 Phyllis Paulsen | 25 Francis Armato |
| | 27 Michael Wilkinson | |



Anniversaries



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| 4 <i>Jacquie & Lyle Wood</i> | 15 <i>Angela & Joshua Kreps</i> |
| 18 <i>Susan Hines & Matt O'Dell</i> | |



Please Pray for



Healing of body, mind and spirit:

Cameron Ham, David Muldoon, Geddes Paulsen.

Expectant Parents: Marie & Lake Cannedy;
Rebecca & Patrick Graham; Alex & Jamie Pickard;
Carli Skye Basye & Josh Terme.

Those who are serving in our Armed Forces:

Vincent Armato, Matthew Braman, Gary Cram,
Michael Green, Mark Nick, Cole Sherry, Dominick Scuderio,
Doug Snodgrass, Korinne Takeyama, Kellan Travis,
Kyle Voss-McReynolds and Elias Wilson.

Those who were born to eternal life: Logan Majurs;
Nancy Jo Marcy.

Hate can not drive out hate;
only love can do that.
—Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



Start Your New Year with The Lunch Bunch

on **Thursday the 9th of January** at **1:00 p.m.**

at **Conrads Restaurant and Alehouse**, 210 North State Route 291, Liberty

We must give the restaurant an accurate headcount, so
please Call, or text Kim at 417-793-0780 or Canon Galen at 417-793-0446



December's Lunch Attendees

Invite your friends — all who enjoy a tasty meal with friendly folks are welcome!

Our bunch is not restricted to members of Good Shepherd.



The Daughters of the King serve the Church of the Good Shepherd through daily prayer and service. We are a strong group of twenty-four members, but are always looking to add more members. We meet monthly on the second Sunday of the month.

On **January 19th after the 10:15 service**, we will be starting discernment classes for anyone interested in becoming a Daughter of the King. **We also invite anyone interested to our meeting on January 12th** after the 10:15 service.

If interested in the discernment classes, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board next to the elevator.

If you have any questions, please speak to Sue Wilkinson, Marilyn Lane or any of the other Daughters of the King.



Annual Parish Meeting

*is Sunday, January 19st
following the 9:00 a.m. service.*

No Sunday School Classes on this Sunday

*All ministry leaders are encouraged to turn in their annual reports
on or before January 11th.*

The following are brief introductions written by those currently running for the vestry.

Monica Elliot: My husband and I relocated to Kansas City in 2017 for work. When I found out I was expecting our first child, I felt led by the Spirit to find a church for our family. After trying several, we came to Good Shepherd and immediately knew this was the church! We have loved growing alongside the wonderful people of ECOG. I would like to serve on the vestry to help give back to this wonderful community of people.

Gary Gee: We see the blessing of a growing and vibrant parish, which calls me to run for the Vestry. As we draw closer to God as individuals, then share that joy with our neighbors, we bring the Gospel from our parish building to the 21st century world. I look forward to the deep conversations and determined listening we can achieve as a Vestry to proclaim the Good News.

I've been blessed to serve on the Vestry a few years ago; the call I hear now is to open our hearts and minds to what God has planned for us in the 21st century, then to adapt as we honor past traditions. I will draw on my years of committee work in my professional life and Good Shepherd committee work, aided by deep listening from our parishioners. Good Shepherd is vitally important to us on a personal level. We can make it even more important to all who live around us.

Watch the Sunday Bulletins for Additional Biographies

Love is patient; love is kind;
love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude.
It does not insist on its own way;
it is not irritable or resentful;
it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth.
It bears all things, believes all things,
hopes all things, endures all things.

— 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

Christian Formation

There will be no class
January 19th

Adult Bible Discussion(s)

Join us in the Common Room, in person or by **Zoom** <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83832206251?pwd=AUGzUHJlplpH2JimeVeFrd1o8PL07o.1>, **Sunday Mornings at 9:00 a.m.** for a lively discussion of Sunday's scriptures from the Lectionary.

