

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL & THE REDEEMER

DECEMBER 18, 2022 | 9:15 AM



You are welcome here.

A Little About St. Paul & the Redeemer

What kind of church is this?

St. Paul & the Redeemer (SPR) is a community that seeks to mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus, holding together a progressive outlook and a rootedness in the Christian faith. We are woven of different races, economic statuses, cultural backgrounds, faith backgrounds, gender identities, and sexual orientations, and we are strengthened and enriched by each person's story and voice.

Let's Get Connected

Welcome! If you are new, tell us about yourself and get connected to what's happening at St. Paul & the Redeemer.



Scan the code or visit sprchicago.org/new to complete a *Let's Get Connected* form.

Children & Youth at SPR

Nursery, 9:00am-12:30pm

Professionally staffed nursery care is available during the service for children ages 0-4. The nursery is down the southwest stairs. Changing tables are in the downstairs restrooms and the nursery.

Children's Chapel, Sundays, 9:30am-9:45am

During the sermon at the 10:00am service, children from preschool to second grade are invited to a special liturgy in the children's chapel, featuring songs and a Bible story.

Godly Play, Sundays, 10:20am-11:05am

Children in preschool through fifth grade are invited to Godly Play. Children are welcome to join Godly Play at any time during the year.

Youth Group, Sundays, 10:20am-11:05am

Join us for youth group (grades 6-12). We gather every Sunday for 45 minutes to enjoy donuts, games, and discussion, and meet once or twice a month for field trips and special events.

SPR's Anti-Racism Vision Statement

We strive to become a beloved community that reflects on our own racial identities and recognizes racism and privilege in our church and society; works for justice by building relationships and sustained efforts to heal, reconcile, and seek Christ in each other; and acts to interrupt and dismantle white supremacist structures, transforming ourselves and our church to become a living embodiment of justice and peace.

Bulletin Rubrics

Throughout the bulletin, the congregation is invited to say all **bolded** text aloud. There are also times when it is customary to make the sign of the cross by touching your forehead, chest, left shoulder, and right shoulder. If you wish to do so, the **+** indicates that.

Giving to SPR

Every dollar you give to SPR supports our ministry to and with our community.



You may place cash or a check in the offering plate, give online at sprchicago.org/give-online or scan this code. If you are visiting, please do not feel obligated to give—it is our honor to have you as our guest!

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Advent and Christmas at SPR

Celebrate Christmas Eve with us at 5:00 and 9:00 PM. Turn to page 19 for a full schedule of our Advent and Christmas festivities.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Trumpet Tune on *Stuttgart*

Pietro Cattaneo (b. 1998)

Entrance Hymn

All sing.

Leader (John the Baptist):

Pre - - pare ye the way of the Lord.

1. Pre - pare ye the way of the Lord! Lord!

2. *Faster*

ALL: (repeat until all are in place)

Pre - - - pare ye the way of the Lord.

1. Pre - pare ye the way of the Lord! Lord!

Final Time

Godspell: A musical based upon the Gospel According to Matthew: "Prepare Ye (The Way of our God)"

Music and Lyrics: Stephen Schwartz (b. 1948).

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Welcome

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

**Purify our conscience, Almighty God,
by your daily visitation,
that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming,
may find in us a mansion prepared for himself;
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Please be seated.

Lighting of the Advent Candles

SPR Youth Group

(All sing refrain 2x, leader sings verse, refrain repeated again)

Refrain

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

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Wait for the Lord: keep watch, take heart.

Verse

Pre - pare the way for the Lord

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment. It consists of three systems. The first system is the 'Refrain' and contains two lines of music. The first line of the refrain has the lyrics 'Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.' The second line of the refrain has the lyrics 'Wait for the Lord: keep watch, take heart.' The second system is marked with a '5' above the first staff. The third system is the 'Verse' and contains one line of music with the lyrics 'Pre - pare the way for the Lord'. The music is in G major (one sharp) and common time (C).

Music from Taizē Volume 2: "Wait for the Lord"

Words and Music: Jacques Berthier, text after James 5, Psalm 26. Verse: Isaiah 40.



