

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



December 3, 2023 10:15 AM

ST. CHRYSOSTOM'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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WORSHIP AT ST. CHRYSOSTOM'S

Welcome to St. Chrysostom's Episcopal Church in the city of Chicago!

We're glad you've come to worship with us today! Please be sure to introduce yourself if you are new to our community or visiting. You can find out about all that's happening in the life of our church by reviewing the announcement section at the back of this service leaflet.

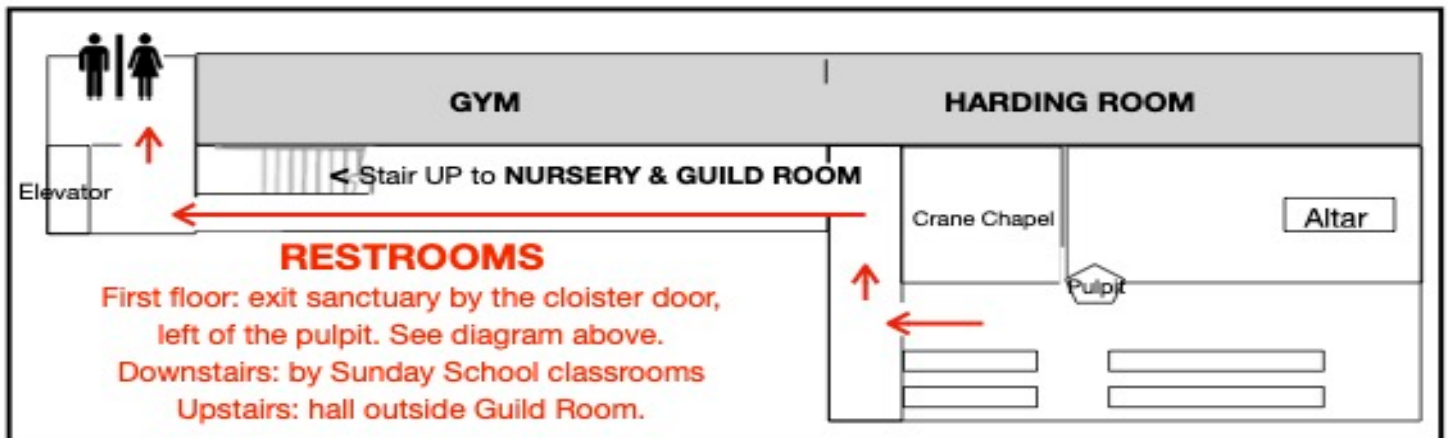
HELPFUL NOTES

Communion: All baptized people and all those seeking a deeper relationship with Christ are invited to receive the Bread and Wine made holy. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer instead to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest. A Chalice will be available on each side of the clergy at the Chancel step for those who wish to receive the Wine; we ask that you do not intinct (dip), but simply drink from the Chalice.

Offering: Giving back to God through pledges and tithes is one of the privileges of being a member of God's family. We want our guests to feel no pressure to give. Offerings can be made electronically by QR Code, texting GIFTSTC to 73256 or at <https://onrealm.org/SaintC/give/offertory>

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CHORAL EUCHARIST, RITE II



THE PRELUDE

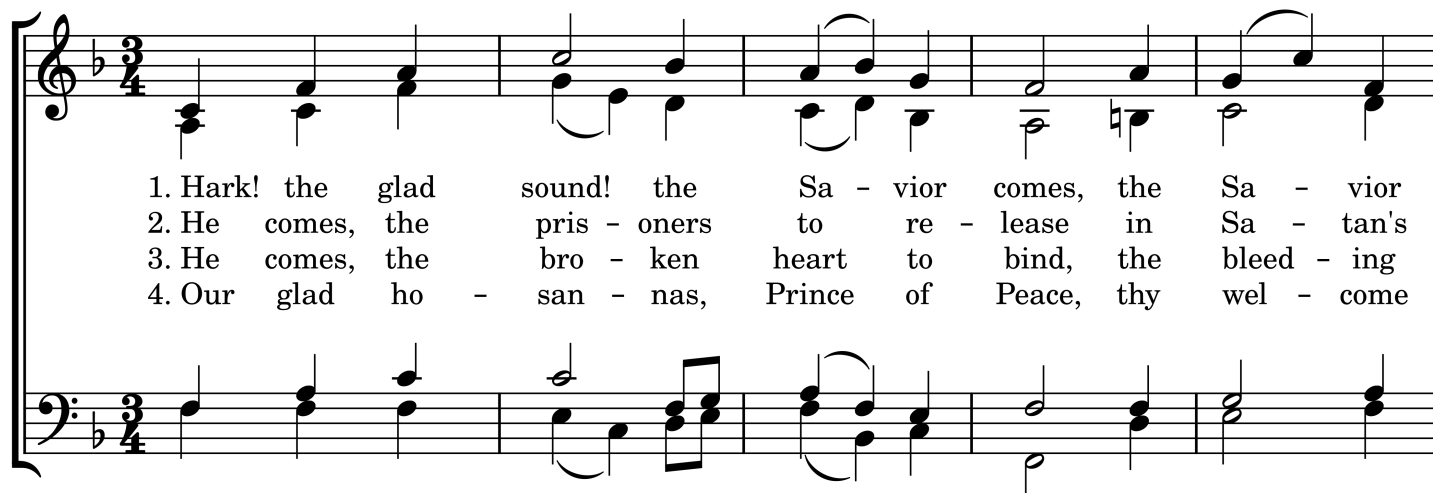
Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme

J. S. Bach

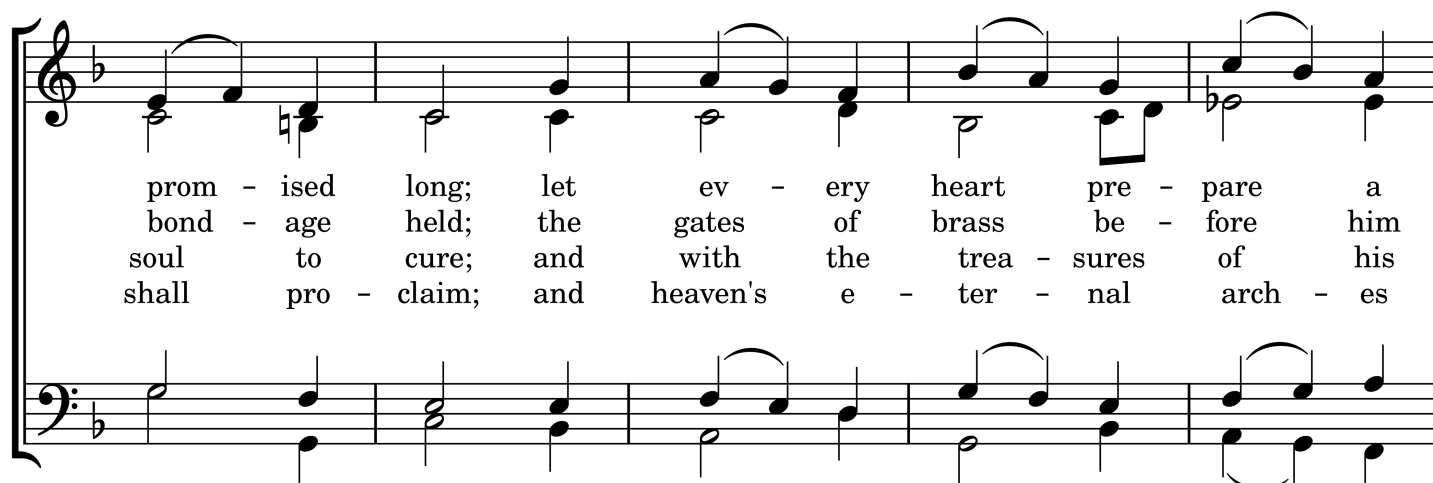
The People stand. Children in PreK - third grade are invited to follow the small cross at the end of the procession to Sunday School. Two-year-olds welcome, accompanied by an adult.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

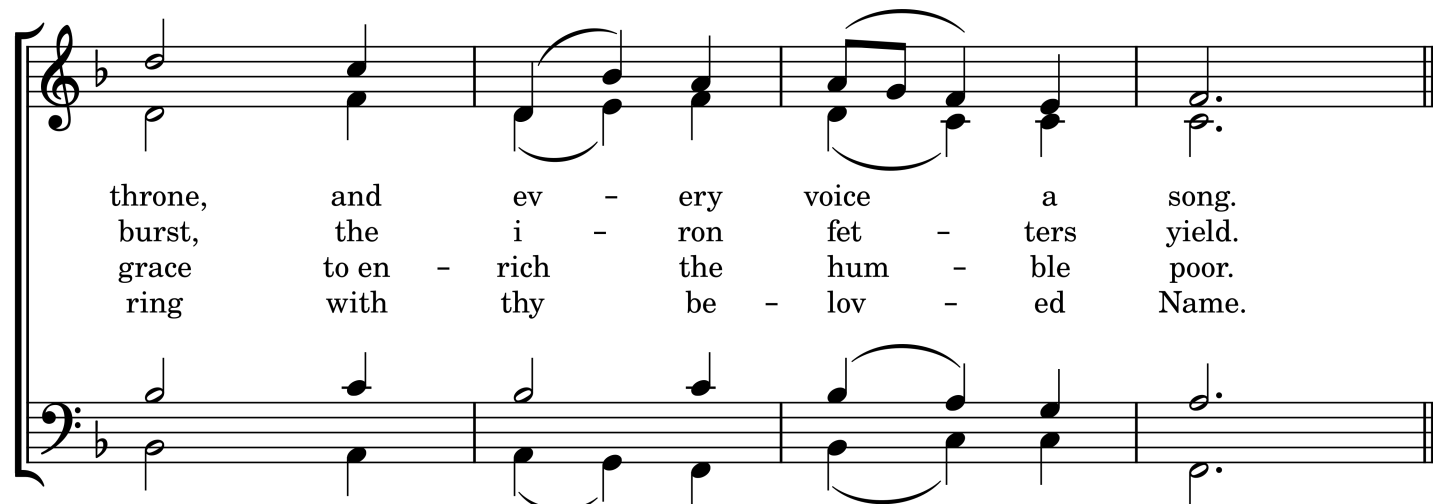
RICHMOND



1. Hark! the glad sound! the Sa - vior comes, the Sa - vior
2. He comes, the pris - oners to re - lease in Sa - tan's
3. He comes, the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed - ing
4. Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, thy wel - come



prom - ised long; let ev - ery heart pre - pare a
bond - age held; the gates of brass be - fore him
soul to cure; and with the trea - sures of his
shall pro - claim; and heaven's e - ter - nal arch - es



throne, and ev - ery voice a song.
burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.
grace to en - rich the hum - ble poor.
ring with thy be - lov - ed Name.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant says

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.**

THE TRISAGION

New Plainsong

David Hurd

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Music: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950). Copyright © 1981 GIA Publications, Inc.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 WORD OF GOD ✠

The People sit

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 64:1-9

The Lector says A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence--as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil--to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph / like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon / the cherubim.

In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin and Ma/nasseh, *
stir up your strength and come / to help us.

Restore us, O / God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance and / we shall be saved.

O Lord / God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered despite the prayers / of your people?

You have fed them with the / bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls / of tears to drink.

You have made us the derision of our / neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh / us to scorn.

Restore us, O / God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and / we shall be saved.

Let your hand be upon the man of your / right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong / for yourself.

And so will we never turn a/way from you; *
give us life, that we may call / upon your Name.

Restore us, O / God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and / we shall be saved.

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

The Lector says A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The People stand

GRADUAL HYMN

STUTT GART



1 Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art:
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;



from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

THE GOSPEL Mark 13:24-37

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “In those days, after that suffering,
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,
and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory.
Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the
ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth
its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking
place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will
not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.