The discussions are generally led by Tom Lanio, with the able assistance of Fr. Galen. They encourage participants to share any thoughts they have on Sunday's readings. For the readings and a commentary on them, send an email request to tomlanio@email.com.

On **Wednesdays at Noon**, join us for **Noonday Prayer** in Our Lady of Walsingham Chapel or watch from the comfort of your home while it is live-streamed on the COGS Facebook page. Then at **12:30** the Bible discussion will begin.

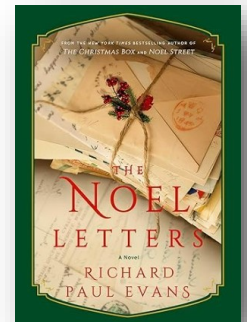
The Good Shepherd Book Club

will meet **Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00 p.m.**,
in-person in the Common Room.

Joining **via Zoom** is available upon request.*

We will discuss *The Noel Letters* by Richard Paul Evans, a prolific writer of novels which feature people of faith.

"Evans returns to his holiday-themed Noel Collection, following *Noel Street* (2019) with a fourth standalone novel. *The Noel Letters* is a cozy yet poignant portrait of personal awakening amidst the complexity of grief in estrangement. Evans' seasoned finesse with his characters' emotional growth makes Noel a relatable protagonist whose struggles with self-worth and unexpected change feel familiar and validating. A lovely read that beautifully contrasts the mistruths of memory and the redemptive power of new beginnings."



Guests are always welcome!

Have a non-Good Shepherd friend who loves to read? - bring them, too!
Contact club members or Judy Kile for more information.

Bring a beverage or snacks to share if you wish.

*Contact Judy Kile (jkile@att.net) by **Monday, January 13th** for the **Zoom** invite.

*When life knocks you
to your knees,
you're in position to pray.*





Sunday School for Elementary-Aged Children

NOTE: We begin 15 minutes before worship time when children gather in the Common Room. We'll continue to tell a *Godly Play* story at our opening children-led chapel and follow it with activities and crafts from *Weaving God's Promises*.
This year we offer classes for five age groups:

- ◆ Preschoolers **3-5 years old** taught by Vicki Nelson
- ◆ **Kindergarten - 2nd Grades** taught by Janet Smith
- ◆ **3-5 Grade girls** taught by Pam Lipari
- ◆ **3-5 Grade boys** taught by Jason Hedge
- ◆ **Middle & High School** taught by Judy Kile



*and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.
And a voice came from heaven,
"You are my Son, the Beloved;
with you I am well pleased."*

— Luke 3:22

Epiphany — A time to reflect on discipleship

In Epiphany, we remember Christ's baptism and our own. Just as the disciples were called, we received our calling, or vocation as Christians, through our baptism. The theme of discipleship is our focus in the readings for the Sundays after the Epiphany. From the Book of Common Prayer Catechism page 855 we learn about

The Ministry of the Church:

- Q. Who are the ministers of the Church?
- A. The ministers of the Church are the **lay persons, bishops, priests, and deacons.**
- Q. **What is the ministry of the laity?**
- A. The ministry of the laity is to represent Christ and His Church; to bear witness to Him wherever they may be; and, according to the gifts given them, to carry on Christ's work of reconciliation in the world; and to take their place in the life, worship, and governance of the Church.

The Episcopal Church

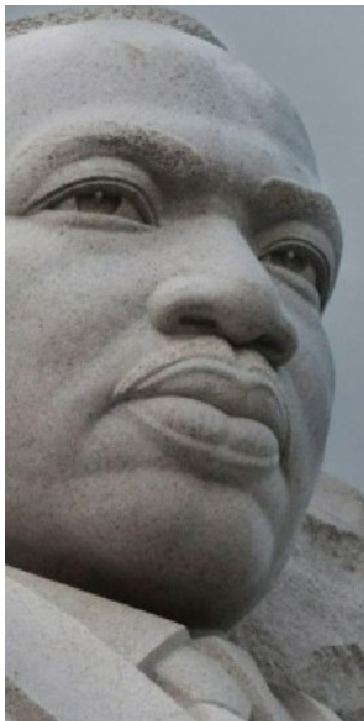
Pre-Confirmation Instruction Class

Thursday, January 23rd at 7 p.m.