THE PAGEANT: GOOD NEWS OF GREAT JOY

By Gretchen Wolff Pritchard

SCENE 1

The Prophecy of Isaiah

All sing.

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,
that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here un - til the Son of God _____ ap - pear.

Refrain
Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

SCENE 2

The Annunciation

All sing.

7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the hearts of all _____ man - kind;
bid thou our sad di - vi - sions cease, and be thy - self our King _____ of Peace.

Refrain
Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal 1940*, alt.

Music: *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*, plainsong Mode 1, *Processionale*, 15th cent., adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890).

SCENE 3

The Arrival in Bethlehem

All sing.

1. O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
3. How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous gift is given!

A - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bles - sings of his heaven.

yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;
No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,

the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Words: Phillips Brooks (1835-1893).

Music: *Saint Louis*, Louis H. Redner (1831-1908).

SCENE 4

The Shepherds

Choir sings calls, congregation sings responses and refrain as marked.

Choir/Solo:



There's a star in the east on Christ - mas morn,
If you take good heed to the an - gel's words,

ALL:



Rise up, shep - herd, and fol - low,

Choir/Solo:




It will lead to the place where the Christ was born,
You'll for - get your flocks, you'll for - get your herds,

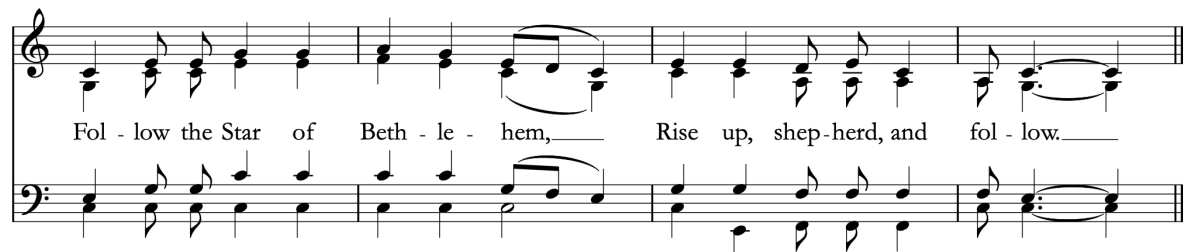
ALL:



Rise up, shep - herd, and fol - low.



Fol - low, fol - low, Rise up, shep - herd, and fol - low,



Fol - low the Star of Beth - le - hem, Rise up, shep - herd, and fol - low.

Lift Every Voice and Sing II #24 "Rise up, shepherd, and follow"

Words: Traditional. Music: Negro Spiritual.

Narrator: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying:
All: **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on Earth!**

All sing.

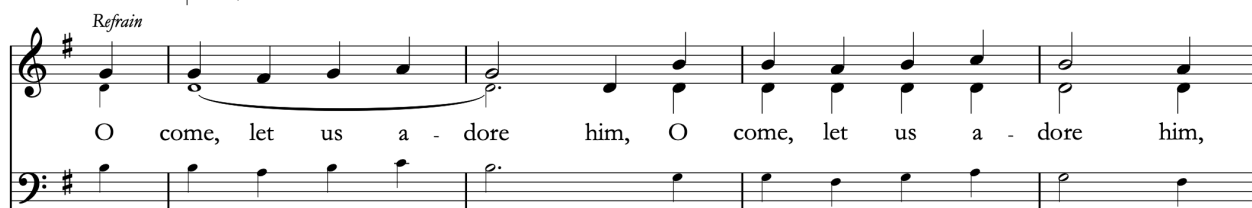


1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O come ye, O
2. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion; sing, all ye




come ye to Beth - le - hem; come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
cit - i - zens of heaven a - bove! Glo - ry to God, — glo - ry in the high - est;

Refrain



O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,



O come, let us a - dore him, — Christ — the Lord.

The Hymnal 1982 #83 "O come, all ye faithful"

Words: John Francis Wade (1711-1786); tr. Frederick Oakeley (1802-1880) and others.

