



# CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED

## WELCOME!

We are glad you are with us today as we worship God and receive Christ's presence given to us in the sacrament of bread and wine. This service is offered by livestream to those who cannot assemble with us. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.

## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024

## 10:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Service Music from *The Christ Church Mass*, Sir David Willcocks (1919-2015)

**Voluntary** *Voluntary in F Major*

William Walond (1785-1770)

### Welcome and Announcements

### THE WORD OF GOD

*Please stand, as able, and sing*

**Entrance Hymn 180** *He is Risen, He is Risen!*

(blue) Hymnal 1982

### The Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant* 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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*All sing*

### God's Paschal Lamb

from *Wonder, Love, and Praise*



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;  
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:



There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -  
death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through  
though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in



sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -  
him we die to sin and live to God. Al -  
Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -



le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!  
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!  
le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* *And also with you.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray. O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*Please be seated for*

## The First Reading

*Acts 3:12-19*

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

*At the conclusion the People respond, "Thanks be to God."*

*The Choir sings*

## Psalm 4 *Cum invocarem*

Chant: Joseph Barnby (1838-1896)

Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;  
you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.  
"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;  
how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"  
Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.  
Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.  
Offer the appointed sacrifices and put your trust in the Lord.  
Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!"  
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.  
You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine and oil increase.  
I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

## The Second Reading

*1 John 3:1-7*

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

*At the conclusion the People respond, "Thanks be to God."*

Please stand. The Alleluia is sung first by the Choir, then repeated by all before and after the Verse.

### Gradual Alleluia and Verse

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al -  
le - - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Verse The Lord is risen from the dead, sing Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Gospel is carried to the congregation so that we remember it is our Good News to hear and to share.

### The Gospel Reading

Luke 24:36b-48

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Once the Book of Gospels has returned to its place of honor, the People may be seated at the invitation of the preacher.

### The Homily

Michael Kurth

Please stand for

### The Nicene Creed

Celebrant Let us declare our faith in God:

People *We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

*A member of the parish leads*

### **The Prayers of the People**

In mercy hear our prayer, gracious God, for the church and for the world.

Pray and praise God from whom all blessings flow. Bless the fruits of the earth, the trees of the forest, and all the animals of the field; let all creation give you praise. That we may see your glory in all the world,

*we pray to you, Lord God.*

Pray that the whole church may proclaim Christ as the Lord of life. Pour upon us the grace to live in unity and love. Bless Michael, our presiding bishop; Kevin, our bishop; and our clergy; our preschool and parish. We lift up *N.*, and we give thanks for our outreach partner, *N.* That we may make Christ known in all we say and do,

*we pray to you, Lord God.*

Pray that nations and peoples may be brought together to live in freedom and peace. Guide us to share the resources of the earth. Guard all those in military service and all who defend and protect the welfare of others. That there may be justice and peace on earth,

*we pray to you, Lord God.*

Pray for those who live with grief or pain, those suffering from any need or trouble and for those who minister to them. We remember *N.* and those we name now. That we may be agents of your healing grace,

*we pray to you, Lord God.*

Pray for all who have died and now rest in the hope of eternal life. We remember *N.* and those we name now. That we may entrust them to your never-failing love,

*we pray to you, Lord God.*

Pray and praise God, from whom all blessings flow. We thank you for the forgiveness we have received in your mercy, for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and the life we live in Christ Jesus, our Lord. That we may share our faith, our hope, and your love,

*we pray to you, Lord God.*

### **The Peace**

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

### **The Offertory and Preparation of the Table**

*Being seated, we begin with a time of offering. Today and on the second Sunday of each month, part of our offering is a collection of items to be donated to Lutheran Community Services, our 175th anniversary outreach partner. Giving money is a sign that our life serves God's purposes and expresses our gratitude for God's many blessings. The ushers will receive the offering and present it on our behalf. Also, you may give online or text a contribution to (302) 244-5368. For those who give electronically, a card is available in the pews to participate in the act of offering. Newcomers and guests may place the welcome card in the offering plate.*



The Celebrant continues the prayer, inviting our acclamation of Christ's sacrificial death and triumphant resurrection, saying  
Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
Celebrant and People

**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

The Celebrant continues the prayer, saying

Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may  
worthily serve the world in his name.