“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son,
but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come.
It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge,
each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore,
keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the
evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep
when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

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

The People sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Will Bouvel
Associate Rector

The People stand

THE NICENE CREED

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 IV*

The Intercessor says Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth,
live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence is kept

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence is kept

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence is kept

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence is kept

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for Audrey, Barbara, Beth, Bill, Bob, The Chester family and Lili, Chuck, Cindy, David, Donald, Dorothy, Ed, Geraldine, Happy, Jan, Jeannine, Jenny and her family, Jill and her family, Joan, Jodi, John, Justin, Kate and her family, Leah and her family, Love, Lynn, Malcolm, Marguerite, Peggy B., Petra, Ray, Taylor & Michael, Tom, Richard, Tom, Tye, and Wende and her family; are there others?

Silence is kept

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

We pray for those who have died as a result of gun violence in our city this past week: Jeremiah Davis (26), Rashad Dorsey (14), Brian Hill (23), Cesar A. Patino (72), Kenneth Sandy (30), Leontaye Taylor (16), Enrique David Victor (21), Miguel Villegas (24), and three people whose names are unknown to us at this time, but who are forever known to you, O Lord.

Silence is kept

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant concludes

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.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

A Minister says Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People may kneel or remain standing

A brief period of silence is kept, after which the Ministers and People say in unison:

**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 Celebrant 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

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

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord

The People may be seated for the Welcome & Announcements

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Anyone celebrating a birthday or anniversary is encouraged to come forward

O God, our times are in your hand:

Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as *they* begin another year.

Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace,

**and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE OFFERTORY



Offering baskets will be distributed to the congregation.

Offerings can also be made by QR Code, texting **GIFTSTC** to **73256** or
at <https://onrealm.org/SaintC/give/offertory>

ANTHEM

Wachet auf! ruft uns die Stimme

J.S. Bach

*"Sleepers, wake!" a voice astounds us,
the shout of rampart guards surrounds us:*

"Awake, Jerusalem, arise!"

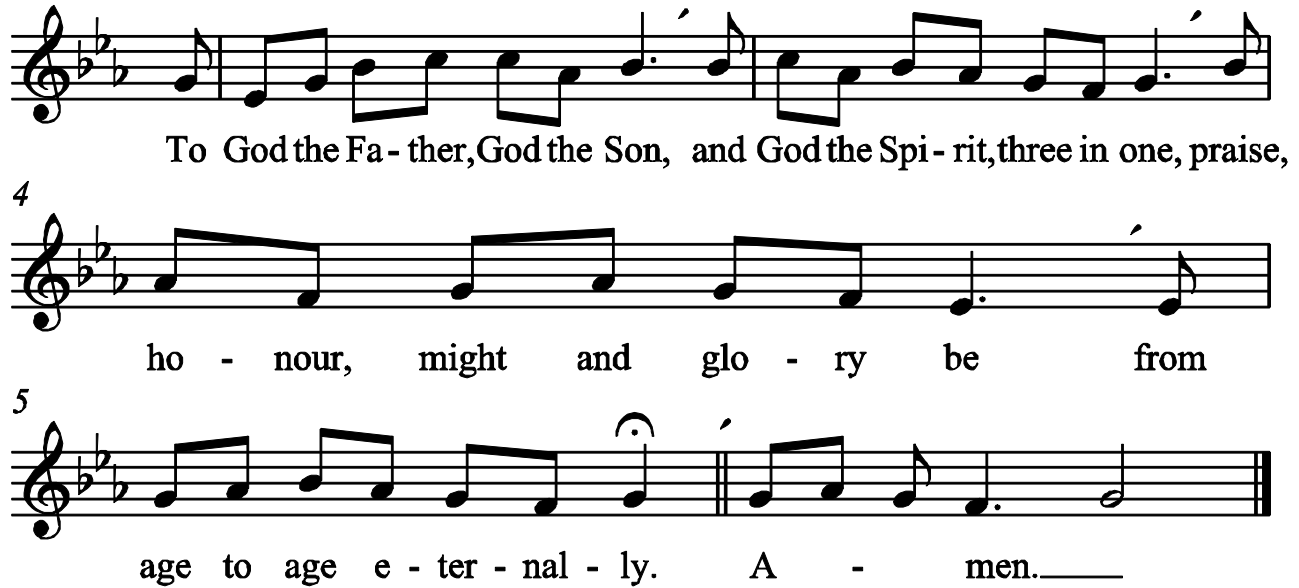
*Midnight's peace their cry has broken,
their urgent summons clearly spoken:
The time has come, O maidens wise!*

*Rise up, and give us light;
the Bridegroom is in sight. Alleluia!
Your lamps prepare and hasten there,
that you the wedding feast may share.*

The People stand. As the Offering is brought forward, children of all ages are encouraged to follow the Ushers forward and join the Ministers at the Altar for the Eucharistic Prayer

THE DOXOLOGY

CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM



The musical notation is written on three staves in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the text. The second staff begins with a measure rest marked '4' and continues the melody. The third staff begins with a measure rest marked '5' and concludes the piece with a double bar line. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, three in one, praise,
4 ho - nour, might and glo - ry be from
5 age to age e - ter - nal - ly. A - men._____



THE HOLY COMMUNION



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B

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 our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where 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:

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts: heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.*

*Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

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,

**We remember his death,
People We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

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 John Chrysostom and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; 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. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *said by all*

The Celebrant says

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

**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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

The Celebrant offers the following Invitation

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The People kneel or sit in preparation to receive Holy Communion. When the time comes for your pew to come forward, please receive the Sacrament from the station along the front aisle that is closest to you.
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

AGNUS DEI

Darke

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.*

At the invitation of the Celebrant, the People stand

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

said in unison

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.

