



**Third
Presbyterian
Church**

Seeking the Light

What is Christmas? It is the tenderness of the past,
courage for the present, and hope for the future.

Agnes M. Pahro

**The Worship of God
Christmas Eve**

Monday, December 24, 2018

4:30pm, 8:00pm and 11:00pm

Joy to the World!

On behalf of the Third Presbyterian Church family—members, officers and staff—welcome to Christmas Eve worship at Third Church. We hope that your celebration on this holy night is filled with joy and peace.

If you are visiting Third Presbyterian Church, we extend an especially warm welcome and invite you to join us in our ministry of worship, service, and nurture. We worship every Sunday morning at 8:30 and 10:45am. We offer a wide variety of programs for all ages, including music, education, and outreach.

Our next “Exploring Membership Lunch” will take place on Sunday February 3, 2019; it offers an opportunity to share your story and hear from others about the journeys that brought us here, and explore ways to connect. For more information or to reserve your place at the luncheon, please respond to Lynette Sparks (lsparks@thirdpresbyterian.org or 271-6537, ext. 106). You can also learn more about us by visiting www.thirdpresbyterian.org.

Please silence all electronic devices.



2018 Christmas Joy Offering

With Christ at the center of this holiday season, we can follow in his example of servant leadership by serving our brothers and sisters in faith. Funds from the Christmas Joy Offering support past, present, and future leaders in two particular ways: providing critical financial assistance to eligible workers/families in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and to qualifying retired church workers and their families; and supporting the education and development of our future leaders at Presbyterian-related racial ethnic schools and colleges. Thanks to your generosity, we can support those in need. We will receive the Christmas Joy Offering through Sunday, December 30. Envelopes are available in the pew racks and pew pads.

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Join us on Sunday, December 30, at our 10:45am worship as we continue the Christmas celebration with readings and music of the season. Our 8:30am and 10:45am schedule resumes on Sunday January 6.

“A Rochester Festival of Lessons and Carols” from Third Church, clergy, liturgists, and congregation, will air on WXXI FM 91.5 on Christmas Eve at 11:00pm. You can send friends and relatives around the world the link to www.classical915.org so that they can stream the audio of the broadcast live at that time. This is a pre-recorded service of Lessons and Carols (not a live broadcast of our Christmas Eve service), recorded this past January in the Third Church Sanctuary.

ANTHEM

“Nova! Nova!”

Michael Bedford
Junior Choir
Kathryn Wise, *flute*
Caroline Nielson, *tambourine*

The angel, Gabriel, by name, Unto the Virgin Mary came, with joyful news
unto the same. Nova, nova! Tidings of salvation! Nova, nova! Tidings of
salvation!

Then said the angel, "Do not fear, I bring glad news for you to hear: You will
bring forth God's Son so dear." *Nova, nova...*

Then Mary looked unto the sky: "Be as it pleases God on high, whose name
my soul shall magnify." *Nova, nova...*

By her the Christ Child comes to earth, In Bethlehem to have his birth; let all
the world be filled with mirth! *Nova, nova...*

Nova, nova, nova!

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL 121

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

ST. LOUIS

Stanzas 1 and 2

SCRIPTURE of the MANGER

Luke 2:1-7

ANTHEM

“Wind Through the Olive Trees”

arr. Lee Kjelson
Junior Choir *and* Glorious Voices
Carolyn Knickerbocker, *soloist*

Wind through the olive trees
Softly did blow
'Round little Bethlehem
Long, long ago.

Sheep on the hillside lay
Whiter than snow,
Angels were watching them
Long, long ago.

Then from the happy sky,
Angels bent low,
Singing their songs of joy
Long, long ago.

Then from a manger bed,
Cradled we know,
Christ came to Bethlehem,
Long, long ago.

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL 115

“Away in a Manger”

MUELLER

SCRIPTURE of the ANGELS

Luke 2:8-14

ANTHEM “Glory to God”

Pergolesi arr. Michael Burkhardt
Junior Choir and Glorious Voices
Kathryn Wise, *flute*

Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and peace to his people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace,
peace and goodwill
to his people evermore.

