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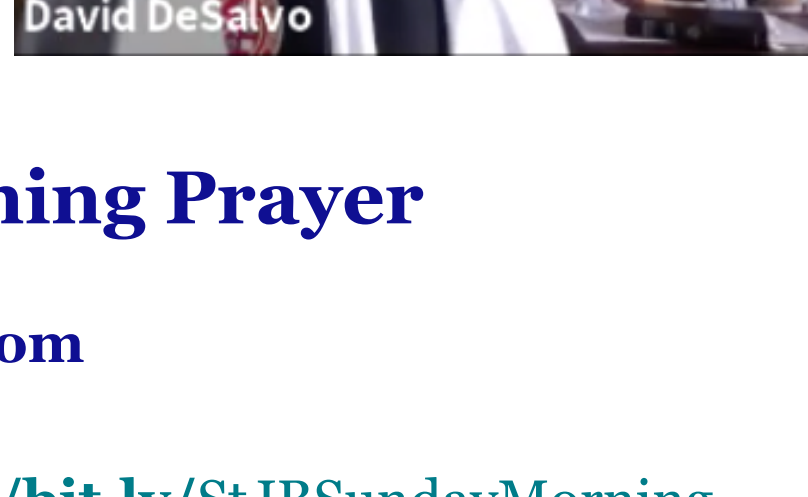
The Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist

The Rev. David DeSalvo, Priest-in-Charge



Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday Morning Worship Online



9:00 am Morning Prayer

on Zoom

PC/Smartphone/tablet: <https://bit.ly/StJBSundayMorning>
Join by phone: 312-626-6799 or 929-205-6099,
Meeting ID: 993 0976 0596, Password: 025189

Please plan to light an Advent calendar at the beginning of worship.

Worship will include "A Sacred Meal for a Dispersed Community" as part of the morning liturgy. Participants are asked to bring bread and wine for the Agape Meal. (See more below.)

(Immediately followed by a Zoom virtual coffee hour)

Note: the Bulletin will be provided on Saturday by email.



Sunday Lectionary Readings

[Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11](#)
[1 Thessalonians 5:16-24](#)
[John 1:6-8, 19-28](#)
[Psalm 126](#)
or [Canticle 15](#) (or 3)

Announcements

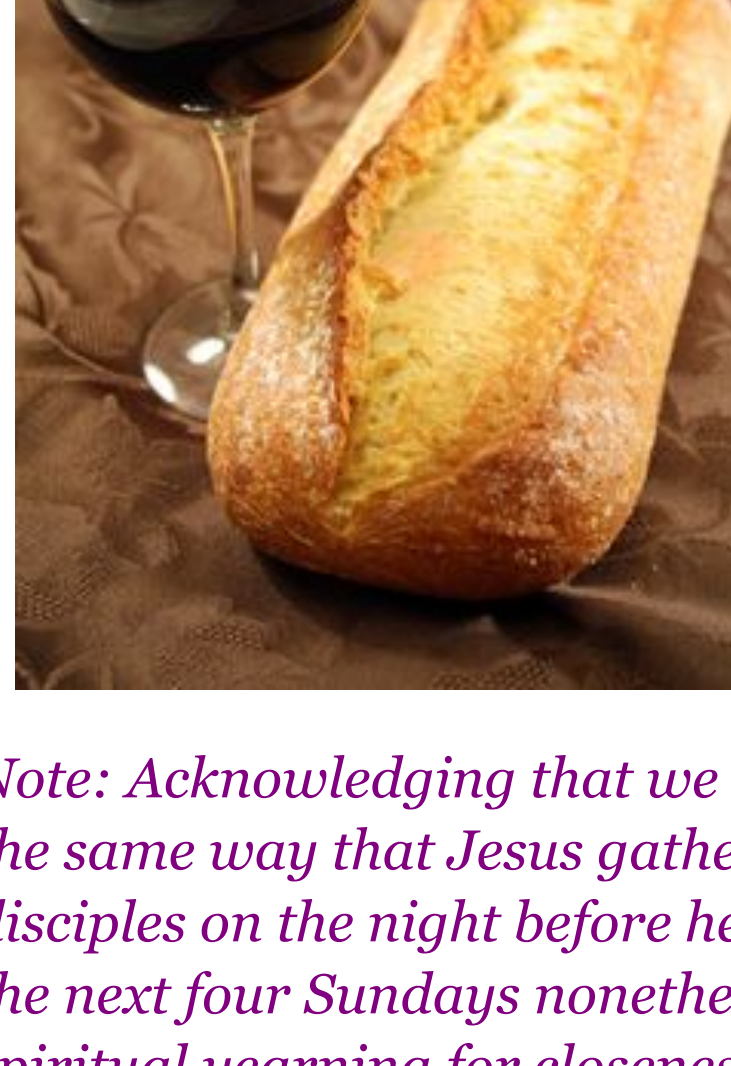
- **Morning Prayer:** Sunday, Dec 13 at 9:00am on Zoom with Advent Candles and Agape Meal. Followed by Zoom Coffee Hour. See more about these below.
- **Building Committee Meeting (IF needed):** Tuesday, Dec 15 at 4:30 pm on Zoom. Please pray for the health of BC Chair Kirt Gillum.
- **Bible Study:** Wednesday, Dec 16 at Noon on Zoom. Scripture: [Luke 1:26-38](#). Theme: Do Not Be Afraid. Contact Fr. Dave to join the Zoom invite.
- **Save the date: Parish Annual Meeting** - Sunday, Jan 24.

