

Psalm 80:1-7

Qui Regis Israel

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 O LORD God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.



**ST. MATTHEW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

December 23rd, 2018 ♦ Fourth Sunday of Advent

Welcome to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church! Communion in the Episcopal Church is open to all baptized Christians. Saint Matthew's Parish exists to be a supportive, friendly, Christ-centered worshipping community, offering comfort, education, and serving God's people and the world.

Today's Collect:

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 First Lesson Micah 5:2-5a
The ruler from Bethlehem.

The Psalm.....Psalm 80:1-7

The Second Lesson Hebrews 10:5-10
Christ's sacrifice once for all.

The Gospel..... Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)
Mary visits Elizabeth.



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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| + The Opening Hymn..... | Hymnal 74 |
| + The Opening Acclamation | BCP 355 |
| + The Collect for Purity..... | BCP 355 |
| + The Kyrie..... | BCP 356 |
| + The Collect of the Day | See Front Cover |
| The First Lesson..... | See Front Cover |
| The Psalm | See Back Cover |
| The Second Lesson | See Front Cover |
| + The Gospel Hymn | Hymnal 66 |
| <i>Verses 1—3 before the Reading; Verse 4 after the Reading</i> | |
| + The Gospel Reading..... | See Front Cover |
| <i>Before the Reading: "Glory to you, Lord Christ"</i> | |
| <i>After the Reading: "Praise to you, Lord Christ"</i> | |
| The Sermon | |
| + The Nicene Creed | BCP 358 |
| + The Prayers of the People | Form IV, BCP 388 |
| + The Confession and Absolution..... | BCP 360 |
| + The Peace | |
| <i>Announcements</i> | |
| The Offertory | |
| + The Doxology (To the tune of <i>Old 100th</i>) | |
| <i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow.</i> | |
| <i>Praise Him all creatures here below.</i> | |
| <i>Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.</i> | |
| <i>Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.</i> | |
| + The Great Thanksgiving—Eucharistic Prayer B | BCP 367 |
| Sanctus ("Holy, Holy, Holy")..... | BCP 367 |
| The Lord's Prayer | BCP 364 |
| + The Prayer after Communion..... | BCP 366 |
| <i>You may stand or kneel for this prayer.</i> | |
| + The Blessing | |
| + The Closing Hymn..... | Songs of Praise 49 |
| + The Dismissal | |
| <i>"Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!"</i> | |

Items marked with + indicate that the congregation stands



Welcome! If you are visiting with us today, please know that we greet you in the name of Christ. We hope you enjoy your time among us. St. Matthew's strives to be a Christian community where all are welcome, and where we Celebrate and Share God's Blessings. Please sign the Guest Register as a sign of your visit.

Communion in the Episcopal Church is open to all baptized Christians who are believers in Christ's miraculous presence in the Holy Eucharist. We invite you to receive with us.

Please join us for coffee and "goodies", following the 10:00 AM service, at our coffee hour held in the Fellowship Hall. We are happy you are here with us and would love to get to know you better.

Vestry Members:

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| Beth Taylor (Senior Warden) | Janet Romanowski |
| Tom Sanders (Junior Warden) | Becki Sanders |
| Joe Periard (Secretary/Clerk) | Donna Periard |
| Patti Williams | Rich Williams |

Serving Today:

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| <i>Celebrant</i> | Rev. Mary Jo Hudson |
| <i>Preacher</i> | Rev. Mary Jo Hudson |
| <i>Worship Leader</i> | Kathy Tenwolde |
| <i>Lector</i> | Ethan Sanders |
| <i>Acolyte(s)</i> | Rick Stuart and Scott Steffes |
| <i>Music</i> | Jason Maurer |
| <i>Greeters</i> | The Taylor Family |
| <i>Altar Guild</i> | Chris Bolyard |
| <i>Counters</i> | Rick Stuart and Dave Hoffman |
| <i>Sunday School</i> | |
| <i>Coffee Hour</i> | |