

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

Birthdays: Luwin Lewis, Annwn Myers, and Christopher Van de Ven

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 First Sunday after Christmas Day

December 28, 2025

Welcome to this morning's service of worship!
Restrooms are available in Claiborne Parish House,
the building directly behind the church.
Nursery care is available during both services (more information on Announcement insert).

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude
Hymn 89 (*blue book*): “It came upon the midnight clear” *Carol*
Opening Acclamation *Prayer Book (red)* page 355
Gloria in Excelsis S280: Robert Powell (b. 1932)
Collect of the Day (*insert*)
First Reading: Isaiah 61:10-62:3 (*insert*)
Canticle 147: (*Spoken at 8:30; sung at 11:00.*) Poe



1 Hallelujah!
How good it is to sing praises | to our God! *
how pleasant it is to honor | him with praise!
2 The Lord re- | builds Jerusalem; *
he gathers the e- | xiles of Israel.
3 He heals the | brokenhearted *
and binds | up their wounds.
4 He counts the number | of the stars *
and calls them all | by their names.
5 Great is our Lord and migh- | ty in power; *
there is no limit | to his wisdom.
6 The Lord lifts | up the lowly, *
but casts the wicked | to the ground.
7 Sing to the Lord | with thanksgiving; *
make music to our God u- | pon the harp.
8 He covers the hea- | vens with clouds *
and prepares rain | for the earth;



9 He makes grass to grow u- | pon the mountains *
and green plants to | serve mankind.
10 He provides food for | flocks and herds *
and for the young ravens | when they cry.
11 He is not impressed by the might | of a horse; *
he has no pleasure in the | strength of a man;
12 But the Lord has pleasure in | those who fear him, *
in those who await his | gracious favor.
13 Worship the Lord, | O Jerusalem; *
praise your | God, O Zion;
14 For he has strengthened the bars | of your gates; *
he has blessed your chil- | dren within you.
15 He has established peace | on your borders; *
he satisfies you with the | finest wheat.
16 He sends out his command | to the earth, *
and his word runs | very swiftly.
17 He gives | snow like wool; *
he scatters hoar- | frost like ashes.
18 He scatters his | hail like bread crumbs; *
who can stand a- | gainst his cold?
19 He sends forth his | word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the | waters flow.
20 He declares his | word to Jacob, *
his statutes and his judg-| ments to Israel.
+21 He has not done so to any | other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments. |
Hallelujah!

Second Reading: Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7 (insert)	
Sequence Hymn 84 : “Love came down at Christmas”	Gartan
Gospel: John 1:1-18 (insert)	
Sermon	The Rev. Kelly Ramer Moody
Nicene Creed	page 358
Prayers of the People, Form I	page 383
The Peace	page 360
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Offertory Hymn 102: “Once in royal David's city”	Irby

Sanctus: S-130

The Lord’s Prayer (Contemporary)

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.
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At the Breaking of the Bread: Hymnal, S-164

At Communion:
All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. Anyone may come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms across your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available; simply ask the priest. For the sake of public health, please drink from the chalice or decline it by crossing your arms across your chest.

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors *(when needed)*
(in unison) In the name of this parish, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Postcommunion Prayer	page 366
Hymn 110: “The snow lay on the ground ”	Venite adoremus
Blessing	
Dismissal	
Postlude	

Altar Guild — Dorothy Gates, Barbara Prunty
Bread Baker— Luwin Lewis
Tellers—
Coffee Hour—

8:30 service	11:00 service
Vestry —	
Server — Seanna Mainord	Jaxon Rudder
Chalice Bearer — Beth Wiley	Susan Holmes
Readers — Dorothy Gates, Dottie Mainord?	Julian Price, Lane Price
Intercessor —	George Dick
Acolytes — Cayleigh Mainord	
Usher(s) --	Betty & Jimmy Blythe

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: – The Anglican Church of Canada
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: — The Episcopal Church



In Thanksgiving



Memorials



-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

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.



Announcements

This Sunday the Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 8:30 and 11am. The 11am service will be livestreamed on our Facebook page and remains available there.

Nursery Services: Infants and toddlers through three years old are invited to gather downstairs in Claiborne Hall.

Sunday January 4 is CAC Pantry Sunday. This month CAC is in need of tuna, chicken, jelly, canned soups and meals, toilet paper, and deodorant. CAC serves those in need with food and in other ways 9 to 11am, Monday through Friday. Please call 931-598-5927.

Join a Winter Foyer Group!

What: A small group of parishioners meeting together for fellowship, guided scripture reflection, and prayer (scripture, discussion questions, and prayers provided by the church).

Where: Groups are encouraged to meet in a host home. You will have the opportunity to indicate whether you are willing to host when signing up.

When: Every week for three weeks, January 25 - Feb 13 (depending on the day of the week your group meets) for 1.5 hours each.

Why: To deepen our relationships with God and one another, and connect with new people.

How: Sign up to be included in a group by completing the form at this link: <https://acesse.one/PJd4L> You'll rank your preferences for meeting day and time. We hope to have enough participants to offer groups at the following times:

Saturdays, January 25, February 1 and February 8 at 5 pm

Sundays, January 26, February 2 & February 9 at 2 pm or 4:30 pm

Tuesday mornings, January 28, February 4, & February 11 at 10 am

Thursday evenings, Jan. 30, February 6, & February 13 at 6:30 pm

We will be in touch in mid-January with the details of your group meeting. In the meantime, if you have any questions, you may reach out to Kelly at curate@stmarkstpaul.org or call Dan in the office.

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 school, youth, and adult education will resume Sunday, January 4.

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. .

Centering Prayer Groups: The Monday group will not meet on December 29th.

Lectionary Bible Study: meets every Tuesday at 2:30 pm in Brooks Hall. The class begins with a brief prayer and a reading of the Gospel lesson appointed for the coming Sunday.

Adult Choir: Adult choir practice is Sundays 12:30-1:30pm.

Children's choir is on hiatus and will resume on January 14, 2026.

Godly Play and Youth Sunday school are on hiatus and will resume on January 4, 2026.

Rite-13 and J2A: are on hiatus and will resume on January 4, 2026.

Education for Ministry is on hiatus until Monday January 5, 2026