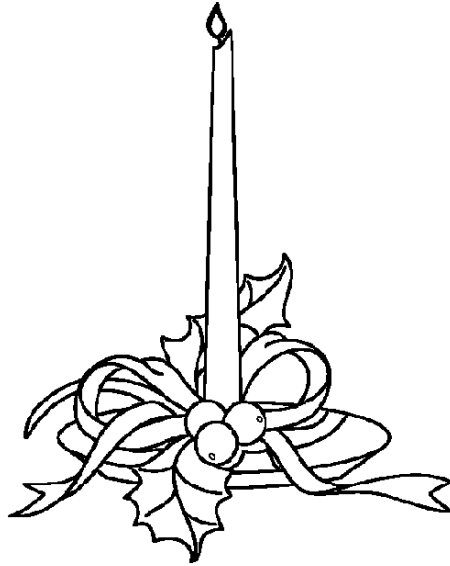


**1st Sunday after Christmas Day/Year B**  
**December 31, 2023**  
**8:00am (in-person)**



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# **Liturgy of the Word**

## **Welcome/Announcements**

**The Word of God**

BCP 355

**Glory to God**

BCP 356

## **Collect of the Day**

**The Lessons**

*(insert)*

Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Psalms 147

John 1:1-18

## **The Sermon**

**Prayers of the People**

*(insert)*

**The Peace**

## **The Offertory**

**The Lord's Prayer**

BCP 97

**The General Thanksgiving**

BCP 101

**The Grace**

BCP 102

## **The Dismissal**

### **Prayers for the Universal Church**

\*Pray for the Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria

\*St Timothy's Church, Chalkyitsik, AK

\*Our companion congregations of Epiphany Church in  
Kivalina & St. Philip's in Wrangell

\*In our parish: Kathryn, Becky, Phil, Joe, Robert

## **Prayers of the People (from World in Prayer)**

Pause, my children, in this space between Christmas Day and today, between longing and thanksgiving, between endings and beginnings, between dismay and joy, between Sacred and ordinary...

Pause and remember

Whose you are, and Whose you will always be.

*Silence*

Pause and remember in Whose name you pray,  
and Whose love you seek, and hold, and give away.

*Silence*

Pause and pray that all may see the world with the eyes of wonder of the newborn Christ, with the loving heart of God's act of self-giving.

In the name of Christ, we pray...***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Pause and pray that we may all treat one another with the honor and adoration Mary and Joseph, shepherds and wise ones, angels and all the heavenly choir showed to the newborn Christ. In the name of Christ, we pray...***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Pause and pray for an end to war and violence and for the hope, peace, joy and love and light of Christ to reign here on earth as in heaven.

In the name of Christ, we pray...***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Pause and pray for all those in need of healing, comfort, courage and strength. (*especially...*)

In the name of Christ, we pray...***Lord, hear our prayer.***

In the name of Christ, we pray for those who have died. (*especially...*) May their souls rest in peace...***and rise in glory.***

In the name of Christ, we pray  
in thanksgiving for every person, living now, gone before, or yet to come, in every nation on earth:

(*thanksgivings, universal prayers*)

In the name of Christ we pray... ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

## **Those Serving Today – 8am**

Acolyte	Steve Gage
Isaiah 61:10-62:3	Steve Gage
Psalms 147	Chip Camden
Officiant/Sermon	Kit Allgood-Mellema

## **Announcements**

### **Sunday services**

\*8:00am (in person) & 10am (in person/& on zoom)

\*Mondays @ 6:00pm – Young Life (*See House*) – on break

\*Wednesdays: 10am-11am: Child & Family Community  
Playgroup: *for families with children ages 0 -3/hosted by  
Early Learning Program (in the See House)*

### **Wednesday Services**

\*12pm: Noonday Prayer Service on zoom

\*5:30pm: Taize Service – (Jan 10-Feb 7)

**\*SAVE THE DATE! – ANNUAL MEETING/JAN 21<sup>ST</sup>**

**THANK YOU!**

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