



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The First Sunday after
Christmas Day
Morning Prayer, Rite II,
with Lessons and Carols
December 28, 2025
10:30 a.m.

Abbreviations

BCP = Book of Common Prayer (Red Book)

H = Hymnal 1982 (Blue Book)

LEVAS = Lift Every Voice and Sing (Red and Black Book)

WLP = Wonder, Love, and Praise (Green Book)

Prayer Before Worship (BCP, 833)

O Almighty God, who pourest out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to thee, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship thee in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

MORNING PRAYER, RITE II, WITH LESSONS AND CAROLS

Announcements / Prelude

The Word of God

Opening Hymn H 81, Lo, how a Rose (vs. 1, 3)

Opening Sentence BCP 75

Confession of Sin BCP 79

Invitatory BCP 80

Venite BCP 82

Psalm 147:13-21 Insert

First Lesson – Genesis 3:1-23

In the bleak midwinter H 112 (vs. 1, 2)

Second Lesson – Isaiah 40:1-11

Silent night H 111 (vs. 1, 3)

Third Lesson – Isaiah 7:10-15

What child is this H 115 (vs. 1)

Fourth Lesson – Luke 1:5-25

God rest ye merry gentlemen H 105 (vs. 1)

Fifth Lesson – Luke 1:26-38

The angel Gabriel H 265 (vs. 1, 2)

Sixth Lesson – Luke 1:39-46

Good Christian friends H 107 (vs. 1, 3)

Seventh Lesson – Luke 1:57-80

Christians, awake H 106, (vs. 1)

Eighth Lesson – Luke 2:1-20

Away in a manger H 101 (vs. 1, 2)

Ninth Lesson – Luke 2:21-35

Joy to the world H 100 (vs. 1, 4)

Gospel Lesson – John 1:1-18

The snow lay on the ground H 110 (vs. 1)

The Apostle's Creed	BCP 96
The Prayers.....	BCP 97
Suffrages A.....	BCP 97
The Collect of the Day	Insert
A Collect for Sundays.....	BCP 98
A Collect for Mission	BCP 101

Offertory Anthem.	<i>Celtic Christmas Lullaby</i> ¹
The General Thanksgiving.....	BCP 101
A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.....	BCP 102
Concluding Sentence	BCP 102
Closing Hymn...H 99, Go tell it on the mountain	
Postlude	

Psalm 147:13-21

Laudate Dominum

Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; *
praise your God, O Zion;
For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *
he has blessed your children within you.
He has established peace on your borders; *
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
He sends out his command to the earth, *
and his word runs very swiftly.
He gives snow like wool; *
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; *
who can stand against his cold?
He sends forth his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
He declares his word to Jacob, *
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.
He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his
judgments.
Hallelujah!

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Prayer After Worship (BCP, 834)

Grant, we beseech *thee*, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through *thy* grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of *thy* Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Serving Today

<i>Officiant</i>	Jeff Massey
<i>Organist/Pianist</i>	Hannah Massey
<i>Lectors</i>	
<i>Lesson 1:</i>	Connie Hockaday
<i>Lesson 2:</i>	Roy Smith
<i>Lesson 3:</i>	Mary Williams
<i>Lesson 4:</i>	Wayne Knepp
<i>Lesson 5:</i>	Stephanie Smith
<i>Lesson 6:</i>	Anne Williams
<i>Lesson 7:</i>	Kristi Gross
<i>Lesson 8:</i>	Mark DePollo
<i>Lesson 9:</i>	Penny Knepp
<i>Usher</i>	Joseph L. Ilk
<i>Streaming</i>	TBD
<i>Altar Guild</i>	All Teams

Additional Liturgies (Resuming January 7th)

Weekday Eucharist – Wednesday
12:00 pm Celtic Eucharist (Church)

Online Services

Tuesday through Friday
8:30 am Morning Prayer (Zoom)
5:00 pm Evening Prayer (Zoom)

Online Resources

Book of Common Prayer

<https://www.bcponline.org/>

Christ Church Website

<http://www.christchurchspotsy.com/>

Episcopal Church Resources

<https://episcopalchurch.org/resource-library>

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Announcements

Welcome to Christ Church! We are glad to have you worshipping with us this morning. If you would like to be added to our email list, if you have a prayer request, or if you would like to speak with the priest, please fill out a Welcome Card found in the pew and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

The Altar Flowers are given by Cecil & Missie Jarman in celebration of our 59th Anniversary.

