

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD



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MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

The ministers of St. Mary's are all the people of St. Mary's.

Presider: <u>The Rev. Michael Burke</u>, *Rector* Clergy: <u>The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gomez</u>, *Associate Rector* Clergy: The Rev. Ross McKay Readers: Rich Dyson and Greg Wilkinson Prayers of the People: Maggie Wilkinson St. Mary's Choir, directed by Annie Nilsson Organist: Rachel Morgan Cantor: Braydon Perrupato Media Specialists: Seth Eggleston, Timothy Baker and Will Weaver

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE • Rachel Morgan, organ

WELCOME • The Rev. Michael Burke

***OPENING HYMN** • I Sing the Almighty Power of God • Hymnal #398



***OPENING SENTENCES**

Priest Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

Priest 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 Savior. *Amen.*

*GLORIA • Glory to God in the Highest • WLP # 901



SERVICE OF THE WORD

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

PriestGod be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

FIRST OLD TESTAMENT READING • Isaiah 61:1-4 (English Standard Version)

Reader A Reading from Isaiah.

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to grant to those who mourn in Zion— to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified. They shall build up the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

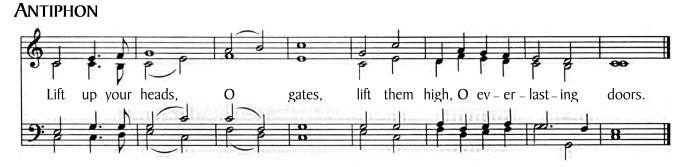
SECOND OLD TESTAMENT READING • Micah 6:8

Reader A Reading from Micah.

He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? *Reader* The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 24:7-10 • Braydon Perrupato, cantor



Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. "Who is this King of glory?" "The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. "Who is he, this King of glory?" "The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory."

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

THE EPISTLE • Acts 2:41-47 ("The Voice" translation)

Reader A Reading from Acts.

⁴¹ Whoever made a place for Jesus' message in their hearts received the baptism; in fact, that day alone, about 3,000 people joined the disciples.

⁴² The community continually committed themselves to learning what the apostles taught them, gathering for fellowship, breaking bread, and praying. ⁴³ Everyone felt a sense of awe because the apostles were doing many signs and wonders among them. ⁴⁴ There was an intense sense of togetherness among all who believed; they shared all their material possessions in trust. ⁴⁵ They sold any possessions and goods that did not benefit the community and used the money to help everyone in need. ⁴⁶ They were unified as they worshiped at the temple day after day. In homes, they broke bread and shared meals with glad and generous hearts. ⁴⁷ The new

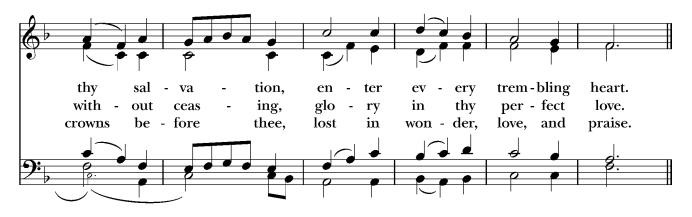
disciples praised God, and they enjoyed the goodwill of all the people of the city. Day after day the Lord added to their number everyone who was experiencing liberation.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL HYMN** • Love Divine, All Loves Excelling • Hymnal #657





***GOSPEL** • Matthew 10:5-10; 12-15; 16-23; 26-28; 40-42 (from The Message, paraphrase)

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Priest ⁵⁻⁸ Jesus sent his twelve harvest hands out with this charge:

"Don't begin by traveling to some far-off place to convert unbelievers. And don't try to be dramatic by tackling some public enemy. Go to the lost, confused people right here in the neighborhood. Tell them that the kingdom is here. Bring health to the sick. Raise the dead. Touch the untouchables. Kick out the demons. You have been treated generously, so live generously.

⁹⁻¹⁰ ". You don't need a lot of equipment. *You* are the equipment, and all you need to keep that going is three meals a day. Travel light.

¹²⁻¹⁵ "When you knock on a door, be courteous in your greeting. If they welcome you, be gentle in your conversation. If they don't welcome you, quietly withdraw. Don't make a scene. Shrug your shoulders and be on your way.

¹⁶ "Stay alert. This is hazardous work I'm assigning you. You're going to be like sheep running through a wolf pack, so don't call attention to yourselves. Be as shrewd as a snake, inoffensive as a dove.

¹⁷⁻²⁰ "Don't be naive. Some people will question your motives, others will smear your reputation—just because you believe in me. Don't be upset when they haul you before the civil authorities. Without knowing it, they've done you—and me—a favor, given you a platform for preaching the kingdom news! And don't worry about what you'll say or how you'll say it. The right words will be there; the Spirit will supply the words.

