The Church of the Holy Trinit

The First Sunday after The Epiphany The Baptism of Our Lord

11:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II



January 12, 2025

What's Happening This Week:

Morning Prayer is held every weekday at 9:00 am on Facebook.

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sunday, January 12	9:30 am 11:00 am	Adult Education: For the Benefit of Your Holy Church - Ordination Holy Eucharist - The Baptism of our Lord	Church Church
	12:00 pm 4:00 pm	Refreshments Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Church Centennial Room
Monday, January 13	10:00-3:00	Church Open	
Tuesday, January 14	10:00-3:00 3:00 pm	Church Open Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Centennial Room
Wednesday, January 15	10:00-3:00 7:00 p.m.	Church Open Adult Education: For the Benefit of Your Holy Church - Ordination	Parish House
Thursday, January 16	10:00-3:00 12:15 p.m.	Church Open Healing Prayer Service	Prayer Corner
Friday, January 17	8:00 p.m.	Philadelphia Voices of Pride Concert	Church
Saturday, January 18	1:00 pm 8:00 pm	Camerata Philadelphia Concert Philadelphia Voices of Pride Concert	Church Church
Sunday, January 19	9:30 am	Adult Education: Accept the Prayers of Your People – The Daily Office and Daily Prayer	Church
	11:00 am 12:00 pm 4:00 pm	Holy Eucharist – The Second Sunday after the Epiphar Refreshments Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	cy Church Church Centennial Room

TODAY'S PARTICIPANTS

Marshall McMain & Veronica Aplenc, Lectors
Sally Griffith, Intercessor
Martha Lipscomb & David Otwell, Usher
Boyden Gardner, Streaming
The Lipscomb Family, Acolyte Team
Monica Heuer, Refreshments

WELCOME

WE ARE GLAD THAT YOU ARE HERE!

We ask that you turn off or silence your Cell Phone during the service. Thank you!

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

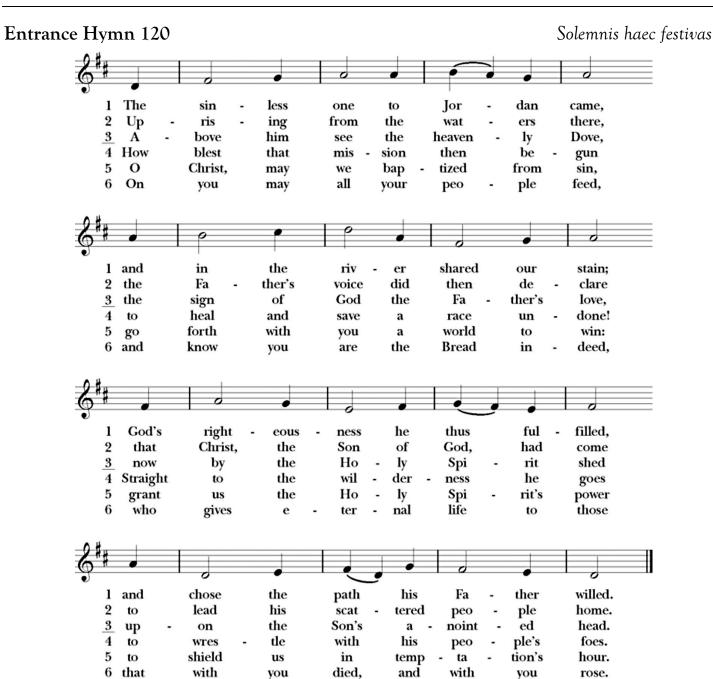
We love others, because God loves us. This means that we are accepting, welcoming, open, genuine, and empathetic. We speak the truth in love.

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.

Welcome & Parish Notices

THE ENTRANCE RITE



Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be God's kingdom now and for ever. Amen

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.**

Gloria - Hymn 421

Allein Gott in der Höh



Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen**.

Please be seated for the readings.

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson: Isaiah 43:1-7 Marshall McMain

Reader A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth-

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

everyone who is called by my name,

whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Psalm 29 Afferte Domino

The antiphon is sung once by the choir and then by all. The choir sings the verses and all join on the antiphon as indicated.



- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, * ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; * worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; * the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; * the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; * the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, * and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

Antiphon

- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; * the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe * and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord * all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; * the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; * the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Antiphon

Epistle: Acts 8:14-17

Veronica Aplenc

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please rise in body or in spirit.

Sequence Hymn 121

Caithness



The Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy

Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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

The Sermon The Rev. John Gardner

After a period of silence, please rise in body or in spirit.

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 Prayers of the People, Form III

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially Jamie,

Patty, Micola, Michael, Jessica, Richard, Kathy, Lisa, Katie, Bob, Evelyn, Ruben, Patricia, Damon, Lexi, Arthea, David, Marti, Miller, Treshawn, Chelby, Evelyn,

Jim, Diana, The Glenn Family, Sydney, Sonia, Cari, Pat

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest.

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom

Presider O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of

your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and

Holy Spirit, now and for ever. 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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

You are invited to connect with your neighbors by waving, showing the peace sign, or using fist or elbow bumps. Following the Peace, the people are seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Presider

Gracious God, as we bring our offerings before you, we remember the baptism of Jesus and the gift of the Holy Spirit descending like a dove. May our gifts today be filled with the same Spirit, spreading your love and grace to all who are touched by them. We pray that this offering serves your kingdom and reflects the promise of your beloved Son in the world. We pray in your holy name. Amen. Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Anthem Joys Seven Stephen Cleobury

The first good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of one; to see the blessed Jesus Christ when he was first her son.

Refrain – and blessed may he be, both Father, Son and Holy Ghost, to all eternity.

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of two; to see her own son, Jesus Christ to make the lame to go. *Refrain*

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of three; to see her own son, Jesus Christ to make the blind to see. *Refrain*

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of four; to see her own son, Jesus Christ to read the bible o'er. *Refrain*

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of five; to see her own son, Jesus Christ to bring the dead alive. *Refrain*

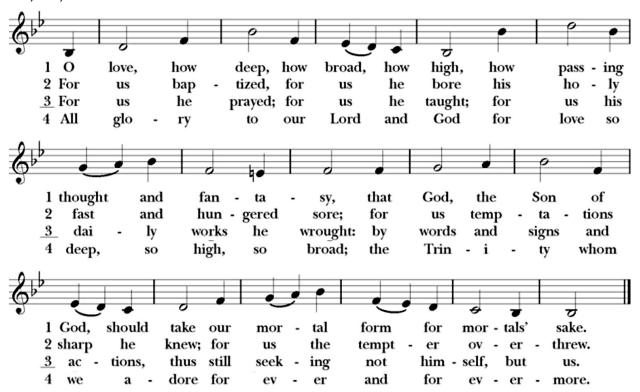
The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of six; to see her own son, Jesus Christ upon the crucifix. *Refrain*

The next good joy that Mary had, it was the joy of seven, to see her own son, Jesus Christ to wear the crown of heaven. *Refrain*

All rise in body or in spirit

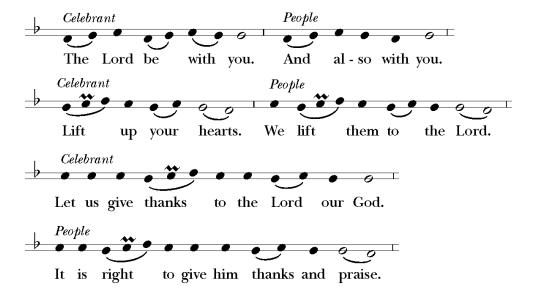
Offertory Hymn 448

Deus tuorum militum



The Great Thanksgiving

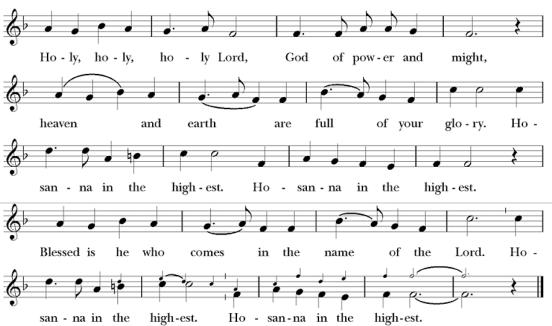
Eucharistic Prayer B



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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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-125 Richard Proulx



Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

All We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.

Celebrant

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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.