(The day and time may be flexible depending on class participants' schedules.)

This is a 5-week class on The Episcopal Church's beliefs, structure, and history. Anyone seeking more information about the church or wanting to be confirmed should plan to attend. "... those baptized at an early age are expected, when they are ready and duly prepared, to make a mature public affirmation of their faith and commitment to the responsibilities of their Baptism and to receive the laying on of hands by the bishop." For those baptized in another denomination, this is the path to formal membership in The Episcopal Church. Those persons seeking to join the church and coming from either the Roman Catholic or Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and confirmed in that denomination, may be received into The Episcopal Church. The new bishop's visit is scheduled for May 4th at the 10:15 am worship.

If you **want to participate** in the class, please **contact** Canon Galen, Judy Kile, or phone the church office.



Celebration Luncheon

The Diocese of West Missouri invites you to join us for a celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on **January 18th** at **Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral, 415 W 13th St, KCMO.**

We will have a **Fundraiser Luncheon** for benefit of the **Union of Black Episcopalians**, in **Founders Hall** from **11:00 a.m.** until **2:00 p.m.**

Get Tickets for the **luncheon fundraiser** at **\$40.**

Following the fundraiser, there will be an **Evensong Service** in the **Nave** starting at **4:00 p.m.**

The Most Rev. Michael Curry

will be joining us as our **guest speaker** and **preacher.**

*The past is history, the future is a mystery.
Being alive, in this moment, is a gift.
That's why they call it the present.*

Something Always Happens When We Pray

Intercessory Prayer

A Time for Soaking and Healing Prayer.

1st and 3rd Sundays of Each Month at Noon.

In Our Lady of Walsingham Chapel.



Jesus went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his Disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who had come to hear Him and to be healed of their diseases. (Luke 6:17-18)

Please bring your questions to Sally Verkleeren, who has years of education and experience in healing ministry. You may reach her by phone (805) 798-5502 or email prariemoth@aol.com

Backpack Shepherds



Thank you for the generosity in filling the 2024 Backpack Shepherd's Christmas Boxes with Bethel Church. 60 boxes were available to parishioners between the two congregations. Those 60 boxes were distributed to:

- ⇒ 15-Eastgate School & 15 \$50.00 coupons.
- ⇒ 15-Lakewood School & 15 \$50.00 coupons.
- ⇒ 8-Winnetonka High School & 8 \$25.00 coupons.
- ⇒ 18-Fed Northland Kids, distributed by Liberty High School Students.
- ⇒ Bethel gave 10 boxes to Chouteau Elementary and one to a senior Parishione.
- ⇒ Good Shepherd gave 3 boxes to Northland Assistance, 4 boxes to Shepherd Center and 3 boxes to Canon Galen for his discretionary fund.
- ⇒ Each box weighed approximately 30 pounds.

We all can be proud of the work we did this Christmas.
Thanks for your hard work and contributions.

—Backpack Committee



Gather your things; knitting, crochet, needlepoint, quilting, or any arts and crafts that you are currently doing and join us at church in the Troy-Lewis room on the **3rd Thursday (January 16th)** starting at **6:00 p.m.** Arrive when you can.

Resolutions

For some, the arrival of January and the beginning of a new year is a time to make resolutions for self-improvement, changes in lifestyle, etc.

I recently happened to hear an old concert of Leonard Cohen's. During the enjoyable show I was struck by lyrics from his song "Anthem". "There is a crack, a crack in everything, that is how the light gets in."

I had always thought of a crack as a flaw, the result of something being damaged. I had not seen it as an opportunity to allow in the light. That a crack can be a good thing was a new idea to me.

So, with that in mind, I decided a resolution for the new year for me could be the reexamination of long held beliefs and see if perhaps they need to be viewed in a new light.

