

Serving Today

Celebrant – The Reverend Thomas E. Macfie
Crucifer/Server – Robin Bates
Chalice Bearer – Julia Bates
Reader – John Solomon
Intercessor – Susan Holmes
Ushers – John Solomon

Prayer Requests: Brady Hall, Emily Hauze, Kim Heitzenrater, Phebe Hethcock, Mike Jones, Mike Mattei, Julian Price, Leah Rhys, Isaiah Shelby, Evelyn Taylor, Freddy Tucker, Bill Whitney, those who are refugees or suffering the effects of war or violence.

Announcements

The St. Mark & St. Paul office will be closed on Monday, December 22 through December 26 as well as January 1, 2026.

CAC will be closed December 25 through December 26 and January 1, 2026.

The Rev. Rob Lamborn will be off work December 26-January 1. The parish office is closed through Friday, December 26, but will be open December 29-31, and Jan 2 (9am-noon and 1-4:30 MWF, 9am-1pm TuTh). In case of emergency outside of office hours, please contact Senior Warden Robin Bates.

Sunday Services at St. Mark and St. Paul on December 28 will be at 8:30 and 11:00 am.

Sunday school, youth, and adult education will resume Sunday, January 5.

The Feast of the Epiphany: will be celebrated at Christ Church, 530 10th St, Tracy City with a service on Tuesday, January 6, at 5:00pm, followed by a potluck supper..

The mission of the Parish of St. Mark & St. Paul is

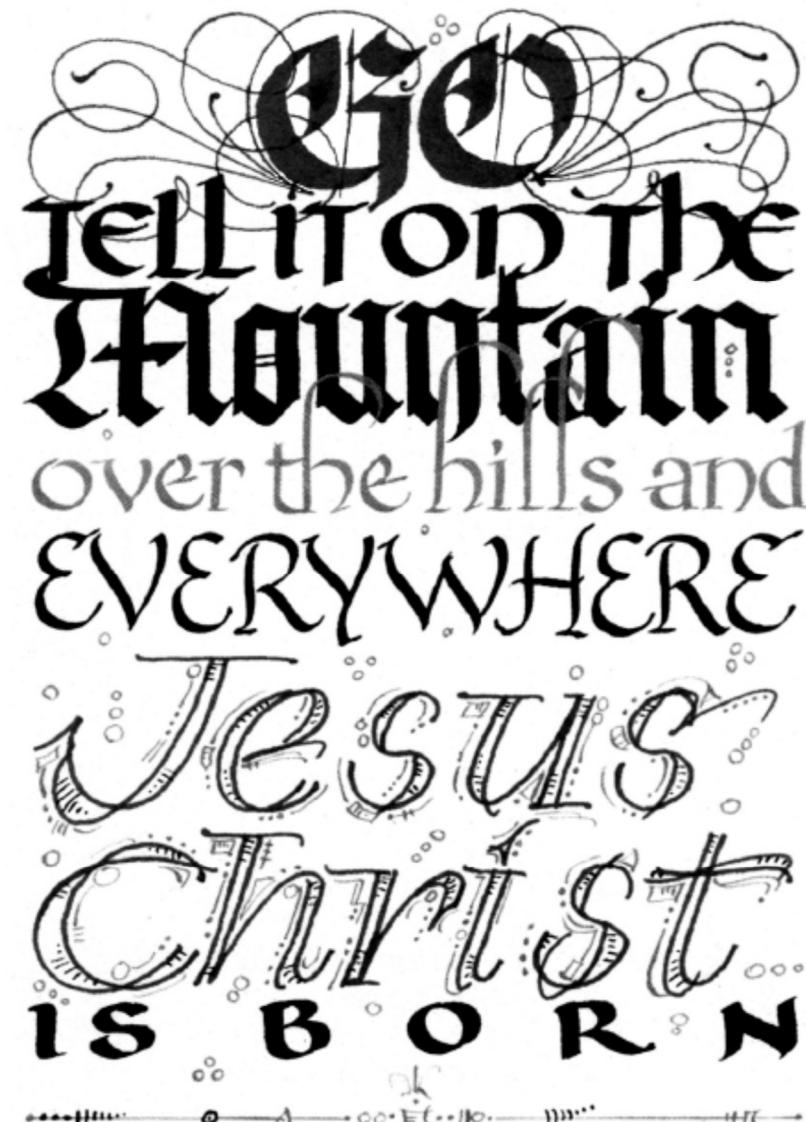
to worship God,
to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ,
to serve the world for which Christ died,
to educate and nurture our community,
and welcome all

