

**St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
Sunday, January 5, 2025**

**Second Sunday After Christmas
Holy Eucharist Rite II**

9:30 a.m.

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Liturgy of the Word

Prelude		
Announcements		Dick Young
Processional	<i>Shine, Jesus, Shine</i>	Attached
Opening Acclamation		BCP 355
Gloria	<i>Glory to God</i>	S-280
The Collect of the Day		Attached
First Reading	Jeremiah 31: 7-14	Attached
Psalm	Psalm 84	Attached

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning,
is now and will be forever. Amen**

Second Reading	Ephesians 1:3-6,15-19a	
Gospel Hymn	<i>Glorify Thy Name</i>	Attached
Gospel	Luke 2: 41-52	Attached
Sermon		The Rev. Gerardo Brambila
Nicene Creed		BCP 358
Prayers of the People Form III		Attached
Absolution		BCP 360
The Peace		BCP-360
Birthdays/Anniversaries/Blessings		BCP Inside Cover
Travel Blessings		BCP 831

Offertory

Offertory Sentence		BCP 376
Offertory Anthem	<i>Emmanuel – written and arranged by Don Palm</i>	
Doxology	<i>Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	H-380, v. 3

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer B		BCP 367
Sanctus	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy Lord</i>	S-129
The Lord's Prayer	<i>Our Father</i>	Hymnal Inside Front Cover
Fraction Anthem	<i>Christ Our Passover</i>	S-155
The Breaking of the Bread		BCP 364

The Invitation & Distribution

Communion Hymn	<i>Taste and See</i>	W-764
Post Communion Prayer		BCP-498
The Blessing		Celebrant's Choice
Dismissal Hymn	<i>As With Gladness Men of Old</i>	H-119, Vs, 1, 2, 3
Dismissal Acclamation		BCP 366

Old Testament
Jeremiah 31:7-14

Thus says the Lord:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock."

For the Lord has ransomed Jacob and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again.

Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the Lord.

The Psalm
Psalm 84

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *
 My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
 by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
 they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
 whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *

for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
6 They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
7 Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.
8 Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.
[9 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, *
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.
10 For the Lord God is both sun and shield; *
he will give grace and glory;
11 No good thing will the Lord withhold *
from those who walk with integrity.
12 O Lord of hosts, *
happy are they who put their trust in you!]

The Epistle
Ephesians 1:3-6,15-19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

The Holy Gospel
Luke 2:41-52

The parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem every year for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his

mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

Prayers of the People Form III

Lector: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
People: That we all may be one.
Lector: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.
Lector: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.
Lector: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.
Lector: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People: That our works may find favor in your sight.
Lector: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People: That they may be delivered from their distress.
Lector: Give to the departed eternal rest.
People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.
Lector: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.
Lector: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Confession of Sins:

Minister Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned
And People: 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.

The Absolution

Shine, Jesus Shine

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Graham Kendrick

Voice



1. Lord, the light of Your love is shin - ing, In the midst of the
2. Lord, I come in Your awe-some pres - ence, from the sha-dows in-
3. As we gaze on Your kind- ly bright - ness, So our fac- Es dis-

Vo.



dark-ness shin - ing; Je- sus, Light of the world shine up- on - us,
to Your rad - iance; By the blood I may en- ter Your bright- - ness;
play Your like - ness; Ev- er chang-ing from glo- ry to glo - ry,

Vo.



set us free by the truth You now bring - us; Shine on - me.
Search me, try me, con- sume all my dark - ness; Shine on - me.
Mirror-ed here may our lives tell Your sto - ry; Shine on - me.


Refrain

Vo.



Shine on - me. Shine, Je- sus shine, fill this
Shine on - me. Flow riv- er flow, flood the
Shine on - me.

Vo.



land with the Fa- ther's glo- ry; Blaze, Spir- it blaze, set our
na- tions with grace and mer- cy; Send forth Your word, Lord and

Vo.



1. hearts on fire 2. let there be light.

