



SAINT JOHN'S
CATHEDRAL
EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FLORIDA

Christmas Day

December 25, 2022 | 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Voluntary

Chorale Prelude on *Greensleeves*, Alec Rowley

At the sound of the bell, please stand. The order of service at 8 a.m. begins on page 3.

Introit (10 a.m. only)

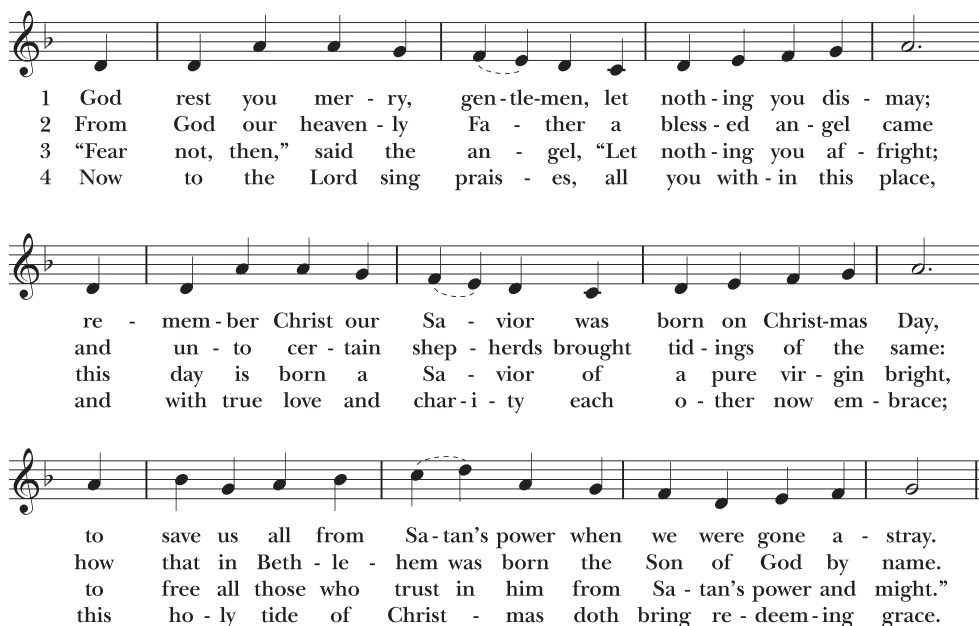
Christmas Daybreak, Robert Convery
Words: Christina Rossett

Before the paling of the stars, Before the winter morn, Before the earliest cockcrow Jesus Christ was born: Born in a stable, Cradled in a manger, In the world His hands had made Born a stranger.	Priest and king lay fast asleep In Jerusalem, Young and old lay fast asleep In crowded Bethlehem: Saint and Angel, ox and ass, Kept a watch together, Before the Christmas day- break In the winter weather.	Jesus on His Mother's breast In the stable cold, Spotless Lamb of God was He, Shepherd of the fold: Let us kneel with Mary Maid, With Joseph bent and hoary, With Saint and Angel, ox and ass, To hail the King of Glory.
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Hymn

Hymnal 1982, No. 105

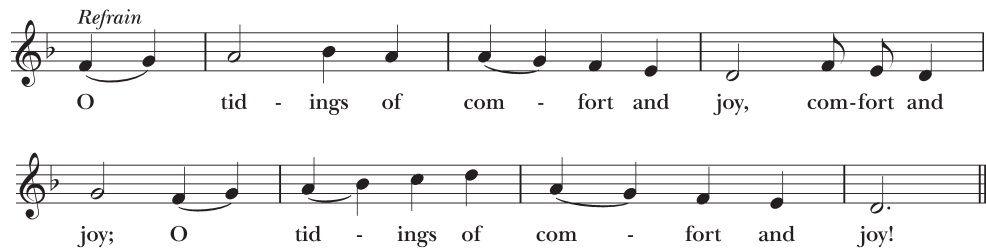
God Rest You Merry



1 God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle-men, let noth - ing you dis - may;
2 From God our heaven - ly Fa - ther a bless - ed an - gel came
3 "Fear not, then," said the an - gel, "Let noth - ing you af - fright;
4 Now to the Lord sing prais - es, all you with - in this place,

re - mem - ber Christ our Sa - vior was born on Christ - mas Day,
and un - to cer - tain shep - herds brought tid - ings of the same:
this day is born a Sa - vior of a pure vir - gin bright,
and with true love and char - i - ty each o - ther now em - brace;

to save us all from Sa - tan's power when we were gone a - stray.
how that in Beth - le - hem was born the Son of God by name.
to free all those who trust in him from Sa - tan's power and might."
this ho - ly tide of Christ - mas doth bring re - deem - ing grace.