²¹⁻²³ "When people realize it is the living God you are presenting and not some idol that makes them feel good, they are going to turn on you, even people in your own family. There is a great irony here: proclaiming so much love, experiencing so much hate! But don't quit. Don't cave in. It is all well worth it in the end. It is not success you are after in such times but survival. Be survivors! Before you've run out of options, the Son of Man will have arrived.

²⁶⁻²⁷ "Don't be intimidated. Eventually everything is going to be out in the open, and everyone will know how things really are. So don't hesitate to go public now.

²⁸ "Don't be bluffed into silence by the threats of bullies. There's nothing they can do to your soul, your core being. Save your fear for God, who holds your entire life—body and soul—in God's hands.

⁴⁰⁻⁴² "We are intimately linked in this harvest work. Anyone who accepts what you do, accepts me, the One who sent you. Anyone who accepts what I do accepts my Father, who sent me. Accepting a messenger of God is as good as being God's messenger. Accepting someone's help is as good as giving someone help. This is a large work I've called you into, but don't be overwhelmed by it. It's best to start small. Give a cool cup of water to someone who is thirsty, for instance. The smallest act of giving or receiving makes you a true apprentice. You won't lose out on a thing."

The Gospel of the Lord. *People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Silence

THE SERMON • The Rev. Michael Burke

THE JESUS CREED • By Brian McLaren

This creed was originally shared at the Emergent Convention, Nashville, May 2004.

We have confidence in Jesus Who healed the sick, the blind, and the paralyzed. And even raised the dead. He cast out evil powers and Confronted corrupt leaders. He cleansed the temple. He favored the poor. He turned water into wine. Walked on water. calmed storms. He died for the sins of the world. Rose from the dead, and ascended to the Father, Sent the Holy Spirit. We have confidence in Jesus Who taught in word and example, Sign and wonder. He preached parables of the kingdom of God On hillsides, from boats, in the temple, in homes, At banquets and parties, along the road, on beaches, in towns, By day and by night. He taught the way of love for God and neighbor, For stranger and enemy, for outcast and alien. We have confidence in Jesus, Who called disciples, led them, Gave them new names and new purpose And sent them out to preach good news. He washed their feet as a servant. He walked with them, ate with them, Called them friends. Rebuked them, encouraged them, Promised to leave and then return. And promised to be with them always. He taught them to pray.

He rose early to pray, stole away to desolate places, Fasted and faced agonizing temptations, Wept in a garden, And prayed, "Not my will but your will be done." He rejoiced, he sang, he feasted, he wept. We have confidence in Jesus, So we follow him, learn his ways, Seek to obey his teaching and live by his example. We walk with him, walk in him, abide in him, As a branch in a vine. We have not seen him, but we love him. His words are to us words of life eternal, And to know him is to know the true and living God. We do not see him now, but we have confidence in Jesus. Amen.

***THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

As we come to the time of the prayers of the people, I invite you to stand or kneel as you are able. There will be a brief time to share our own prayers aloud, if you wish you may also leave your prayers in the offering basket when it is passed so that it can be delivered to our prayer team to be prayed over by the congregation throughout the week. For those online your prayers as well will be delivered to the prayer team, even if they are not read aloud.

Pause before continuing.

In hope we pray to God our Creator.

Silence

O God, who sent to us our Savior, whose Body is your Church, grant that all who wait for Christ may be united in your truth, live in your peace, and reveal your love to the world.

Silence.

God, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

O God, whose Kingdom holds heaven and earth as one, grant our leaders and all in authority would be convicted to love justice and govern rightly so that all people might live in safety; and where there is oppression, injustice, and inequity, we pray that your light would show forth and that the world might be healed.

Silence. God, in your mercy; *Hear our prayer*.

O God, whose Spirit comes among us to inspire and to restore, grant peace, healing, and hope to the sick, the hungry, the naked, and the imprisoned; the migrant, the refugee, the unemployed, and the unhoused; those who are victims of violence, those who struggle with mental health, and those whose lives are overtaken by turmoil and chaos.

Silence.

God, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

O God, who created this lovely world, grant to your people the desire, the knowledge and the determination to be proper stewards of the earth, that all may share in your bounty and your peace.

Silence.

God, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

O God, who knows our needs and concerns, and cares for us even as you care for the birds of the air and the flower in the field, we lift up these petitions that weigh on our hearts this week.

Silence, the people may add their own prayers or petitions here.

God, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

O God, who brings us the living water and leads us to eternal life, grant to the dying and those who mourn your comfort and your peace.

Silence.

God, in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

Silence may be kept.

