



# The Flame

December 2025

**Our Mission** is to be a welcoming place where people meet Christ and grow in their relationship with God through our worship, service, and fellowship.

## Holiday Service Times

As Advent unfolds and Christmas approaches, we are once again offering additional services to celebrate the holidays. On Sunday (14 Dec) we will have our usual 8am service with our Christmas Pageant being performed at the 9:30am service. This year our Blue Christmas Service will return on Saturday (20 Dec) at 6:30pm. We will offer three services on Christmas Eve. Our 5pm service will be family orientated with the choir. Our 7pm service will be a typical Rite II service with the vocal choir; and our 10pm service will be a typical Rite I service. On Christmas morning, we will offer a simple Eucharist beginning at 10am. However, Compline will still be shared at 8pm on New Year's Eve. Please plan to join us this Christmas Eve or Day to give thanks for the love God, revealed to us with the birth of Jesus. Services are listed below, those identified with an \* will also be broadcast live on our Facebook page.

<b>14 Dec</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Eucharist with Christmas Pageant *</b>
<b>20 Dec</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>Blue Christmas *</b>
<b>24 Dec</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Christmas Eve (Family Eucharist)</b>
<b>24 Dec</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Christmas Eve (Traditional Rite II) *</b>
<b>24 Dec</b>	<b>10:00 pm</b>	<b>Christmas Eve (Traditional Rite I)</b>
<b>25 Dec</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Christmas Day (Simple Rite II) *</b>



## Mother Margaret's Musings



Dear CHS Family.

Here we are in December, the last month of the year, and so we feel a sense of ending with the last day of the year approaching. Yet for us as Christians, it is really a beginning. On Sunday, November 30th we began the Advent Season, Year A. The beginning of our liturgical year and it is the start of the three-year cycle of scripture. So many beginnings and times for us to start anew! Here is the definition of the word Advent: ad·vent ['adv(ə)nt, 'advɛnt] noun advent (noun) advents (plural noun) Advent (noun)

1. the arrival of a notable person or thing:

"the advent of television"

2. the first season of the Church year, leading up to Christmas and including the four preceding Sundays.

Now, I'd like to give you a spiritual definition for you to have as a focus as this Season of Advent begins. Let this be a time when you step back, take a moment and allow yourself to find a place to "rest in your faith" a bit. This is something I have been praying about over these past months. I want faith to be the source that allows us to face anything life throws us. To do this, we need to keep our faith fed and connected to all we do. This time of Advent is going to be a perfect time to refresh our faith and plant seeds of growth. One of the ways I want to do this is in our posture of prayer. I will be introducing this into our worship services over these next weeks. We will see how the position of our bodies can shape the way that we pray. This will hopefully lead us to a deeper expression of our spirituality when we are praying.

Let us begin with our inner posture. Allow yourself to be totally sincere and humble in your submission to God. Taking slow breaths and praying from your heart.

*Mother Margaret*

## Welcome

The Welcome Breakfast for Mother Margaret by Omaha Clergy on Thursday, Nov 20, at St. Martha's in Papillon. It was a wonderful breakfast cooked by Deacon Wes! I also saw the grass labyrinth he designed and is the ongoing caretaker. We are discussing its conversion to a more permanent one with him and Mthr Kim as part of my doctoral capstone project in Labyrinth Ministry. This was a beautiful way to get to know everyone and I feel so very welcomed indeed!!

Grace & Peace,  
Rev Mother Brack +



## Deacons Corner

Greetings!!

Let us turn our thoughts to Advent and prepare for the celebration of our Savior's birth.

"Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us," (Luke 1:78)

The world now celebrates the birth of a little Child. Christmas Day is a holy and happy day when we commemorate the coming of God's Son into the world—the incarnation of God by way of the virgin birth. We can never sing too happily. We can never ring the bells too eagerly. We can never express the Christmas benediction too loudly:

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth" (John 1:14).

With the coming of the "dayspring from on high," morning broke upon the world's darkness—in Bethlehem—while men and women, bruised and bleeding, were in a darkness unlighted by sputtering Judaistic lamps.

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." (Isa. 9:6).