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL 119

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

MENDELSSOHN

SCRIPTURE of the SHEPHERDS

Luke 2:15-18

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL 136

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

GO TELL IT

SCRIPTURE of the MAGI

Matthew 2:1-5, 7-12

CAROL 151 “We Three Kings”

THREE KINGS OF ORIENT

Congregation sings stanzas 1 and 5 and refrain.

vs. 2– Hailey Herrgott, *soloist*

vs. 3– Jack Allyn, *soloist*

vs. 4– Anna Colaluca, *soloist*

ANTHEM “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”

arr. Trevor Manor
Junior Choir
Handbell Ensemble

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
give ye heed to what we say: News, news! Jesus Christ is born today!
Ox and ass before him bow, and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today, Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
now ye hear of endless bliss: Joy, joy! Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven's door, and we are blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this, Christ was born for this!

Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
now ye need not fear the grave: Peace, peace! Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save, Christ was born save!
Christ was born to save, Christ was born save!

SCRIPTURE of the GIFT

1 John 4:7-12

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL 133

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”
Stanzas 1 and 4

ADESTE FIDELIS

LIGHTING of the CHRIST CANDLE

The Allyn Family:

Mary Beth, Tim, Jack, Drew and Rose

LEADER: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.
Those who lived in a land of deep darkness, on them light has
shined. Unto us a child is born. Unto us a child is given. As we
light the Christ candle on this holy night, let us seek to share
the light of Christ in our hearts and homes, in our city and
world, for this light is the light of all.

PEOPLE: **Let us walk in the light of the Lord.**

CHORAL RESPONSE

“Unto Us”

Mark Patterson
Junior Choir

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given.
Come and worship Christ the Lord,
born for us in a manger stall, born to reign as the Lord of all.
Hail, the Prince of Peace! Hail, the King of kings!
Christ, the promised Savior is born!

SPREADING the LIGHT

*The acolytes will light the candles of those at the ends of the pews. Pass the
light to those next to you, holding the lit candle upright and tilting the unlit
candle toward it. Please extinguish candles with the singing of “Joy to the
World.”*

CONGREGATIONAL CAROL

“Silent Night”

STILLE NACHT

1. Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright.
Round yon virgin mother and child!
Holy Infant so tender and mild.
Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

2. Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born."

3. Silent night, holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at thy birth, Jesus, Lord at thy birth.

4. Silent night, holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
With the angels let us sing,
Alleluias to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

CHRISTMAS PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

RECESSIONAL "Joy to the World"

ANTIOCH

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come:
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

2. Joy to the world! The Savior reigns:
Let all their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

3. No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground.
He comes to make His blessings flow,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found.
Far as, far as the curse is found.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Fantasy on ANTIOCH"

Emma Lou Diemer

*During the postlude, the congregation is invited to place their Christmas Joy Offering
in the basket at the manger or with the ushers at the door.*

PARTICIPANTS IN THE NATIVITY

Hannah Rich, Megan Stout Readers
Caitlin Clarke, Bizzy Merz, Eilee Ossont,
Reese Ossont, Lydia Stratton-Smith, Madeline Veitch Acolytes
Juliana Lutzer Angel Gabriel
Julia Wisbey Mary
Harrison Lutzer Joseph
Griffin Monrad Innkeeper
Katrin Althouse, Beenie Lucas, Abby Rich, Sophie Veitch Heavenly Hosts
Erin Austin, Dan Bishop, Evelyn Bishop,
Hannah Broshears, Tim Hutkowski, Zack Hutkowski,
Bizzy Merz, Maya Molina, Alexa Monrad,
Michael Singh, Ava Taylor, Myles Vasta, Natalie Vinton Shepherds
Matt and Garrett Althouse,
Elliot and Jim Cazadzeck, Jason and Millie Mahar Kings and Pages
Keira Mahar, Anna Wisbey Lighting Crew
Leanne Averill Nativity Staging Director
Mary Ann Rutkowski Associate Director of Music
Peter A. DuBois Organist
Beth Fischer Junior Choir/Glorious Voices Accompanist
Caroline Nielson Glorious Voices Director
Cori Averill Nativity Costumes
John Wilkinson Liturgist
Chris Colaluca, Katie Orem Choir Assistants
Royanne Boyer, Jim Boyer, Bob Merz, Elaine Milner,
Ken Milner, Otto Muller-Girard, Jr., Gayle Phillips,
Massimo Vasta, Betsy Vinton, Griff Vinton Ushers

