

# WELCOME TO SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, December 1, 2024

9:00 AM



In the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, welcome! I am honored and delighted that you have chosen Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church as a place to worship this morning. If this is your first time to visit I encourage you to fill out a **Connect Card** on the back of the pew in front of you, and drop it in one of the offering plates so we can learn about you and thank you for worshipping with us. Please also pick up one of the red folders which includes information about Saint Andrew's life and ministry. I invite you to participate in today's worship service and thank you for joining us this morning.

Daryl T. Hay+  
Rector

The Rev. Daryl T. Hay, Rector  
Dr. Linda Patterson, Director of Music  
The First Sunday of Advent  
Sunday, December 1, 2024

The Rev. Benjamin Sánchez, Church Planter  
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two  
9:00 AM

## The Word of God

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Wachet Auf!" (Sleepers, Wake) from Schübler Chorales

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

OPENING HYMN 68 Rejoice, Rejoice Believers

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*The Celebrant may say*

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 Lord. **Amen.**

### SONG OF PRAISE S 247 *The Song of Mary (Canticle 15) (Pulkingham)*

*The following is sung, all standing*

*Antiphon*  
*Unison or harmony*

1. My soul pro - claims the great - ness

of the Lord, my spi - rit re - joic - es in

claims the great - ness of the Lord, my

God my Sa - vior; for he has looked  
spi - rit re - joic - es in God  
with fa - vor on his low - ly ser - vant.

2 From this day all generations will call me blessed:  
3 He has mercy on those who fear him  
4 He has shown the strength of his arm,  
5 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,  
6 He has filled the hungry with good things,  
7 He has come to the help of his ser - vant Israel,  
8 The promise he made to our fathers,  
9 Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
10 As it was in the be - ginning, is now,

2 the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.  
3 in every gen - er - ation. [Ant.]  
4 he has scattered the proud in their con - ceit.  
5 and has lifted up the lowly. [Ant.]  
6 and the rich he has sent a - way empty.  
7 for he has remembered his prom - ise of mercy,  
8 to Abraham and his chil - dren for ever. [Ant.]  
9 and to the Ho - ly Spirit:  
10 and will be for ev - er. A - men. [Ant.]

*The antiphon may be sung in unison, with the counter-melody played by an instrument, or it may be sung in three parts.*

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The people kneel.*

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

# The Lessons

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

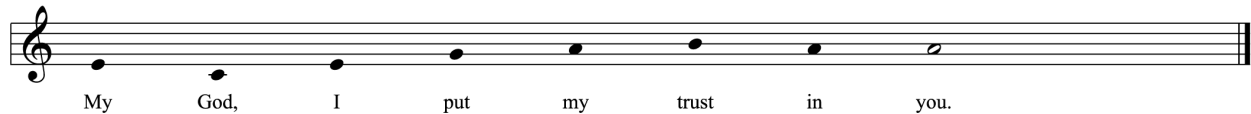
The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 25:1-9

*Remain seated.*



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- <sup>1</sup> To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;  
my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- <sup>2</sup> Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.        ANTIPHON
- <sup>3</sup> Show me your ways, O LORD, \*  
and teach me your paths.
- <sup>4</sup> Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all the day long.        ANTIPHON
- <sup>5</sup> Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.
- <sup>6</sup> Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.        ANTIPHON
- <sup>7</sup> Gracious and upright is the LORD; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

<sup>8</sup> He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.

<sup>9</sup> All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

ANTIPHON

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 56 O Come, O Come Emmanuel verses 1 & 2

*Children and youth are invited to follow the Processional Cross to Children's Chapel.*

GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36

*All stand.*

*Priest*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Karl Griswold-Kuhn  
Campus Missioner for Texas A&M University

THE CREED

*All stand.*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**  
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.**  
**Through him all things were made.**  
**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:**  
**by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**  
**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**  
**he suffered death and was buried.**  
**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;**  
**he ascended into heaven**  
**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**  
**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**  
**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**  
**He has spoken through the Prophets.**  
**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**  
**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**  
**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The people kneel.*

Kindred in Christ, may God strengthen our hearts in holiness. Trusting in God, let us pray, “O come, o come, Emmanuel; be our hope and our salvation.”

