

*Service of Holy Eucharist
The Second Sunday of Advent*



*December 9, 2018
10:30 AM*

*Calvary Episcopal Church
806 Thompson Road
Richmond, TX 77469
www.calvaryrichmond.org*

*The Rev. Paul B. Wehner, Rector
The Rev. Lecia Brannon, Associate Rector
The Rev. Nancy Wilkes, Deacon*

Holy Eucharist - Rite II

10:30 AM

The Word of God (B.C.P., PG. 299)

Proclamation *FATHER OF LIGHTS*

Father of lights
You delight in Your children
Father of lights
You delight in Your children
Every good and perfect gift
Comes from You
Every good and perfect gift
Comes from You
Every good and perfect gift
Comes from You
Father of lights
Father of lights You never change
You have no turning
Father of lights You never change
You have no turning

John Barnett
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The people standing, the Presider says

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Presider continues

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.**

Children Pre-K 4 through 5th grade are invited to follow the cross to Children's Chapel during the following song. They will return during the Peace.

KYRIE ELEISON

Look around you, can you see?
Times are troubled, people grieve.
See the violence,
feel the hardness
All my people weep with me.

Refrain:

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Walk among them, I'll go with you
Reach out to them with my hands.
Suffer with me,
And together we will serve them,
help them stand. *Refrain*

Forgive us, Father;
hear our prayer,
We would walk with you - anywhere.
Through your suffering with forgiveness
take Your life into the world. *Refrain*

The Collect of the Day (standing)

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

The Presider says the Collect.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The people sit. One or two lessons, as appointed, are read.

Malachi 3:1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight-- indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

Canticle 16

Benedictus Dominus Deus

- 1 Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.
- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David. *Antiphon*
- 3 Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.
- 4 He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5 This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- 6 Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life. *Antiphon*
- 7 You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins. *Antiphon*
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace. *Antiphon*

Philippians 1:3-11

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn (standing) *I HEAR A SOUND*

I hear a sound coming from the mountain
I hear it louder each day
I hear a sound coming from the mountain
And it says prepare ye the way

Chorus

Prepare ye the way
Prepare ye the way
Prepare ye the way
Of the Lord

I see the King standing on the mountain
I see Him clearer each day
I see the King standing on the mountain
And He says prepare ye the way

I feel God's love flowing from the mountain
I feel it stronger each day
I feel God's love flowing from the mountain
And he says, "Prepare ye the way"

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Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
'Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.
Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
And the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth;
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Rev. Paul Wehner

Musical Response to the Word.

The Nicene Creed (standing)

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.

Advent Prayers of the People

Leader For the church everywhere, that we may be one and that your Holy Spirit may be with us, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord have mercy.**

Leader For a blessing on all those who seek to be your people; for a better understanding of our faith, that we may follow you more nearly and come to understand the gift and beauty of diversity, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord have mercy.**

Leader For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Andy, Dena, Jeff, and Hector our Bishops; for Paul and Lecia, our priests, Nancy, our deacon; and for all of us who are called to be a Light to the world; that we may be given your words to speak wherever we go, and that only your will may be done and not our own, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord have mercy.**

Leader For an awakening of your will for our nation and for our leaders, especially Donald and Greg, and for all in authority, that together we may come to truly understand and rejoice in your will, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord have mercy.**

Leader For the nourishment of the earth and all people; for the fruit and provisions given to us by you, our Creator; that all the people of the world will come to enjoy the blessings of your creation and that there may be an end to all suffering, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord have mercy.**

Leader For the young and the old, for widows and orphans, for the sick and the infirmed, for the poor and the unemployed, for those who mourn and for those who rejoice; for comfort and restoration for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially, that they may know the power of your healing love, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord have mercy.**

Leader For prisoners and all who care for them, for captives and all who remember them, for refugees and all who shelter them, and for the hungry and all who feed them, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord have mercy.**

Leader In thanksgiving for those who have died in the faith and those whose faith is known to you alone, especially, commending them to your loving care, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord have mercy.**

Leader Praising you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory, that their example may inspire and encourage us, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord have mercy.**

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

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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 Priest 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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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

Welcome and Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Prayers

The Holy Communion

THE OFFERTORY

THE DOXOLOGY Hymn # 380 vs 3

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer B (B.C.P., Pg. 367)

The people remain standing, and the Celebrant says

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 him thanks and praise.