THE WORD OF THE LORD

Celebrant Blessed be our God.

People Forever and ever. Amen.


All **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.**

Mendelssohn



1 Hark! the her-ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!
 2 Christ, by high-est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri-umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the in-car-nate De - i - ty.
 Risen with heal-ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,



with the an-gel - ic host pro-claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
 hail, the Sun of Right-eous-ness! hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Refrain



Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Silence.

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Lesson

Hebrews 1:1-4,(5-12)

Reader A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.[For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be his Father, and he will be my Son"? And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him." Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his servants flames of fire." But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions." And, "In the beginning,

Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end.”

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 98

Sing to the Lord a new song, *for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm *has he won for himself the victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; *his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, * and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp, *with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn *shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *the lands and those who dwell there in.

Let the rivers clap their hands, *and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.


In righteousness shall he judge the world *and the peoples with equity.

A period of silence follows the reading for reflection.

All stand.

Hymn 10 a.m. only

Hymnal 1982, No. 107
In dulci jubilo



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
2 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
3 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
now ye hear of end - less bliss; Je - sus Christ was born for this!
now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!

ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
He hath o - pened hea - ven's door, and we are blest for ev - er - more.
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day!
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born to save!

Christ is born to - day!
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born to save!

The Holy Gospel

John 1:1-14

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the

darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth!

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Very Reverend Kate Moorehead Carroll

Silence.

The Nicene Creed

All stand.

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Leader We pray for God's people throughout the world. For the sick, the hungry and those who have no home.

Silence.

We pray for the city of Jacksonville and for this Cathedral district here in the heart of the urban core. Pray that we may bring new life to downtown Jacksonville and serve those in need.

Silence.

We pray for the nations of the earth, especially Ukraine and all nations torn by war, injustice and oppression. Pray for peace.

Silence.

We pray for this beautiful earth that You have given us. Pray that we may cherish and care for this planet.

Silence.

We pray for all who have died, that they may be welcomed into your loving embrace. Pray for those we love but see no longer.

Silence.

Praise God for the gift of Christ's birth, for the gift of our lives and for all the people we love.

Silence.

Celebrant says a concluding prayer.

All kneel as able.

The Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence.

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

Celebrant 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.

All stand.

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

T H E H O L Y C O M M U N I O N



*As the altar is prepared for Communion, please place your offering in the collection plate as it is passed. You may also give by texting jaxcathedral \$(amount) to 73256. Or use the QR Code to the left and give online.
Thank you for your generosity!*

The Offertory Anthem

Nightingale Carol
Melody: Wilhelm Dörfler
Arr. Andrew Carter

Nightingales in woodland calling Summer songs though snow is falling; Jesus Christ my heart is warming, Born on winter's summer morning.	Joyfully white doves replying, Winter harsh and cold defying, Through the storm clouds gladly flying To the Babe in manger lying.	Soft the roses crimson petal. Golden heart like precious metal, Blooming bright though winds are chilling, All the air with fragrance filling.	Pure and tall and white are growing Lillies where the snow is blowing, As the waiting world lies dreaming, Rays of rising sun are gleaming.	Joyful as the birdsong calling, Peaceful as a petal falling, Glorious as the sun at dawning: Christ our winter's simmer morning.
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Hymn