Celebrant and People

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread.**

The Celebrant concludes

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom,  
with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to  
generation.



The Celebrant invites the People to say the prayer Jesus taught his first disciples.

### The Lord's Prayer

**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

We sing the anthem at the breaking of the bread, which is Christ's Body, broken for us. Please be seated after the sacrament is presented.

A musical score for the Breaking of the Bread anthem. It consists of three staves of music in treble clef with a common time signature (C). The first staff is labeled 'Organ' and contains the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. Below the notes are the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our pass-ov - er is'. The second staff contains the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. Below the notes are the lyrics 'sa - cri - ficed for us; There fore let us keep the feast. Al - le -'. The third staff contains the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. Below the notes are the lyrics 'lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.'.

All are welcome to receive the sacrament of Christ or a blessing. Come up the center aisle and take your place along the altar rail, kneeling or standing. If you desire a blessing, cross your arms over your chest to indicate your intent. Receive the host in open hands. Gluten-free host is available; let the clergy know your need when they approach you. When you are presented with the cup, drink from it or dip the bread carefully into the cup and consume in both kinds together. If you do not wish to receive the cup, please cross your arms to indicate your intent, but wait for the minister to pass you before you leave the rail. Please use the side aisle to return to your pew. If you are unable to come forward, ask an usher to let the clergy know, and communion will be brought to you.

### Communion Anthem

William Harris (1883-1973)

The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord: and thou givest them their meat in due season.  
Thou openest thine hand, and fillest all things living with plenteousness.  
The Lord is righteous in all his ways: and holy in all his works.

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him: yea all such as call upon him faithfully.  
He will fulfill the desire of them that fear him, he also will hear their cry and will help them.  
The Lord preserveth all them that love him, all them that love him.

**Communion Hymn 305** *Come, Risen Lord, and Deign to be Our Guest*

Hymnal 1982

*Please stand for*

**The Post-Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant* In thanksgiving, let us pray.

*People* ***Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.***

**The Blessing**

*The Celebrant blesses the People.*

*People* ***Amen.***

*All sing*

**Hymn in Procession 492** *Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing with Gladness*

Hymnal 1982

**Dismissal**

*Priest* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

*People* ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!***

**Voluntary** *Grands Jeux*

François Couperin (1668-1733)

*Please take your bulletin with you or return it to the table in the narthex as you leave.*

*We are sent forth to be Christ's blessing in the world. Our prayer is that today's worship has encouraged you in love, strengthened you for service, and filled you with joy. We look forward to your presence again in worship, in service to others, in learning and fellowship.*

# CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED



APRIL 14, 2024

IN THE SEASON OF EASTER

## THIS WEEK WE LIFT UP..

**PARISH FELLOWSHIP.** The dedicated members of our Parish Fellowship Ministry provide opportunities for hospitality and fellowship aimed at renewing and refreshing our minds and spirits. This year, the group will host some of our favorite events like a night at the Blue Rocks game in July, our annual week at Memorial House in August, and the parish picnic in September. Please check upcoming bulletins for details on these and other events. For more information or to join the Parish Fellowship Ministry, contact [Audrey Bruce](#) or [Suzanne Smith](#) or call the parish office at (302) 655-3379.

## MONTHLY 175TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE PROJECT

Our 175th Anniversary Service Project with Lutheran Community Services continues this year as we address food insecurity in Wilmington with two opportunities to participate each month.

**Donations Needed Today, April 14:** On second Sundays, we collect items to donate to Lutheran Community Services: toilet paper, children's diapers, adult pull-up diapers, feminine hygiene products, body wash, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, laundry detergent, and dish soap. Please place donations in the baskets at the back of the Church and Chapel. Items will be presented during worship and taken to Lutheran Community Services to be distributed during Christ Church's monthly volunteer opportunity.

**Volunteer this Friday, April 19:** On third Fridays, volunteers are needed to pack grocery bags of healthy foods and then distribute them to the cars of program participants at LCS headquarters in Wilmington. All ages are welcome, but younger children must be under parental supervision. Click [here](#) to sign up.

