



Holy Eucharist Rite II  
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021

10:00 am Service

The Word of God

Candle-Lighting Service

*Celebrant* In the beginning was the Word- spoken and breathed, a promise made and kept.

*All* **Trust the good news- God's promise is true.**

*Celebrant* The Word was in the beginning, and through him all things come into being.

*All* **Eternal and near at hand, Already and not-yet, God's promise is the foundation of all life**

*Celebrant* Keep going! Persevere in joy, giving voice to God's presence yet again.

*~Candle is lit~*

Opening Hymn- *The angel Gabriel from heaven came (v. 1 -2)*

Hymnal 265



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!

Words and Music reprinted under Copyright License # A-717117 provided by OneLicense.net

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

*Celebrant* 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.***

**Kyrie**

My Heart Sings Out 15

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Chri - ste e - lei - son.  
 ky - ri - e e - le - - - i - son.  
 Ky - ri - e - e - lei - son. Chri - ste e - lei - son.  
 Ky - ri - e e - lei - - - - - son.

Words and Music reprinted under Copyright License # A-717117 provided by OneLicense.net

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant* 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.**

## **The Lessons**

### **The First Lesson**

*Reader* A Reading from the book of the prophet Micah (5:2-5a)

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

### **Canticle 15**

*Reader* Let us read in unison The Song of Mary. (Luke 1:46-55)

***My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; \*  
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.***

***From this day all generations will call me blessed: \*  
the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.***

***He has mercy on those who fear him \*  
in every generation.***

***He has shown the strength of his arm, \*  
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.***

***He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \*  
and has lifted up the lowly.***

***He has filled the hungry with good things, \*  
and the rich he has sent away empty.***

***He has come to the help of his servant Israel, \*  
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,***

***The promise he made to our fathers, \*  
to Abraham and his children for ever.***

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.***

## The Epistle

*Reader* A reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews (10:5-10)

When Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Sequence Hymn *The angel Gabriel from heaven came (v. 3)*

Hymnal 265

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!

Words reprinted under Copyright License # A-717117 provided by OneLicense.net

*All stand*

**The Gospel**

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (1:39-55).

**People** *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord." And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**Sermon**

The Rev. Patricia Riggins

**The Nicene Creed**

*All stand*

**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.*

**Prayers of the People: Form IV**

BCP p. 388

*Reader* Let us pray for the Church and for the world; especially for the Church of the Province of Central Africa; Emmanuel Church, Lockhart; St. Thomas', San Antonio; and for our Vestry and staff. For all the bishops and other ministers especially Michael our Presiding Bishop; David and Rayford, our bishops; Stephen, Patricia, and Tom, our priests, and their families. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Reader* Guide the people of this land, and all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Especially our President, our Governor, our Mayor, and all our elected officials. For the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, and for Seguin Christian Academy and its work in our community. Lord, in your mercy

**People** *Hear our prayer.*

*Reader* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of other and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy

**People** *Hear our prayer.*

*Reader* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy

**People** *Hear our prayer.*

*Reader* Sanctify, O Lord, those whom you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing, and to the prevention of disease and pain. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that by their ministries, the health of the community may be promoted, and your creation glorified. Lord in your mercy

**People** *Hear our prayer*

*Reader* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; for our families, friends, and neighbors; especially for: Sandy Merrell, Darrell Huck, Margaret Hopkins, Emmett Donegan, Mary Louise Donegan, Ernestine Nelson, David Hamer, Alex McInnis, Carolyn Lehman, Penny Sengler, Theresa Zapata, Jean Norris, and all who suffer from the effects of the novel coronavirus. For our friends and family who are homebound or residing in care and recovery facilities, especially: Helen Martinson, Kenneth Minter, Ann Benham, Audrey Herron, Betty Rainey, and Patsy Creager. Give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy

**People** *Hear our prayer.*

*Reader* We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

**People** *Hear our prayer.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

### **Confession of Sin**

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

*A moment of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant and People*

***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.**

## **Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **Announcements**

### **Birthday Prayers**

*Celebrant and People*

***O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants Chuck Ingersoll, Sudy Bruns, Leslie Muenchow, Phoebe Smith, Tammie Fellows, and Art Lindley, as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

## **Holy Communion**

**Offertory Anthem-He Shall Feed his Flock**

Duet- Kellie Ranft & Bryanna Vasques

**Doxology-**

*Celebrant and People:*

***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.***

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Eucharistic Prayer D**

BCP p. 372

**Sursum Corda-**

*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 truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

*Celebrant* Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

*Celebrant* Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

## Sanctus

Hymnal S 129

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.

Music reprinted under Copyright License # A-717117 provided by OneLicense.net

***After the Sanctus: You may kneel or remain standing for the rest of the Eucharistic Prayer.***

*Celebrant* We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

*Celebrant* Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

*Celebrant* When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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.”