More about our 9:00am Sunday Worship:



Advent Candle Lighting

Participants are asked to light an Advent Candle to begin each Sunday service in the season of Advent and on Christmas.



A Sacred Meal for a Dispersed Community

We will celebrate "A Sacred Meal for a Dispersed Community" as part of the morning liturgy*. Participants are asked to bring bread and wine for the **Agape Meal**.

Note: Acknowledging that we are not in the same physical space in the same way that Jesus gathered in the Upper Room with his disciples on the night before he suffered, we come together on each of the next four Sundays nonetheless via online technology to share our spiritual yearning for closeness expressed by our Savior. Participants are invited to have ceremonial food of bread and wine (or grape juice) prepared and laid out on a table.

*The Liturgy will be included in the Bulletin sent by email on Saturday.



Father Dave's Office Hours

Tuesday, Dec 15 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec 16 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

On Zoom: <https://bit.ly/StJBOfficeHours>
or call Fr. Dave at 302.824.6272

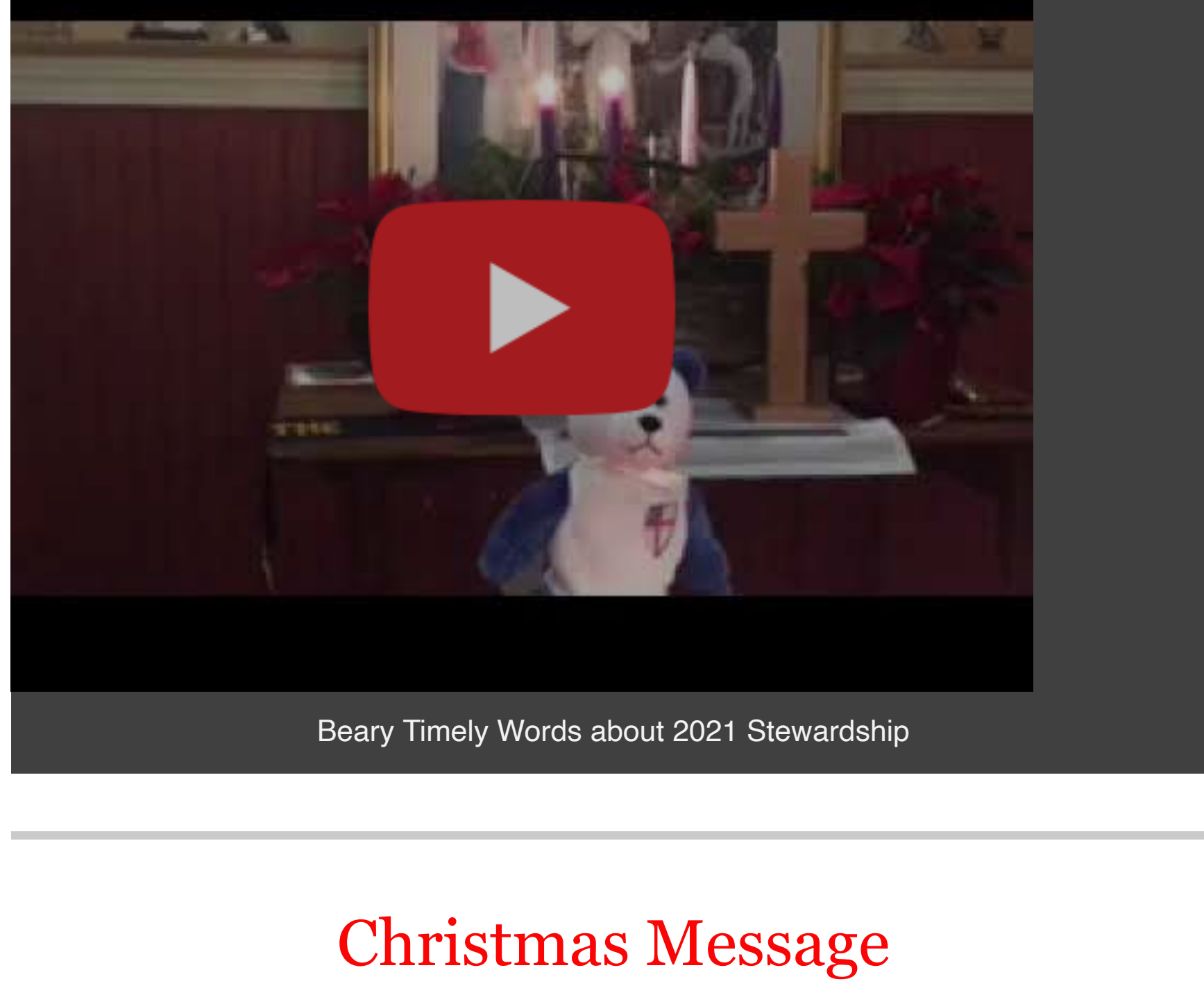
Emergencies, please call Fr. Dave at 302.824.6272