THE FINAL BLESSING

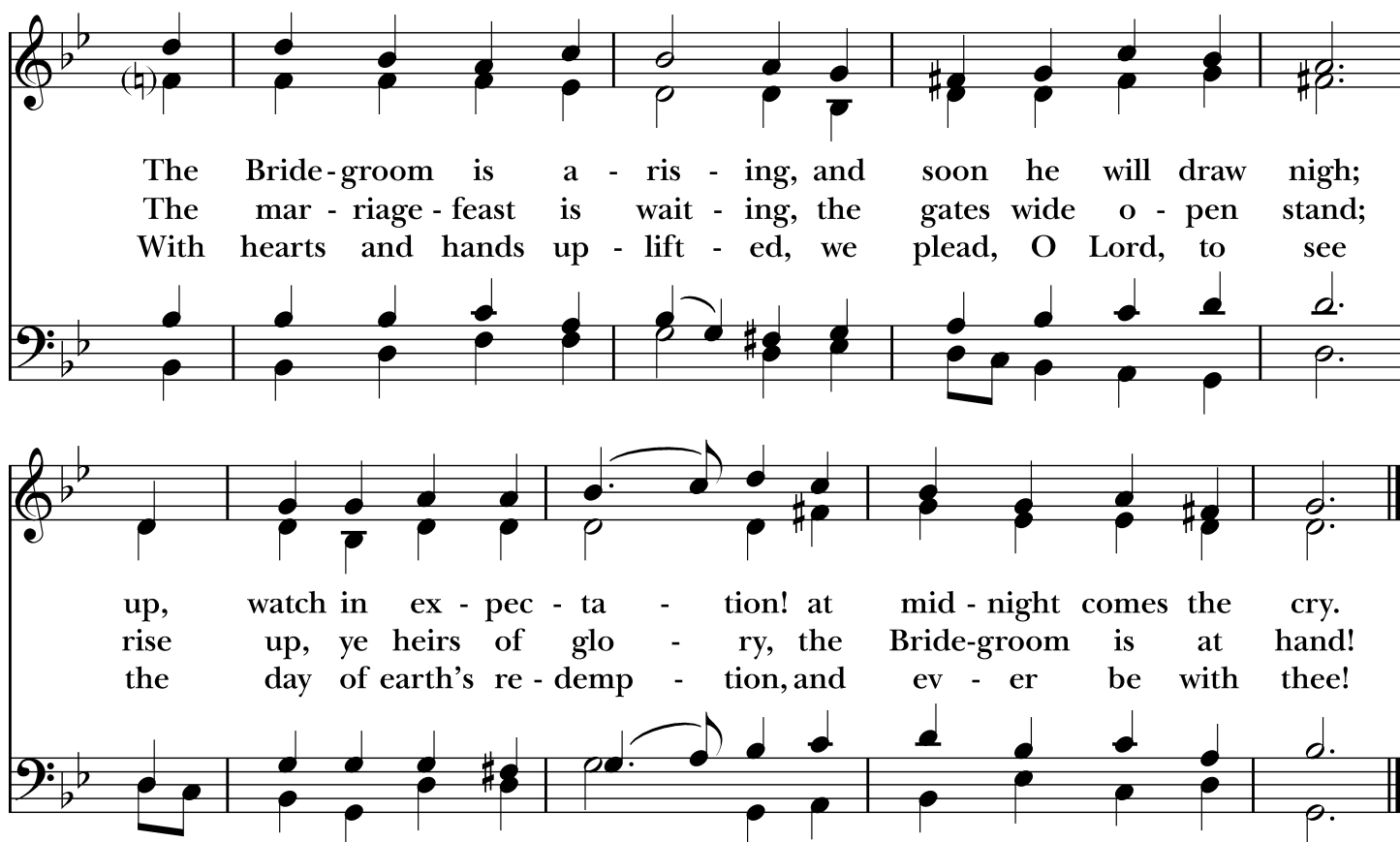
The Celebrant pronounces God's blessing upon the People

FINAL HYMN

LLANGLOFFAN

1 Re - jice! re - jice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear!
2 See that your lamps are burn - ing, re - ple-nish them with oil;
3 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;

The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
look now for your sal - va - tion, the end of sin and toil.
a - rise, thou Sun so longed for, a - bove this dark - ened sphere!



The Bride-groom is a - ris - ing, and soon he will draw nigh;
 The mar - riage - feast is wait - ing, the gates wide o - pen stand;
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see
 up, watch in ex - pec - ta - tion! at mid - night comes the cry.
 rise up, ye heirs of glo - ry, the Bride-groom is at hand!
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion, and ev - er be with thee!

Words: Laurentius Laurenti (1660-1722); tr. Sarah B. Findlater (1823-1907), alt. Music: *Llangloffan*, melody from *Hymnau a Thonau er Gwasanaeth yr Eglwys yng Nghymru*, 1865.

THE DISMISSAL

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
 People Thanks be to God.

The Ministers and Choir process from the Sanctuary during the Postlude

THE POSTLUDE

Fantasia on *Wachet auf! ruft uns die Stimme*

Piet Kee



Flowers in the Narthex at this morning's services are given by Beverly, Jeanne, Kathy, and Dan in loving memory of their dear daughter and sister, Lynda.

Flowers in the St. Chrysostom's Chapel at this morning's services are given by Priscilla Read and Thomas Weiss in loving memory of Melvin Gray, a cherished member of the Sunday morning Bible study group.

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SERVICE

The Rt. Rev. Wayne M. Hougland, Jr., *Celebrant*
The Rev. Will Bouvel, *Preacher*

The Choir of St. Chrysostom's Church
Richard Barrick Hoskins, *Director of Music & Organist*
Thomas Colao, *Associate Director of Music & Organist*

Mike Sammon, *Acolyte*

Angie Yorath & Liz Cramton, *Lectors*

Karen Meader, *Intercessor*

Dorothy Ramm, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*

Geoff Euston, Brian Quinlan & Pat Schenk, *Ushers*

Adam & Liz Cramton, Whitney Fershee, *Altar Guild*

Elizabeth Richter & Angie Yorath, *Flower Guild*

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J. S. Bach: Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme

J. S. Bach: Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme *Cantata 140*

Harold Darke: Communion Service in E *Collegium Regale*

Piet Kee: Fantasia on Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme

THE CHOIR

Anna Kain, Patty Kennedy, Erica Schuller, Emily Thompson

Amber Farish, Luke Lemmeier, Lili Schiller

Chuck Chandler, Charles Cooney, Jianghai Ho

Ed Frazier Davis, Mark Haddad, Gabriel Reitmeier

The six Schübler Chorales is a collection of chorale preludes for organ transcribed by **J. S. Bach** from various movements of his cantatas. This collection was published, one of a just a few works actually published during his lifetime. Each of the chorales presents the melody in a very straightforward way as it would have been sung by soloist, while the other voices recreate the orchestral parts. The most famous of these, of course, is *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme*, his setting of the Advent chorale. One of his most well-known and beloved works, it is his transcription of a movement from his Cantata 140. In the original version the melody was sung by the Tenors over the instantly recognizable accompaniment. In this organ version, the melody is heard in the tenor voice on a solo stop and the famous accompaniment is heard in the right hand and pedal.

The Choir sings the first movement of Cantata 140, *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme*, one of Bach's most inspired and glorious works. This opening movement is essentially an overture to the cantata in which Bach employs one of his favorite devices to set forth the chorale melody: the chorale melody is sung in majestic long notes by the sopranos over contrapuntal and florid lines sung by the Altos, Tenors and Basses. The organ plays a rhythmic and flowing accompaniment that, in its combined hesitancy and forward motion, mirrors our anxious longing for the coming of the Saviour.

Harold Darke (1888-1976) was organist at St. Michael's Cornhill beginning in 1916, remaining there until 1966. During the Second World War, he deputized for Boris Ord at King's College Chapel. He founded the Cornhill Lunchtime Organ Recitals series in 1916 which continues to this day, widely accepted to be the longest-running lunchtime organ concert series in the world. He wrote several well-known choral and organ works in a beautiful, mid-20th century idiom influenced by Stanford, Parry and Vaughan Williams. The Communion Service in E (Collegium Regale) was written for the King's College Chapel choir. It is notable for its contrasts of quiet lyricism and dramatic splendor.

Piet Kee (b. 1927) was the Municipal Organist of Haarlem, Holland, where he presided over the great Christian Müller organ in the church of St. Bavo. His setting of *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme* is a Fantasia in which the chorale tune is heard in brilliant toccata figurations.

The descants to Hymns 72 and 66 are by Richard Hoskins.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. CHRYSOSTOM'S

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	9:00 am	Adult Christian Formation (Guild Room)
	10:15 am	Choral Eucharist, Rite II, <i>or</i> Choral Morning Prayer, Rite II (4 th Sundays) <i>includes Children's Christian Formation</i>
	11:25 am	Coffee Hour & Fellowship
	11:30 am	Children's Choir rehearsal
TUESDAYS	12:00 pm	The Rector's Weekly Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Zoom Bible Study
WEDNESDAYS	7:30 am	St. Chrys. Kitchen lunch drop-off (until 9:00)
	10:00 am	Day School Chapel
	10:00 am	St. Chrys's Closet (<i>@ Church of the Ascension</i>)
	6:30 pm	Alcoholics Anonymous
THURSDAYS	10:00 am	Zoom Bible Study

The Parish Office is open Monday – Friday from 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

"CONVERSATIONS THAT MATTER" – ADULT FORUM SUNDAYS @ 9:00 AM

Thank you to the vibrant and growing community that made our weekly 9 AM Adult Forum, "Conversations that Matter", such a success throughout the fall months! The Forum will now pause for the Advent and Christmas seasons, and will resume in January with an exciting and engaging slate of speakers and topics. Look for more information in the coming weeks!

MAKE YOUR HOME ADVENT WREATH – THIS SUNDAY, DEC. 3 @ 11:30 AM

Swing by Coffee Hour after the 10:15 service on the First Sunday of Advent for our annual Advent Wreath Workshop, where you'll make your own Advent Wreath with live evergreens! We'll have all the trimmings, candles, and plenty of kits for everyone so you can mark this season of expectation at home.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR MEETS 11:30-11:40 THIS WEEK! This Sunday, the Children's Choir will meet briefly for about 10 minutes in the Choir Room following the 10:15 service to review the music we'll sing at Lessons & Carols; then we'll head down to the Gym to join the fun at the Advent Wreath workshop! We'll start right after church; our ten minutes together will fly by! All children in our parish or community are encouraged to sing in the Children's Choir! We meet each Sunday after the 10:15 service, in the Choir Room on the second floor – grab a drink and a snack after church in the Harding Room and then come upstairs to sing! Speak with Tom Colao or email tom@saintc.org with questions.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

10:15 AM Advent Lessons & Carols

Advent carol service featuring our parish choirs

3:00 PM Caroling with the Carillon

Yearly Christmas sing-along in the Courtyard



Christmas at St. Chrysostom's

CHRISTMAS DAY

10:15 AM Choral Eucharist

Readings, sermon, carols, choir, and organ

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RENOVATION OF THE CRANE MEMORIAL CARILLON IS COMPLETE!

After years of planning, and nine months of work, the bells of the Crane Memorial Carillon have returned to the tower, and the project to renovate our beloved and historic instrument is finally complete! St. Chrysostom's owes an enormous debt of gratitude to all who helped to make this possible: those who gave generously to our Capital Campaign, which funded this project; the crew of specialists from Royal Eijsbouts Foundry, who worked tirelessly both on-site at St. Chrysostom's and at their location in The Netherlands; and especially to Kim Schafer for her tireless and amazing work spearheading this project – we could not have done this without her. Our newly-renovated bells sound rich and full, and our carillonneurs marvel at how light and easy the new clavier is to play – the biggest and heaviest bells are now as easy to play as the smallest and lightest! The carillon will be heard once again before the 10:15 service on Sundays, as well as after the service at 11:35 in recital. A resounding thank you to all of you who gave wholeheartedly to this project! Your generosity will literally ring out and resonate for another 100 years!