A Priest says Together, praying,

Minister and People

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

and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

A Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people greet each other in the name of the Lord.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM • *The Gift of Love* • *arr.* Hal Hopson

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below, Praise God above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

*PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

CelebrantAll things come of thee, O Lord.PeopleAnd of thine own have we given thee.

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Creator,

through Jesus Christ your Son.

For when he humbled himself to come among us in human flesh,

he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the world to open for us the way of salvation.

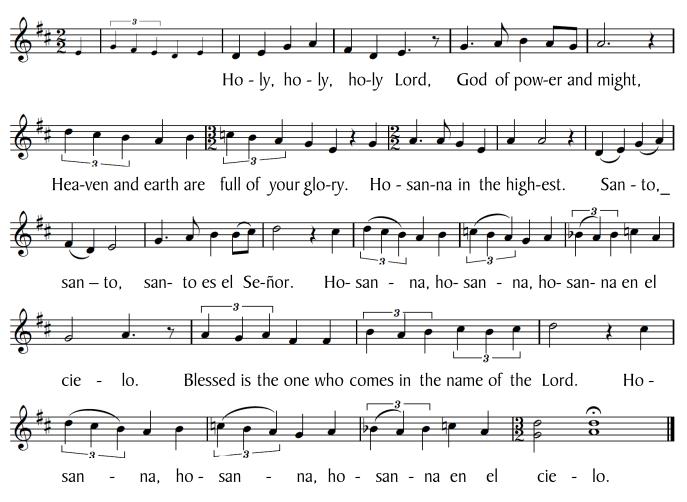
Confident that your promise will be fulfilled,

we now watch for the day

when Christ our Lord will come again in glory.

And so we join our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven to proclaim your glory for ever praising you and *singing*:

SANCTUS • WLP 854



A priest continues

Blessed are you, gracious God,

creator of the universe and giver of life.

You formed us in your own image

and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care

that we might be your faithful stewards

and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image

in one another and in ourselves;

we would not see your goodness in the world around us;

and so we violated your creation,

abused one another,

and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us,

and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness. and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life. On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread. and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take. eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said:

> "Drink this, all of you:
> This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.
> Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

A priest says Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: Celebrant and People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

A priest continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.
By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.
Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise,

for ever and ever. AMEN.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

Priest As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, each in the language of their heart,

People and Celebrant
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 forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer in Deg Xinag

Dinaxito' ngi'ezre' yan' ngizrenh. Yitots'in' yoye dhedo.

Yitots'in ngutl'ogh xiye Tr'ididl'tth'e.

Go dranh nighantl'itthin dinadhong he' on.

Tr'ixet'ixdi xits'in' dinatighelalin. (Yitots'in) trixet'xdi xits'in Dinak'odz xudingiłnek

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

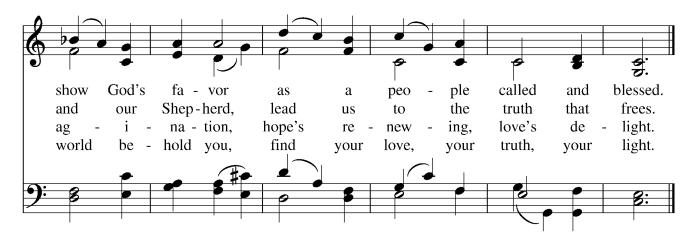
ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE LORD'S TABLE

This is Christ's Banquet. It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more.

So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who feel you have failed. Come, because it is Christ who invites you.



COMMUNION HYMN • Gracious Spirit, Give Your Servants • WLP #782



***THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

After Communion, a priest says Let us pray. Priest and People Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

SENDING OUT EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

- *Celebrant: (Name),* in the name of this congregation, we send you to share our Eucharist with ______. May you take the prayers of all of us as you deliver the sacrament of Christ's presence.
- All: We who are many are one body, because we all share in the one cup!

Celebrant: Go forth in the name of God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS

Watch over your child, O God, as their days increase; bless and guide them where ever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful, raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding, abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNIVERSARIES

Send, O God, your blessing upon these your servants. Sustain them in their love and commitment to each other, that their home may be a place of peace and hospitality now and always. Amen.

SOBRIETY

Bless, O God, your servant in their work of recovery; defend them in their sobriety; and bless them with strength and wisdom now and always. Amen.