God our hope, increase in us love for one another that we may abound in your love. Keep your Church on the path of love and faithfulness. We pray especially for Sean, the Presiding Bishop; Andy, Hector, Jeff, and Kai, our Bishops; Daryl, our Rector; Benjamin, our Church Planter; Amy and Michael, our Iona School Students; and those discerning a call to ministry. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Holy Apostles, Katy; Holy Spirit, Houston; and Hope, Houston. We celebrate with those who have birthdays this week, especially John, Rhonda, Linda, Carole, Matthew, and Lindsey. We also pray for Middleway Urban Monastery, that it may provide space for those seeking hope, comfort, and peace.

O come, o come, Emmanuel; **Be our hope and our salvation.**

God our hope, usher in your reign of justice and righteousness. May all the world know your peace and safety.

O come, o come, Emmanuel; **Be our hope and our salvation.**

God our hope, you place signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars. Give us the eyes to see you, the wisdom to prepare for you, and the faith to trust in you.

O come, o come, Emmanuel; **Be our hope and our salvation.**

God our hope, under your reign divisions are overcome, unity restored: bring the people of this region – from city, village and town – together in a spirit of love and respect.

O come, o come, Emmanuel; **Be our hope and our salvation.**

God our hope, remember your compassion and love. Heal and restore the sick and the suffering, the anxious and the grieving, especially JoAnn, Bill, Glen, Joan, Kathleen, Ron, and Erica.

O come, o come, Emmanuel; **Be our hope and our salvation.**

God our hope, keep us blameless before you that we may meet the coming of our Lord Jesus with joy. May we, and all who have died, rise to life immortal with all your saints, especially Bill Roman, Jr., and Robin Jones.

O come, o come, Emmanuel; **Be our hope and our salvation.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

CONFESSION OF SIN

*The Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.  
*Silence may be kept.*

*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.**

*The Priest stands and 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

*All stand.*

*Celebrant*           The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*               **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

*The people stand.*

Hymn 380, verse 3



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The Celebrant says*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

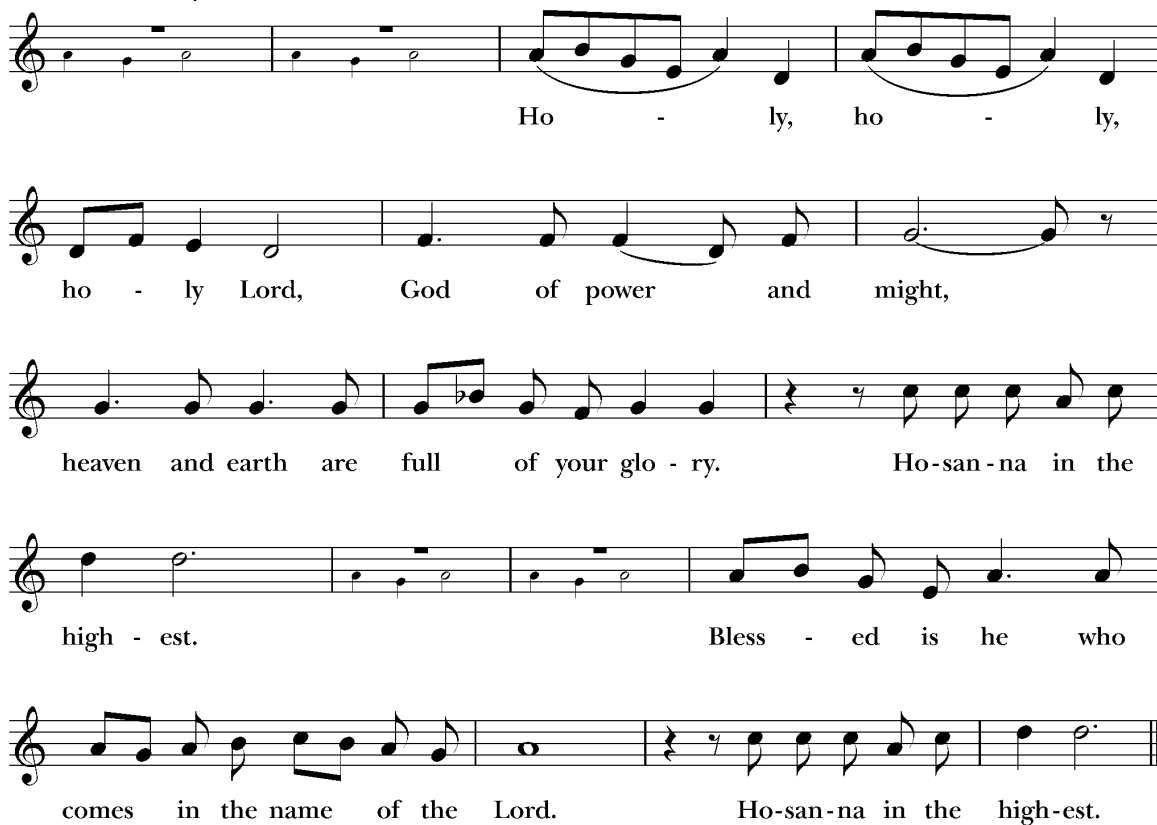
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a proper preface is said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### SANCTUS S 128 *Holy, holy, holy (Mathias)*