Music: *Adeste fideles*, present form of melody att. John Francis Wade (1711-1786); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

SCENE 5

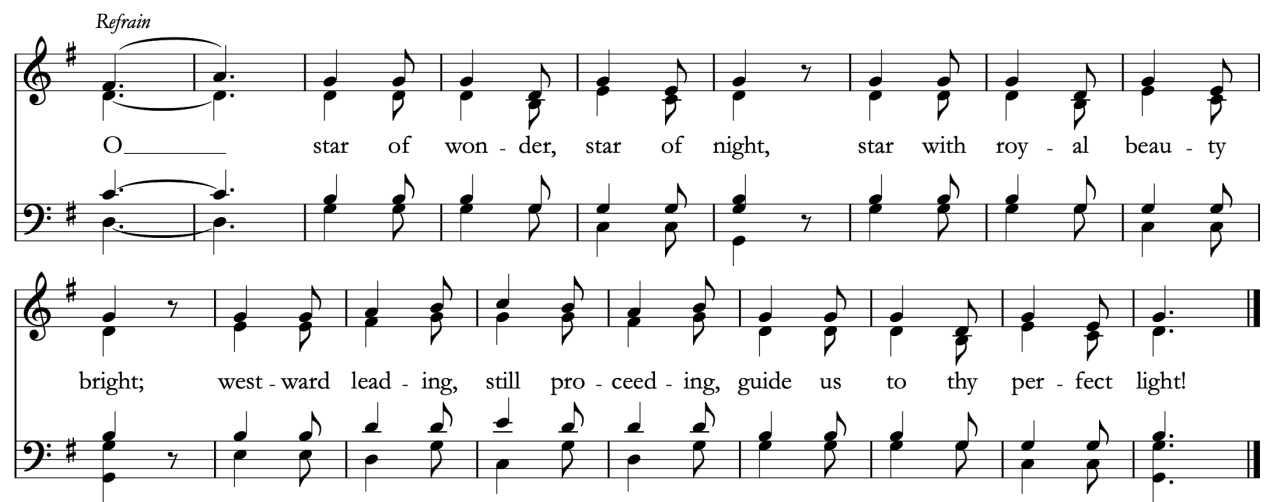
The Magi

All sing.



1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are, bear - ing gifts we tra - verse a - far,
field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.

Refrain



O star of won - der, star of night, star with roy - al beau - ty
bright; west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light!

The Hymnal 1982 - #128 "We three kings of Orient"

Words: John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891), alt.

Music: *Three Kings of Orient*, John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891).

All sing.

Refrain

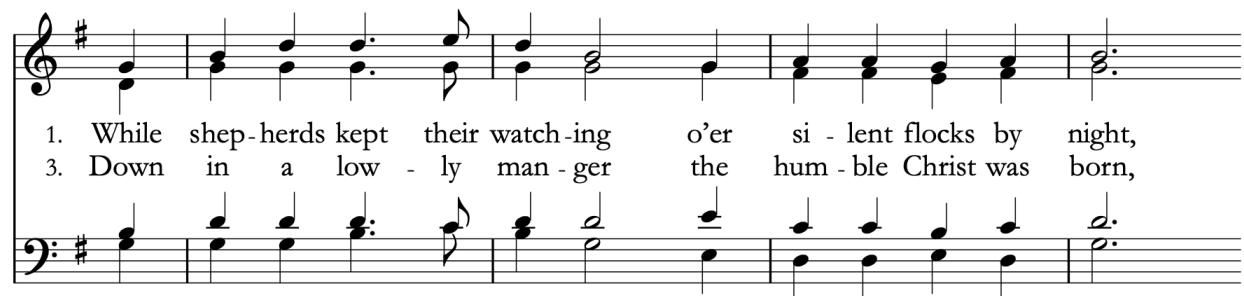


Go, tell it on the moun - tain, o - ver the hills and ev - ery - where;



Go, tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born.

Fine



1. While shep - herds kept their watch - ing o'er si - lent flocks by night,
3. Down in a low - ly man - ger the hum - ble Christ was born,



Be - hold through - out the heav - ens there shown a ho - ly light.
And God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

D.C.