WORK TRANSITION OR RETIREMENT

Gracious God, we thank you for the work and witness of your servant who has enriched this community and brought gladness to friends and family; now bless and preserve them at this time of transition. Guide them in the continued use of your gifts; provide sustenance for temporal and spiritual needs, friends to cheer the way, and a clear vision of the ministry to which you are now calling them. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

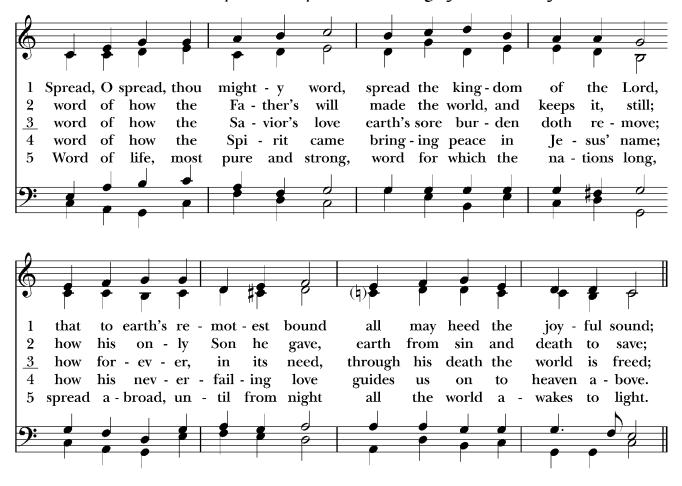
BLESSING SONG

May the blessing of God be upon you, the blessing of the Father and the Son. And may the Spirit of God, the Spirit of Love*, be with you all your days.

*Spirit of Peace [second verse]

-Recessional Hymn on next page-

*RECESSIONAL HYMN • Spread O Spread Thou Mighty Word • Hymnal #530



DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE • Rachel Morgan, organ

Please gather in Waldron Hall directly after the 10am service for the St. Mary's All-Parish Annual Meeting Lunch is provided.

There will be lunch and kids activities downstairs during Annual Meeting.

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What to Expect When Attending a Service at St. Mary's

What's in the service?

Worship services include Bible readings from the Old and New Testaments, a Psalm, a sermon based on the day's scriptures, an affirmation of faith using one of the Creeds, congregational prayers, music and hymns, and a celebration of the Holy Eucharist (communion).

What's a liturgy?

As an Episcopal church, St. Mary's follows a liturgy, which is a pattern of scripture readings, prayers, and congregational responses that are set forth in the Book of Common Prayer. Although the content of services changes from week to week, the pattern of worship remains basically the same throughout the year.

Participatory Worship

The congregational responses throughout the service make Episcopal worship participatory worship. As a visitor, you are welcome to follow along and join in with us.

Many, but not all of us, kneel or cross ourselves at various points in the service. These actions are personal aids to worship and are purely optional. If you don't feel comfortable worshiping in this way, that's no problem. If you find these traditions helpful, that's great too!

More About the Episcopal Church

For more information about practices and traditions, visit the website for <u>The Episcopal Church</u>. (www.episcopalchurch.org)



Annual Meeting Agenda Sunday, February 2nd, 2025 Beginning with 10am worship

I. Declare Quorum and Conduct Sunday Morning Worship II. Approve Agenda, Introduce Materials III. Approve Officers of Annual Meeting IV. 2024 Annual Meeting Minutes V. 2024 Annual Report VI. Nominations and Elections VII. Awards and Presentations VIII. 2024 Financial Report IX. 2025 Operating Budget X. Auctions XI. Anything for the good of St. Mary's XII. Closing Prayer and Adjournment

Delighting in This World Here. Now. As It Is. As You Are. As We Are. Working toward God's Dream

For Everyone. For Everything. All the Time.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

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Sunday, February 2

Due to Annual Meeting, there is only one worship service today, at 10 am. 10 am Service of Holy Eucharist Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877 10 am Godly Play Room 1 11:30 am St. Mary's Annual Meeting Waldron Hall Monday, February 3 6 pm Fierce Women Bible Study Room 2 **Tuesday**, February 4 7 pm Children's Christian Formation Team Cay's Room Wednesday, February 5 7 am Service of Holy Eucharist Sanctuary & online; ID 584 949 088 6:15 pm Organ Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary 7:30 pm Praise Singers Rehearsal Sanctuary

<u>Thursday, February 6</u>
7 am Men's Group Waldron Hall
7 pm Bible Explorers Online; <u>click here or see newsletter</u>

Friday, February 7 I pm Afternoon Bible Study Cay's Room

<u>Saturday, February 8</u> No scheduled church events

Sunday, February 9 8 am Service of Holy Eucharist Chapel 9 am Christian Formation Cay's Room & classrooms 9 am Children's Chapel Chapel 10 am Service of Holy Eucharist Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877 10 am Godly Play Room 1 11:15 am Clare House Meal Prep Waldron Hall Kitchen 11:20 am Fellowship Hour Waldron Hall 4 pm Evening Prayer Sanctuary