I am aware that currently many people seem to hold very different views from my own and I have had no problem rejecting their beliefs as inferior to mine. Perhaps if I tried to allow a bit of light in the form of understanding or open conversation of their beliefs, I would not view them so harshly. It might prove to be a step toward acceptance that we can hold differing views and still be civil to one another.

I remember that Christ is the light of the world. I need to let his light in through the cracks in my long held beliefs to better understand others beliefs.

—Thomas Kincaid

Winter Months

are approaching and travel sometimes becomes iffy.

Or, for some other reason, you can't make it to the Sunday Service, it is available **LIVE** both on Facebook and U-tube.

Want to learn how to connect you computer, smart phone, or smart TV to the live stream of the Sunday Service, but don't have a young friend or relative available to help?

Call the office 816-452-0745 and be put on a list for a short personal visit by another parishioner who can show you how to watch the Sunday Service Live, when, for whatever reason, you can't make it to the Service in person.

Our 8th 'Laundry Day'

**Saturday, January 25th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.,
at Splash Laundry – 6036 NE Antioch Rd, Gladstone.**



We will be at the laundromat with quarters and laundry supplies to support our community with the cost of laundry. This is a great opportunity to connect and meet the needs of our neighborhood and community, **and to share the love of Christ.**

Our parish has been very supportive of this new ministry. We have developed a faithful group of Good Shepherd volunteers (including The Good Redeemer's Youth Group - combined youth from Good Shepherd and Redeemer) that support this ministry by volunteering their time on a Saturday to be at the laundromat. We also have volunteers that help by providing laundry supplies and gift cards that we bring to the laundromat. We'd love to have you on the 2nd, if you are available.

There is a **sign up sheet** on the bulletin board to the left of the elevator. Sign up for as many time slots as you'd like!

Please pray for this outreach opportunity, that we will carry the light of Christ into our community.

I'd also like to share with you that Good Shepherd has been awarded a Diocesan Grant for \$1400 to continue with our Laundry Day ministry in 2025.

If you have any questions please contact Jill Hedge, 816-516-4584 or jhedge922@gmail.com.



will be at **Crane Brewing**, 6515 Railroad Street, Raytown,
on **January 23rd 6-8 p.m.**

Please **contact** the church office if you plan on attending 816-452-0745.

They specialize in Sour Ales and Farmhouse Style Ales, and also have a wide variety of liquor, wine, cocktails, non-alcoholic beverages, and food for everyone to enjoy!



Healing Prayer Team Meeting

Monday, January 27th, at 6:30 p.m.

in the **Troy-Lewis Room**

Senior Citizens' Real Property Tax Freeze Credit

Authorized under Missouri's Senate Bill 190 (SB190), this program allows eligible senior citizens to apply annually for a tax credit designed to freeze the real property taxes on their homes, ensuring predictability and protecting against potential spikes in property tax bills.

The tax freeze program is available to homeowners who meet the following criteria:

- **Must be at least 62 years of age.**
- **Must own their primary residence.**
- **Must be responsible for the payment of property taxes on their home.**

With the next property tax re-assessment scheduled for 2025, and re-assessments occurring every odd-numbered year thereafter, qualifying applicants will see their property tax bills calculated based on their 2024 tax amount. A tax credit will be applied to their 2025 tax statement, offsetting any future increases in assessed value or operational levies.

This credit is administered and applied at the county level.

Clay County

The application form will be available online at <https://www.claycountymo.gov/sb190> as well as a version available for printing starting January 1st. Our community applications will start on the 2nd, and we want to remind everyone that Clay County has a three-month period to sign up, so please plan accordingly. The first few days are likely to be busier than later ones. There is no rush, everyone will be assisted so long as your application is submitted by the end of our sign-up period on March 31st.

Platte County

Applications available for the Platte County for the initial Application Period which started September 3, 2024, and runs through May 15, 2025. To print an application or to apply online click on this link <https://www.co.platte.mo.us/tax-credit>

Be sure to spread the word to all your friends who may be eligible in their county of residence.