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

8:00pm Chapel

Please silence all electronic devices.

**Stand as you are able*

PRELUDE "Prelude on 'Whence is that goodly fragrance?'" Harrison Oxley

LIGHTING of the CHRIST CANDLE

LEADER: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Those who lived in a land of deep darkness, on them light has shined. Unto us a child is born. Unto us a son is given. As we light the Christ candle on this holy night, let us seek to share the light of Christ in our hearts and homes, in our city and world, for this light is the light of all.

PEOPLE: **Let us walk in the light of the Lord.**

*HYMN 133 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

ADESTE FIDELIS

PRAYER of CONFESSION

Gracious and loving God, we have tarnished the gift you gave freely. We have buried you so deeply in our hearts, the world doesn't see you. We have not followed Christ, we have ignored your teachings, we have lived lives of apathy against your love, we have built fences and fortresses to push people away, and we have silenced the voices of those in need.

Forgive us, we pray. Free us from our sin, free us from our captivity, free us to a life lived in joy through Jesus Christ our Lord, whose birth and good news we celebrate this holy night. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LEADER: Friends, believe the Good News.

PEOPLE: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

*HYMN 145 "What Child Is This?"

GREENSLEEVES

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON — Isaiah 9:2-7

Pew Bible, OT page 638

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO

“Bereite dich, Zion”

J. S. Bach

Caroline Nielson, mezzo-soprano

Bereite dich, Zion, mit zärtlichen
Trieben den Schönsten, den
Liebsten bald bei dir zu sehn.
Deine Wangen müssen heut viel
schooner prangen, eile, den
Bräutigam sehnluchstzu lieben.

*Prepare yourself, Zion, with tender
emotion the fairest, the dearest soon
with you to see. Your cheeks must
today with much beauty be
resplendent, hurry, the Bridegroom
longing to love.*

GOSPEL LESSON — Luke 2:1-20

Pew Bible, NT page 5

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATION

John Wilkinson

*HYMN 121 “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

ST. LOUIS

*LITANY for CHRISTMAS

LEADER: In a little town, known for nothing much,
God’s holy child was born.

PEOPLE: **Welcome the Light!**

LEADER: By the faint light of the moon,
Mary and Joseph found their way.

PEOPLE: **Welcome the Light!**

LEADER: Shown by a courtyard fire, the open stable door.

PEOPLE: **Welcome the Light!**

LEADER: Warm breath of resting beasts,
kindly sparkle in their eyes.

PEOPLE: **Welcome the Light!**

LEADER: In the shadowy stable stall,
Joseph kindled a lamp.

PEOPLE: **Welcome the Light!**

LEADER: There Mary gave birth to Jesus,
called God-With-Us.

PEOPLE: **Welcome the Light!**

LEADER: Angels opened the doors of heaven,
sang, “Glory to God in the heights!”

PEOPLE: **Welcome the Light!**

LEADER: Shepherds saw the sky ablaze,
left their sheep and came to see.