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## NEWCOMERS: BELONG – BEGINS TODAY

Those new to Christ Church are invited to join clergy and other newcomers for a 3-part series called Belong on Sundays, April 14, 21, and 28, from 9:30 to 10:15 AM. Participants will make connections with other new people, learn about Christ Church, and find places of belonging here. We will meet in the Commons Room, just downstairs from the Chapel. Please join us!

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## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER AND LECTOR TRAINING – TODAY

New and current Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors are invited to a training session today, April 14, following the 10:30 AM service in the Church. We will review current protocols for serving the chalice, reading scripture, and leading the prayers. Children, youth, and adults are welcome to attend.



### **EPISCOPAL BELIEFS & PRACTICES – APRIL 17, 24, MAY 8, & 15**

Adults interested in being baptized on May 19 or confirmed on June 2 are invited to attend our spring series, Episcopal Beliefs & Practices. Classes will take place on Wednesdays, April 17, 24, May 8, and 15, from 6:30 to 8 PM in the Commons Room. Each evening begins with a shared meal in Parish Hall A, followed by conversation on the award-winning book, *Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs & Practices*. Together, we will explore life rooted in the Episcopal tradition through a discussion of church history, holy scripture, worship, and doctrine. Click [here](#) to register for the series.

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### **ANSWERING GOD’S CALL – APRIL 17, 24, MAY 8, & 15**

The Easter season scriptures describe how the earliest followers of Jesus continued his call to make God visible in the world. Like Christ’s first followers, we contemplate questions such as, “How am I called to participate in God’s life? How do I discern God’s plan for me?” – from *The Calling: Live a Life of Significance* by Kurt Senske. Join the Rev. Stacey Carpenter on Wednesdays, April 17, 24, May 8, and 15, when she will use Senske’s book to guide discussion that enables participants to create a road map for God’s call in their lives. We share a simple meal at 6:30 PM in Parish Hall A and conclude at 8 PM. Copies of the book are available for purchase, though you may participate without reading the book. Click [here](#) to RSVP, and invite friends from outside the congregation to participate as well.

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### **EXTENDING EASTER’S JOY – APRIL 21**

Extend Easter’s joy with festive food, fellowship, and a fluffy animal petting zoo next Sunday, April 21, from 9:30 to 10:15 AM. All are invited to participate in this time of intergenerational fun. Join us for breakfast in the Parish Hall and enjoy the petting zoo outside in the circle drive. Come meet Mason Cruz, our new Minister for Children & Youth, share a smile at the petting zoo, and enjoy a scrumptious breakfast with friends and family.

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### **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MEETING – APRIL 21**

Our Grief Support Group meets next Sunday, April 21, at 12 PM in the Commons Room and online. Those who have experienced the loss of a loved one and are moving through the grief process are encouraged to attend. Contact [Stacey Carpenter](#) for the Zoom link.

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### **EASTER LESSONS & CAROLS – APRIL 21**

Easter Lessons & Carols will be held next Sunday, April 21, at 4 PM in the Church with the Christ Church Choir, senior Choristers, organ, brass, and timpani. This service brings together many traditional elements of Christian worship in celebration of the resurrection of our Lord. Through readings, carols, and congregational hymns, we recall the prophecies and events leading up to and following Jesus’ resurrection and conclude by looking forward to the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

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### **FAMILY PROMISE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – APRIL 21-27**

Christ Church has the pleasure of hosting families from the Family Promise Network during the week of April 21-27. Family Promise uses a holistic approach with families experiencing homelessness to provide safe shelter and assist with permanent housing. Families stay overnight in the Family Promise Hospitality Center on Milltown Road, and volunteers are needed to prepare and deliver meals there each evening and to pick up items for families during the week. Click [here](#) to volunteer.

### **DINE WITH THE LADIES – APRIL 22**

On the fourth Monday of each month, a group of women meets for an informal dinner in Greenville. This is a great opportunity to connect with other women in the parish, and all women are invited. The group will meet at Pizza by Elizabeths on Monday, April 22, at 7 PM. Click [here](#) to RSVP.