Lift Every Voice and Sing II #21 "Go tell it on the mountain"
Words: African-American spiritual, 19th cent.; adapt. John W. Work (1901-1967).
Music: *Go tell it on the mountain*, Negro spiritual, 19th cent.; adapt. and arr. William Farley Smith (b. 1941).
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Sermon

Today's Preacher: *The Rev. Catherine Healy (Rector)*

Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the church and for the world.

Gracious God, as we remember the birth of your Son, open our eyes that we may behold your face; open our hearts and minds to your presence. We give thanks that in Christ you share in our humanity and open for us the gate of glory.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the health and well-being of all children, especially those who are homeless or in homes that are unsafe. Bless the work of all those who nurture, teach, and advocate for them.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all who have enriched our lives by their goodness, all who have accepted us and cared for us. We pray for all who are separated from loved ones at this time and all who are lonely.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We thank you for all the joys of this life. We ask your blessing on **Ariana** Strahl (12/16), **Anna Mary** Wallace (12/18), **Clara** Christensen (12/19), **Raoul** Mowatt (12/21), and **Michelle** Agina (12/23) as they begin another year, and **Barbra** Goering & **Jim** Murray (12/18) and **Linda** Wheatley-Irving & **Tom** Irving (12/18) as they celebrate their anniversaries. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all those who are weary and weak, all those who are in pain, sick, or suffering, especially **Jo Ann** Roberts, **Teresa** Massie Peterson (niece of Jo Ann Roberts), **Patrick** Ferlo (brother of Roger Ferlo), **Bob** Bator, **David** Farris, **Tim** Sehr, **William** Jenkins (uncle of Twila Jones), **Barbara** Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), **Roger** Wolcott (brother-in-law of Curtis Myers), and all those on our prayer list.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We ask that you bless our friends and loved ones who have departed this life with the gift of life and love eternal. We especially remember **Phillip** Woll (brother of Bruce Woll, 12/20/2004), **Royce** McKinney (father of Romonda McKinney, 12/20/2019), **Grace** Pollard (grandmother of David Farris, 12/21/1999), **Lee** Flora Tolbert (mother of Cheryl Vanorsby, 12/22/15), and **Mary Lou** Wiggins (mother of Ellen Wiggins, 12/23/2016).

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I invite you to offer your own prayers and thanksgivings, ending each with "Lord, in your mercy."

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.**

Prayer List: Jo Ann Roberts, Teresa Massie Peterson (niece of Jo Ann Roberts), Roger Wolcott (brother-in-law of Curtis Myers), Patrick Ferlo (brother of Roger Ferlo), Jake Dombroski (friend of Ryan Bailey), Mel Hodder (brother-in-law of Mary Naftzger), Bob Bator, David Farris, Jennifer Penn, Hyacinth Evans, Rahsaan Clark Morris, Tim Sehr, Pamela Anderson, D. Maria Neighbors, Dan Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), Barbara Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), Stacey Morris, David Daniels, Marian Elliott, Naomi Haynes, Amelia Dammen (grandniece of Lisa Rademacher), Pauline and Bill Reynolds (parents of Liza Reynolds), Tim Brown (cousin of Maureen Jesuthasan), William Jenkins (uncle of Twila Jones), and Rock Sehr, as well as their caregivers.

Prayers of the People: Adapted from David Adam, *Glimpses of Glory: Prayers for the Church Year (Year C)*.
Collect at the Prayers: *A New Zealand Prayer Book*, Liturgies of the Eucharist: Thanksgiving for Creation & Redemption.

Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Please remain at your seat and wave to greet your neighbors. Some announcements will be given; there's much more to find out in the front and back pages of this bulletin.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Sung by choir.

Patrick Jonker, cello

Veni, veni, Rex Gentium,
veni, Redemptor omnium,
ut salvas tuos famulos
peccati sibi conscios.

*O come, Desire of nations,
bind all peoples in one heart and mind
bid envy, strife, and discord cease;
fill the whole world with heaven's peace.*

Gaude! Gaude! Emmanuel,
nascetur pro te Israel.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lowly exile here
Until the Song of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Text: Latin hymn, pre-9th cent., tr. composite.

Tune: Veni Emmanuel, French processional, 15th cent.

Music: Kyle Pederson (b.1971), (ASCAP), newly composed, and copyright ©2020 Birnamwood with this publication.