*Celebrant and People*



Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

*The people kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.  
**AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

#### FRACTION ANTHEM S 171 *Be known to us (Martens)*

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

*Antiphon: Cantor; then All*



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

*Cantor*



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

*Cantor*



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

### INVITATION

### DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMN Prepare the Way of the Lord

PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

Jacques Berthier

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 6/8 time with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). It consists of three lines of music. The first line begins with a circled letter 'A' above the staff and contains the lyrics 'Pre - pare the way of the Lord. Pre -'. The second line contains the lyrics 'pare the way of the Lord, and all peo - ple will'. The third line contains the lyrics 'see the sal - va - tion of our God. Pre -' and ends with a circled letter 'D' above the staff and the word '(Fine)' in parentheses. The score includes various musical notations such as quarter notes, eighth notes, and rests.

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HYMN 61 Sleepers, Wake

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

ADVENT BLESSING

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. **Amen.**

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. **Amen.**

May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. **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.**

POST-COMMUNION HYMN 59 Hark! A Thrilling Voice

DISMISSAL

CLOSING VOLUNTARY: "Wachet Auf" arr. Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

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LONG TERM PRAYER LIST: Sharon, Suzan, Beth, Elaine, Joshua, Penni, Tia, Barbara, Carmen, Gary, Kevin, Ginger, and Stu.

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God in celebration of Zach's birthday by Ben and Lori Smith and in memory of Helen Lacey by Mark Lacey.*

NOTES ABOUT THE MUSIC: Today's shift from the end of the green Pentecost season to the beginning of the new Church Year, Year C, will bring changes to the service music, the tone of our worship, and the focus of the music. We will be singing new-to-Saint Andrew's Magnificat this season as our Song of Praise, as well as a new-to-Saint Andrew's Sanctus by William Mathias, a 20th-century British composer. The 1979 Prayer Book gives us options of speaking or singing a Kyrie, Gloria, or Hymn of Praise at the beginning of the service, as well as an option to chant the Prayers of the People, as we are doing during Advent at 11:15. Another option to be sung is the Fraction Anthem, which takes place at the breaking of the bread after the Eucharistic Prayer and Lord's Prayer. We will sing the Fraction Anthem this season, repeating the antiphon after the Cantor or Priest chants it and again twice more as indicated.

