



THE HOLY EUCHARIST
According to the Book of Common Prayer, Rite One
The Second Sunday of Advent
December 8, 2024, 11:00 A.M.
The Rev. David Luckenbach, Celebrant
Mr. Jeffrey J. Ford, Organist-Choirmaster

Welcome to Christ Church

We are thrilled you have joined us for today's celebration. You are encouraged to participate fully in our worship service. In the Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. This service leaflet contains all that is necessary to participate in the worship services today. Please silence all cell phones.

The Word of God

The Opening Voluntary: Processional on *Wachet Auf*

arr. Gilbert M. Martin

The Hymn in Procession No. 76 *On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry*

Tune: Winchester New

The Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer, p. 323

Celebrant
People

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

The Trisagion, S-102

Alexander Archangelsky

Sing 3 times

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent thy 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 liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson | Baruch 5:1-9

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendor everywhere under heaven. For God will give you evermore the name, "Righteous Peace, Godly Glory." Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height; look toward the east, and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that God has remembered them. For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies; but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God. The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

Lector Here ends the reading.

Psalm 126 *In convertendo*

Ivor Algernon Atkins

Chanted by the Choir

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, * then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, * "The LORD has done great things for them."
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, * and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, * like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears * will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Lesson | Philippians 1:1-11

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel | Luke 3:1-6

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

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

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.'"

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. David Luckenbach, *Rector*

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 326

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

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Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Sean, Presiding Bishop, Andy, Jeff, Hector, and Kai, our Bishops; our parish clergy: David, Cole, Ted, Stephen, Tim, and Leesa, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly

and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially Joe, our President; Greg, our Governor; and Don, our Mayor; that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

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Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Absolution and The Comfortable Words

BCP, p. 332

Following the Absolution, the People respond: Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

The Greeting and Parish Notices

The Holy Communion

The Anthem at the Offertory: And the Glory from *Messiah* G.F. Handel

The Presentation Hymn

Tune: Old 100th

**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 II*

BCP, p. 340

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant
People
Celebrant

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

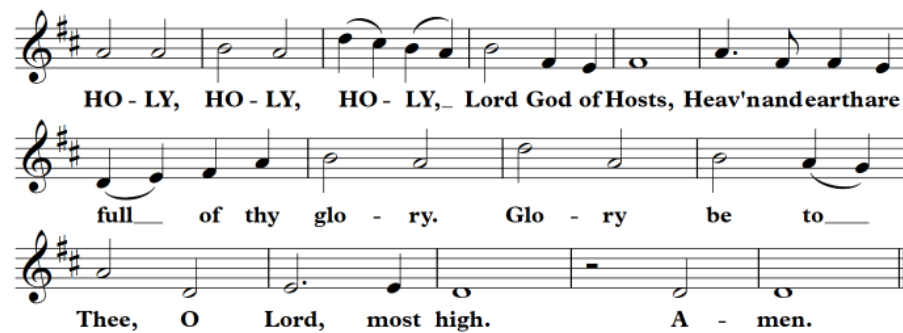
It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

The Sanctus

Leo Sowerby



HO - LY, HO - LY, HO - LY, Lord God of Hosts, Heav'n and earth are
full of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry be to
Thee, O Lord, most high. A - men.

The Celebrant continues, the people kneeling

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

Celebrant & People **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

Celebrant & People

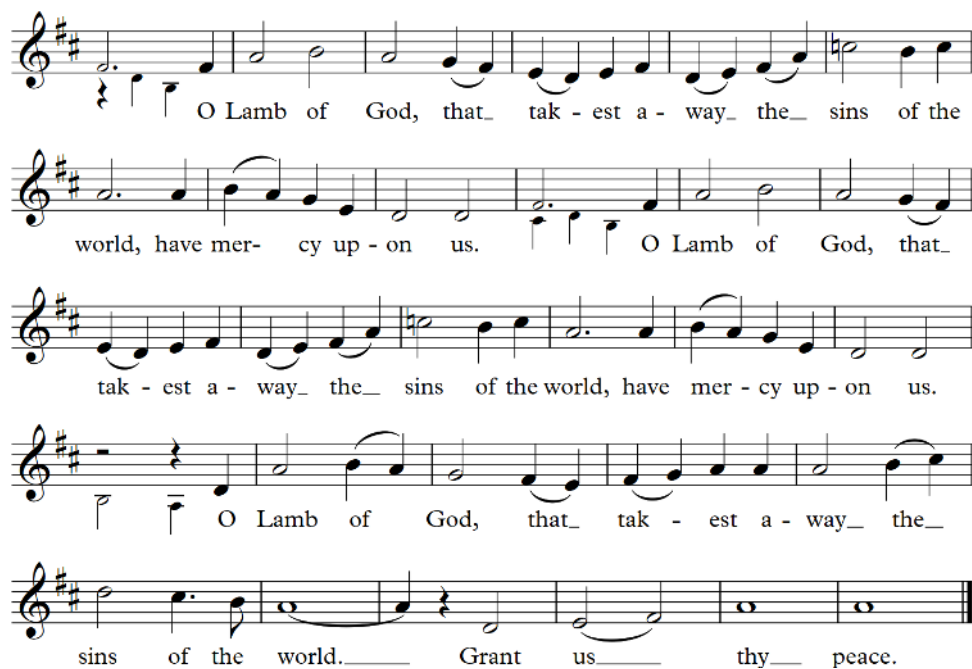
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Fraction Anthem: Agnus Dei