*Celebrant* 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.” Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ’s death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*All* ***We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.***

*Celebrant* Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for you holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of you Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with St. Andrew and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

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

*Celebrant and 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.***

## Breaking of the Bread

*The celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

## Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S161

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Music reprinted under Copyright License # A-717117 provided by OneLicense.net

## Invitation

*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 who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.*

## Communion Hymn 1- O come, O come Emmanuel (v. 7-8)

Hymnal 56

(Dec. 23) 1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som  
(Dec. 17) 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest  
(Dec. 18) 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy  
(Dec. 19) 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from  
(Dec. 20) 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen  
(Dec. 21) 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us  
(Dec. 22) 7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the  
(Dec. 23) 8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som

1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile  
2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge  
3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the  
4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to  
5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on  
6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of  
7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions  
8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
 2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.  
 3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.  
 4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!  
 5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.  
 6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.  
 7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.  
 8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



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

Words reprinted under Copyright License # A-717117 provided by OneLicense.net

**Communion Hymn 2-** *Let all mortal flesh keep silence*

Hymnal 324



1 Let all mo - rtal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and  
 2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on  
 3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van - guard  
 4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -  
 earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man  
 on the way, as the Light of Light de -  
 sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the



mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand  
 ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood  
 scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,  
 Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,



Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,  
 he will give to all the faith - ful  
 that the powers of hell may va - nish  
 "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"



our full hom - age to de - mand.  
 his own self for heaven - ly food.  
 as the dark - ness clears a - way.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Words reprinted under Copyright License # A-717117 provided by OneLicense.net

## Postcommunion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

## Blessing

Postcommunion Hymn- *Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord (1&4)*

Hymnal 438



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!  
2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name!  
3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!  
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word!



Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.  
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.



ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;  
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;  
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,  
Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord



in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.  
his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.  
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

Words reprinted under Copyright License # A-717117 provided by OneLicense.net

**Dismissal**

**BCP p. 366**

*Priest* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

**Postlude-*Psalm 42- C. Phillips***

Wendi Gustafson- Organ



***Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Sally and Mark Keddal in loving memory of their son Owen.***

**Ministers in the Lord's Service**

Celebrant- Fr. Stephen Shortess

Preacher- The Rev. Patricia Riggins

Lay Reader- Clara Spencer-Dibble & Lauren Smith

Crucifer- Colin Spencer-Dibble

Altar Guild- Lynnette Jackson, Kelly Olson, George Ann Fuqua, Theresa Casey

Ushers- Paul & Claudia Gaytan

Offertory Tellers- Jeanene Smith & Anne Galaway

Vestry of the Week-Lauren Smith

Musicians- Wendi Gustafson- Music Director/Organ, Samuel Gaytan- Violin

Leo Garcia- Choir Director/Cantor, Ellie Follis- Soloist, Kayla Hinton- Soloist,

Kellie Ranft- Soloist, Bryanna Vasques- Soloist

Cameramen/Technicians- Aaryn Perry, Gil Merkle, Jack Merrell, Betty Anderson,

Will Follis, Warren Wundt

Sound- Jim Anderson

**Weekly Schedule**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2021: FOURTH SUNDAY of ADVENT**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Chapel)

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2021**

10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study (McKeogh Hall)

12:00 p.m. Service for Healing (Chapel)

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2021**

8:00 a.m. Brotherhood of St. Andrew's (McKeogh Hall)

AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) meets at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings in the Youth House on Crockett Street.

Please send prayer requests by email to: [secretary@standrewseguin.org](mailto:secretary@standrewseguin.org)

## Announcements

**Christmas is the time of year to spread joy and the good news of Christ's birth! Join us this evening at 4 pm at the church to go Christmas Caroling to do just that!** We plan to drive to each of our homebound member's homes together to sing to them. Then we will meet back at the Youth House to warm up with some hot chocolate and a campfire.

-----

### Christmas Eve Services

5:30 p.m.- (Church) - Christmas Pageant (livestream)

8:00 p.m.- Not so Midnight Mass (Chapel)

### Christmas Day Service

10:00 a.m.- Chapel

If you or your child are interested in participating in the Christmas Pageant this year, please contact Jennifer Shortess ([jennifer.shortess@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.shortess@gmail.com)) or Tracy Donley ([tracydonley4@gmail.com](mailto:tracydonley4@gmail.com)).

-----

In observance of the Christmas holiday and New Year's **the church office will be closed from noon on Thursday, December 23rd to Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, December 30th to Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. We hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**

-----

**Day at the Farm-**Your invited to the Roeder Ranch! Be sure to join the fun on **Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup> from 2-4.** We will get a tour of the ranch, have a meet & greet with the animals, take a hayride, then finish the day with a bonfire with roasted marshmallows and hot chocolate. Mark your calendars and we will see you at Roeder Ranch (3028 Good Luck Rd., Seguin)! GPS is not perfectly accurate so look for the pipe entrance with an "R" on the gate (it will be open)

-----

**NEW 2022 FLOWER CALENDAR IN NARTHEX!**- Do you have a special day you wish to remember: an anniversary or birthday to celebrate, a loved one to honor, or an offering of thanksgiving for your many blessings? You may give the gift of altar flowers for worship by signing up on the new 2022 flower calendar in the narthex. Flowers are \$50.00, with checks made payable to St. Andrew's (note flowers on the memo line). If you are worshipping at home but would still like to give the gift of altar flowers, please contact the church office and we will be happy to assist you.

~~~~~

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church is a parish in the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas, a congregation of The Episcopal Church, and a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

201 East Nolte, Seguin, Texas, 78155 (830) 372-4330

[www.standrewseguin.org](http://www.standrewseguin.org)