The Fourth Sunday of Advent

11:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II



What's Happening This Week:

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sunday, December 22	9:30 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm 4:30 pm	Adult Education Holy Eucharist - <i>The Fourth Sunday of Advent</i> Refreshments Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Church Church Church Walnut St.
Monday, December 23	9:00 am 10:00-3:00 5:00 pm	Morning Prayer Church Open Help Decorate the Church for Christmas	Facebook Church
Tuesday, December 24	9:00 am 10:00-3:00 3:00 pm 4:00 pm 8:00 pm	Morning Prayer Church Open Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing Blessing of the Creche The Festival of Lessons and Carols	Facebook Walnut St. Church Church
Wednesday, December 25	10:00 am	Holy Eucharist- Christmas Day	Church
Thursday, December 26	Church & Offices Closed – No Morning Prayer		
Friday, December 27	Church & Offices Closed – No Morning Prayer		
Sunday, December 29	11:00 am 12:00 pm 4:30 pm	Holy Eucharist – First Sunday after Christmas Refreshments Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Church Church Walnut St.

PARTICIPANTS

Gail Caruso & Marshall McMain, Lectors Shreve Simpson, Intercessor Connor Gardner, Acolyte Nancy Rasmussen & David Otwell, Usher Boyden Gardner, Streaming Jeannie Welsh, Refreshments

WELCOME

WE ARE GLAD THAT YOU ARE HERE!

OUR VIVID VISION

This was created in 2022 in collaboration with the Rectors, Wardens & Vestry and is intended to describe where we will be in 3 years.

The church is bursting with life. Outside the building, people are talking, resting, and enjoying the weather. Inside, people are coming and going – staff and volunteers connecting and welcoming. Families, students, working professionals, retirees and neighbors mingle with each other, finding resources they need: safety and support, education, and creative outlets. Visitors and members alike find a place to make a difference and share their gifts with each other. The smell of delicious food wafts through the air as the chefs prepare the community meal for the day. Visitors from all over the world are marveling at the beautiful interior of the sanctuary. Worshippers are laughing, singing, praising, and just enjoying being together. The delicate sounds of violin mingle with the robust organ and the echoes of voices. We are more than just a place on the Square. We are an integral part of the neighborhood.

CORE VALUES

INCLUSION/WELCOME

We believe that no one should feel left out or alone. We embrace our differences and respect each person within our community. This allows everyone to bring their unique and authentic gifts to further the mission of the church.

INNOVATION

We are not afraid of trying new things or changing when necessary. If things do not work out, we are open to re-evaluate, learn from our mistakes, and try again.

COLLABORATION

We listen to and support one another, working and evolving together. We build upon each other's strengths and lift up each other's gifts.

COMMUNITY MINDEDNESS

Church is not an individual endeavor, but a community experience. We believe that we cannot each succeed or be whole, unless everyone finds success and wholeness.

CULTURE

Joyful

We are hopeful, optimistic, and have fun together. Being part of this community gives us joy, and our joy spreads to others and makes us want to share joy with them.

FEARLESS

We are innovative, purposeful and adaptable. We believe that with God all things are possible and that with prayer and connection to God we will always have enough. We are not afraid of trying new things or of failing. We learn from our mistakes. We reach out to others drawing them in, not waiting for them to find us.

EMBRACING

We love others, because God loves us. This means that we are accepting, welcoming, open, genuine, and empathetic. We speak the truth in love.

ENGAGED

Our connection to this organization is full of energy. We give without expectation of return. We continuously learn about the community and our neighbors and adapt our connections as needed. We all contribute our time, money and skills to make our community better.

Prelude

Welcome & Parish Notices

Lighting the Advent Wreath - Advent 4

Presider Jesus said, I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.

People By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.

Presider: Loving God, your mercy and compassion endure forever. Open our hearts, that we may receive your love; and following the example of your Son, spread that love to a world that longs for your love. **Amen**.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

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	5 high, and close the path to mis	- er - y. Re - joice! Re - joice!	
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Opening Acclamation

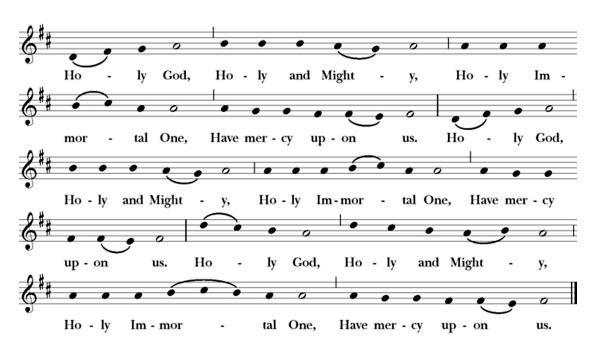
PresiderBlessed are you, holy and living One.PeopleYou come to your people and set them free.