This prediction—most clear in application, in content, in design, in purpose—points us to the time when Jesus assumed our nature, entering the world in circumstances of deepest humiliation.

We are familiar with every detail of the Christmas story: Herod of Judah, the last of Judah's kings; Israel, breathing her hope of Messiah's advent; Bethlehem, small and white upon its mountain slopes where Heaven put out its brightest star; the star, seen in faraway Persia by wise men of the East who were accustomed to studying the heavens and who mounted their camels and journeyed westward over the desert to Jerusalem; the angels; the shepherds; the Babe, wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger; the gifts from the wise men of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

O Come, O Come, Immanuel.

Merry Christmas!!!





*Deacon Ted*

**Holiday Day Closings**

The Church Office will close at noon December 24th.

The Office will be Closed December 25th and 26th.

The church office will also be closed January 1st.



Happy New Year! No, I'm not skipping ahead. The Christian New Year calendar begins on Advent 1, or November 30th this year. We will spend 4 weeks preparing for the birth of the savior. We will also get bombarded with the non-church world. Please find time to remember what is coming, you know, the reason for the season-Jesus! Our church has begun to prepare. After Thanksgiving Eve service, we came together to "green" the church. More ornamentation will not be until Christ arrives.



Mtr. Margaret is getting the last of her things, moved from Maryland and put into her new home in Bellevue. In the midst of that moving chaos, she is planning our next 3 months of lessons, holding 4 services each week, learning how our administration works, and learning people's names. We are lucky that her heart learns our stories and our faces so fast. Please give her grace when it comes to your names. It took me 2+ years to learn names!

Finally, continue to pray for our church, the world, and those in distress. Our church building and grounds are ready for the season. Let's take time out of the chaos to connect with God. Consider what else you are preparing for and waiting for. Remember God loves his people (that's us) SO MUCH that he came down to earth to live with us for a time! Have a wonderful Advent and Christmas.

-Cindy Pekarek, Senior Warden

## Outreach

### Mobile Food Pantry

There was another highly successful Mobile Food Pantry on November 15. We served 125 households under gorgeous fall weather. We had a few extra bags of sugar left over which were given to the Bellevue Food Pantry. The Foodbank for the Heartland (our USDA food supplier) was very generous with not only their normal food but also they added grapes and bags of sugar. We even had a Troop 483 member, Wes Agar, bring us breakfast sandwiches for the crew!



Many thanks go out to the members and friends of our church, the Scouts, and Sarpy volunteers. The next Mobile Food Pantry is December 20.

### Hands of Hope



Last month, members of CHS once again participated in Bellevue Together's Hands of Hope initiative. Bellevue Together, an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, was formed to help with unmet needs of Bellevue Public School families identified by school counselors and social workers. With the Hands of Hope program, CHS was given 30 cards with a child's age, gender and preferred gift item (clothing, toy or gift card). Volunteer church members were given a card

and spent approximately \$35 to provide a Christmas gift to the child in need. The new, unwrapped gifts were returned to the church so they could be taken together to Bellevue Together for distribution. Bellevue Together is very appreciative of the continued support of Church of the Holy Spirit and its mission.

## The Longest Night

December 21 is always the longest night of the year. With the sun being down more than up that day, the weather is typically cold in our part of the country. For those who must brave the elements, staying warm that night is very difficult.

Magdalene Omaha (MO), the residential and non-residential treatment program for adults who have been trafficked, will be holding its 4th Annual Longest Night Vigil on December 21 & 22, 2025. This is MO's biggest event of the year with the goal of raising awareness about what survivors experience and shine the light of hope into that darkness. Survivors, staff, and supporters of MO will stand outside all night long in support of those who are still victims of sex trafficking and often must be sold to survive the elements for even just a little while.

MO also raises funds for their programs during this evening. Generous donors (last year 53 people donated a total of \$29,000) commit funds and survivors will stand outside one hour for every \$1,000 raised. This year, the goal is \$30,000 and they plan to spend 15 hours outside each night.