PEOPLE: **Welcome the Light!**

LEADER: In the darkest winter night,
God set a brilliant star.
PEOPLE: **Welcome the Light!**
LEADER: Magi from the East
divined God's shining sign.
PEOPLE: **Welcome the Light!**
LEADER: And on this Christmas with joy,
we greet the Child.
PEOPLE: **Welcome the Light! Amen.**

OFFERTORY SOLO

"O Holy Night"

Adolphe Adam
Caroline Nielson, *mezzo-soprano*

THE SACRAMENT of THE LORD'S SUPPER

This evening, communion will be served in the pews. All bread is gluten free. As you pass the elements to the person next to you, please say the person's name (if you know it) and as you pass the bread, please say, "Christ's body for you" or "the bread of life for you." As the grape juice is served, please say "Christ's blood for you" or "the cup of salvation for you," as the tray is passed.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LEADER: The Lord be with you.
PEOPLE: **And also with you.**
LEADER: Lift up your hearts.
PEOPLE: **We lift them to the Lord.**
LEADER: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
PEOPLE: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

SANCTUS

Richard Proulx

(organ intro)

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow-er and might, heav'n and earth are
full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho -
san-na in the high-est. Blest is the One who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est, Ho -
san - na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Great God of power, we praise you for Jesus Christ, who came to save us from our sins. We thank you for the hope of the prophets, the song of the angels, and the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem. We thank you that in Jesus you became flesh and dwelt among us, sharing human hurts and pleasures. Glory to you for your grace-filled love. Glory to you, eternal God; through Jesus Christ, Lord of lords, and King of kings, now and forever. Amen.

THE SHARING of THE LIGHT

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CAROL

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MOMENT of SILENCE

***CAROL**

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***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella”

Keith Chapman

PARTICIPANTS IN THE 8:00pm SERVICE

- John Wilkinson..... Preacher
- Lynette K. Sparks, Ernest F. Krug Liturgists
- Alden Wright..... Assistant Organist
- Gloria Pleger..... Usher

Lastly we remember those who rejoice with us, but on another shore and in a greater light; that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom in this Lord Jesus, we are one forevermore. Amen.

THE STORY of OUR SALVATION in LESSONS and CAROLS

THE FIRST LESSON — Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19

Lynette Sparks

Genesis 22:15-18

In the two Genesis readings, God first tells sinful Adam that he has lost the life of Paradise; later, God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM “Make We Merry on this Fest”

Andrew Carter

Make we merry on this fest, Jesu Christus natus est; Sing we all with joy and jest: Alleluya! Make we merry and rejoice, Gaudeamus is our choice. Sing we now in verse and voice: Alleluya! Make we merry on this day; Welcome Christ and sing alway: Resonemus Alleluya!

- Andrew Carter

THE SECOND LESSON — Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Carolyn Grohman

Micah 5:2-4

In the Isaiah lesson, Christ's birth and kingdom are foretold; in the Micah lesson, the prophet foretells the glory of little Bethlehem.

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

*CAROL 121 “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

ST. LOUIS

THE THIRD LESSON — Luke 1:26-35, 38

Karen Walker

The angel Gabriel greets the Virgin Mary.

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"Magnificat"

Herbert Howells

(Collegium Regale)

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior. For He hath regarded the lowliness of His handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth, all generations shall call me blessed. For He that is mighty hath magnified me; and Holy is His Name. And His mercy is on them that fear Him throughout all generations. He hath shown strength with His arm; He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich He hath sent empty away. He rememb'ring His mercy hath holpen His servant Israel; as He promised to our forefathers Abraham and His seed forever. *(Canticle of Mary - Luke 1:46-55)* Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE FOURTH LESSON — Luke 2:1,3-7

Roderic P. Frohman

St. Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"Ave Maria"

Anton Bruckner

Ave Maria, gratia plena,
 Dominus tecum.
 Benedicta tu in mulieribus
 Et benedictus fructus ventris
 tui, Jesus.
 Sancta Maria, mater Dei,
 Ora pro nobis peccatoribus,
 nunc et in hora mortis nostrae
 Sancta Maria, ora pro nobis.
 Amen.

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the
 Lord is with thee; blessed art
 thou among women, and
 blessed is the fruit of thy
 womb, Jesus.
 Holy Mary, Mother of God,
 Pray for us sinners,
 Now, and at the hour of our
 death.
 Holy Mary, pray for us. Amen.*

THE FIFTH LESSON — Luke 2:8-14

Ernest Krug

The Angels announce the birth to the Shepherds.

