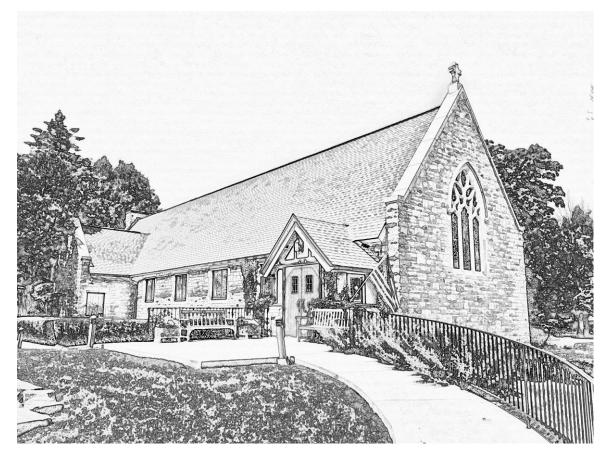


St. Elisabeth's Episcopal Church

The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ

January 19, 2025 10:00 AM

Welcome to Saint Elisabeth's. We are delighted to have you with us today.



This faith community invites all persons to all levels of participation, leadership, and decision-making within the church regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, socioeconomic and marital status. We seek to establish meaningful connections with one another through work and play and worship as we strive to understand God's purpose for us in the church and in the world.

Welcome – Today at St. Elisabeth's

8:00 a.m. – Spoken Eucharist (Rite I)

9:00 a.m. - Choir Rehearsal

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist (Rite II)

11:00 a.m. - Fellowship & Forum

11:00 a.m. - Children's Sunday School

Forum: Latino Congregations in the Diocese of Chicago

Join Adam and Luis Garcia, Chaplain to the Bishop and Interim Missioner for Multicultural Ministry for the Diocese of Chicago at our normal Sunday forum time **after the 10am service today** for a forum to learn about and discuss the history and work of Latino congregations in the diocese.

Children's Sunday School

Sunday School for Children, upstairs after the 10:00 am service every Sunday. Children of all ages are invited to come learn about the Bible and have some fun with our Director of Children's Formation Abigail Pribble.

Assisting Today

First Reading I

Kara Superfine Susan Newcomb

Second Reading

John Tuohy

Prayers Altar Guild

Lauren Edelston

Carrie Miller

Usher

Phil Miller

Coffee Hour

Epiphany

Epiphany is a Greek word meaning "manifestation, showing forth, revelation." This feast proclaims our faith that in Jesus, God is revealed to all people — not just to an inner circle or a chosen few, but to all people, in all places, and throughout all time. Christians believe that in the person of Jesus we see who God is, and in the words and actions of Jesus we see God at work in the world. Epiphany marks a series of occasions at which Jesus was revealed to be God's Son.

The feast of Epiphany and the weeks that follow are a time when we reflect on several "manifestations" of Jesus, as he was recognized as the Messiah (or Christ) by many different people. We hear about Jesus' baptism in the river Jordan by John the Baptist and the visit of the magi, or wise men, who followed the star to Bethlehem at Jesus' birth. We share the amazement of the guests at the wedding party at Cana as Jesus performs his first miracle by turning water into fine wine. And at the end of the season we see Jesus' glory shown to three of his disciples on the mountain as he is transfigured before them in a blaze of light.

Daily Prayer for All Seasons

Entering In

This is the power of Baptism – that God has opened up the heavens, descended from on high, and come to meet us where we are and as we are...all in order that we might know that we, too, are beloved children of God and that God is well pleased also with us. — *David Lose*

There are many people around us who need to hear that they are beloved of God. How might you tell someone that they are beloved of God without saying so? A letter, a phone call, an invitation to lunch, a present . . . Whatever you come up with, do it this week.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II The Word of God

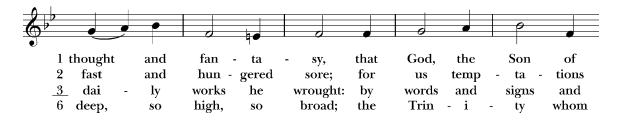
Prelude

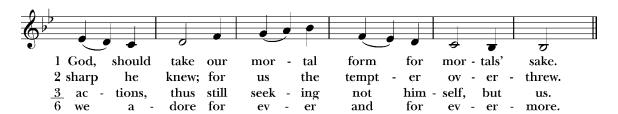
Please stand, as you are able, and join in singing.