The Great Thanksgiving

All stand as the offering is brought to the altar.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our 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.

A proper preface is sung or said.

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:

Leader sings. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, *All sing.* God of pow'r and God of might.

Leader sings. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - - ry.

All sing. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Leader sings. Bless - ed are those who come in the name of the Lord.

All sing. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Text Source: Revised Order of Mass 2010.

Music: *Missa Emmanuel*, Richard Proulx, French Franciscan chant, 15th c.; Kyrie based on *Kyrie cum jubilo*, Mass IX.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:


**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on 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, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Leader sings.



1. Je - sus, wis - dom and might - - ty Lord:
2. Je - sus, true branch of Jes - - se's tree: } you
3. Key of Da - vid and Day - spring from on high: }

1. 2. *All sing.*
take a-way the sins_ of the world, have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us.

3. *All sing.*
world, grant us_ peace_ grant us_ peace.

Text Source: Revised Order of Mass 2010.

Music: *Missa Emmanuel*, Richard Proulx. French Franciscan chant, 15th c.; Kyrie based on *Kyrie cum jubilo*, Mass IX.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All, without exception, are invited to receive communion. If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please let the ushers know. If you want gluten-free bread, tell the communion minister. If you would like a blessing in place of communion, cross your arms over your chest.

Communion Music

All sing.



1 The Word whom earth and sea and sky
 2 To Ma - ry the Arch - an - gel came
 3 Blest in the mes - sage Ga - briel brought,
 4 Lord Je - sus, Vir - gin - born, to thee



a - dore and laud and mag - ni - fy,
 and God's new mes - sage did pro - claim,
 blest in the work the Spi - rit wrought,
 e - ter - nal praise and glo - ry be,



whose might they show, whose praise they tell,
 "Hail, Ma - ry, you shall bear a son
 most blest to bring to hu - man birth
 whom with the Fa - ther we a - dore



in Ma - ry's bo - dy deigned to dwell.
 who shall be called the Ho - ly One."
 the long - de - sired of all the earth.
 and Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more.

The Hymnal 1982 #265: "The Word whom earth and sky and sea"

Words: Latin, 7th-8th cent.; sts. 1 and 3-4, tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1866);
 st. 2, tr. Anne K. LeCroy (b. 1930). St. 2, copyrights ©1982, Anne LeCroy.

Music: *Quem terra, pontus, aethera*, plainsong, Mode 2, *Mailander Hymnen*, 15th cent.; acc. Bruce Neswick (b. 1956).

All sing

1 The an - gel Ga - bri - el from hea - ven came,
2 "For know a bless - ed Mo - ther thou shalt be,
3 Then gen - tle Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head,
4 Of her, Em - man - u - el, the Christ, was born

his wings as drift - ed snow, his eyes as flame;
all gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee,
"To me be as it pleas - eth God," she said,
in Beth - le - hem, all on a Christ - mas morn,

"All hail," said he, "thou low - ly maid - en Ma - ry,
thy Son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told,
"my soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy his ho - ly Name."
and Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say—

most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!
most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!
Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy, Glo - ri - a!
"Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!

The Hymnal 1982 #265 "The angel Gabriel"

Words: Basque carol; para. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924).

Music: *Gabriel's Message*, Basque carol; harm. Edgar Pettman (1865-1943), copyright ©1961, all rights reserved. Used with permission.

Sending Forth

Please stand as able.

Let us pray.

**God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Blessing

Live without fear: Your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road, and may the blessing of God, + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Mother of us all, be with you always. **Amen.**

All sing.

1. Re - deem - er of the na - tions, come; re - veal your -
2. From hum - man will you do - not spring, but from the
3. You came forth from the e - ter - nal God, and you re -
4. With God the Fa - ther you are one, and one with
5. Your cra - dle shines with glo - ry's light; its splen - dor
6. All praise, O un - be - got - ten God, all praise to

self in vir - gin birth, the birth which a - ges
Spi - rit of our God; O Word of God, come;
turned to that same source. You suf - fered death and
us in hu - man flesh. Oh, fill our weak and
pierc - es all our gloom. Our faith re - flects those
you, e - ter - nal Word, all praise, life - giv - ing

all a - dore, a won - drous birth, be - fit - ting God.
take our flesh and grow as child in Ma - ry's womb.
har - rowed hell, and reigned once more from God's high throne.
dy - ing frame and god - ly strength which nev - er fails.
ra - diant beams; no night shall o - ver - come it now.
Spi - rit, praise, all glo - ry to our God Tri - une.