"Sleepers, Wake" is a great classic German hymn tune, set by many composers, from J. S. Bach, in his chorales and cantatas as we will hear today, to Mendelssohn in his oratorio St. Paul, to Jacques Berthier in the Closing Voluntary. The text and tune come from Philipp Nicholai, a pastor in Unna, Westphalia, during a terrible epidemic from July 1597 to January 1598. During that time, more than 1300 people died, and his parsonage overlooked the churchyard where, on some days, 30 people would be interred. He wrote out meditations to comfort those suffering from the pestilence. Parts of the tune may have been borrowed from earlier works, but Nicholai wrote the tune, commonly known as the King of Chorales.

## LOOKING AHEAD

To receive "The Line," our weekly e-newsletter, please email: [office@standrewsbcs.org](mailto:office@standrewsbcs.org)

Morning Prayer is offered Monday through Friday, 8 AM in the church.

Evening Prayer is offered Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 5 PM in the church.

The 9:00 AM & 11:15 AM Sunday services are also live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube and found on our website: [www.standrewsbcs.org](http://www.standrewsbcs.org)

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 1 Advent Wreath Workshop, 10:15 AM in the Parish Hall
- December 4 Installation of "Look for the Light" Art Exhibit by Emily Putman
- December 5 AGO Noontime Advent Recital, 12 PM in the Church
- December 6 First Friday Open Doors, doors open at 6 PM  
CWR Preview Sale, from 6 PM to 8 PM in Parlor and Courtyard  
Blinn Bryan Theatre Troupe presents songs from "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" at 6:30 PM and 7:30 PM in the Church  
Choral Compline by Candlelight, 8:30 PM
- December 7 *Celebrate with Relish – Home for the Holidays!* Sale and Luncheon, doors open at 11 AM
- December 8 Introduction to the Episcopal Church, 10:15 AM in the Sharp Room  
Decorate the Holiday Parade Float, 12:30 PM in the Parking Lot  
Second Sunday Lunch, 12:30 PM at Cilantro Mexican Grill
- December 12 Potluck & Program: "Look for the Light" Art Exhibit by Emily Putman, 5:30 PM  
Handbell Choir performance, 6:30 PM in the Courtyard  
Downtown Bryan Lighted Parade, 7 PM
- December 13 Rudder High School Chorale Holiday Concert, 12 PM in the Church
- December 14 Acolyte Training, 10 AM
- December 15 Children Nativity Play, 10:15 AM  
Family Caroling & Cocoa, 3 PM  
Plass Recital Series: St. Cecilia's Christmas Cantare, 7 PM
- December 17 Bach's Lunch, 12:15 PM
- December 18 The Holy Eucharist at Arbor Oaks, 1:30 PM  
Public Service of Healing with Holy Communion, 5:30 PM
- December 19 Card Committee, 1 PM
- December 20 Third Friday Compline, 8:30 PM

December 21 Brazos Church Pantry, 10 AM

December 24 Christmas Eve Services:  
The Holy Eucharist: Rite I, 3 PM  
The Holy Eucharist: Rite II (Family Friendly), 5 PM  
The Holy Eucharist: Rite I with Choral Eucharist and Incense, 10:30 PM

Dec 24-26 Church Office Closed

December 29 Lesson & Carols with Holy Communion, 9 AM and 11:15 AM

#### WEEKLY MINISTRIES

Sunday The Holy Eucharist, 7:30 AM, 9 AM & 11:15 AM  
Faith Formation for all ages, 10:15 AM

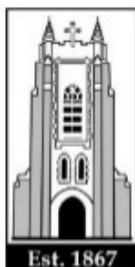
Monday Brotherhood of St. Andrew Bible Study, 6 PM at St. Francis Church

Tuesday Good Grief Group, 10 AM in the Parlor

Wednesday Choir Practice, 3 PM & 7 PM in the Music Room  
Bell Choir, 6 PM in the Sharp Room (except the First Wednesday of the month)  
20/30 Vision, 6 PM in the Upper Room

Thursday Men's Breakfast, 7:00 AM in the Parish Hall  
Ladies Breakfast, 8:30 AM at Toasted Yolk

Friday Music Play with Ms. Patty, 9:30 AM in the Parish Hall



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