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### **APRIL OUTREACH COLLECTION**

April's collection benefits those in the programs at the Wilmington Senior Center. Shampoo, conditioner, soap, body wash, shaving cream, and deodorant for men and women, canned goods, and disinfecting wipes may be left in the back of the Church or in the collection bin in the Parish Center circle drive entrance.

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### **COFFEE AND CONVERSATION – MAY 1**

Those of all ages are invited for Coffee and Conversation on Wednesday, May 1, from 10:45 to 11:45 AM in the Commons Room. Gather with friends for meaningful conversation and make new friends over coffee, tea, and snacks. Bring a friend along for this time of fun and fellowship and then stay for the 12 PM Eucharist in the Chapel.

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### **A SCREENING OF *THE PHILADELPHIA ELEVEN* – MAY 1**

Christ Church Christiana Hundred and St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church will co-sponsor a screening of *The Philadelphia Eleven* on Wednesday, May 1, at 6 PM in Christ Church's Parish Hall. In an act of canonical disobedience, a group of women and their supporters organized their ordination to become Episcopal priests in 1974. The Church of the Advocate in Philadelphia welcomed them, but change was no small task. After the ordinations, the women experienced hostility as well as encouragement. This feature-length documentary tells the story of these women who succeeded in building a movement that transformed the Church. One of the Philadelphia Eleven, the Rev. Nancy Wittig, will be with us for discussion following the screening. Join us in celebrating the 50th anniversary of the ordination of women to the priesthood. Click [here](#) to RSVP.

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### **RECYCLE YOUR FLEXIBLE PLASTICS AND HELP THE HOMELESS – MAY 11**

Christ Church's Creations Care Team will host a flexible plastics collection event in the circle drive entrance of the Parish Center on Saturday, May 11, from 9 AM to 5 PM. Bring your **clean and dry plastic shopping bags, produce bags, ice bags, Ziploc/reclosable storage bags, bread bags, dry cleaning bags, cereal box liners, newspaper sleeves, bubble wrap, and plastic e-commerce mailers** to benefit Bags2Mats for the Homeless. This statewide program turns plastic material into plarn (plastic yarn), and volunteers crochet the plarn into mats for the homeless. Help us help those in our community as we care for our planet by recycling flexible plastics. For information on Christ Church's Creations Care ministry, click [here](#).

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### **VESTRY ELECTIONS – THROUGH MAY 16**

Voting for this year's vestry elections is available online and by paper ballot. To vote online using your email address on file in our parish database, click [here](#). To vote by paper ballot, request one from the parish office or pick up a ballot after services on Sundays, May 5 or 12, and return it to the parish office by Thursday, May 16. The parish voting list is available both online and in the parish office and contains persons eligible to vote in the elections according to our bylaws. This year's candidates nominated for election to the work of leadership as your Vestry are: Cindi Cozza, Barbara King, Thorpe Moeckel, Jamie Poston, Chris Scott, and Lynette Turner. Election results will be announced at our annual meeting on Sunday, May 19.

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, Christ Church welcomes you into a loving and joyful community that serves others and seeks to grow deeper in relationship with God through Jesus Christ.



**NEW HERE?** Scan the QR code to let us know or complete the card in the pews and place it in the offering plate.

### MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God  
in loving memory of  
Bryant P. and Virginia M. Lindley

and in loving memory of  
Richard and Kay King  
Pat and Lillian Reilly, Sam and Bell King  
Harry and Hazel Williams, Francis (Nick) du Pont

The flowers in the Chapel are given to the Glory of God  
in loving memory of  
Deborah Bonkowski

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### PARISH CLERGY

The Rev. Ruth Beresford, *Rector*  
The Rev. Michael Kurth, *Associate Rector/Preschool Chaplain*  
The Rev. Stacey Carpenter, *Priest Associate*  
The Very Rev. William Lane, The Rev. Calhoun Wick, *Pastoral Associates*

### LAY MINISTRY STAFF

Bruce Barber, *Director of Music*  
Mason Cruz, *Minister for Children & Youth*  
Denise Gilliam, *Interim Head of School*  
Jo Harney, *Director of Choristers*

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Sherry Lawton-Fasic, *Parish Administrator*  
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Jennifer Fordham, *School Administrator*  
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Jane Rubini, *Administrative Associate*  
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