The Hymnal 1982 #55 "Redeemer of the nations, come"

Words: Att. Ambrose of Milan (340-397); tr. Charles P. Price (b. 1920).

Music: *Puer nobis*, melody from Trier MS., 15th cent.; adapt. Michael Praetorius (1571-1621); harm. *Cowley Carol Book*, 1902.

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Walking in the air"

From *The Snowman*

by Howard Blake (b. 1938), arr. Robert Grower.



Advent & Christmas at SPR

Advent Lessons & Carols (St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Park Ridge): Sunday, December 4, 5:00 PM
The combined choirs of St. Mary's and SPR will host a traditional service of lessons and carols.

Advent Lessons & Carols (SPR): Sunday, December 11, 9:15 & 11:15 AM
The SPR choirs will offer a service of lessons and carols (with Eucharist) in Sunday worship.

Youth Group Christmas Party: Saturday, December 17, 6:00 PM
All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to share dinner, a gift exchange, and a Christmas celebration.

Christmas Pageant: Sunday, December 18, 9:15 AM
Our youngest members will re-tell the Christmas story at our 9:15 service.

Christmas Caroling: Thursday, December 22, 5:30 PM
All ages are invited to carol around the neighborhood and return to church for fellowship afterward.

Christmas Eve Worship: Saturday, December 24, 5:00 & 9:00 PM
Join us for a family service at 5:00 PM, or a choral Eucharist at 9:00 PM (with instrumental music beginning at 8:30).

Christmas Day Worship: Sunday, December 25, 10:00 AM
On Christmas Day, we will have one service of Holy Eucharist at 10:00 AM, with celebratory Christmas music.

New Year's Day Worship: Sunday, January 1, 8:00 & 10:00 AM
On New Year's Day, we will have two services of Holy Eucharist at 8:00 & 10:00 AM.



Coming Up at SPR

Christmas Pageant Cast

Narrator 1:	Thomas Cather
Narrator 2:	Lucy Osborne
Narrator 3:	Eli Evans
Gabriel:	Ann Evans
Angel of the Lord:	Harper Wildenberg
Mary:	Ellie Wildenberg
Joseph:	Isaiah Daniel
Baby Jesus:	Anders Johnson
Innkeeper 1:	Irene Daniel
Innkeeper 2:	Rosemary Evans
CEO of Bethlehem Hotels, Inc.:	Prarthana Markose
Shepherd 1:	Anne Osborne
Shepherd 2:	Elena Foiles
Shepherd 3:	Ever Strong
Magi 1:	Vivienne Chlipala
Magi 2:	Etta Chipman
Magi 3:	Mattias Prochaska
Sheep & Angels:	Clare Canapary Healy Micah Canapary Healy Theodore Cather Edmond Foiles Margot Jividen Tilly Johnson Frannie Lovallo Dhyan Markose Ilsa Paris-McAuley Marek Prochaska
Production Assistants:	Edie Bagrowski Elder Chipman Agnes Daniel Layla Prochaska

Christmas Caroling

You are invited to join SPR in Christmas caroling on **Thursday, December 22 at 5:30 PM!** Kids and parents will head out into the neighborhood to bring Christmas cheer to our neighbors. We'll return to the church for fellowship afterward. This event is child-focused, but all ages (with or without kids in tow) are welcome. For more information, please contact Megan Cather at cather@sprchicago.org.

Crèche Exhibit

Visit the Billesby Room to see a display of crèches from around the world! This exhibit, curated by Bob Bator, will be open until Jan 8.