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:

WE FALL DOWN

We fall down
We lay our crowns
At the feet of Jesus
The greatness of
Your mercy and love
At the feet of Jesus
we cry, Holy, Holy, Holy
we cry, Holy, Holy, Holy
we cry, Holy, Holy, Holy Is the lamb

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The people kneel and 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,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

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 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.**

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

Our Father in Heaven
Hallowed be Your name
Your kingdom come, Your will be done
One earth as in Heaven
Give us today our daily bread
Forgive us our sins
As we forgive those who sin against us
Save us from the time of trial
And deliver us from evil
For the kingdom, and the power,
And the glory are Yours now,
And forever. Amen.

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The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says 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.

All who desire a closer relationship with Jesus Christ are invited to receive Holy Communion.



Gluten Free hosts are available for communion.
Please make yourself known to the minister at the altar rail.

At Communion

The ushers will guide you down the center aisle to the Communion Rail where you may kneel or stand.

The Bread will be placed in your outstretched palm. After you eat it, the Wine may be sipped from the chalice. If you leave the Bread in your hand, the server will make the Wine available for you to dip the Bread.

If you prefer to receive only the Bread or the Wine, or desire only a blessing, you may so indicate by crossing your arms over your chest at the appropriate time. After Communion, we ask that you return to your seats using the side aisles.

Prayer Ministry

The Prayer team is available for you in the side chapels during communion.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [Amen.]

or with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

During the ministrations of Communion, please join the Worship Team in singing the following hymns/songs.

Communion Songs

PREPARE THE WAY

Chorus

Prepare the way (2X)

Prepare the way of the Lord

Jesus

You are the light of the world (3X)

Jesus

You are the King of the earth (3X)

Jesus

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HEAR US FROM HEAVEN

Lord hear our cry

Come heal our land

Breathe life into these dry and thirsty souls

Lord hear our prayer

Forgive our sin

And as we call on Your name

Would You make this a place for Your glory to dwell

Chorus

Open the blind eyes

Unlock the deaf ears

Come to Your people

As we draw near

Hear us from heaven

Touch our generation

We are Your people

Crying out in desperation

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

HE IS ABLE

He is able more than able

To accomplish what concerns me today

He is able more than able

To handle anything that comes my way

He is able more than able

To do much more than I could ever dream

He is able more than able

To make me what

He wants me to be

Greg Ferguson / Rory Noland

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Lord hear our cry

Your children worship

As we sing out Your praise

Would You make this a place

For Your glory to dwell

Hear us from heaven

Hear us from heaven

Hear us from heaven

Hear us from heaven

Hear us from heaven

Hear us from heaven

(REPEAT)

by Jared Anderson

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Celebrant and People (standing or kneeling)

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 Blessing:

The Priest blesses the people with the following or similar words,

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you this day, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional

TIMES OF REFRESHING

Well I thank You Lord
That You are my Savior
You're my strength and
You're the rock
On which I stand
You give me life
And a grace that's greater
When I humble myself
Beneath Your mighty hand

Chorus:

You bring times of refreshing
You bring times of refreshing
You bring times
Of refreshing to my soul
When I'm weary from the fight
And trying to do what's right
You bring times
Of refreshing to my soul

For the day will come
When we'll all be gathered
And the sun will rise
With healing in its wings
And all the years of pain
Won't seem to matter
When our eyes behold
Our Teacher and our King