The Church is not the building; the Church is the people.

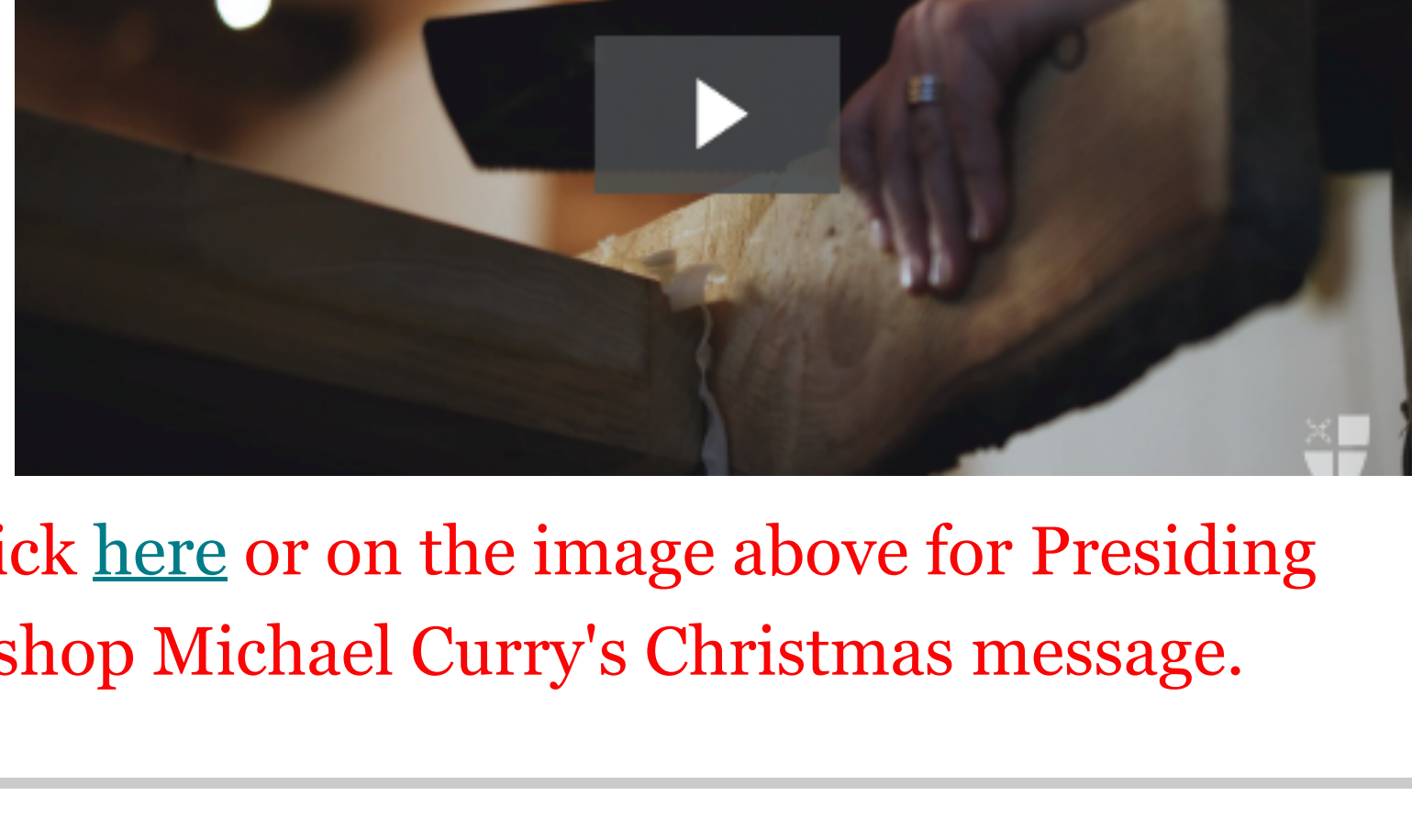


To see us continue to grow and serve the community, please **click on the form above** or [click here](#) to download a **2021 Pledge Form**, print it, complete it and mail it in. Or if you prefer to pledge online, send an email with your pledge information to the church at stjohnnb@gmail.com.

