

## Church Calendar Week of January 5<sup>th</sup>

### 2025 ANNUAL MEETING

Please join us for the 2025 Annual Meeting on January 26, immediately following the 10:30 AM mass. This meeting is open to all parishioners and guests and allows us to recap and celebrate what we did over the last year as well as discuss our plans for 2025. During the meeting, we will also hold elections for the vestry (our governing board). A potluck lunch will be served in the parish hall after the meeting.

### 2025 CHURCH PARKING PERMITS

If you are interested in getting a new or renewed laminated parking permit for 2025, you will need to fill out a parking permit request form and pick up your pass at the Annual Meeting. Please see Ann Espenschied for details. Note: all 2024 passes expire on 1/31/25.

### 2024 OUTREACH GRANT TOTALS

The Outreach Committee chose Forestdale Inc. as its 2024 Grant recipient. Through donations from Fellowship Hour, Lenten Mite boxes and bake sales, our parish raised a total of \$2687.50!



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The Second Sunday After Christmas  
Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
January 5, 2025 10:30AM

Donate to St. Luke's



## THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Prelude Dieterich Buxtehude  
Nun bitten wir den Heiligen  
Geist BuxWV 208

Entrance Hymn 93 *Regent Square*

### The Liturgy of the Word

Acclamation Prayer Book p.355  
The Kyrie

Lord, have mercy  
People: Christ, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy

The Gloria S280 Robert Powell

The Collect of the Day

The First Reading Jeremiah 31:7-14

Psalm 84 vv 1-8

The Second Reading Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

Sequence Hymn 324 *Picardy*

The Holy Gospel Luke 2:41-52

The Sermon Father Bo Reynolds

The Nicene Creed p. 358

The Prayers of the People (III) p. 387

The Peace

## The Holy Communion\*

Offertory Anthem *Jesus Child* arr. John Rutter

*Have you heard the story that they're telling 'bout  
Bethlehem,  
Have you heard the story of the Jesus child?  
How he came from heaven and was born in a manger bed?  
Mary was his virgin mother pure and mild.*

*Refrain:*

*Sing alleluia, brothers, sing alleluia, sisters,  
Worship the Jesus child and praise his mother mild.  
'Glory to God' the angel hosts are singing:  
Listen to the story of the Jesus child.*

*Jesus child, lying at Bethlehem,  
Sleeping safe at Mary's knee,  
Save my soul and bring me to paradise,  
Let me join the angels singing glory to thee. [Refrain]*

*Have you heard the story of the kings from the orient,  
Following the star that's shining over his head?  
Offering their precious gifts of gold, myrrh and  
frankincense,  
Kneeling with the ox and ass before his bed? [Refrain]*

*Brothers, let us celebrate the birth of the Jesus child,  
Sisters, come and welcome him, the new-born King;  
Praise the Lord who sent him down from heaven  
at Christmas time;  
Young and old and rich and poor, his praises sing. [Refrain]*

Doxology	380 vv 3	<i>Old 100<sup>th</sup></i>
The Great Thanksgiving (A)		p. 361
Sanctus	S129	Robert Powell
The Eucharistic Prayer		p. 362
The Lord's Prayer		p. 364
Agnus Dei	S163	Robert Powell
Communion Hymn	109	<i>The First Nowell</i>
Postcommunion Prayer		p. 366
The Blessing		
Dismissal Hymn	96	<i>Gloria</i>
The Dismissal		
Postlude		Flor Peeters
	<i>Koraal from Suite Modale</i>	

## The First Reading

**Jeremiah 31:7-14**

Thus says the Lord: "Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel.' See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, 'He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.' For the Lord has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty," says the Lord.

\*Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

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## Psalm 84 vv 1-8

1. How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! \*  
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts  
of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
2. The sparrow has found her a house  
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her  
young; \*  
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,  
my King and my God.
3. Happy are they who dwell in your house! \*  
they will always be praising you.
4. Happy are the people whose strength is in you! \*  
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
5. Those who go through the desolate valley will find  
it a place of springs, \*  
for the early rains have covered it with pools of  
water.
6. They will climb from height to height, \*  
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
7. Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; \*  
hearken, O God of Jacob.
8. Behold our defender, O God; \*  
and look upon the face of your Anointed.

## The Second Reading

## Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.

## The Holy Gospel

Luke 2:41-52

Now every year Jesus's parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

## Intercessions

Healing: JT A., Liz B., Barbara C., Theresa C., Zee D., Sheila D., Luke D., Barbara G., Gert H., Robert H., Jayden, Beris L., Emma M, Christine O., Harry & Pansy O., Roland O., Charles O., Allan S, Eylon S, Jane T.

Departed: John Harrison

Birthdays: Tess Conte



The Altar Flowers are given in thanksgiving for the birthdays of Adrian Rowley & Constance Berry-Rowley by Margaret Rowley & Jennifer Hudson-Phillips.

## Serving Today

Crucifer/Second Chalice Bearer	Jonathan Wallin
Acolyte	Br. Bill Paine, FCC
Lector	Jane Kettlewell
Choirmaster	Olivia Grugan
Organist	Huw Jones
St. Luke's Choir	
Ushers	Jane Kettlewell & Ann Espenschied
Bellringer	Ann Espenschied
Nursery Care	Susan Civita
Altar Guild	Ann Espenschied
Hospitality	Paul Dinas

## Activities Today

10:15am: Church School [gray classroom under the nave]  
11:30am: Fellowship Hour [parish hall]

## **Open Dates for Flowers & Sanctuary Lamp (2025)**

Saint Luke's Flower Society encourages dedications of altar flowers (\$55) and sanctuary candles (\$12) in thanks for birthdays, anniversaries, or other blessings from God, or in remembrance of departed family & friends. Sunday Altar Flowers beautify our worship and offer a visual sense of praise and thanksgivings. The seven-day candles for the Sanctuary Lamp allow prayer intentions to stand in the presence of the consecrated bread and wine throughout the week.

**Altar Flowers:** January 19, 26; February 2, 9, 16; March 2

**Sanctuary Lamp:** January 19, 27; February 2, 9, 23

<https://onrealm.org/stlukesforesthills/give/altarflowers>

<https://onrealm.org/stlukesforesthills/give/sanctuarylamp>



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**Ann Espenschied**, Sacristan

**Joe Dinas**, Sexton

## **The Wardens and Vestry of Saint Luke's**

Anne Harte Su, *Warden (2024)*

Diane Santana, *Warden (2025)*

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### **2024**

Louise Foisy

Jeanine McPartlin

Jennifer Hudson-Phillips

### **2025**

Paul Dinas

Jane Kettlewell

Christopher Nyberg

### **2026**

Jyri Laatikainen

Robert Lin

Jonathan Wallin

## **Sunday Worship Hours:**

10:30am [church/Livestream]

<https://www.youtube.com/@stlukesforesthills>

Church school: 10:15am on 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Sun, Sept-June

Nursery care is available for children under 4