January Adult Formation

In January 2023, **SPR's Faith in Action Team** will be hosting a 3-part series called "Putting Faith into Action: Housing Justice in Chicago." Join us in the parish hall at 10:20am on the following dates:

- **January 8:** Learn about the theology around housing and homelessness, and housing justice work of fellow parishioners, with Rev. Lydia Gajdel and Leslie and Ron Gattton
- **January 15:** Rev. Catherine Healy talks about the history of Martin Luther King Jr.'s work on housing justice in Chicago.
- **January 22:** Hear from other organizations about their housing justice work and how to get involved, with Janice Miller from Sunshine Gospel Ministries and their Housing Equity Initiative

Christmas Eve Pop-Up Choir

For our **5:00 PM Christmas Eve Service**, everyone is welcome to sing in the choir! We will meet at 4:00 PM to learn an anthem and some service music, with no additional rehearsals needed. Intended for families, out-of-towners, and anyone else wanting to don a robe and be a choir member for Christmas!

Love in a Dish

Please consider making a "Love in a Dish" meal for Shaney, Matthew, and Lucas Swift family as they transition into life with new family member Chloe. Sign up at mealtrain.com/g6nq93.

About This Week's Music

The **prelude** was written by a nineteen-year-old Italian organist and composer Pietro Cattaneo, who is currently the resident organist at the parish church in Cavallasca (not far from Como, Italy) and is a member of the Diocesan Liturgical Committee for the Diocese of Como. The **anthem** is a 2020 arrangement of the familiar *Veni, Emmanuel* hymn tune, and the **postlude** is the theme from the 1982 animated short film "The Snowman," based on the book by Raymond Briggs.



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Serving Today

December 18, 2022, 9:15a

Presiders: The Rev. Catherine Healy,

The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur

Preacher: The Rev. Catherine Healy

Deacon: The Rev. Jack Seymour

Music Leader: Mark Bilyeu

Pageant Director: Megan Cather

Candle Lighters: SPR Youth Group

Lectors: Jason Cather, Stefi Baiju

Intercessor: Gabriel Lear

Acolyte: Matthew Erlec

Ushers: Baiju Markose, Stefi Baiju

Vestry Greeter: Twila Jones

Livestream: Aksel Danforth

Staff

The Rev. Catherine E. Healy, *Rector*

The Rev. Barnabas E. Pusnur, *Associate Rector*

The Rev. Jack Seymour, *Deacon*

Mark Bilyeu, *Director of Music*

Megan Cather, *Children's Music Assistant*

Lindsey Strieter, *Director of Children's Formation*

The Rev. Roger Ferlo, *Priest Associate*

The Rev. Lydia Gajdel, *Priest Associate*

Lukasz Jedrzejewski, *Sexton*

Savannah Hegyi, Dennis Kalup,

Ian Murrell, & Ariana Strahl, *Staff Singers*

Sabrina Foster, Ashley Lanfair, & Patricia Lanfair,

Nursery Teachers

Vestry

Twila Jones, *Warden*

O. Michael Agina

Traci Beck

Jonathan Foiles

Meryl Prochaska

Rebecca Luttrell

Frances Spaltro, *Warden*

Tayo Adegoke, *Treasurer*

Nicholas Bellomy

Vicky Legge

Jason Evans

Celia Paris

Partners in Ministry

Beulah Shoemith Elementary School

We support our neighborhood school through tutoring, arts programs, and gardening.

Community Renewal Society

We are a member congregation of CRS, which organizes faith communities for social change.

Crossroads/Chicago ROAR

Chicago ROAR supports our anti-racism commitments through facilitation and training.

Episcopal Diocese of Chicago

We are proud to belong to the Chicago South Deanery of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago.

Murray Fellows

Through this program, we mentor and encourage the next generation of LGBTQ+ Christian leaders.

Open Kitchen

SPR members gather monthly to cook meals for Kenwood UCC's Feed the People Soup Kitchen.

St. Patrick's Church & School, Haiti

Our collaboration with St. Patrick's in Tom Gateau, Haiti, includes school lunch and music programs, teacher salaries, and capital projects.

St. Paul & the Redeemer Food Pantry

Our food pantry is open to the community every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:30 PM.

Syrian Community Network

Each year, SPR sponsors a newly resettled refugee family from Syria through visits, tutoring and more.



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