Don't miss the video message about pledging from EpiscoBear...



Christmas Message



Click [here](#) or on the image above for Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's Christmas message.

From Father Dave

In this world of online, email and video connections, Fr. Dave is busy! If you have not yet seen his messages...



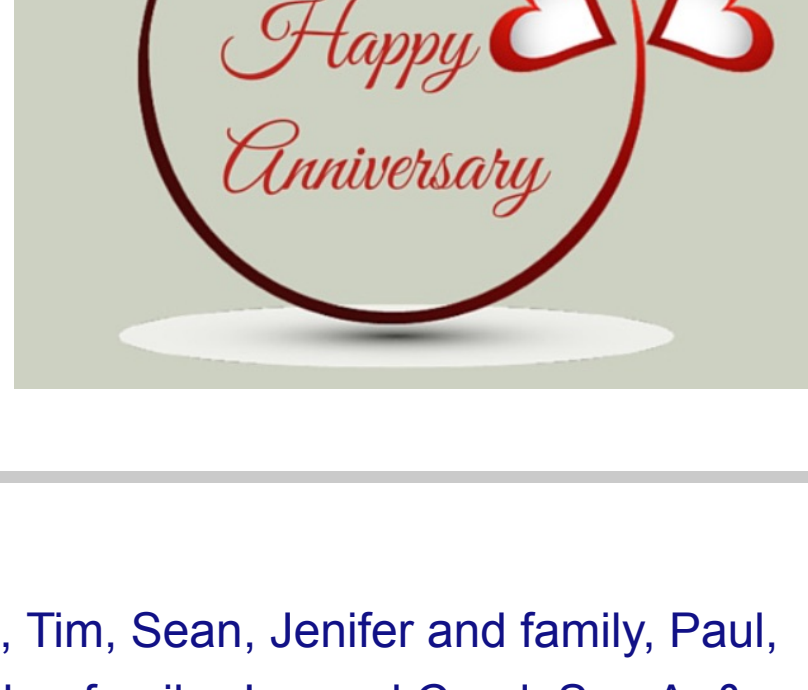
Visit our website's "Church Online" page: <https://www.stjohnnb.org/church-online> for pastoral letters, videos and prayers.

Latest photos of our new building...



Mary DeSalvo, Dec 12
Pat Fraser, Dec 16
Sandy Thomas, Dec 17
BO Keating, Dec 19
Gerry Pike, Dec 20
Loretta Campbell, Dec 28
John Sullivan, Dec 30

Kathy & Al Poulin, Dec 14
Judy Gray and Linda Loucony, Dec 18
Rhonda & Dick Burke, Dec 23
Ann & Paul Elkins, Dec 25



Prayer List: Elijah, Jack, Claire, Joanne L., Tim, Sean, Jenifer and family, Paul, Joanna, Nathan, Fran, Maria, Dan, the Walker family, Joe and Carol, Sue A. & Jim, Anne, Barry, Marge, Harry, Thomas, Sebrina and Tyler, Diane, Pat F., Hazel, John, Tess, Jeffrey, Michele, Peggy Sue, Martha, Glenda, Marshall and Victoria, Caroline, Julie, Harrison, Paula, Olara, John, Clenda, Tyler, Roberto and family, Meg, Joanne, Martin and family, Tony S., Pamela, Earl, Michael, Galen, Dennis, Evan, Sharon, Ed, Amos and Jan, Steve, Martha C., Dick, Jerry, Brian, Hap, Ken, Tara, Sydney, Murphy, Kathy, Alex, Autumn, Offin, Bobby's family, Julie, Mary's friends who had to evacuate in Oregon, Kirt and his family, the Froehling family, Ruth, Richard and Lisa, Connie, Meagan, Sal, Mickey, Dave T., Pam D., John, Rick and Nancy, Johnny, Stacey, the Synan/Daniell family, Brian, the family of Marge Walkden, especially Carol and John and Sharon, Joan, for Rhonda and the family of her cousin, for Susan's family, especially Martha and Jane, for Marshall's family, especially Victoria and Dale, Donny's family, Harry's family, Steve.

Military Prayer List: Jeremy, Collon, Kevin, David, Maxwell, Martin, Tyler, Alex.