VOLUNTEER AT ST. CHRYSOSTOM'S! If you'd like to volunteer at St. Chrysostom's there are many opportunities to get involved! Serving on a Sunday as an Usher, in the Altar Guild, Flower Guild, or Hospitality Guild, as a lector, acolyte, lay eucharistic minister, or even a Sunday School teacher are all possible ways to help lead worship and serve our community. Just contact the parish office or go online: www.saintc.org/ministries to learn more about volunteer service. We are always looking for new volunteers!

SUNDAY MORNING CHILDREN'S FORMATION Sunday School takes place during the 10:15 service. Children follow the Cross to their classrooms during our opening procession, and return for Holy Communion. We continue to use our wonderful Montessori-based curriculum, Godly Play, facilitated by teachers from the parish. More helpers are always needed, so please consider volunteering to make this ministry possible!

Students who have aged out of our Godly Play program (ages fourth grade and up) are invited to "pre-church" every Sunday at 9:30 in the sanctuary. They'll assist in getting things ready for the service, the Acolytes will vest, and, most importantly, we'll have a chance to talk about what they're going to hear in the service that day and how they can connect to it. Please write to sophie@saintc.org with any questions.

STEWARDSHIP TWEETS! *We asked some parishioners to tell us in one sentence why they made their 2024 pledge to St. Chrysostom's Church, and here's what they said...*

"As parish historian I want to do all I can to keep the great work going that St. Chrysostom's has done for over 130 years!" *Dorothy Ramm*

"I pledge because I find in this community a commitment to justice and dismantling racism." *John McLees*

"We pledge as part of our Christian responsibility to be good stewards of the Church, ensuring that our mission and ministry are here for us today and for future generations." *John Bankhurst & Ryan Kin*

"I pledge to pay our utility bills!" *Pat White*

"We pledge because this is our spiritual home and we owe it not only to ourselves but to other members of our spiritual family to provide for our home." *Tom & Liz Kohlbeck*

If you haven't made your 2024 pledge yet, please consider doing so today!
Call the Parish Office or visit <https://onrealm.org/SaintC/-/form/pledge/24pledge>

2024 MEN'S RETREAT THIS FEBRUARY The Diocese of Chicago's 2024 Pre-Lenten Men's Retreat will be held at the DeKoven Retreat Center in Racine, Wisconsin, from 5.00pm on Friday, February 9th, to 5.00pm on Saturday, February 10th, 2024. Our Retreat Leader will be the Rev. Dr. Sam Portaro, Theologian-in-Residence at St. Chrysostom's Church in Chicago. The theme of the retreat is "The Nature of God". You may download the registration form at <https://saintc.org/mens-diocesesan-retreat-2024-registration-form41/>

GRIEF SUPPORT CIRCLE St. Chrysostom's offers a Grief Support Circle that provides a deep level of care for the grieving person who is interested in dealing with the emotions of life stresses following the death of a loved one. Our goal will be to support and pray for one other as we move forward through the loneliness and isolation of grief. We meet at 9:00 AM the 4th Sunday of each month in the Rector's Study. Email Lynn Belding lbelding@sbcglobal.net, or Mike Sammon at mgsammon@aol.com

SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE We are happy to share that the Rector Search Committee has been busy reviewing the many qualified applications and has narrowed the applicant pool down to six wonderful candidates. We are now in the process of interviewing these candidates via Zoom and will complete those interviews by end of November. We will then deliberate on who will best fit our parish needs based on what was put forth in the Parish Profile, OTM documents and the feedback we received in small groups. After Christmas, we will invite three finalists to visit St. Chrysostom's to celebrate a closed Eucharist and meet with the committee and Vestry in person. We aim to send our final recommendation to the Vestry soon thereafter. We will continue to provide updates as things progress. Thank you for your faith in the work of our committee!



THANK YOU TO ANN VIKSTROM With both sadness and hope, we must bid farewell to our Administrative Assistant, Ann Vikstrom, who has accepted a position at another institution. Ann brought countless gifts to her role and we will especially miss all of her kindness and good humor. Ann has a wonderful opportunity ahead of her and we send her forward with our best wishes. She will remain a parishioner of St Chrysostom's, continue to sing in the Parish Choir, and remain a steadfast member of the Thursday morning Bible Study group. Please join us in offering Ann a heartfelt word of appreciation for her stellar service to our parish.



CANDLELIGHT CAROLS – FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 AT 7:30 P.M.



Our annual tradition returns, bringing jolliness and joy to the season! St. Nicholas will welcome us, we'll sing your favorite carols, we'll hear parishioners read Christmas poetry and prose, and we'll sing The Twelve Days of Christmas and stand up for "Five golden rings"! Reservations are required - please reserve with a donation to support our music ministries by visiting onrealm.org/SaintC/give/candlelightcarols

★ CANDLELIGHT CAROLS 2023 ★

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Yes! Please note my reservation for _____ people.

My contribution to Music at St. Chrysostom's: \$ _____

I've made my donation online *(circle one)* I've sent cash or check to the Parish Office

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ST. CHRYSOSTOM'S BOOK CLUB'S UPCOMING SELECTIONS We have selected the books we will be reading through May, and we would love to have new members join us in discussing them! We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1:30 PM via Zoom - - no need to go out in the cold! Please email Dee Jarrett Dow (rosebowl@mac.com) with any questions and to get notifications and the Zoom link.
Upcoming books and the discussion leader for each are:

- 12/13** The Barbizon: The Hotel That Set Women Free by Paulina Bren (*Eleanor Tippens*)
- 1/10** The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray (*Dee Jarrett Dow*)
- 2/14** Princes at War: The Bitter Battle Inside Britain's Royal Family in the Darkest Days of WWII by Deborah Cadbury (*Dorothy Ramm*)
- 3/13** The Ride of Her Life: The True Story of a Woman, Her Horse, and Their Last Chance Journey Across America by Elizabeth Letts (*Dee Jarrett Dow*)
- 4/10** The Emancipation of Evan Walls by Jeffrey Blount (*Anne Brinsmade*)
- 5/8** West with Giraffes by Linda Rutledge (*Eleanor Tippens*)



DECEMBER 10th - WOSC ANNUAL REGIFTING AND BAKE SALES AND STORY HOUR

We are looking forward to seeing you and sharing our Christmas spirit.