Collect for Purity

Presider 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**.

Trisagion S-100

David Hurd



Collect of the Day

- *Presider* The Lord be with you.
- People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

Please be seated for the readings.

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson: Micah 5:2-5a

Gail Caruso

Reader A reading from the Book of Micah.

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle

The Song of Mary

Kingsfold





Epistle: Hebrews 10:5-10

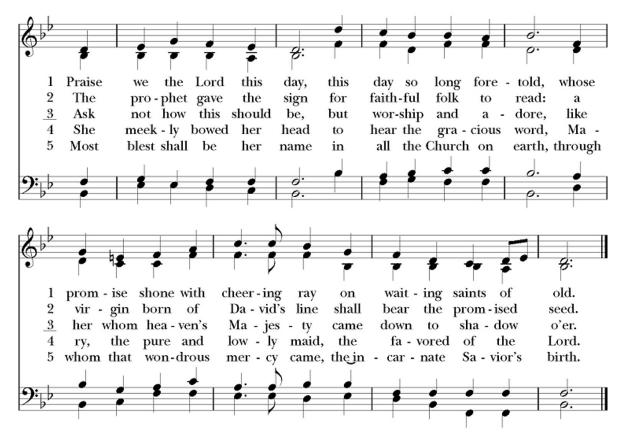
Marshall McMain

Reader A reading from the book of Hebrews.

When Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Please rise in body or in spirit



The Gospel: Luke 1:39-55

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

CelebrantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

At the conclusion of the Gospel procession, the people are seated.

The Sermon

The Reverend Rachel Wenner Gardner

After a period of silence, Please rise in body or in spirit for the Creed.

The Nicene Creed

All 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 word 'catholic' refers to the universal church and not the Roman Catholic church.

Prayers of the People, Advent 4

Leader In the hushed anticipation of your coming, O Lord, kindle in us the desire to remain awake; that we might be ready for your coming, and eager to pray.

Leader O God, in days to come the mountain of your house will be established, and your joy shall reign. We pray for the Church, that you might teach us your ways and that we might walk in your path.

People Come Lord Jesus and help us discern.

Leader Out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and you, O God, shall judge between the nations. We pray for our nation, and all nations, for those in the armed forces in at home and abroad, and those in Ukraine, that your peace would be manifest in every corner of the earth.

People Come Lord Jesus and redeem us for our life together.

- Leader In your Kingdom, O Lord, wolves lie down with lambs and children play with serpents without fear. We pray for the sick, the suffering, and those in distress of any kind, especially all who have asked for our prayer: Bob, Evelyn, Ruben, Patricia, Damon, Lexi, Arthea, David, Marti, Miller, Treshawn, Chelby, Jim, Diana, The Glenn Family, Emily, Michael, Arlene, Thomas, Robert, Barry, Sydney, Sonia, Mindy, Christopher, Cari, Richard, Pat, Margaret; that you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs.
- *People* Come Lord Jesus and bring your healing love and mercy to us all.
- Leader In your Kingdom, O Lord, even the wilderness and dry land are glad and rejoice. We pray for all who rejoice this week, for those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, and other joyous occasions, that we all might obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing might flee away.

People Come Lord Jesus and light our hearts with gladness and joy.

- *Leader* In the fulness of time, O God, you sent your son, to be born of our sister Mary. And his name was Emmanuel: God With Us. We thank you for your Presence with us, and we pray that you might be always present with those whom we love but see no longer.
- People Come Lord Jesus and shine your light on all who sit in darkness and the shadow of death.
- Officiant O Christ, hear our prayers, restore us, and show us the glorious light of your countenance, that we might be saved.

People Come Lord Jesus. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All 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.