Leo Sowerby



O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sins of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that
tak - est a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the
sins of the world. Grant us thy peace.

The Prayer of Humble Access

BCP, p. 337

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Invitation to Communion

BCP, p. 338

The Communion Welcome

In the Episcopal Church all baptized Christians, regardless of denominational affiliation, are invited to receive Holy Communion. To receive the host, place one hand over the other with palms facing upward. You may intinct (dip) the host into the chalice of wine, or you may consume the host and then drink from the chalice, gently guiding it to your lips by the base. If you prefer not to receive, you may come forward for a blessing. Please indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

The Voluntary at Communion

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant & People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

Following the Blessing, the People respond: Amen.

Hymn in Procession No. 70 *Herald, sound the note of judgment*

Tune: Herald, Sound

The Dismissal

Following the Dismissal, the People respond:

Thanks be to God.

The Closing Voluntary Setting on *Herald, Sound*

The Whole Books of Psalms

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Gretchen Nash by her family.

Deacon: Stephen Stine

Lay Ministers Today

Verger/Chalicer: Steve Hardy; **Lector/Intercessor:** Hannah Rosser; **Chalicer:** Beth Buchinger

Acolytes: Robbie Meals, James Meals, Evelyn Meals

Ushers: Ted Walters, Randy Gilbert, Debbie Finley; **Greeters:** Pam Holley, Ginny Reinhardt, Julie Hicks

Altar Guild Team 3: Melissa Day



Sign up for the Christmas Pageant—Downtown!
www.christchurchtyler.org/christmas-pageant.

Rehearsals for DOWNTOWN:
Sunday, Dec 15th 10:00am
Saturday, December 21st 1:00pm
Sunday, December 22 1:00pm
The pageant is Tuesday, the 24th at 4 PM.

TONIGHT!!!



TUESDAY!!!

A poster with a dark grey background and a gold border. At the top, three gold star ornaments hang from white strings. The word "TIDINGS" is written in a white serif font on the left. The word "JOY" is written in large, white, lace-like letters in the center, with a small "Cof" logo above the "J". On the right, the dates and performers are listed. At the bottom, the event details are provided. A large gold star ornament is in the bottom right corner.

TIDINGS

JOY

December 10
Weston Jennings, *organ*;
Mark & Ute Miller, *violin & viola*

December 17
Micah Bell, *trumpet*;
Sarah Roberts, *saxophone*;
Elena Daughtery, *piano*

Tuesdays of Advent
Noon | Christ Church Downtown
followed by a light lunch

THURSDAY!!!



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*Book of
Common Prayer*

Holy Eucharist

Noon Thursdays Advent-Christmastide

Beginning December 5

Downtown in the Nave

SATURDAY!!!

bonfire
caroling

Saturday, December 14
Christ Church South
15747 Old Jacksonville Hwy

Meet at 6:00pm for **caroling**
bonfire at 7:00pm

Join us for a bonfire and Christmas activities!
This is a great and festive family event with
wreath making, ornament decorating, tasty
smores, and Christmas carols. All followed by a
nice warm beverage while sitting around the
fire. We hope to see you there!

Unto you is born...a Saviour,
who is the Messiah, the Lord.

CHRISTMAS

December 22nd
Children's Christmas Pageant*
11:05am Christ Church South

Christmas Eve - December 24th
Christ Church Downtown
4:00pm Children's Christmas Pageant*
7:30pm Christmas Eve Eucharist*
10:30pm Candlelight Service

Christmas Day - December 25th
10:00am Holy Eucharist
Christ Church Downtown

*Nursery available



Christmas Poinsettias & Music

You are invited to participate in the celebration of Christmas at Christ Church through the Christmas flower & music fund. Please complete this form if you wish to contribute to the placement of poinsettias in the church or help to underwrite the music presented on Christmas Eve.