9:00 AM - Our Regifting and Bake Sales will start downstairs and continue until we sell out or Noon
Noon - Join us upstairs for a dramatic reading of *A Christmas in Wales*, sandwiches and hot cocoa

We are currently accepting donations for the regifting sale (thank you for the donations already made!)

Please put your items in the baskets at Church, the Day School or in the Church office.

We've be sending an evite to our bakers and look forward to seeing what people will bring.

Items can be dropped off Saturday and Sunday mornings - please shoot us an email to us for times on Saturday.

Questions @regifting: Sarah Begel (marysarahbegel@gmail.com)

Questions @bake sale: McLaurin (mclaurinfiles@gmail.com)



CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS Each year, the Flower Guild welcomes donations from the parish to help fund the gorgeous floral arrangements that enrich our worship space during the Christmas season! Donations are welcome in any amount (\$10 minimum is requested) and may be made in memory of a loved one, in celebration of a blessing or milestone, or simply to add to the beauty of this Christmas season for all of us! Please submit your donation, along with your name and any dedications, to the Parish Office by **Wednesday, Dec. 20** for inclusion in our Christmas service leaflets. Thank you for supporting the Flower Guild this Christmas!

OUTREACH & DONATION OPPORTUNITIES

ST. CHRYS'S KITCHEN MINISTRY St. Chrys's Kitchen, our parish feeding ministry, offers weekly bagged lunches to people who need them. Parishioners and friends prepare lunch items and drop them off at the church every Wednesday from 7:30-9:00 AM. Each bag should include 1 sandwich (2 if possible), 1 snack, and 1 piece of fruit that's easy to peel.

We also serve a hot meal on the third Tuesday of each month on our campus at 1424 N. Dearborn from 4:30-5:00 PM.

Have questions? Interested in participating? Email info@saintc.org.

ST. CHRYS'S CLOSET COAT DRIVE! St. Chrys's Closet needs your help – there continues to be a huge surge of migrants, refugees, and others in great need arriving daily in the city of Chicago, and they often have nothing with them but the clothing on their backs – totally unprepared for the harshness of the winter season to come. **Please consider donating new or (gently) used winter coats and jackets to the St. Chrys's Closet Coat Drive by bringing them to church with you over the next several Sundays – we'll gratefully accept your donations and get them to those who need them!**

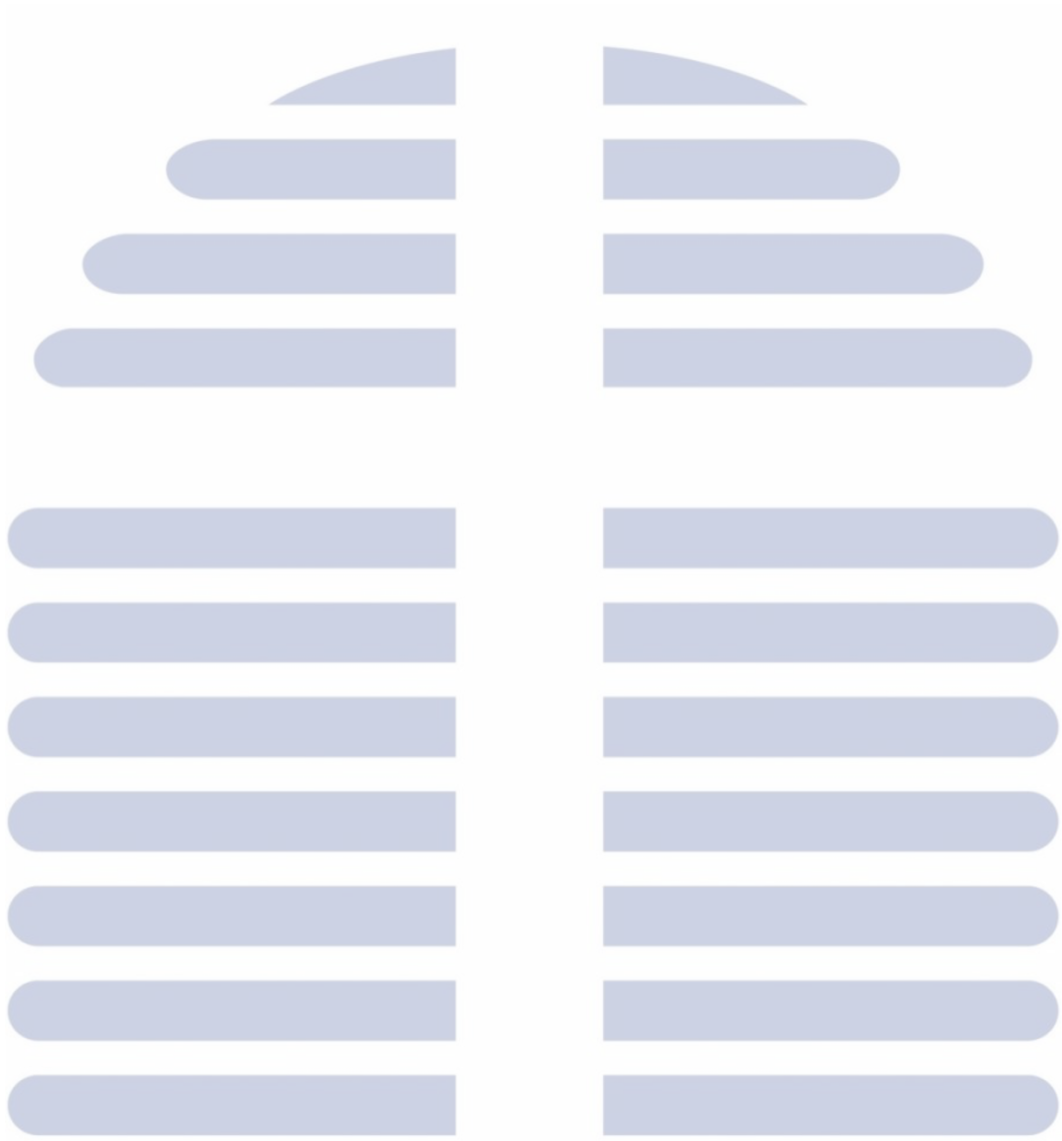
THE CHIAPAS PROJECT The Chiapas Project, a lay-led part of the Diocese of Chicago's Companionship with the Diocese of Southwest Mexico, is an ongoing collaborative effort between four parishes: St. Chrysostom's, Atonement, Our Savior, and Holy Comforter. Our link is with two churches in Chiapas, at San Cristobal (San Benito) and a mission church in the Mayan Highlands at Yochib (San Mateo). Our major projects now include funding a biweekly food pantry for 45 families facing food insecurity in San Cristobal, scholarships for the children, and a weekly healthcare worker who visits Yochib each Saturday.