This year, Church of the Holy Spirit's Journey's Youth Group has committed to stand outside with survivors from 7-9pm on December 21st. They have learned - and will continue to learn - about the difficulties survivors face as well as the size of the problem in Nebraska. What they have learned so far has moved them into action. They have also decided to invite all Diocese of Nebraska youth to join them in standing with the survivors and learn more about MO. Next year, they hope to have someone from MO visit CHS during a Journey's Wednesday and continue to educate them.

If you would like to join them standing outside (there is a fire pit if you get cold and access to MO's community center). Please join them at the back of MO's building, 933 S. Saddle Creek Rd at 7pm, or another time that works better for you, make a donation to MO, or hold them in prayer as they stand in solidarity for those who are still being trafficked.



## Parish Life

### Endowment Fund Grant Requests

Does your ministry have an idea, but not sure how to fund it? If so, stop by the Spirit Hub and pick up one of our Endowment Fund Request forms. All requests for 2026 grants need to be turned into the office by Monday (15 Dec). Our Endowment Board will review all requests and forward those meeting the criteria stated to the Vestry for approval and funding. Grant requests may or may not be funded to the full requested amount based on availability of funds.



### 2025 Giving



As we roll into the new year, Corey will be closing out the books on 2025. To allow for checks in the mail to arrive before doing so, and for any last-minute offerings made to fulfill 2025 pledges, we will accept checks dated no later than 31 Dec 25 up until Monday, 9 Jan 23. All funds received after this date will be attributed to 2026 regardless of date.

### IRA Distributions

For those who are required to take minimal distributions from your IRAs, you can reduce the tax incurred by contributing a portion of your withdrawal directly to a qualified charitable organization (which includes CHS). To learn more about how this is done, please contact your financial planner or visit [www.irs.gov/retirement-plans/retirement-plans-fags-regarding-iras-distributions-withdrawals](http://www.irs.gov/retirement-plans/retirement-plans-fags-regarding-iras-distributions-withdrawals).



## Blue Christmas Service

While Advent is a season of hope, and Christmas a season of joy, we know that not everyone feels hopeful or like celebrating. Feelings of grief, depression, loneliness, and loss may be heightened and magnified and that even those who are not struggling with losses, may feel the stress of preparations and expectations around the Christmas holiday. This service is meant to provide us with a time and place of solace and encouragement during the often hurried and overwhelming days surrounding the celebration of Christmas. We come together in our worship to seek healing and a safe space to share grief, loneliness, or confusion when these emotions often feel out of place during the holidays.



## Notes from your Church Administrator

It is once again time to do some end of 2025/beginning of 2026 chores.

**Church Directory** - The current directory is in the back of the white book at the Spirit Hub. Please check to make sure your information is correct. If your photo is not there, please either have one of the church staff take one or just email one to [holyspirit@chsepiscopal.org](mailto:holyspirit@chsepiscopal.org). You will note that birthdays are listed. This is for the administrator only. They will not be in the published directory. The new directory will be available at our Annual Meeting.



**Eucharist Bread** - Our communion bread is provided by our church members. This is an important ministry in the worship here at Church of the Holy Spirit. Please sign up in the white Spirit Hub book if you are willing to bake some bread. The recipe is on the bulletin board outside my office.



**Presence Candles** - You may not have noticed but we have Presence Candles in both the Sanctuary and Chapel. They are an indication of the Host being present. You can sponsor a candle in memory of or thanksgiving for someone special. Sign up at the Hub and don't forget to fill out the blue card.



## Altar Guild



On Monday, November 24th the Altar Guild met to prepare for the coming Advent Season. Many thanks to Leslie Nutting, Amanda Neville, Jan Sinram, Paige Hausman and her Mom and sister. Thank you all so much. Many hands make light work.



## Youth Activities

### Family Advent Workshop

On the Sunday before Thanksgiving (Christ the King Sunday) our Christian Ed team offered their Advent Family Workshop following our 9:30am service. With crafts for all ages, coffee hour was more than just enjoying good company and tasty snacks. Families made Christmas ornaments, assembled Nativities, and adult crafts as well. Special thanks to Judy Darrell, Jean Cook, Lisa Weilandt, and Lori Stevens for their planning, organizing, and helpfulness during this fabulous event.



