Christmas with Sts.Peter and Paul: from the Christmas Liturgy Planning Group



Newly refurbished creche *at the Woodside entrance.*

Christmas Eve Celebration of Holy Communion with Candlelight, String Ensemble and Soloists <u>at 5 o'clock in the evening.</u>

In Person and Live Stream Worship Options Available.

<u>Please note the change of time from previous</u> <u>years -</u> set as an additional precaution; for livestream viewers in other time zones; and to promote safer, smaller household gatherings on Christmas Eve.

> (Sand containers will be available for extinguishing hand held candles.)

Following CDC guidelines and Illinois Department of Health Tier 3 restrictions, in-person gatherings in houses of worship are limited to 50 persons or fewer. If you are hosting out-of-state guests, we encourage you to use the live-stream worship option.



The Third Day of Christmas and First Sunday of Christmas, December 27th: Celebration of Holy Communion at 10:15 in the morning.

In Person and Live Stream Worship Options Available.

The Christmas Day Liturgy has been deferred until next year, also as an additional precaution.



If you would like to order a poinsettia to help decorate the chancel of the sanctuary for the Christmas season please contact the church office at (708) 442-5250 or office@stspeterandpaulriverside.org to place your order. The cost per plant is \$17.



Third Sunday of Advent, December 13th, 2020 live stream screenshot by Galesburg, Illinois resident and viewer Carolyn Lauritsen Sward.

You may want to listen to <u>"My Lord Has Come"</u> Composed by English jazz pianist Will Todd and performed by *Tenebrae*, Nigel Short, Conductor.

Shepherds, called by angels, called by love and angels: No place for them but a stable. My Lord has come. Sages, searching for stars, searching for love in heaven; No place for them but a stable. My Lord has come. His love will hold me, his love will cherish me, love will cradle me. Lead me, lead me to see him, sages and shepherds and angels; No place for me but a stable. My Lord has come.



For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water... (Isaiah 35:6b-7a).

Join us every Sunday at 10:15 a.m. for continuing live streaming of the liturgy accessed through the website by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

Recordings of the services are uploaded to the same site for viewing at a later date.



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You may not know that there is a special tax advantage this year to encourage giving of at least \$300 to charity. The CARES Act passed by Congress last March allows those who do not itemize on their taxes to deduct up to \$300 on next year's taxes for gifts made to charitable or religious organizations. The deduction is only for gifts made in the calendar year 2020. To qualify for the CARES Act deduction, gifts should be received by December 31st, 2020 (source: Dan Tornil).---*djl*