Donor Name _____ Phone # _____

Flowers

In memory of _____

In thanksgiving for _____

In thanksgiving (general)

Music

In memory of _____

In thanksgiving for _____

In thanksgiving (general)

Deadline: Sunday, December 15

Please return this form with your donation to the Church Office or in the offering plates. Thank you!
[Any forms received after this date will not be included in the Christmas Eve Leaflets.]

All Primetimers
 DINNER PLANS have CHANGED
 Reservations have been made at FD Grill
 December 15 @ 5:15pm

Primetimers (those 50 & above)

2025

CHRIST CHURCH
 ONE CHURCH • TWO CAMPUSES

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 / 10:00AM BOTH CAMPUSES

This Week *(and more)* at Christ Church

Sunday, December 8

- 7:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite I | CCD
 - 9:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II | CCD
 - 10:00 am Christian Formation | CCD & CCS
 - 11:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I | CCD+
 - 11:05 am Holy Eucharist Rite II | CCS+
 - 6:00pm The Service of Nine Lessons & Carols+ | CCD
- +Live Streamed www.christchurchtyler.org

Tuesday, December 10

- 8:00 am Men's Bible Study with the Rector | CCD
- Noon Tidings of Joy concerts | CCD
followed by a light lunch

Wednesday, December 11

- 7:15 am Men's Bible Study—Undercroft
- 5:30 pm Children's Choir K-2nd | CCD
- 6:00 pm Children's Choir 3rd & 4th | CCD
- 6:00 pm EYC | CCD 4th Floor
- 6:30 pm Chancel Choir | CCD

Thursday, December 12

- 9:00am Yoga with Sarah Jones | CCD 4th Floor
- 10:30am Women's Bible Study with the Rector | CCD
- Noon 1928 Holy Eucharist | CCD
- 6:00pm Loaves & Fishes Team 2 | CCD Undercroft

Friday, December 13

- 6:00pm Supper Club Scottish Christmas Party
www.christchurchtyler.org/supper-club

Saturday, December 14

- 6:00pm Caroling & Bonfire | CCS

Sunday, December 15

- 6:00pm Primetimers Christmas Outing
www.christchurchtyler.org/primetimers

Sunday, December 22

- 11:05am Children's Christmas Pageant | CCS

In Our Prayers

Please consider including the Prayer List in your daily devotions.

Let us remember those who celebrate the anniversaries of their births, especially:

12/8 Ken Dunn, 12/9 Adeline Heninger, 12/9 John Short, 12/9 Karen Hughes, 12/9 Ted Schoenberg, 12/10 Kyle Ashley, 12/10 Shannon Teagarden, 12/11 Dominic Hague, 12/11 Hampton Short, 12/11 Whitney Patterson, 12/11 Jeremy Wait, 12/11 Paula McMann, 12/11 Jim Martin, 12/11 Kim Meyer, 12/11 Fred Damkroger, 12/12 Dana Bass, 12/12 Dena Borah, 12/12 Sandy Forde, 12/12 Ann Norris, 12/13 Tom Perkins, 12/13 Holly Marsh, 12/14 Ann Weissmann, 12/14 Connie Wilson, 12/14 Marietta Wynne

And also those with special needs and concerns, especially:

Luba, Lisa, Yeva, YK, Iryna, Nora, Yevgeny, Paul, Sally, Maggie, Jennifer, Laura, Alan, Sally, Laura, Ezri, Mark, Analina, Darin, Barbara, Vicky, Amber, Chris, Jerry, Linda, Dalton, Chris, Mike, Mark, Marian, Verdie, Connie, Jeremy, Lauren, Russ, Liam, Betsey, Samuel, Sarah, Heather, Chris, Alinda, Piper, Jimmy, Chester, Diana W., Marilyn, Stephen, Amy, Boyd, Debbie

Prayer Requests

*If you would like to add or take off a name on the prayer list, parishioners should notify
The Rev. Stephen Stine at sssti@tjc.edu.*



CHRISTMAS UNDER THE BRIDGE TOY DRIVE!

Please help us bring a smile to these kids' faces by donating a new toy (or even a gift card) for boys and girls of all ages-up to 13! All donations should be **new & unwrapped**. There is a wrapped donation box in the reception area. **Pick up will be 12/18.**

For more info call: Lynne Bordeaux 512-608-2171



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Tyler, Texas 75702

South
15747 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, Texas 75703

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