Absolution

Presider 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

PresiderThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Advent Offertory Sentence

Presider In the tender compassion of our God, the dayspring from on high shall break upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death and guide our feet into the way of peace. *Luke* 1:78-79.

The Offertory

The offerings we give help to support the work this church does, the people who work here, and our programs for the neighborhood. If you wish to help support our amazing programs, you can put something in the plate, text CHT DONATE to 73256 or using the QR code to the right. You can also sign up to give regularly with REALM (www.htrit.org/give).



Offertory Anthem

Angelus ad Virginem

Andrew Carter

Angelus ad virginem Sub intrans in conclave, Virginis formidinem Demulcens, in quit, "Ave! Ave regina virginum; Coeli terrae que Dominum Concipies et paries Intacta Salutem hominum Tu porta coeli facta, Medela criminum."

> "Quomodo conciperem Quae virum non cognovi?

The angel came to the Virgin, entering secretly into her room; the Virgin's fear calming, he said, "Hail! Hail, queen of virgins: you will conceive the Lord of heaven and earth and bear him, still a virgin, to be the salvation of mankind; you will be made the gate of heaven, the cure of sins."

> "How can I conceive, When I have never known a man?

Qualiter in fringerem Quod firmamente vovi?" "Spiritus Sancti gratia Perfici et haec omnia; Ne timeas, Sed gaudeas, Secura Quod castimonia Manebit in te pura Dei potentia."

Ad haec virgo nobislis Respondens in quit ei: "Ancilla sum humilis Omnipotentis Dei. Tibi coelesti nuntio, Tanti secreti conscio, Consentiens, Et cupiens Videre Factum quod audio; Parata sum parere, Dei consilio."

Eia mater Domini, Quae pacem rededisti Angelis et homini, Cum Christum genuisti; Tuum exora filium Ut se nobis propitium Exhibeat, Et deleat Peccata: Praestans auxilium Vita frui beata Post hoc exilium. Deo Gratias! How can I transgress resolutions that I have vowed with a firm mind?" "The grace of the Holy Spirit shall do all this. Do not be afraid, but rejoice without a care, since your chastity will remain in you unspoilt through the power of God."

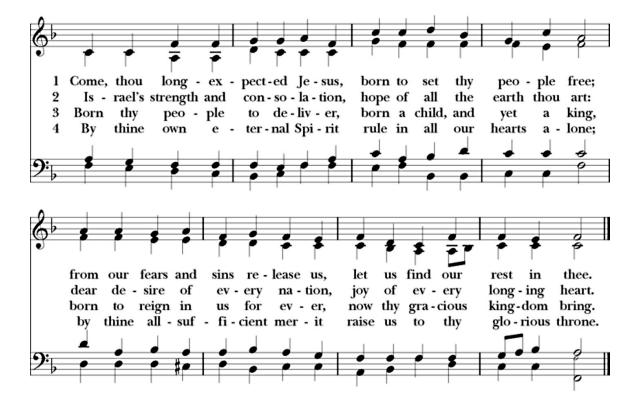
To this, the noble Virgin, replying, said to him, "I am the humble maidservant of almighty God. To you, heavenly messenger, and bearer of such a great secret, I give my consent, and wishing to see done what I hear, I am ready to obey the will of God."

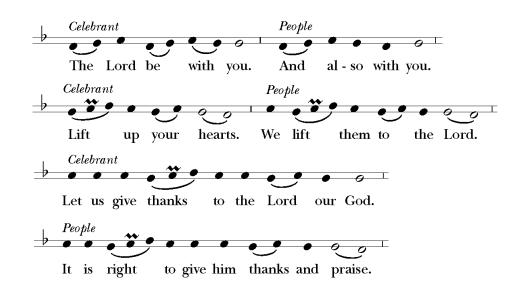
> Hail, Mother of our Lord, who brought peace back to angels and men when you bore Christ! Pray your son that he may show favor to us and blot out our sins, giving us help to enjoy a blessed life after this exile. Thanks be to God!

Please rise in body or in spirit

Offertory Hymn 66

Stuttgart

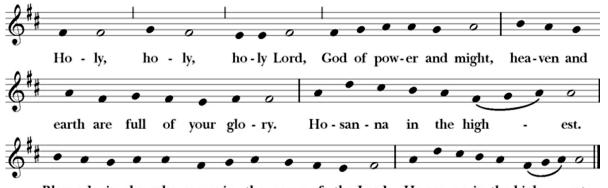




Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. 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:

The Sanctus S-124

Hurd



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Celebrant 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:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant 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.
All AMEN.

