

**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 Episcopal Parish of —

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—On the Mountain—

**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**

**Nicene Creed**

**Prayers of the People, Form I**

**The Peace**

**Announcements**

**Offertory Hymn 102:** “Once in royal David's city”

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*Irby*

**The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)**

**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.

**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**

**Hymn 110:** “The snow lay on the ground”

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*Venite adoremus*

**Blessing**

**Dismissal**

**Postlude**

**Altar Guild** — Dorothy Gates, Barbara Prunty

**Bread Baker** — Luwin Lewis

**Tellers** —

**Coffee Hour** —

**8:30 service**

**Vestry** —

**Server** — Seanna Mainord

**Chalice Bearer** — Beth Wiley

**Readers** — Dorothy Gates, Dottie Mainord?

**Intercessor** —

**Acolytes** — Cayleigh Mainord

**Usher(s)** —

**11:00 service**

Jaxon Rudder

Susan Holmes

Julian Price, Lane Price

George Dick

Betty & Jimmy Blythe

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** — The Anglican Church of Canada

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** — The Episcopal Church

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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.



## 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](mailto: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