

**TODAY'S HYMNS** can be found in the blue-covered *The Hymnal 1982* in the pew rack.

**Hymn of Praise # 76**  
**Gradual # 68**

**Offertory: # 65**  
**Communion: # 640**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS (Cont.)**

**AN ORDER OF HEALING** is offered at the conclusion of the liturgy of the Holy Eucharist on the first Sunday of each month. The Healing Eucharist is at 12:10PM each Wednesday.

**BENNINGTON COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS WISH LIST:** Deodorant; soap; shampoo; toothbrushes; toothpaste; razors & shaving cream; diapers (all sizes); feminine products; men's clothing (all sizes); cleaning supplies; toilet paper; paper towels; garbage bags. There is a bin in the narthex to collect the donations. For more information, please see Michael Rice.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**WORSHIP**

Wednesday, December 14, 12:10PM .....Healing Eucharist  
Sunday, December 18.....Holy Eucharist  
Rite I, 8AM; Rite II, 10AM  
Wednesday, December 21, 12:10PM .....Healing Eucharist

**CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Saturday, December 24:  
4:00 PM...Christmas Eve Family Service – Holy Eucharist  
9:00 PM.....Eve of the Nativity of our Lord – Holy Eucharist  
Sunday, December 25 - Christmas Day  
9:00 AM: The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ..... Holy Eucharist  
Sunday, January 1, 2017, 9:00AM: Feast of the Holy Name..... Holy Eucharist

**MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

Sunday, January 1, 2017, 3PM .....Messiah Sing-Along  
Sunday, January 22, 2017.....Annual Meeting immediately following the liturgy of the Holy Eucharist at 9AM.

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The Third Sunday of Advent  
December 11, 2016



*“He bring God’s rule, O Zion; he comes from heaven above.  
His rule is peace and freedom, and justice, truth and love.  
Lift high your praise resounding, for grace and joy abounding.  
O blest is Christ that came in God’s most holy name.*

*[Hymn #65, v. 2]*

***The Very Rev. Christopher L. David, Interim Pastor***

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# WELCOME

A warm welcome to all and a special welcome to visitors; the addition of your praise and thanks heartens us all. If you are seeking a church home or simply a place to rest for a while on your spiritual journey, we invite you to consider St. James' to be that place. The service leaflet will guide you through the liturgy. In the pew racks you will find the *Book of Common Prayer* (red binding) and *The Hymnal 1982* (blue binding). Please do not hesitate to ask a fellow worshipper for help.

**If you are new to St. James'** and wish to receive our weekly e-mails, please fill in one of the welcome forms and leave it in the offertory plate or with an usher. Restrooms are located in the undercroft on the right-hand wall. There is an elevator located in the narthex for those who need it. **Please do not hesitate to speak to an usher or any church member if you have questions or need assistance.** Whether you are a visitor or a parishioner, if you would like a call and/or a visit please send an e-mail to [stjamesparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:stjamesparishoffice@gmail.com) or call the office at 375-9952. If you have a need for hospital visitation for yourself or for a family member or friend, **you must call Fr. Christopher or the Parish Office.** Hospitals do not release the names of patients who are admitted.

**TODAY'S HYMNS** are listed on the hymn board and also on the back cover of this newsletter.

**TODAY IS THE DEADLINE FOR RED STOCKING AND BROOKHAVEN GIFTS.** If you have not yet participated and wish to do so, please get in touch with Marilyn King at 375-2786 or at [mwking02@gmail.com](mailto:mwking02@gmail.com) to see if there is still time to contribute.

**THE ADVENT PROGRAM CONTINUES TODAY** at 11:45AM.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAL/THANKSGIVING FORMS** are on the table in the nave. This is a special way to remember and honor loved ones during the Christmas season. **Forms must be received by Saturday, December 17, 2016** for the names to be included in the Christmas worship leaflets. Thank you for your generosity. [See Patricia Michael if you need more information.]

**THE CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE** is listed on the back cover.

**THANK YOU** to all who attended the Parish Forum on Planning for the Future on December 7. It was well-attended and many important topics were presented and discussed. A report of the meeting will be sent out shortly. Many, many thanks to the presenters who did an excellent job with a complex task: Joanna Taylor, Sue Claro, Marilyn King (chair of the Parish Life Committee that sponsored the event). Special thanks to Father Christopher for his spiritual guidance and practical guidance and leadership. This is a significant time for our St. James' Community; we appreciate all the information and participation. More to come!

*Announcements continue on the back cover.]*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**For the Sick:** Ken Blackler; Garrett Brewer; Janet Cassell; Sue Claro; Nick Costianes; Peter Garneau; Jo Gillikin; Dot Grout; Thomas Hayton; Esther Jaffee; John Jaworski; Jane Jersey; Bruce Keene; Marilyn King; John Laughrey; Mary Loring; Alan Mears; Bob McCarthy; Gail McDevitt; Charlie Menghini; Jack Michael; Cecelia O'Brien; Andie Owen; Ralph and Natalia Panelli; Irene Roth; MaryAnn Schaefer; June Sherwin; John, Judy and Anita Werner; Dot Whitley; Jeanne Zouck (Susan Gratz' mother); Barbara; Beth; Bruce; Celia; Chris; Dennis; Dick; Helen; Isaac; Jan; John; Kathy; Kay; Sherry; Susan; Toby

**For the Departed:** All our departed loved ones; all victims of war, terrorism, violence and oppression throughout the world.

**For Those In Need of Our Prayers:** Philip Brown on the loss of his sister; Davis McClaren on the death of her mother; the family and friends of Andie Owen and her family; Charles; Anna, Sherri; Alyce; Sue; Sara; John; Katie; Joan; Cathy; Alex; Sofia; Eleanor; Jack, Vin, Jan and A.J.; Wanda; the Kluj family; Hank; Estelle; Michael; all those who suffer from terrorism, strife, hunger and deprivation throughout the world; the homeless; refugees; for peace and justice everywhere; for all who need our prayers.

**For Those Who Celebrate This Week:**

**Birthdays:** 12/12-Janet McQuade; 12/16-Dejon Hush

**Wedding Anniversaries:** None this week

**Baptismal Anniversaries:** None this week

**For Those Who Serve in the Armed Forces:** Gary Marckres; Margaret; Willow Bucchieri-Sibley

**In Thanksgiving:** For the ministry of our Interim Pastor, Fr. Christopher L. David; for our families and friends; for the work of the Parish Life Committee; for God's love, freely given; for the communion of saints; for the continuing presence of the Holy Spirit.

**For The Church:** For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Thomas, our Bishop; the people and mission of this Diocese; the Very Rev. Christopher L. David, Interim Pastor; this parish of St. James' and its mission; the Revs. Paul Gratz, Sean Lanigan, Rolfe Lawson, John Miller, Scott B. Neal, Keith F. Patterson, priests; Kathleen Moore, postulant; in the Diocesan Prayer Calendar we pray for the ministry of our Retired Clergy and the Clergy licensed to officiate in the Episcopal Church in Vermont; and Province 7 (Southwest): The Dioceses of Arkansas, Rio Grande, West Missouri, Western Louisiana, and the Dioceses in the states of Kansas and Texas.