Cynthia Takeyama has graciously agreed to handle the Church of the Good Shephard **Rideshare Ministry** while Edward Miller IV is away from our parish for his six month immersion period at our Cathedral. If you need a ride to and/or from a church event within the Kansas City metro, free of charge, please contact the office (office@episcopalcogs.org) or Cynthia (wofte4@hotmail.com) with details of the date, time, and location for your trip: we will arrange a ride as best as we are able. We can often accommodate reoccurring trips!



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Ice Skating - Line Creek Ice Arena

Ready to put on those skates and get on the ice? If your answer is yes, then join us on **Saturday, January 11th**, from **2:00-4:00pm** at the Line Creek Ice Arena (**5940 NW Waukomis Drive**). Cost is \$8 for admission and \$3 for skates.

Happening #80 January 10th through 12th Grace Church, Carthage

Youth in grades 9-12 (College students & Adults who have not previously attended a Happening are welcome to attend!) There is a \$25 fee.

Participant Registration Deadline: December 27th
<https://wemoyouth.diowestmo.org/happening/>



Laundry Day

The Good Redeemers will be taking part in a laundry day community service opportunity with members of Good Shepherd on **Saturday, January 25th**, from **1:00—3:00 p.m.** At **Splash Laundry** 6036 NE Antioch Road, **Gladstone**. Please let Laura know if you can make it!

Save the Dates — February 8th & 9th Souper Bowl of Caring

February 15th Italian Dinner @COGS

Tickets will be \$20 for adults and \$10 for kids ages 10 and under. We will also offer to go orders for \$10.00 per plate. **Tickets will go on sale** at Church of the Redeemer on **Sunday, January 26th** and at Good Shepherd the weekend of **January 25th-26th**.

January 2025 Eucharistic Ministers, Readers - Year C

Proper	Day	Date	Time	Name
2nd After Christmas	Saturday	January 4	4:30 PM	Alan Culp EM
				Pat Muldoon R
				Deacon Lynda Hurt - Gospeller
2nd after Christmas	Sunday	January 5	8:00 AM	Phil Graham R & EM
Facebook Live	& YouTube -->	January 5	10:15 AM	Tom Kincaid R1
				Lorena Suhr R2
<i>Browning of the Church</i>				Deacon Lynda Hurt - Gospeller
				Sally Verkleeren POP
				Tom Lanio - Crucifer
				Rusty Suhr - Verger
				Gary Gee & Justin Smith EMs
1st after Epiphany	Saturday	January 11	4:30 PM	Jan Huster EM
				Deacon Lynda Hurt R
				Justin Smith - Homilist
1st after Epiphany	Sunday	January 12	8:00 AM	Kathy Potter R & EM
				Justin Smith - Homilist
Facebook Live	& YouTube -->	January 12	10:15 AM	Jill Shaub R1
				Carye Williams R2
				Deacon Lynda Hurt - Gospeller
				Justin Smith - Homilist
				Bill Millican POP
				Sue Wilkinson - Crucifer
				Tom Lanio & Jill Hedge EMs
2nd after Epiphany	Saturday	January 18	4:30 PM	Susan Brown EM
				Kim Snodgrass R
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Facebook Live	& YouTube -->	January 19	9:00 AM	Marie Ebert R1
				Rusty Suhr R2
				Deacon Lynda Hurt - Gospeller
				Carye Williams POP
				Justin Smith - Crucifer
				Gary Gee - Verger
				Tom Lanio & Laura Sawin-Armato EMs
3rd after Epiphany	Saturday	January 25	4:30 PM	Vicki Nelson R & EM
				Deacon Lynda Hurt - Gospeller
3rd after Epiphany	Sunday	January 26	8:00 AM	Charlie Cram R & EM
				Deacon Lynda Hurt - Gospeller
Facebook Live	& YouTube -->	January 26	10:15 AM	Susan Hines R1
				Samantha Gonzales R2
				Deacon Lynda Hurt - Gospeller
				Mary Jo Gould POP
				Gary Gee - Crucifer
				Rusty Suhr & Justin Smith EMs

Readers are responsible for finding their own substitute and informing Laura

With great appreciation,
Fr. Galen+



Daily Office for January 2025



Eve of Holy Name

Tue, Dec 31: Psalm 46, 48 * 90. Isa. 26:1-9, 2 Cor. 5:16—6:2, John 8:12-19.