## Christmas Pageant



Our youth group Christmas Pageant will take place during our 9:30 am service on Sunday, December 14th with a new take on “Twas the Night Before Christmas”. This is always a joyous event and one not to miss. Please plan to join us in-person or online to hear the Christmas story as told by our youth.

## Christian Ed

The New Year is here! Advent starts our year for Christians. This Advent we will be putting on a nativity play on December 14th. We will also light Advent candles each Sunday. This reminds us that the Light of the World is coming soon. The kids learn about the birth of Christ when they are not needed for play practice. We will talk about some of the traditions that came about via the church and have fun! By Christmas the kids will be reminded of one of the greatest love stories ever. God’s love came down to be a human among us. What does your family do to prepare for Christ’s coming?



The hard-working Sunday School teachers will be taking a break from December 22nd to January 10th. We will resume on Sunday January 11th. This is an important time for our teachers. They will refuel, enjoy family, and most importantly, reconnect with God. On January 11th we will be up and ready to join in the New Testament!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! -Cindy Pekarek, Christian

## New Year’s Eve Lock-in

It is coming!!! Our annual youth group lock-in is right around the corner. Each year, our older youth provide childcare for our younger youth from 7:00 pm until 1:00 am so that parents may go out for dinner, bowling, or a movie to bring in the new year. Childcare costs are \$5/hr per child (ages 3-9). All funds raised during this event go to support our youth group activities. After all the younger youth go home, youth 10 and up get to spend the night enjoying fun, food, and fellowship. Permission slips and childcare reservations forms may be found at the Spirit Hub. For more information, please contact Lori Stevens



Ed Director

# ***FINANCIAL REPORT***

### **Financial Report as of October 31, 2025**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>
Contributions	\$ 12,653.00	\$ 20,080.92	\$ 194,360.47	\$ ,200,809.17
Other Inc.	\$ <u>503.00</u>	\$ <u>611.33</u>	\$ <u>4,764.62</u>	\$ <u>6,113.33</u>
Total Inc	\$ 13,156.00	\$ 20,692.25	\$ 199,125.09	\$ 206,922.50
Expenses	\$ 13,781.41	\$ 21,126.83	\$ <u>175,494.67</u>	\$ 211,268.81
	\$ - 625.41	\$ - 434.63	\$ 23,630.42	\$ -4,346.31

## Vestry Meeting Minutes Nov 13, 2025

Attendance: Rev. Margaret Brack (Rector), Cindy Pekarek, Judy Darrell, Brian Caskie, Barb Smith, Rick Horejs, Vince Cummings Jr., Margie Guy, Marcia Adams (Treasurer), Jenn Moffett (Recorder) Excused: Patrick Howell

### Opening Prayer

The meeting opened with prayer, invoking guidance, unity, and attentiveness to God's calling in this new season of ministry.

### TREASURER'S REPORT / Finances

#### Expenditures:

- Fund Purpose Amount
- Fellowship Fr Bob Thank You 79.99
- Building New Fire Door-CE Hallway 2554.30
- Women of Spirit Stockings for Service People 175.90
- Octoberfest Octoberfest Food 354.31

#### Financial Overview:

- · Year-to-date contribution income: 96%
- · Operating expenses: 83%
- · Building Together Fund: \$527.80
- · Seasonal Offering Fund: \$14,000+
- · Endowment: \$538,000+
- · Total Assets: \$789,758.56

Motion M01111325: Accept the finance reports Motion: Rick Horejs Second: Judy Darrell Motion Carried

Motion M02111325: Pay the bills Motion: Judy Darrell Second: Vince Cummings Jr. Motion Carried

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov 15: Mobile Food Pantry
- Nov 23: Family Advent Workshop (post-service, crafts for all ages)
- Nov 26: Thanksgiving Eve Service with pie and church greening
- Nov 27: Thanksgiving – Office closed
- Nov 30: First Sunday of Advent / Christmas play rehearsal begins
- Dec 20: Blue Christmas Service

### DISCUSSION ITEMS AND UPDATES

- Banking Update: Church accounts and credit card formally transitioned from Fr. Tom to a corporate account under the Church of the Holy Spirit.
- Sprinkler Billing Issue: MUD withdrew \$740 based on estimated usage. Investigation confirmed the sprinkler system was never activated. A refund is pending.
- VPoD Checklist: Issues with doors left unlocked and lights left on led to trialing a VPoD checklist with initials for accountability.