Hymnal 1982, No. 380

Old 100th

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

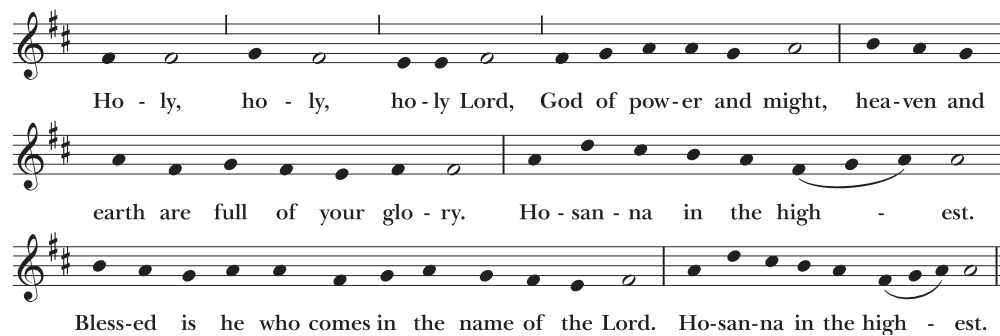
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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:

The Sanctus and Benedictus

S-124
David Hurd



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

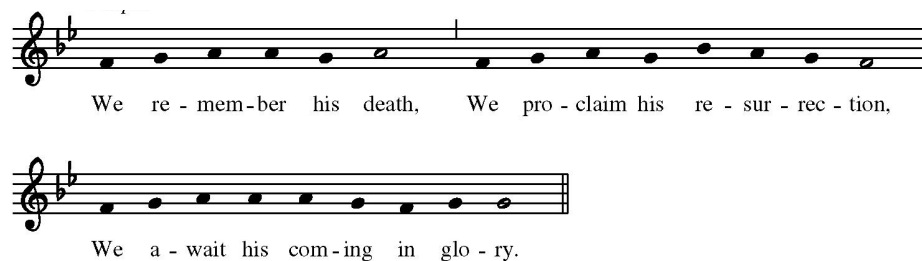
The People stand or kneel.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All



We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur - rec - tion,
We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

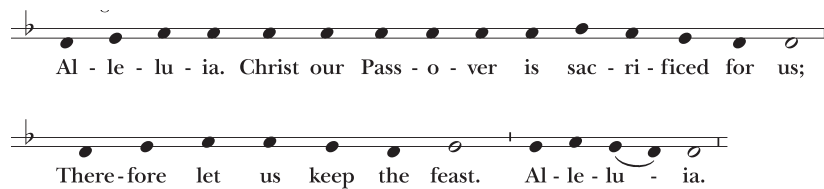
We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your 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.**

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

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

Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.



Celebrant 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 baptized people are welcome to receive communion. Everyone is welcome to come to the altar for a blessing. If you would like a blessing, please fold your arms across your chest. You are also invited to receive prayers in our chapel to the left of the altar.

Music at Communion

Gospel Offering

The Angels sang Hallelujah, Margaret Douroux
Michael Edmond Jasper, Delores Quaranta, soloists
Cedric Williams, accompanist

Hymn

Hymnal 1982, No. 115

Greensleeves

The Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant May Almighty God watch over you who wait for Christ to come again, you who long to see His face. And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn

Hymnal 1982, No. 100
Antioch

1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -
2 Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let us our
*3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -
4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the
ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and
songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, re -
fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow far
na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness, and

heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture
peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
as the curse is found, far as the curse is
won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

1 and heaven and na - ture sing, and
2 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re -
3 far as the curse is found, far
4 and won - ders of his love, and

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.
joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, far as, far as the curse is found.
love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heaven and na - ture sing,
peat the sound - ing joy,
as the curse is found,
won - ders of his love,

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Concluding Voluntary

In dulci jubilo
J. S. Bach

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LOVE AT THE CORE

Love at the Core is our motto; it refers to the heart of our ministry and mission. For nearly 200 years, St. John's Cathedral has been in the forefront of spiritual leadership and community service in Jacksonville's Urban Core. Many ministries to care for children and the elderly and to promote the arts, education and healthcare started here, including Aging True, The Episcopal School of Jacksonville, Cathedral Care, Cathedral Arts Project, The Cathedral School and Cathedral District-Jax. These ministries are now thriving nonprofit organizations serving the downtown and beyond. Today we continue to move forward with Love at the Core. We invite you to join us.

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M E R R Y C H R I S T M A S

Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem is over...our Savior is born and lies in a manger.
The shepherds have listened to the angel and hurried to see the babe in swaddling cloths.

The Wise Men travel on, led by a star.

Two ways to meet our Lord—drop everything and believe
or with quiet study and longing, find the way.

The journey to Bethlehem is complete, but the story is only beginning...