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The Nativity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ
Christmas Day
December 25, 2025 10:00 am

Parish of St. Mark & St. Paul



The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

10:00 AM

The Word of God

Prelude

Opening Hymn 93 (*blue book*): "Angels from the realms of glory"

Opening Acclamation

Song of Praise, Hymnal 107: "Good Christian friends rejoice"

Collect of the Day

First Reading: Isaiah 62: 6-12 (*insert*)

Hymn 115: "What child is this"

Second Reading: Titus 3:4-7 (*insert*)

Sequence Hymn 105: "God rest you merry, gentlemen"

Gospel: Luke 2:1-20 (*insert*)

The Sermon

The Reverend Thomas E. Macfie

In today's sermon, Tom will build on the first stanza of the Advent hymn by the Anglican priest, Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

*Come, thou long expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.*

The Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People (*The people respond, "Hear our prayer."*)

The Peace

Blessing of Gifts

Adults and children having gifts to be blessed bring them forward.

Antiphon: Where is the child who is born a King?

V. They opened their treasures and offered him gifts;

R. Gold and frankincense and myrrh.

Celebrant: Blessed are you Lord our God. You give the Spirit's gifts to all people. Use these gifts to bring the Spirit's gifts of skill, imagination and learning to those who have brought them before your altar, in Jesus' name we pray. *Amen.*

Regent Square

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In dulci jubilo

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Greensleeves

God Rest You Merry

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The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving:

Eucharistic Prayer B

Sanctus, Hymnal S130

The Lord's Prayer (*Contemporary version*)

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.

Fraction Anthem: Hymnal S164

Communion of the People

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. Anyone may come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available; simply ask the priest.

Postcommunion Prayer

Hymn 99: "Go tell it on the mountain"

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Christmas Blessing

May Almighty God, who sent the Son to take our nature upon him,
bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and
brighten your heart with the light of holiness. *Amen.*

May God, who sent the angels to proclaim the glad news of the
Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gos-
pel. *Amen.*

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and
earth to heaven, give you peace and favor. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the
Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Dismissal

Postlude

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In Thanksgiving

-Charlie Baird
-Barnett family & friends
-Bates children and
grandchildren
-Emily and Zachary Blount
-Beth Pride Blythe
-Ellen Fennel Blythe
-Our Fisher grandchildren:
 Lulie, Katherine & Harry
-Blythe Ford
-Fields Ford
-the blessings of my Gates family
-Tee Gildemeister
-Shelby Gildemeister
-Mary Ellen Gooding
-the Lankhaar family
-Ben Louderback
-Anna Louderback
-Winnie Louderback
-Macfie parents
-Evan Patterson Murray
-Miller Robert Murray
-Timothy Nelson
-Brown Patterson



-Becky Sanderlin
-Sandy Sanderlin
-Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Trulove
-Gracie Trulove
-Canaan Trulove
-the life of Reid Ward
-Katie Wehrmeyer and Steven
 Starr
-Wehrmeyer family
-Katherine and Samantha Wiley
-Jacob Kiser Wiley
-in gratitude for Rob and the
 church staff.
for the Staff at St. Mary's
 Sewanee



Memorials

Ian Asmussen
Joan Baird
William Mac Barnett
Carolyn & Kenneth Bentley
Mr. & Mrs. James Blythe, Sr.
Paul Cahoon
the Camp family
Frank and Pebble Carter
F.M. and Helen Carter
Joyce Ann Crouse
Nick Davis
Al and Ester DeHond
Grace Holland Ellis
Julia Gildemeister
Christopher Cook Gooding
Charles Patrick Gooding
Carter Cook Gooding
Tim Graham
William Hoover Hethcock



Virginia Blythe Key
Bob & Elinor Lamborn
John and Marian Lankhaar
Stiles & Peggy Lines
Kate Martin
Julian Mast
Catherine Case Murray
John Robert Murray
Evelyn Byrd Patterson
Don and Jane Potter
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Barton Pride
Mac Priestley
Ruth Ramseur
George Ramseur, Sr.
in memory of the Sowar family
Margaret Jeanine & Allan
 Wehrmeyer
Paul Gray Wiley, Sr.