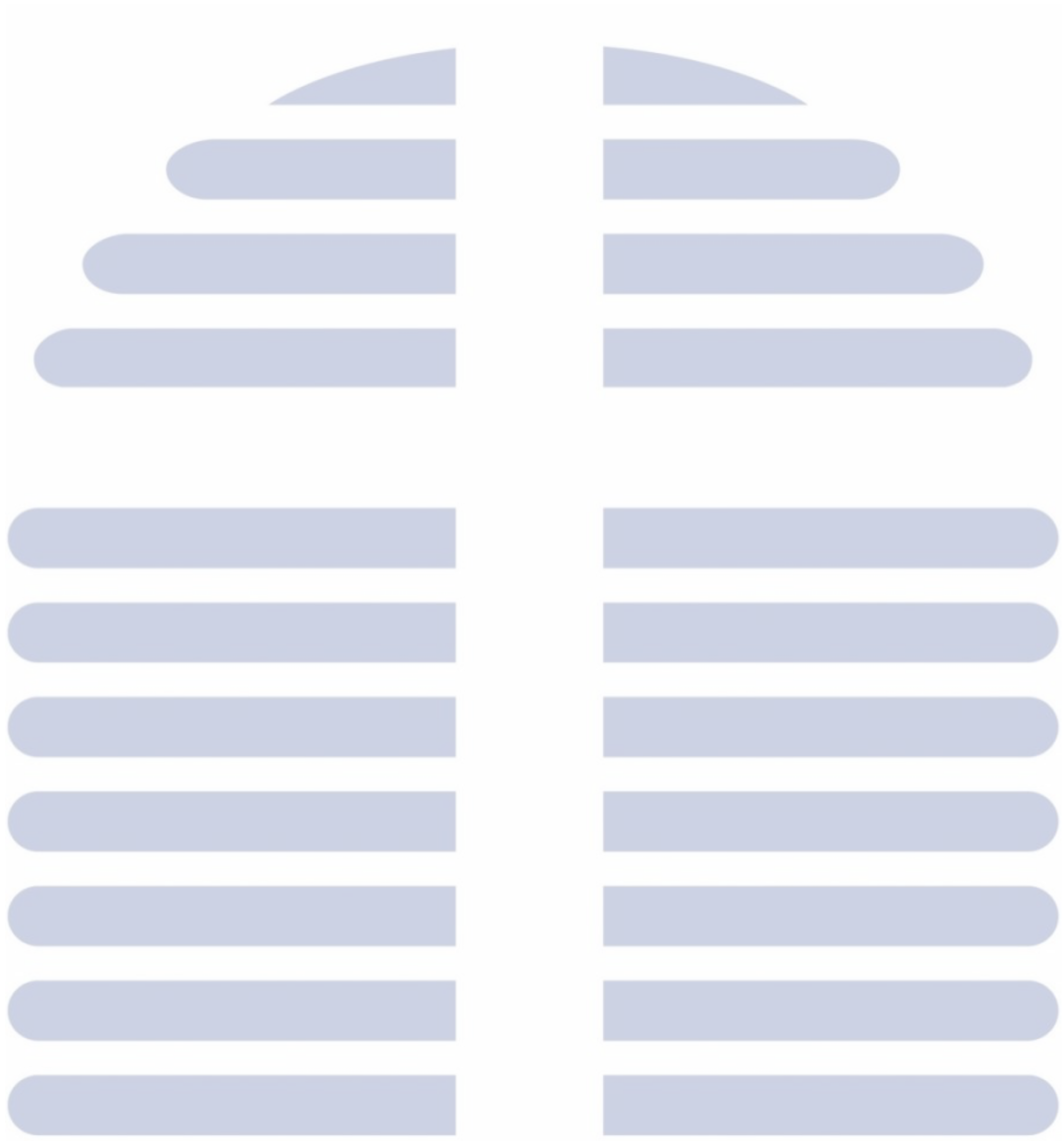
[Read the most current issue of the Chiapas Project Newsletter here!](#)

ReVive CHRISTMAS BASKET PROGRAM RETURNS! The St. Chrysostom's community has responded very generously to the annual ReVive Christmas Basket program! This is the 102nd year of this program, and we appreciate your support and consideration. **The drop-off date for baskets at St. Chrysostom's will be Sunday, December 10.**

To learn more about ReVive, or to make a donation, visit www.revivecenter.org/xmas

FAREWELL GIFT FOR REV. WILL We recently announced the news that Rev. Will has accepted a call to new ministry. While we're sorry to see him go, we are filled with hope and well-wishes as he, Fred, and Reese move forward with this very exciting time in their lives! We want to send Will off with a generous purse as a token of our gratitude for his years of ministry among us. If you feel so called, you may contribute to this purse by visiting <https://onrealm.org/SaintC/give/now> and selecting "Rev. Will's Purse" from the drop-down menu. Please join us in thanking Rev. Will for his many contributions to our parish family!







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The Rt. Rev. Wayne M. Hougland, Jr. Interim Rector

The Rev. Will Bouvel Associate Rector

The Rev. Dr. Sam Portaro Theologian-in-Residence

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