Action Item: Implement and evaluate a trial paper checklist system.

### Designated Fund Expenditures

- Back Hill Restoration: Final invoice totaled \$2,770 (including added straw and tree debris removal). Invoice delivered to neighbor Kristeen Liberator per diocesan legal advice.

Action Item: Await payment; diocesan attorney Woody Bradford will follow up if needed.

· Altar Guild Greenery Replacement: Approval to spend \$2,000 on new sanctuary greenery.

Motion M03111325: Approve \$2,000 for greenery, paid from the Rummage Sale Fund. Motion: Brian Caskie  
Second: Rick Horejs Motion Carried.

#### Rector's Moving Loan

Rev. Margaret Brack requested a \$9,000 loan to complete her move and bring her daughter to assist. The need stemmed from moving company failures, additional equipment rentals, and urgent travel expenses.

#### Loan Terms:

- Amount: \$9,000
- Repayment: \$1,000/month
- Term: 9 months
- First payment due: January 31, 2026
- No interest charged

Motion M04111325: Approve a \$9,000 interest-free loan to Rev. Margaret Brack, beginning repayment on January 31, 2026. Motion: Margie Guy Second: Rick Horejs Motion Carried

Motion M05111325: Disburse funds for the loan from the Seasonal Offering Fund. Motion: Cindy Pekarek  
Second: Vince Cummings Jr. Motion Carried

Action Item: Marcia Adams to release funds promptly for travel arrangements and moving needs.

· Website & Media Updates: Rev. Brack proposed refreshing the church website and Facebook page with updated photos showcasing the sanctuary and events.

Action Item: Seek volunteer photographer(s) for content collection.

· Blue Christmas Planning: Rev. Brack confirmed the Blue Christmas Service will be held Saturday, December 20. She will invite other parishes to join.

Action Item: Promote event and invite area clergy.

· Choir Anthems: Rev. Brack proposed introducing simple anthems starting the first Sunday of Advent.

Action Item: Coordinate with choir and organist on music selection.

#### Budget Discussion

Cindy Pekarek presented the draft budget for review and discussion. It was noted that pledge income has been down so far this year. Rev. Margaret Brack will address this in an upcoming sermon, emphasizing that every contribution—large or small—matters and that we are all responsible members of our church community, just as we are within our families.

Jenn Moffett reported that the auto-deduction feature on the church website's online giving platform has historically failed to process, despite repeated attempts. She reactivated her own auto-deduction during the meeting and will monitor and report whether it successfully processes this time.

The Vestry discussed expanding pledge and donation options beyond traditional methods. Ideas included app-based giving tools like Venmo and the use of QR codes to simplify and encourage contributions, especially from younger parishioners. Margie Guy volunteered to research available digital giving platforms suited to churches and will report her findings before the next meeting.

Action Item: Margie Guy will investigate alternative donation platforms and report options by the December meeting. Contingency: Vestry may conduct an email vote if a decision is needed before the holidays.

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER

· Worship Signage: Rev. Margaret noted that Saturday and Wednesday services are not listed on the church's exterior signage.

Action Item: Explore updates to signage to reflect full service schedule.

· Mental Health Resources at Blue Christmas: Jenn Moffett asked to again provide suicide prevention and mental health materials during the Blue Christmas service. All agreed this would be beneficial.

Action Item: Jenn to coordinate resource table with printed materials and swag.

· Meals on Wheels Volunteer Shortage: Judy Darrell reported a shortage of volunteers for Meals on Wheels. Rev. Margaret offered to assist.

Action Item: Judy and Rev. Margaret to coordinate scheduling.