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

“Quem pastores laudavere”

James Bassi

Quem pastores laudavere,
 Quibus angeli dixere, Absit vobis
 iam timere, Natus est rex gloriae.
 Ad quem magi ambulabant,
 Aurum thus myrrham portabant,
 Immolabant Nato regi gloriae.
 Christo regi Deo Nato, Per
 Mariam nobis dato, Merito
 resonet vere, Laus honor et
 Gloria.
 Quem pastores laudavere,
 Quibus angeli dixere, Absit vobis
 iam timere, Natus est rex gloriae.

*Shepherds sang their praises o'er
 him, Called by angels to adore him:
 "Have no fear but come before him:
 Born is now your glorious King!"
 Eastern sages came to view him,
 Judah's conqu'ring Lion knew him,
 Gold and myrrh to him their tribute
 offering.
 Christ our King, from Mary
 springing, God made man, salvation
 bringing, Thee we worship ever
 singing; "Honor, praise and glory
 be!"
 Shepherds sang their praises...*

-Traditional

*CAROL 113 “Angels We Have Heard on High”

GLORIA

THE SIXTH LESSON — Luke 2:15-20

Kelly Knickerbocker

The Shepherds go to the Manger.

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

“Sussex Carol”

arr. David Willcocks

On Christmas night all Christians sing, To hear the news the angels bring –
 News of great joy, news of great mirth, News of our merciful King's birth.
 Then why should all on earth be so sad, Since our Redeemer made us
 glad? When from our sin he set us free, All for to gain our liberty?
 When sin departs before his grace, Then life and health come in its place;
 Angels and choirs with joy may sing, All for to see the newborn King.
 All out of darkness we have light, Which made the angels sing this night:
 “Glory to God and peace on earth, Now and for evermore. Amen.”

HOMILY

John Wilkinson

CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Lynette Sparks

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Calm on the Listening Ear of Night”

Dan Locklair

Calm on the listening ear of night come heaven’s melodious strains,
Where wild Judea stretches far her silver-mantled plains. Celestial choirs
from courts above shed sacred glories there; And angels, with their
sparkling lyres, make music on the air.

The answering hills of Palestine send back the glad reply; And greet, from
all their holy heights, the Dayspring from on high. O’er the blue depths
of Galilee there comes a holier calm, and Sharon waves, in solemn praise,
her silent groves of palm.

“Glory to God!” the sounding skies loud with their anthems ring, “Peace
to the earth, good-will to all, from heaven’s eternal King!” Light on thy
hills, Jerusalem! The Saviour now is born! And bright on Bethlehem’s
joyous plains breaks the first Christmas morn.

- Edmund H. Sears (1834)

THE SEVENTH LESSON — John 1:1-5

John Wilkinson

St. John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

LIGHTING of the CHRIST CANDLE

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CAROL

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MOMENT of SILENCE

*CAROL

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

ADESTE FIDELES

1. O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant;
O come ye; O come ye to Bethlehem!
Come and behold him, born the King of angels!
*O come, let us adore him; O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!*

2. True God from true God, Light from light eternal,
born of a virgin a mortal he comes;
very God, begotten not created!
O come, let us adore him...

3. Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation;
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!
O come, let us adore him...

4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be all glory given;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!
O, come, let us adore him...

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "Final" Louis Vierne
(from *Symphonie I*)

PARTICIPANTS IN THE 11:00pm SERVICE

John Wilkinson..... Preacher
Lynette K. Sparks, Carolyn Grohman, Karen Walker,
Roderic P. Frohman, Ernest F. Krug, Kelly Knickerbocker..... Liturgists
Maddie Veitch, Sophie Veitch, Natalie Vinton Acolytes
Peter A. DuBois..... Director of Music/Organist
Mary Ann Rutkowski..... Associate Director of Music
Alden Wright..... Assistant Organist
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