I N F O R M A T I O N

For Visitors and Newcomers

Welcome! We're glad you've joined us today. To learn more about membership, baptism, confirmation or to receive emails about upcoming events, fill out a connection card found in the pew and hand it to an usher or clergy. Or, visit jaxcathedral.org/welcome and fill out a card online.

Hakimian Nursery

Our nursery is staffed with trained caregivers for infants and toddlers up to 3 years old every Sunday from 8:45 to 11:15 a.m.

Children And Youth

Christian formation for ages 4 through 12th grade is offered at 10 a.m. If you need help finding a classroom, please ask an usher. All ages join the 10 a.m. service at the time of The Peace.

4 years	2nd grade, Lower-level Classroom
3rd grade	5th grade, Cummings Chapel.
6th grade	High School, Undercroft Youth Room.

Prayer and Care

Our clergy and lay ministers visit hospitals, bless babies born and those that are dying, counsel the sick, and offer comfort in any way that we can. Call the Church Office anytime and ask for Pastoral Care. If you are calling after hours, just press 4, and your call will be routed to a member of the clergy. You may also choose the prayer request option under Contact on our website for a quick and confidential response.

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Sunday Schedule

8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Cathedral
9 a.m. Adult Formation Zoom* and In-person
10 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Cathedral
10 a.m. Formation for Children & Youth ages 3 – 18
1 p.m. Church Without Walls, Dean's Garden

Weekday Worship

Daily at 6 a.m.
Dean Kate's Morning Devotion on YouTube*

Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.
Compline on Facebook Live*

Tuesday and Thursday at 7 a.m.
Morning Prayer on Zoom

Thursday at 9 a.m.
Centering Prayer Circle in Cummings Chapel

Wednesday at 12:10 p.m.
Healing Eucharist in Cummings Chapel

Weekday Formation

Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Day Art Class in The Painting Place

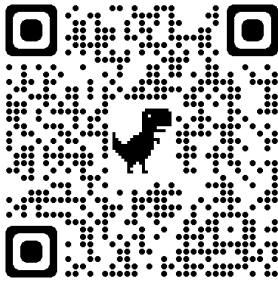
Wednesday at 11 a.m.
Growing Through the Word in Busey Conference Room and on Zoom*

Wednesday at 6 p.m.
Yoga in Cummings Chapel

Wednesday, 6 to 8: 30 p.m.

Art Class in The Painting Place
Friday at 9 a.m.
Reading Between the Lines Bible Study on
Zoom*

**Please see our website page [Weekly Classes and Worship](#) under Learn
for Zoom links and access to online classes.
Or use the QR code to the below.*



Christmas Day Services

Sunday, December 25 | 8 & 10 a.m.
Christmas Day Breakfast by the Baking Ministry after each service.

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Saturday, December 31 | 5 p.m.
An annual tradition at St. John's Cathedral, the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols has been voted one of the top things to do on New Year's Eve in Jacksonville. A reception will follow.

New Year's Day Potluck Lunch

Sunday, January 1 | 11 a.m.
The church will provide ham. Please bring black-eyed peas, cornbread, collard greens or a dessert to complete our New Year's meal.

Baptism of our Lord

Sunday, January 8 | 8 & 10 a.m.
Thank you to the Corey Family for sponsoring
Coffee Hour in honor of Thomas Corey, Jr.

Contemplative Epiphany Eucharist

Sunday, January 8 | 5 p.m.
Cathedral Nave

Martin Luther King Brunch

Saturday, January 14 | 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Taliaferro Hall. Please call (904) 354-1053 to
reserve your seat by January 6, 2023

Quiet Garden Morning Who is my Neighbor?

Saturday, January 14 | 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Cummings Chapel and the Cathedral Grounds
How does our understanding of neighbor
shape our prayers and actions? Participants
are encouraged make a reservation (see above)
to join the MLK Brunch immediately following.

Exploring Hogan's Creek with Groundwork Jax

Saturday, January 21 | 9:30 a.m. to Noon
Kay Ehas, CEO of Groundwork Jacksonville,
the City of Jacksonville's nonprofit partner in
creating the 30-mile Emerald Trail and restoring
McCoys Creek and Hogans Creek, will talk
to us about the current status of the restoration
effort. We will walk from St. John's Cathedral
to Hogans Creek to get a first-hand look at the
creek's current condition.



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