



St. John's Chimes

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT | December 11, 2022

ST. JOHN'S CONNECTS

Grace Mission's annual Angel Tree donation drive is underway. This holiday season, please consider meeting a need for those served by Grace Mission. Between now and Christmas, choose a gift tag in the Calhoun Street lobby, purchase the described item, and leave it in the donation box or drop it by Grace Mission (10 AM to 2 PM; Tuesday through Friday). If you're short on time, make a monetary donation instead. Instructions can be found on each gift tag.

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

See our website for details on St. John's Christmas Eve services. Our abbreviated liturgy at 1 PM is for all ages but was designed with families in mind. The 4 PM service will be streamed live. All three evening services feature brass and choirs. The 11 PM service also includes incense.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES:
1 PM | 4 PM | 8 PM | 11 PM
CHRISTMAS DAY | 10 AM

GET INVOLVED

Seeking Additional Parish Greeters!

Interested in being a St. John's greeter but aren't ready to pass the offertory plate? We need greeters for worship, seasonal events, and special services including weddings, funerals, and more. If you can open a door and greet folk with a welcoming smile, then you're perfect for this ministry. Contact Alex Boler (alexbolier@gmail.com) to learn how you can get involved.

SAVE THE DATE

SAT 12/12 **Flower & Music Dedications Due**
PLACE ONLINE OR VIA PEW ENVELOPES
saint-john.org/2022dedications/

SUN 12/18 **Christmas Caroling**
11:15 AM | WESTMINISTER OAKS

TUES 12/21 **Service of Comfort and Healing**
12:10 PM | CARTER CHAPEL

SUN 1/8 **Sung Compline Returns**
7:30 PM | CHURCH

SAT 1/21 **New Members' Class**
9 AM TO 1 PM | CHURCH
Sign up online: saint-john.org/event/nm/

This holiday season, the Lively Café is offering appetizers, breakfast, dinners, desserts, and more! View menu online (saint-john.org/livelycafe/). All orders must be placed by December 15 at noon.

St. John's
Lively Café



WEEKLY
CAFÉ MENU

HOLIDAY
CATERING





Highlights

TODAY

Advent Lessons and Carols

Join us tonight for our annual Service of Advent Lessons and Carols, a special holiday liturgy that heightens the expectancy of the Advent season!

Celebrate with the reading of scripture and the singing of Advent carols, hymns, and anthems. The evening begins with an organ recital at 5 PM. After the service, all are invited to a festive dessert reception in Alfriend Hall. The St. John's Stewardship Committee will share a champagne punch to toast a promising year ahead at St. John's!

Lessons and Carols will be held in place of our 5:30 PM Eucharist. Next week (12/18), we will gather for 5:30 PM worship, but then the 5:30 PM service will pause for the rest of Advent and throughout Epiphany. Sung Compline has finished its fall semester and will return on January 8, 2023.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Christmas Dedications due Monday, Dec. 12

Poinsettia and music dedications shared in our Christmas bulletins are a wonderful way to honor loved ones and support our ministries: saint-john.org/2022dedications/



"Play Santa" for Area Seniors – Dec. 17

On 12/17, St. John's volunteers will deliver gifts to senior adults in our area as part of Elder Care Services' annual "Elder Elf" program. Gifts have already been donated, so we just play Santa! saint-john.org/event/elderelf2022



Parish-wide Christmas Caroling – Dec. 18

Join the Music Ministry for an afternoon of caroling as a parish family! After the 10 AM service on 12/18, we'll gather in Killeen Hall to deck ourselves in festive apparel and enjoy a light lunch before heading out. All ages and singing abilities are welcome!

Service of Comfort & Healing – Dec. 21

We celebrate the upcoming holiday by acknowledging that there may also be sadness during these joyful times. Our annual Service of Comfort and Healing (12/21 at 12:10 PM) is especially for those experiencing grief and loss this holiday season. After the service, all are invited to a complimentary lunch with our clergy. Please RSVP with Deborah Dugger by Friday, 12/16 (850.222.2636 x10).

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

TODAY	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
11:15 AM Sunday Forum: Advent Hymns (Killeen Hall) 5 PM Advent Lessons and Carols and Festive Reception	11:30 AM Advent Luncheon 5:30 PM Weekly Yoga 7 PM Centering Prayer (Zoom)	1:30 PM Meditation 4 PM Joyful Noisemakers	<i>No Bible Stories for Grownups (resumes 1/11)</i>	7 AM Men's Bible Study 12 PM Good Book	12 PM Friday Book Study	10 AM "Elder Elf" Gift Delivery (ECS) <i>details above</i>

This grid highlights some of the ways to get involved in life at St. John's. For event details, and weekly worship times, use your phone's camera to scan the QR code or visit saint-john.org/events