Feast of the Holy Name

Wed, Jan. 1: Psalm 103, * 148. Gen 17:1-12a, 15-16, Col. 2:6-12, John 16:23b-30.

Thur, Jan. 2: Psalm 34 * 33. Gen. 12:1-7, Heb. 11:1-12, John 6:35-42, 48-51.

Fri, Jan.3: 68 * 72. Gen. 28:10-22, Heb. 11:13-22, John 10:7-17.

Sat, Jan. 4: 85, 87 * 89:1-29.

Second Sunday after Christmas

Sun. Jan. 5: Psalm 2, 110:1-5(6-7), Joshua 1:1-9, Heb. 11:32-12:2, John 15:1-16.

Eve of Epiphany, Sun, Jan. 5: Psalm 29, 98. Isa. 66:18-23, Rom. 15:7-13.

Epiphany, Mon. Jan. 6: Psalm 46, 97 * 96, 100. Isa. 52:7-10, Rev. 21:22-27, Marr. 12:14-21.

Tue. Jan. 7: Psalm 103 * 114, 115. Isa. 52-3-6, Rev. 2:1-7, John 2:1-11.

Wed. Jan. 8: Psalm 117, 118 * 112, 113. Isa. 59:15-21, Rev. 2:8-17, John 4:46-54.

Thur. Jan. 9: Psalm 121, 122, 123 * 131, 132. Isa. 63:1-5, Rev. 2:18-29, John 5:1-5.

Fri. Jan. 10: Psalm 138, 139:1-17(18-23) * 147. Isa. 65:1-9, Rev. 3:1-6, John 6:1-14.

Sat. Jan. 11: Psalm 148, 150 * 91, 92. Isa. 65:13-16, Rev. 3:7-13, John 6:15-27.

Week of 1 Epiphany

Sun. Jan. 12: Psalm 146, 147 * 111, 112, 113. Isa. 40:1-11, Heb. 1:1-12, John 1:1-7,19-20.

Mon. Jan. 13: Psalm 1, 2, 3 * 4, 7. Isa. 40:12-24, Eph. 1:1-14, Mark 1:1-13.

Tue. Jan. 14: Psalm 5, 6 * 10, 11. Isa. 40:25-31, Eph. 1:15-23, Mark 1: 14-28.

Wed. Jan. 15: Psalm 119:1-24 * 12, 13, 14. Isa. 41:1-16, Eph. 2:1-10, Mark 1:29-45.

Thur. Jan. 16: Psalm 18:1-20 * 18:21-50. Isa. 41:17-29, Eph. 2:11-22, Mark: 2:1-12.

Fri. Jan. 17: Psalm 16, 17 * 22. Isa. 42:1-17, Eph. 3:1-13, Mark. 2:13-22.

Sat. Jan. 18: Psalm 20, 21:1-7 * 110:1-7, 116, 117. Isa. 43:1-13, Eph. 3:14-21, Mark 2:23—3:6.

Week of 2 Epiphany

Sun. Jan. 19: Psalm 148, 149, 150 * 114, 115. Isa. 43:14—44:5, Heb. 6:7—7:10, John 4:27-42.

Mon. Jan. 20: Psalm 25 * 9, 15. Isa. 44:6-8, 21-23. Eph. 4:1-16, Mark 3:7-19a.

Tue. Jan. 21: Psalm 22: 26, 28 * 36, 39. Isa. 44:9-20, Eph. 4:17-32, Mark 3:19b-35.

Wed. Jan. 22: Psalm 38 * 119:25-48. Isa. 44:24—45:7, Eph. 5:1-14, Mark 4:1-20.

Thur. Jan. 23: Psalm 37:1-18 * 37:19-42. Isa. 45:5-17, Eph. 5:15-33, Mark 4:21-34.

