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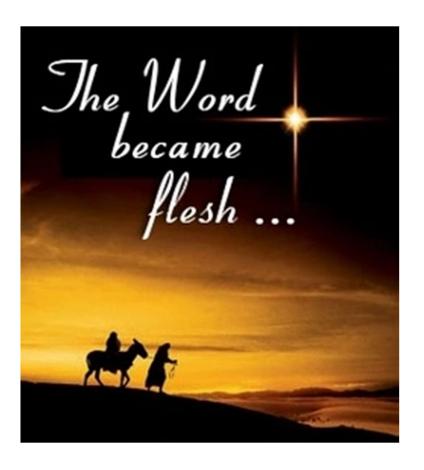
Participating in Today's Service:

Russell Rheault, Maria Gurriere, Kathy Ossene (A/V Team), Mimi Royston (Greeter), Betty Blodgett (Eucharistic Minister), VOLUNTEER (Crucifer), Carol Uppgard (Lector), VESTRY & VOLUNTEERS (Counters), Carol Uppgard, Coffee Hour Coordinator

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

December 31, 2023

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Welcome to Good Shepherd Episcopal Church. We're glad you are here! All are invited to receive Communion at Christ's Table. The Worship service/Mass is projected on the screen. Our Book of Common Prayer (BCP) contains all prayers & services. Hymns are in the hymnal blue book (H).

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Processional Hymn: #87 (H) "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing", (v1-3)

Opening Prayers p355 (BCP)

The Gloria

Collect for the First Sunday after Christmas p213 (BCP)

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

1st Reading: **Isaiah 61:10-62:3**

<u>Psalm 147:13-21</u> p805 (BCP)

Epistle: Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Sequence Hymn: #99 (H) "Go Tell it on the Mountain" (v1-2)

The Gospel: <u>John 1:1-18</u> Sequence: #99 (H) (v3)

Sermon The Reverend Iulia Dunbar

The Nicene Creed p358 (BCP)
Prayers of the People Form I p383 (BCP)

(In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for Eglise Anglicane du

Rwanda.)

Confession of Sin p360 (BCP)
The Peace p360 (BCP)



ANNOUNCEMENTS (see bottom of page)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymn: #79 (H) "O Little Town of Bethlehem", (v1-3) Doxology: #380 (H) "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" (v3)

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A p361 (BCP) The Lord's Prayer p364 (BCP)

The Breaking of the Bread

INVITATION TO ALL TO RECEIVE COMMUNION

Distribution of Communion

Communion Hymn: #82 (H) "Of the Father's Love Begotten", (v1-3)

Post Communion Prayer p365 (BCP)

Recessional Hymn: #96 (H) "Angels we Have Heard on High", (v1-3)

Happy January Birthdays!!



2- Sarah Royston, 5- Maria Gurriere, 6- Carol White

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next vestry meeting: January 21st following the Mass/Worship service and a brief coffee break.
- Annual Meeting & Potluck: February 11th, following the Mass/Worship service. Sign-up sheet will be put up next week.