Opening Hymn

"O love, how deep, how broad, how high" The Hymnal 1982 #448, vs.1-3,6; *Deus tuorum miltum*







Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Assembly Glory to God for ever and ever.

Collect for Purity

Presider

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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

Assembly Amen.

Song of Praise

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise", v. 2



The Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.

Assembly And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

God, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, mark us with your images, and raise us to live our baptismal vows empowered by the Holy Spirit and the example of Jesus the Christ, in whose name we pray.

Assembly Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7

A Reading from the book of Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;

I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold;

bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth--

everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Assembly Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 29

The Aldrich/Spencer Songbook

Assembly Antiphon





Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, * ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; * worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; * the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; * the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

Antiphon





The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; * the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, * and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; * the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe * and strips the forests bare.

Antiphon

And in the temple of the Lord * all are crying, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; * the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.

The Lord shall give strength to his people; * the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Antiphon

The Second Reading

Acts 8:14-17

A Reading from the book of the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

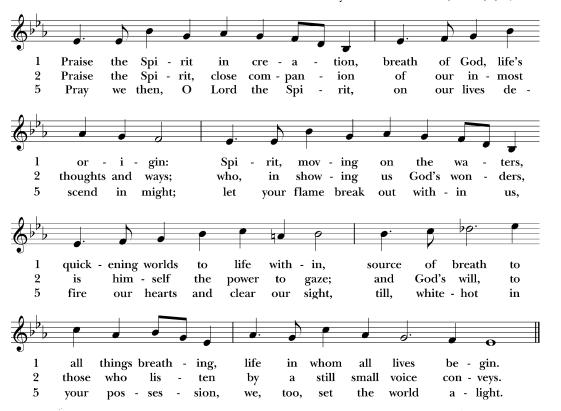
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Assembly Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Sequence Hymn

"Praise the Spirit in creation" The Hymnal 1982 #506, vs. 1,2, 5; Finnian



All face the Gospel Book.

The Gospel

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Assembly Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
Assembly Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon Mr. Luis Garcia

Chaplain to the Bishop and Interim Missioner for Multicultural Ministry

A period of silence follows the sermon, beginning and ending with a chime.

Please stand as you are able.

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

Assembly I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

Assembly I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

Assembly I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting.

Assembly Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of

the bread, and in the prayers?

Assembly I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and

return to the Lord?

Assembly I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

Assembly I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity

of every human being?

Assembly I will, with God's help.

Sprinkling Rite

Prayers of the People

Book of Common Prayer, Form III

Leader God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

Assembly That we all may be one.

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

Assembly That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

Assembly That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

Assembly That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

Assembly That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

Assembly That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest, praying especially for Gerald Baker,

grandfather of Tobi Ellis.

Assembly Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

Assembly May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially:

Susan Chadd Sally Graver

Walter Tuohy, brother of John Tuohy

Ben Whipple, son of Larry & Susan Whipple

<u>Cheryl</u>, friend of Adrienne Zimmerman <u>Chuck</u> Hillier, father of Kara Superfine <u>Emily</u> Becker, friend of Kara Superfine

Rev Kevin Goodman, interim rector at St. Elisabeth's

The people of Los Angeles

Are there others?....

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Concluding Collect

Presider O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude

of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father,

Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

Assembly Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Presider Let us confess our sins to God.

All God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing

your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that

we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace

of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy

Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

Assembly And also with you.

The ministers and congregation greet one another in the peace of God.

Please be seated for the announcements.

Welcome and Announcements

Blessings for Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Travelers

Those traveling and those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries are invited to come forward for a blessing.