Our Treasurer, Mary Williams, is retiring after 40+ years of service to Christ Church. We will have a Celebration Luncheon for her on Sunday, January 11th, after the 10:30am service. There is a sign-up sheet in ASH for a potluck meal. Come and celebrate Mary's contributions to Christ Church.



If you would like to **donate to Christ Church electronically**, please scan the QR Code above with your phone's camera to access our giving page. You can also Text CCSPOTSY to 73256 to donate or go to our website,

<https://www.christchurchspotsy.com/give>.

January Announcements can be picked up in the back of the church, or you can view them online at www.christchurchspotsy.com/sunday-service-bulletin.

If you requested **Giving Envelopes** for your 2026 Annual Giving Pledge, you can pick them up at the back of the church.

On January 6th, Tuesday, we will have a Holy Water Blessing at 4:00 p.m. followed by a Rite I Epiphany service at 5:00 p.m. We will then go outside to our Epiphany bonfire service (weather permitting).

Fr. Daniel will perform house blessings for 2026. If you would like to have your house blessed, contact Fr. Daniel, rector@christchurchspotsy.com or the office at secretary@christchurchspotsy.com.

As people of prayer, we ask your prayers for
Clark, Margaret, May & Valerie, Nancy & James,
Sheri, Sijo, Rolanda (Roe) Alderman, Delmy
Calderas & family, Cullen Creel, Margaret
Curtis, Desiree Daniels, **Alan Demascus**,
Claudia DePollo, Liz DiRusso, Julianna Dove,
Bill Duncan, Perry Duvall, Greyson Earnest,
Donna Ellyson, Calib Garland, Jane George,
William Gibson, Nikki Green, Margaret Hafer,
Christian Hall, Susan Hall, Michelle Hammerle,
Dana Houck, Edd Houck, Oliver Jones, Donna
Kenkel, Lois Kenkel, The Linton Family, Patty
Lucado, Emily McNeill, Hank Mausolf,
Alexandra Midland, Jason Miller, Joy Newlin,
Joe Norris, Ed O'Conner, Judi O'Neill, Rebecca
Patel, Loretta & Roy Perry, Dylan Rodriguez,
Ludovic Sarraz-Bournet, Janet Shipp, Thom
Smelter, **Katrina & Caleb Smith**, Ann & Ron
Tebbutt, Jay Thomas, Sue Ann Thomas,
Saleanma Thurman-Bey, Amy Umberger,
Heather Wells, Heather Whaley, Nancy White,
Charles Wolfe, Elizabeth Womble, Gail
Womble, Elaine Wyant. (New names added are
bolded.)

If you would like to have your name or
somebody else's name added to our published
Prayer List, please contact our secretary, Denise,
at secretary@christchurchspotsy.com; for our
unpublished Prayer Wheel, please contact
Missie Jarman at missiejarman66@gmail.com.

Serving next Sunday, January 4

Lectors Joan Goodbody (8:00)
Martha Clark (OT) (10:30)
Susan Midland (E) (10:30)

Litanist Joseph L. Ilk (8:00)
Linda Rooney (10:30)

Crucifer/Acolyte/Chalice Joseph L. Ilk (8:00)
Crucifer/Chalice Connie Hockaday (10:30)
Acolyte/Chalice Logan Johnson (10:30)

Ushers Frank Stewart (8:00)
Janet Jennings & Lewis Lopez (10:30)

Streaming TBD (10:30)

Altar Guild Wieland Team

¹ *Celtic Christmas Lullaby* by Joel Raney