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The Dismissal

Presider Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

We ask God's healing grace for: David Barnhart, Rudy Blaschke, Nicholas Bolla, David Boscher, Chris Bull, Myra Bull, Brett Butler, Jo Ann Carmona, Maryann Carmona, Steven Carmona, Jalie Carrasco, Ruth Carrell, Diane Childs, Mark Cooley, Jordan Crowe, Evelyn Millie Eland, Leanne Fleckenstine, Mike Gaskamp, Chelsea Hagan, Carol Hensley, Tasha Hernandez, Jeremy Hillis, Ginger Jackson, JaLene Kambhu, Aggie Kendrick, Mike Kidda, Chris Kilgard, Tricia King, Patricia Kuntschik, Marie Lane, Jane Lewis, Travis Locke, Sam Lucia, David Martin, Joyce Matuszewski, Diane McCabe, W.J. Mechura, Kelly Murley, Michael Murley, Debbie Myers, Tina Nguyen, Jane Rau, The Richardson Family, Claudio Rodriguez & family, Jane & Bryan Rose, Richard Schori, Donald Sessamen, Scott, Tami & Rowan, Luther Stacy, Gavin Strimple, Kathleen Sutherland, Katherine Suttill, Peggy Tolson, Lisa Torres, Olga Vargas & family, Trung Vu, Kelly Wallis, Mark Warner, Eric Wehner, Sterling Wehner, Kelley Williams, Kelli Willis, Tom Whisler, Peggy Young.

May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace: Tana Bradley

Please keep Dale Butler, Richard Carrell, Sean Dantimo, Paul Easter, Jr., Tyler Freeman, Alex Iversen, Paul Jordan, Don Michael, Taylor Moran, Terra Suttill, Ryan Trenck, Jim Williams, **and all the members of our armed forces who are serving in peace keeping missions throughout the world in your prayers.**



Advent and Christmas at Calvary Episcopal Church

Sunday, Dec. 9 9:00 AM

5:00 PM

Thursday, Dec. 13 7:00 PM

Saturday, Dec. 15 12:00 PM

Sunday, Dec. 16 9:00 AM

6:30 PM

Wednesday, Dec. 19 8:05 AM

Sunday, Dec. 23 10:30 AM

12:00 PM

Monday, Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve

Christmas Day, Dec. 25 10:30 AM

Sunday, Dec. 30 8:00 & 10:30 AM

Tuesday, Jan. 1

2nd week of Advent–Christmas Cookie Decorating,

Christmas Concert–Rosenberg Symphonic Band

Calvary School Christmas Program

Crafts with Santa

3rd week of Advent–Making Ornaments

Festival of Lessons & Carols@ St. Thomas in Wharton

Calvary School Lessons & Carols Chapel

Christmas Pageant, children arrive at 9:30

Greening of Church & Tailgate party in the Parish Hall with football on the big screen TV, chili and hotdogs will be served

Family service at 5:00 PM, Traditional service at 10:30 PM

Holy Eucharist Rite II

The First Sunday after Christmas Day

No Service

SHARE THE SPIRIT



CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH 

We invite you to join us in a Calvary tradition of bringing the Spirit of Christmas to a precious group of God's children. Share your Christmas with a local family less fortunate than you. Adopt-A-Family sign up after both services.

If you have any questions please email Frank Plut at pluto13@att.net or Mary Ellen Plut at meplut@att.net. You can also contact Debbie Pohler at 713-817-0994 or Ray Pohler at 832-535-0499.

Office Volunteers Needed

Can you volunteer time to help in the Calvary's office?

Your duties include answering the phone and helping with office tasks as needed.

Times needed: Monday 9-12AM, and Thursday 1-4PM

When sending communion to those that are unable to be with us.

Celebrant and People

In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.



The flowers on the altar this Sunday are given in loving memory of Cindi Gorka by Dennis Gorka; and in celebration of our 22nd wedding anniversary by Cody and Missy Marek.