John Tuohy – January 19

Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Presider Wa

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

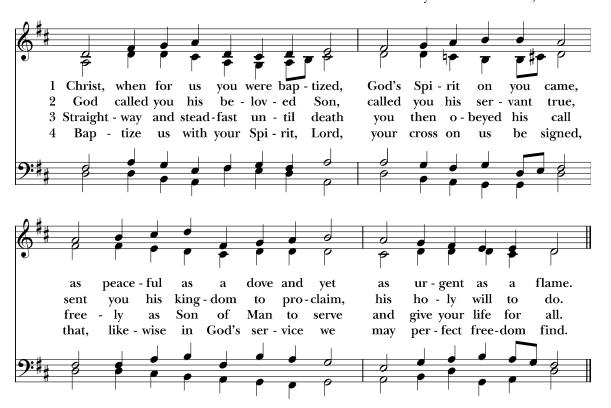
Ephesians 5:2

Thank you for your generous giving to the mission and ministry of St. Elisabeth's church. You can leave a donation in the offering plate or use your phone to scan the QR code to donate online.



Offertory Music

"Christ, when for us you were baptized"
The Hymnal 1982 #121, Caithness



The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship, Prayer 2

Please stand as you are able.

Presider The Lord be with you.

Assembly And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

Assembly We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,

source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being:

sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

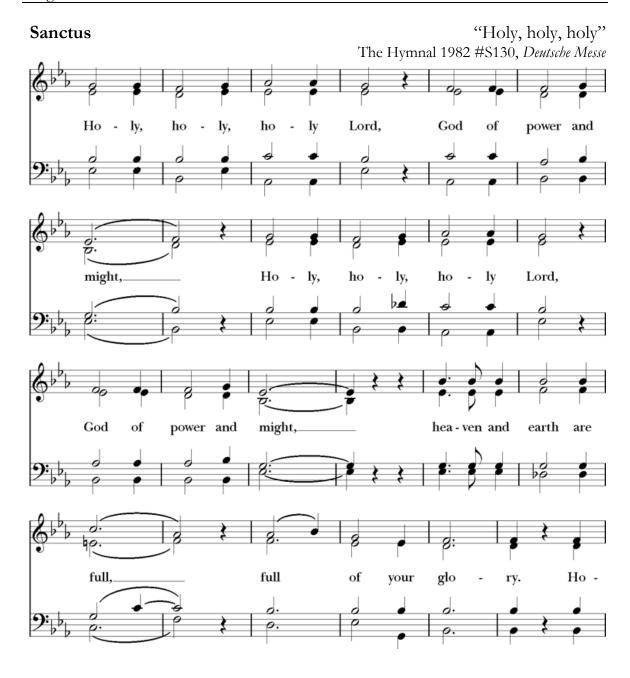
You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways.

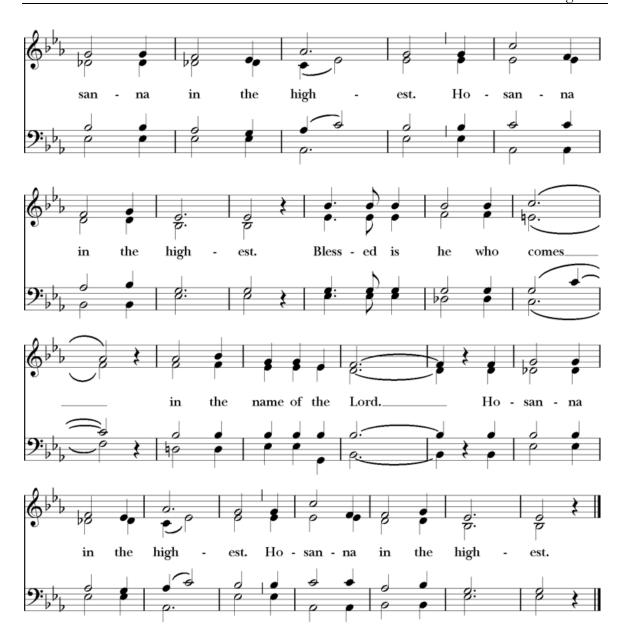
But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;

and yet, as a mother cares for her children,

you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:





Presider

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death

and to reveal the riches of your grace,

you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,

that she might conceive and bear a son,

Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us.

He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,

healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.

He yearned to draw all the world to himself

yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross

the sacrifice of his life,

and to be glorified by you.

Presider

On the night before he died for us,

Jesus was at table with his friends.