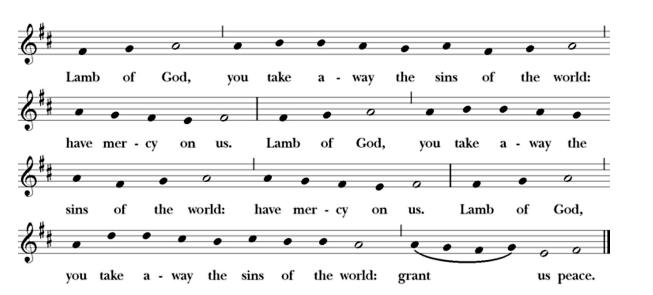
The Lord's Prayer

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

All 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem S-161



Hurd

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant Come to this table, all who have much faith and all who would like to have more; all who have been to this sacrament often and all who have not been for a long time. Christ loves you and invites you to meet him here.

Please be seated.

Distribution of Communion

If you wish to receive communion, please follow the directions of the ushers and go to the altar rail to receive. You can receive bread and/or wine, depending on your preference. If you wish to receive the wine, you can retain your wafer and dip it in the cup or drink directly from the cup. If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing, please let the priest know. We will bring communion to those who are more comfortable staying in their pew (please alert an usher).



Communion Anthem

Thou Shalt Know Him

Thou shalt know him when he comes, Not by any din of drums, Nor his manners, nor his airs, Nor by any thing he wears.

Thou shalt know him when he comes, Not by his crown or by his gown, But his coming known shall be, By the holy harmony Which his coming makes in thee. Thou shalt know him when he comes. Amen.

At the invitation of the Celebrant, Please rise in body or in spirit

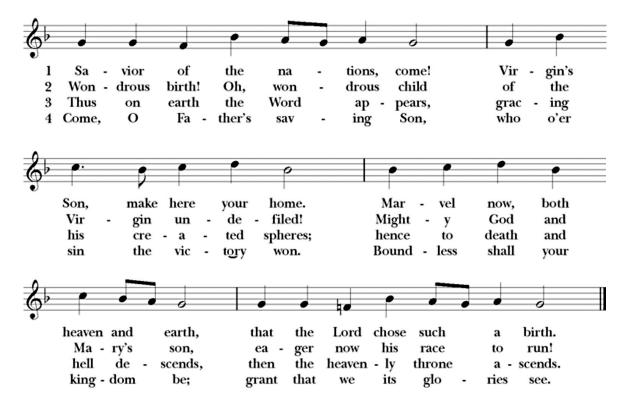
Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant May Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path. God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be upon you, the Spirit's outpouring be over you, now and always. **Amen.**



The Dismissal

Presider Go in peace rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.*People* Thanks be to God.

Postlude Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661 Johann Sebastian Bach

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CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

If you wish to give a memorial or honorary gift and help decorate the church for Christmas you can use the envelope in the back of the church or TEXT FLOWERS to 73256

CHRISTMAS SERVICE SCHEDULE

Monday, December 23 5:00 pm - Help Decorate the Church

Tuesday, December 24

4:00 pm Blessing of the Creche8:00 pm Service of Lessons and Carols

Wednesday, December 25 10:00 am Holy Eucharist – Christmas Day

Adult Education - Walk in Love

Join us Sundays @ 9:30 am or Wednesdays @7:00 pm <u>Schedule for Dec/Jan: SUNDAY</u> <u>December 29 - Christmas Break</u> Jan 5 - Both in Mind and Body - Healing Jan 12 - For the Benefit of Your Holy Church - Ordination January 19 - Accept the Prayers of Your People- The Daily Office and Daily Prayer January 26 All Times Are Your Seasons - The Church Calendar and the Liturgical Year

Schedule for Dec/Jan: WEDNESDAYS

December 25, January 1 – Christmas Break January 8 – Both in Mind and Body - Confession Jan 15 – For the Benefit of Your Holy Church – Ordination January 22 – Accept the Prayers of Your People- The Daily Office and Daily Prayer January 29 – No Class (Rachel will be out of town)

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