Adjournment

Motion M06111325: Motion to adjourn Motion: Vince Cummings Jr. Second: Judy Darrell Motion Carried

Closing Prayer

Next Regular Vestry Meeting: Date: December 18, 2025



### Holiday Ministry Schedule

Ministries	Blue Christmas Dec. 20, 6:30pm	Sanctuary Set-up Dec. 23,	Christmas Eve Dec. 24, 5 pm	Christmas Eve Dec. 24, 7pm	Christmas Eve Dec. 24, 10pm	Christmas Morning
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Paige H Kristi S Barb S Sue P	Poinsettia's delivered - Sue 1:30 - Altar set up Team 4, Set out Poinsettia's Leslie N, Joan O Paige H, Barb S Sue P	<i>Re-Set</i> Kathy B Paige H Kristi S Barb S Sue P	<i>Re-Set</i> Barb S Sue P	<i>Re-Set</i> Joan O Jan S	<i>Re-Set</i> Barb S, Sue P
<b>Greeters</b>			Barb S Pam C	Barb S		
<b>Ushers</b>			Lora C Doug C	Brain W Vince c	Chris D	Casey M
<b>LEM</b>	Kristi S Amber H		Carol S Brian C	Grace W Emily W	Amber H	
<b>Acolytes Crucifer Torch Torch</b>			Isaiah CH Olivia H MacKenzie C	Kyper M Ailynn M Evelynn C	Isaiah JH	

## UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS!



Dec. 05 - Prep for Craft Sale - 8 am - 4 pm  
 Dec. 06 - Craft and Bake Sale - 9 am - 3pm  
 Dec. 14 - Christmas Pageant - 9:30 service  
 Dec. 14 - Finance Committee Meeting - 11 am  
 Dec. 18 - Vestry Meeting - 6:30 pm  
 Dec. 20 - Mobile Food Pantry - 10 am - 11:30 am  
 Dec. 20 - Blue Christmas - 6:30 pm  
 Dec. 21 - Sunday School Christmas Party - after 9:30 service  
 Dec. 24 - Office closed at noon, Closed Dec. 25 & 26  
 Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Services - 5 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm  
 Dec. 25 - Christmas Day Service - 10 am  
 Dec. 28 - No Sunday School  
 Dec. 31 - Youth Group Lock - In - 6:30 pm



### LAY MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

Ministries	Dec 7	Dec 14	Dec 21	Dec 28
<b>VPOD</b>	Cindy P	Judy D	Margie C	Brian C
<b>Hospitality Team</b> 9:30 am <i>Greeters ,Ushers &amp; Coffee Hour Host</i>	Team 3	Team 4	Team 1	Team 2
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4
<b>Spirit Hub</b>	Lay Readers	LEV	DOK	Building & Grounds
<b>Altar Bread</b>	Leslie N	Leslie N	Leslie N	Leslie N
<b>Recycle Team</b>	Jan S	Marcia A	Susan H	Karen G
<b>LEM Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	Kristi S	Amber H	Toby W / Kathy B	Charlotte A
<b>LEM Sunday</b> 8:00 am	Doug A	Cindy P	Doug A	Cindy P
<b>LEM Sunday</b> 9:30 am	Grace W Carol S	Jen W Michele H	Brian C Lori E	Vince C Jan S
<b>LEV</b>	Team 3	Team 2	Team 1	Team 3
<b>Acolytes</b> Crucifer Torch Torch	Olivia H MacKenzie C Ailynn M	Isaiah JH Amanda N Evelynn C	Vincent C Ailynn M Mya H	Kyper M Isaiah CH Mya H

*Please submit articles for the  
 January 2026 FLAME to the  
 church office by December 19th.  
 Thank you*



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**Regular Services:**

**Sunday:** 8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I  
9:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II \*  
**Wednesday** 9:30 am Holy Eucharist\*  
**Saturday:** 5:00 pm Holy Eucharist  
\* Broadcast live on Facebook

**Education: September - May**

**Sunday:** Sunday School @ 10:45 am  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study @ 10:15 am

**Office Hours:**

**Monday – Thursday:** 9:00 am–1:00 pm  
**Friday:** 9:00 am–Noon

**Rector’s Day Sabbath:**

**Friday**

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