D.S

GLORIFY THY NAME

$\text{♩} = 80$

Donna Adkins



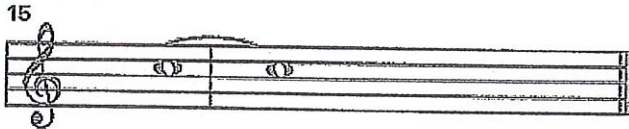
1. Fa ther } we love You, we praise You, we a dore You.
2. Je sus }
3. Spi rit }



5
Glo ri fy Thy Name in all the earth. _____ Glo ri fy Thy



10
Name, Glo ri fy Thy Name. Glo ri fy Thy Name in all thy



15
earth. _____

St. Christopher's uses the following texts as worship aides:

The Book of Common Prayer = BCP
The 1982 Hymnal = H
Wonder, Love & Praise Hymnal = WLP

Today's Worship Leaders

Celebrant:	The Rev. Gerardo Brambila
Verger:	Betty Roddy
Crucifer:	Judi Sock
Gospel Bearer	Al Franco
First Reading and Psalm	Bonnie Franco
Second Reading	Diane Plein
Prayers of the People	Dick Young
Chalice Bearers:	Al Franco & Judi Sock
Music Director	Mr. Don Palm

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Vacant, Junior Warden
Vacant, Clerk of the Vestry
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Jane Cooley, Member-at-large
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Weekly Announcements
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Our Vision: One congregation worshipping and serving in two languages
Our Mission: We are the heart, hands, and feet of Jesus: welcoming all to worship and serving those in need to the glory of God.

Please leave the music inserts and the Prayers of the People inserts in the pews or in the narthex. Thank you for helping to save administrative costs.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: One of the best ways to connect and grow in our church community is through small groups. Small groups are a place where we can study God's word together and support each other in our faith journeys. The Men's Bible Study takes place on **Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall.** Come and join in fellowship.

CURRENT GIVING STATEMENTS: Please check your mail cart folder for your updated 2024 giving statements. If you have questions, please contact Beth at 602-435-5272. Thank you for your support!

HURRICANE RELIEF: On October 18, following weeks of intermittent grid outages, ten million people lost power. Then On October 20, during the blackout, Hurricane Oscar made landfall, flooding and damaging the island's eastern side. People in the Guantanamo and Baracoa areas had little warning that Oscar was coming because the ongoing power outages badly affected communication systems. In response to Hurricane Oscar and the ongoing power outages, Episcopal Relief & Development is working with the Episcopal Church of Cuba to provide food, hygiene products, fans, rechargeable lamps and supplies for home repairs.

On November 6, Hurricane Rafael ravaged the northwestern side of Cuba just above Havana, again knocking out the island's power grid and creating deadly flash flood and mudslide conditions. On November 10, a 6.8 magnitude earthquake shook the southern part of the island. Please pray for the people affected by the blackout, the earthquake and hurricanes Oscar and Rafael. Please consider contributing directly at www.episcopalrelief.org. Thank you.

NAME BADGES: We ask that everyone please remember to wear your name badge as it would be of a great help for Fr. Gerardo, new parishioners, and visitors. If you need a name badge, please contact the office.

**Thank you for your promise for Saint Christopher's for 2025
Gracias por su promisa para San Cristóbal para 2025**

* Bernabe Aguirre & Maria Salgado * Dorothy Anako * Carmen & Rey Borda * Fr. Gerardo Brambila *
* Janet Cairo * Clive Chancey * Jane Cooley * Sallie Crill * Tad Daughters * Carole & Dudley Dickey *
* Patty Emanuelson * Trinidad D. & Trinidad A. Fabela * Barbara Fabre * Kathryn Frantz *
* Wilma Hammond * Marilyn Hunter * Barb & Ron Jackson * Arturo & Isobel Jaramillo *
* Barbara Kimball * Leona Lindvall * Bill Lynn * Miguel Lopez & Elvira Vasquez *
* Zeferino & Maria Maciel * Marva Martinez * Bill & Carol Masters * Beth Mayhew * Don Palm *
* Diane Plein * Charles Powley * Charlotte Powley * Feliciano Reyes * Betty Roddy * Michael Rowe *
* Joanne Mola * Frank & Susan Schlichting * Mike & Judi Sock * Constance Stresing *
* Gail & Michael Tetrick * Kelly Thomas * Anna Van Scoter * Barbara Welsh *
* Dick & Janet Young * Katy Young *