Fri. Jan. 24: Psalm 31 * 35. Isa. 45:18-25, Eph. 6:1-9, Mark 4:35-41.

Sat. Jan. 25: Psalm 30, 32 * 42, 43. Isa. 46:1-13, Eph. 6:10-24, Mark 5:1-20.

Week of 3 Epiphany

Sun. Jan. 26: Psalm 63:1-8(9-11), 98 * 103. Isa. 47:1-15, 10-12, Heb. 10:19-31, John 5:2-18.

Mon. Jan. 27: Psalm 41, 52 * 44. Isa. 48:1-11, Gal. 1:1-17, Mark 5:21-43

Tue. Jan. 28: Psalm 45 * 47, 48. Isa. 48:12-21, Gal. 1:18—2:10, Mark 6:1-13.

Wed. Jan. 29: Psalm 119:49-72 * 49 [53]. Isa. 49:1-12, Gal. 2:11-1-21, Mark 6:13-29.

Thur. Jan. 30: Psalm 50 * {59, 60} or 118. Isa. 49:13-23, Gal. 3:1-14, Mark 6:30-46.

Fri. Jan. 31: Psalm 40, 54 * 51. Isa. 50:1-11, Gal. 3: 15-22, Mark 6:47-56.

Good Shepherd Ministries

Ministry Group	Contact	Meeting Time/Date	Ministry Group	Contact	Meeting Time/Date
Acolytes	Ron Ham	Monthly obligations as scheduled	Nursery Teachers	Tiffany Olsson	9:00 through 10:15 service
Altar Guild	Laura Sawin-Armato Cynthia Takeyama	Monthly obligations, Quarterly meeting	Office Helpers	Laura Sawin-Armato	As needed
Building and Grounds	David Talbot	1 st Tuesday of each month, 7:00 PM Workday, 3 rd Saturday of each month	Pastoral Care, EVs	Judy Lane	As scheduled
			Backpack Shepherds	David Talbot	Outreach Chair: Tom Kincaid Reaching out to our local community, the nation, and the world. 2 nd Monday of each even numbered month 7:00 PM
EMs	Canon Galen	Monthly obligations as scheduled	Northland Clothing Center	Tom Kincaid	
Coffee Hour	Jill Hedge	After the 10:15 service	Nourish KC	Judy Lane	
Circle of Friends	Canon Galen	2 nd & 4 th Thursdays at 11 AM	Northland Assistance Center	John Zaiger	
Daughters of the King	Sue Wilkinson Mona Hale	2 nd Sun. of the month after 10:15 service	Outreach Garden	Bob Kile	
Christian Formation	Judy Kile	2 nd Monday, 7:00 PM	Shepherd's Center	Opening	
Cursillo Liaison	Carye Williams	As needed	Ushers	Sue Wilkinson	Monthly obligations as scheduled
Financial Ministries Council (FMC)	Jill Hedge	Thursday of week before each Vestry meeting, 6PM	Vestry	Tim Smith Bill Millican Canon Galen	3 rd Tuesday of each Month
Liturgical Readers	Canon Galen	Monthly obligations as scheduled	Good Redeemers	Laura Williams	Weekly as announced
Music Instrumental	Canon Galen & Sam Fleming	As needed	St. Francis Ministry	Susan Jacobs	As needed
Music Vocal		As needed	Book Club	Judy Kile	2 nd Tuesday at 7 PM
Newsletter	Pat Muldoon	Published monthly	Greeters	Jason Hedge	As needed
Woolly Shepherds	Marie Ebert	3 rd Thursdays at 6 PM	Sunday Adult Bible Study	Bob Kile Tom Lanio	Sundays 9:00-10:00 AM
Streaming Services	Joe Armato	10:15 AM Sundays	Intercessory Prayer	Sally Verkleeren	1 st & 3 rd Sundays Noon in Chapel
Creation Care Ministry	Matt O'Dell	As needed			

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Laura Sawin-Armato.....Parish Administrator
Laura Williams.....Youth Director
David Talbot.....Sexton
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Tiffany Olsson.....Nursery
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