2018 FLOWER SIGN UP

The notebook to sign up for 2018 flower offerings in the Narthex.

Please stop by and sign up. The cost is \$50, to be paid in advance.

For more information, call the church office 281-342-2147.

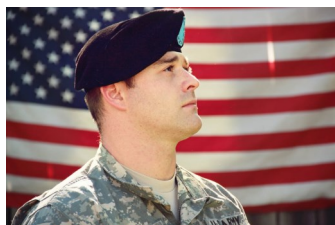


No longer carry a checkbook (or never did)?

Calvary now has a kiosk that can be used for online giving. It is just outside the Baptistry, next to the music closet. It will be available for use on Sunday mornings.

For those who utilize online giving, we have made cards for you to put in the plate that acknowledge your gift. The cards can be found in the pew backs and on the shelf under the kiosk.

Do you have a family member in the military?



Would you like their photo in our Church Directory on a special page honoring our military?

Please send their photo to the church office with their name/rank/service branch or send a digital image to Anne Scarborough. anne@askscs.com

Deadline: December 9th

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS



It is time to order the poinsettias that add to the beauty of the church at Christmas. The suggested donation is \$15 per plant. Please return this form with your check to the church office or drop in the alms basin today. Call Heidi at the church office with questions. (281) 342-2147

Deadline to order is December 17th

I wish to order _____ poinsettias. I enclose \$ _____.

Name _____

Dedications: To the Glory of God and

In Memory of _____

In Thanksgiving for _____

Attach extra sheets if necessary

If you are visiting with us today - **WELCOME** to Calvary!
Please fill out a visitor cards found in the pew back in front of you. You may place it in the offering plate or give it to one of our ushers.

SUNDAY LAY MINISTERS

8:00 AM SERVICE

Acolyte: Sean Bethke
Lector: Janice Linsenmayer
Worship Leader: Mathew Brannon
Greeter: Betty Best
Usher: John Johnson
Early Service Vestry Person is:
Jim Kidda

10:30 AM Service

Acolytes: Thomas Cornwell, Hogan Kniss,
Travis Prater
Lector: Jim Kidda
Eucharistic Minister: Wendy Doherty
Worship Leader: Nancy Wilkes
Greeters: Frank Lemkowitz, Lisa Lemkowitz,
Jackie Sorensen
Ushers: Jan Conklin, Barbara Martin, Frank Traylor,
Lisa Traylor
Late Service Vestry Person is:
Oscar Lozano

2018 Vestry

Jewlon Morris, Sr. Warden
Oscar Lozano, Jr. Warden
David Taylor, Clerk
Leslie Amentini
Betty Best
Roy Haley
Jim Kidda
Frank Lemkowitz
Dorothy Lyons
Missy Marek
Scott McLemore
Joyce Strimple
Treasurer: Christian Iversen
Chancellor: Bill Daw
Rector: Rev. Paul Wehner

Father Paul's contact information:

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SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY **8:00 AM-Traditional Service**
(followed by breakfast in the parish hall)
9:30 AM Fellowship
10:30 AM-Contemporary Service
(followed by fellowship in the Parish Hall)

TUESDAY **9:30 AM-Traditional Service in Chapel**

Rev. Lecia Brannon contact information:

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lbrannon@ces-richmond.org

Upcoming Events

December 9 **Advent 2: Decorate Christmas Cookies 9 a.m. Parish Hall**
Christmas Concert 5:00p.m.

December 15 **Crafts with Santa 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

December 16 **Advent 3: Christmas Ornaments**
Festival of Lessons & Carols@ St. Thomas in Wharton

December 23 **Christmas Pageant. 10:30 p.m. Children arrive 9:30**
Greening of Church & Tailgate Party. Parish Hall 12:00 p.m.

December 24 **Family Service 5:00 p.m., Traditional Service 10:30 p.m.**

December 25 **Holy Eucharist Rite II**