We thank the following people who have completed the Time and Talen Form

As we share our time and talents we can accomplish much more together: Dorothy Anako, Janet Cairo, Kathryn Frantz, JP Harrison, Barbara Jackson, Barbara Kimball, Leona Lindvall, Marva Martinez, Beth Mayhew, Diane Plein, Betty Roddy, Judi Sock, Mick Sock, Anna Van Scoter, Barbara Welsh.

FOOD BANK/FOOD DRIVE: Next week is “Pasta and Pasta Sauce” Sunday. Please bring a box of your favorite pasta (spaghetti, rigatoni, macaroni, penne), or a jar or can of your favorite pasta sauce to share. Thank you for your generosity.~*A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed—Proverbs 11: 25*

Total Monthly Food Bank Donations for 2024: 1,841.50 lbs and Cash Donations \$1,300.00

Total Thrift Shop Income for 2024: \$23,466.90 and Bookstore Income \$2,948.13

COFFEE HOUR: Thank you every week to everyone who helps make coffee hour a friendly, yummy gathering! If you haven't helped with coffee hour before, please consider joining your fellow church members to help serve. You'll make new friends and have a fun time!

We really appreciate the help everyone gives each week!

This Week's Prayer List

One of the ways we care for one another in this church is through prayer. We believe that prayer is powerful and has the ability to bring comfort, healing, and peace. Today, we pray for the people below.

* Emmanuel Anako * Isaac Anako * Noc Anako * Susana Avila * Jim & Sue Barnette * Viviana Brambila *
* Judy Broeder * Kia Browning * Jan Browning * Tom Camper * John Card * Clive Chancey *
* Agnes Chukwudozie * Claudio * Aubrianna Exner * Gale & Arthur Farinas * Isaiah Garcia * Ann Gay *
* John Gibson * Cathy Gustin * Gary Gustin * Marilyn Hunter * Annamarie Jett * Jacob “JJ” Johnson (Sister Cheryl's son) * Julie Jones * Lois Jones * Ruth Jones * Judith * Dorothy Lafferty & grandson Andrew * Gene Lapham * Christina Mason * Larry Mayper * Shawn Mirigian * Joanne Mola * Mr. Monata * Bryan Nance *

* Paul & Paula * * Joanne Porter * Audrey & Christopher Price * Ramon * * Rick & Robbie * * Javier Sanchez *
* Socorro Sanchez * Sebastian * Charles Jay Smith & Family * * Eunice Uzokwulu * Anna Van Scoter * Victoria *

For those who have died

* Marlys McLaughlin * Maria Payan *



Happy Anniversary in January

Diane & Eugene Plein 48 years



Happy Birthday to Everyone Celebrating in January

Mikayla Abel	January 04	Nnenna Anako	January 18
Andres Borda	January 04	Erick Aleman	January 19
Ivette Ríos	January 05	Barbara Fabre	January 19
José Cazarez	January 07	Lorena Sanchez	January 21
Anthony Reyes	January 08	Ruthie Jones	January 22
Frieda Spann	January 09	Johnny Eylicio	January 23
Feliciano Reyes	January 10	Gabriel Bustamante Diaz	January 27
Emilee Fabre Parsons	January 14	Dudley Dickey	January 30
Lourdes Ríos	January 14	Mariana Borda-McNamara	January 31
Raymond Cortez	January 16	Clive Chancey	January 31
Carol Masters	January 17		

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