He took bread, gave thanks to you,

broke it, and gave it to them, and said:

"Take, eat:

This is my Body, which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.

Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said:

"Drink this, all of you:

This is my Blood of the new Covenant,

which is poured out for you and for all

for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Elisabeth and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

Assembly 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Presider We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

Assembly We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

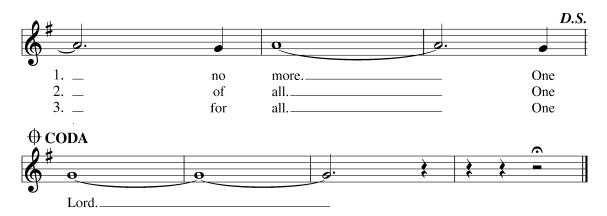
Invitation to Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing at this time.

Gluten-free host available upon request. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, simply cross your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward for any reason, please inform an usher so our clergy can bring communion to you in the pew.





Post Communion Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

Presider Let us pray.

Assembly God of abundance,

you have fed us

with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us

with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one

with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth

in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world

and continue for ever

in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

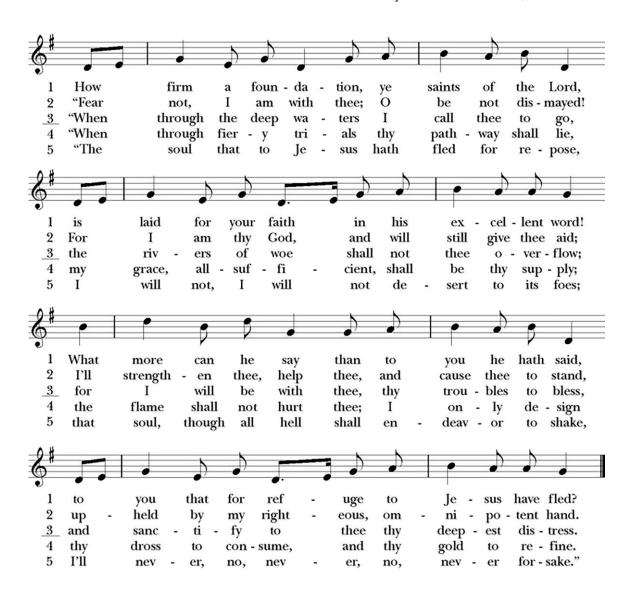
Presider

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Assembly Amen.

Closing Hymn

"How Firm a Foundation" The Hymnal 1982 #636, Foundation



Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Assembly Thanks be to God.

Postlude

This Week at St. Elisabeth's

Monday, January 20

8:00 p.m. – AA Meeting

Thursday, January 23

7:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 24

11:00 a.m. – Bible Study

Saturday, January 25

5:00 p.m. – AA Meeting

Sunday, January 26

8:00 a.m. – Spoken Eucharist 9:00 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharis

11:00 a.m. – Annual Parish Meeting

11:00 a.m. -- Children's Sunday School

Coming Up Next at St. Elisabeth's

2025 Annual Meeting of the Parish

The annual meeting of the parish will take place on **Sunday, January 26, following the 10:00 am service.** At the meeting we will hear reports about the state of the parish and its ministries, elect new vestry members and adopt the 2025 budget. Please join us!

St. Elisabeth's Bible Study

The St. E's Bible Study group meets weekly on Fridays at 11:00 am UPSTAIRS in the former parish library. We are currently reading the Gospel of Matthew. For more information, please contact Larry Whipple.

Prayer List

After the last Sunday of each month, the prayer list is reset. Submit prayers and thanksgivings by the first of each month to Caryl in the office at office@steglencoe.org

Pastoral needs, hospital calls, nursing/rehab & home-bound parishioners

If you have a pastoral need or emergency and would like to speak to Fr. Spencer, or know of someone who would like to schedule a pastoral visit, please contact Adam by phoning the office at 847-835-0458 and leave a private message in the rector's voicemail. You can also email Adam at rector@steglencoe.org.

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Sunday Schedule



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11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour, Forum, and Sunday School

Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday - 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

We at St. Elisabeth's share an adventurous spirit and a commitment to radiate God's love within and beyond our red doors.