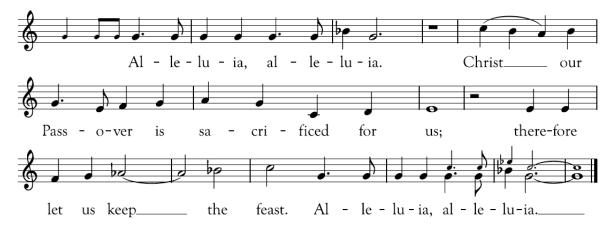
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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 David Hurd



Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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

I wonder as I wander

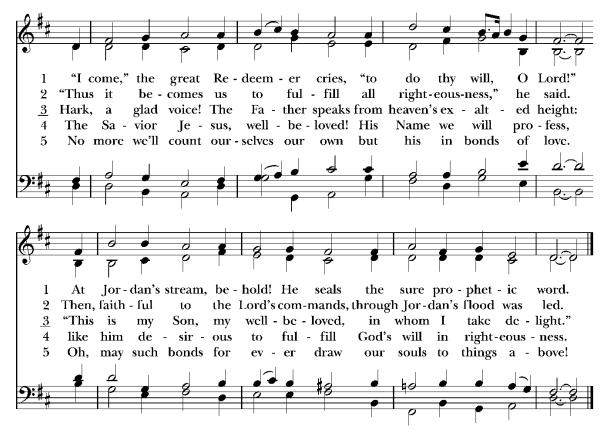
arr. John Rutter

I wonder as I wander, out under the sky, how Jesus the Saviour did come for to die for poor on'ry people like you and like I. I wonder as I wander out under the sky.

When Mary birthed Jesus, 'twas in a cow's stall, with wise men and farmers and shepherds and all. But high from the heavens a star's light did fall, and promise of ages it then did recall.

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing, a star in the sky, or a bird on the wing, or all of God's angels in heaven for to sing, he surely could have it, 'cause he was the King.

Communion Hymn 116



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.

Blessing

Celebrant

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and mind in the knowledge and love of God and of his son, Jesus Christ; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and those you love, now and forever. Amen.



Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Noël: Votre bonté grand dieu Claude Balbastre

Healing Prayer – all who wish to receive prayers for healing for themselves, a loved one or even the world, are invited to john a member of the clergy and/or the healing team in the Prayer Corner (to the right of the altar area) after the service.

About this service...

Service: Everything you need for the service is in this bulletin. If you have questions or need assistance, please ask one of the ushers (who handed you this bulletin) or a neighbor in your pew.

Children are always welcome in our worship service and we love to hear their joyful sounds and see their wiggly ways! We have books for all ages and activity bags in the back for children who wish to stay with their families during the service. We also have the "Pew Pen" in the front of the church for those we need a little more space to move around.

Restrooms are located at the front of the church. Walk down the left aisle toward the door with the EXIT sign. Go through the door and turn left. Men's room is straight ahead, women's to the right. If you prefer a gender-neutral bathroom, please ask our ushers to show you where this is.

Offering: Halfway through the service you will notice that we pass a plate around to collect the offering. The offerings we give help to support to 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).



Communion: All who are baptized in any Christian tradition are welcome to join us for communion (all ages are welcome). If you prefer a blessing, please let one of the clergy know. We will share the bread and wine at the altar rail at the front of the church. Gluten free wafers are available. If you are unable to come to the front, or prefer to stay in your pew we will bring communion to you.

Winter Coat Drive for Open Hearts Café

Got any winter jackets or coats you don't wear anymore? Donate them to Open Hearts today! To help our guests face the coming winter days, Open Hearts Café has begun a winter coat drive. Please bring any winter coats you'd like to donate to the church between Mondays and Thursdays, from 10:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m.

Giving Tree

You can give a tangible gift to support the work and ministry of our church. Check the Giving Tree in the back of the Church for more ideas. Gifts you can give include: oats, mittens, scarves, and hats for our neighbors; toiletries & travel-sized necessities; and prepackaged snacks or ground coffee for our Front Desk.

Upcoming Adult Education Classes

January 15

For the Benefit of Your Holy Church - Ordination

January 19/22

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

January 29

No Class (Rachel will be out of town)

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