



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 — Advent Retreat (Cost \$60 per person)
6:30 p.m. Introduction to the Enneagram, Parish Hall

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2 — Advent Retreat (Cost \$60 per person)
9:00 a.m. Advent Retreat Continues, Parish Hall

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 — First Sunday of Advent

– PP Parking Permitted from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.–

- *8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily
- 8:15 a.m. Fellowship Breakfast, Parish Hall West
- *9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily
- 9:50 a.m. Christian Education for all ages
- 9:50 a.m. Adult Forum, Parish Hall East
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Finger Foods, Parish Hall West
- Ⓜ *11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily

PP 4:00 p.m. A Service of Advent Lessons and Carols; music by the Bethesda Choir and brass sextet

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Healing

—Middle Way Offerings—

- PP 6:00 p.m. Community Supper, Parish Hall
- PP 6:30 p.m. Liturgy through the Ages, Guild Room
- PP 6:30 p.m. Inquirers' Class, Library
- PP 6:30 p.m. Bible Study, ECW Room
- PP 6:30 p.m. Liturgy Group, Sunday School Hall
- PP 6:30 p.m. Bethesda Youth Group, Youth Room
- PP 6:30 p.m. Yoga, Parish Hall
- PP 7:45 p.m. Compline, Church

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

PP 5:30 p.m. Wine and Fellowship Under the Stars, Garden

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

9:00 a.m. Bethesda Life, Parish Hall

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 — Second Sunday of Advent

– PP Parking Permitted from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.–

- *8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily
- 8:15 a.m. Fellowship Breakfast, Parish Hall West
- *9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily
- 9:50 a.m. Christian Education for all ages
- 9:50 a.m. Adult Forum, Parish Hall East
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Finger Foods, Parish Hall West
- Ⓜ *11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, Holy Eucharist, and Homily
- 12:15 p.m. Church Tour

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

- 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Healing
- PP 6:30 p.m. Adult Confirmation and Holy Eucharist with Bishop Eaton

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17 — Third Sunday of Advent

– PP Parking Permitted from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.–

- *8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily
- 8:15 a.m. Fellowship Breakfast, Parish Hall West
- *9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing and Homily
- 9:50 a.m. Christian Education for all ages
- 9:50 a.m. Adult Forum, Parish Hall East
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Finger Foods, Parish Hall West
- Ⓜ *11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing and Homily

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

PP 7:30 p.m. Christmas Concert and Community Carol Sing

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Healing

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

PP 10:00 a.m. Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
(Open to all children)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 — Fourth Sunday of Advent

– PP Parking Permitted from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.–

- *9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily
- 10:00 a.m. Help the Flower Guild decorate for Christmas, Parish Hall and Church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 — Christmas Eve

PP †4:00 p.m. Christmas Pageant, Homily, and Holy Eucharist
Ⓜ (Live-Streamed)

PP 6:30 p.m. Festal Eucharist and Homily; music by the Bethesda Choir and instrumental ensemble

PP †10:30 p.m.
Ⓜ (Live-Streamed) Bethesda Choir and instrumental ensemble; extended Prelude music (with incense)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 — Christmas Day, Office Closed

– PP Parking Permitted from 7:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.–

- 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily
- 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily with music by the
Ⓜ (Live-Streamed) Bethesda Choir

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Healing

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28

- PP 11:00 a.m. Homebound Luncheon, Parish Hall
- PP 12:05 p.m. Homebound Service with Holy Eucharist

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 — First Sunday after Christmas

– PP Parking Permitted from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.–

- *8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily
- *9:00 a.m. Congregational Lessons and Carols with Holy Eucharist
- Ⓜ *10:00 a.m. Wassail, Parish Hall
- *11:00 a.m. A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
12:15 p.m. In Celebration of Hal Pysher's 30 years of Ministry, Parish Hall

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Healing

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6 — The Epiphany

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 3:30 p.m. Boar's Head Festival Performance

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7 — First Sunday after the Epiphany

– PP Parking Permitted from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.–

- *8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily
- *9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Homily
- Ⓜ *11:00 a.m. Holy Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Homily
- 2:00 p.m. Boar's Head Festival Performance
- 4:30 p.m. Boar's Head Festival Performance

* Nursery care available for newborns through age 2.

Ⓜ These services will be live-streamed via our website, bbts.org.

† Overflow seating with video simulcast will be available in the Parish Hall.

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P **PARKING:** Persons attending Sunday services and/or events at Bethesda will be allowed to park on Barton Avenue—from the ocean to Central Avenue—and on South County Road without receiving a ticket until 1:30 p.m. unless otherwise stated. See below.

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Holy Eucharist is known as Holy Communion, the Lord's Supper, or Mass in other Christian communities. All baptized persons are welcome to receive communion.

ADVENT RETREAT

Know Your Number: An Introduction to the Enneagram

INTRODUCTION TO THE ENNEAGRAM

Friday, December 1 | 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. | Parish Hall

ADVENT RETREAT CONTINUES

Saturday, December 2 | 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. | Parish Hall

In this retreat, Joey Stabile Schewee of Life in the Trinity Ministry (Dallas, Texas) introduces the nine Enneagram Types:

Challenger, Peacemaker, Perfectionist, Helper, Performer, Romantic, Investigator, Loyalist, Enthusiast

Each personality type is reviewed in detail, including an evaluation of the strengths and weaknesses of the Types, and the likely interpersonal challenges that may be involved in an unhealthy expression of the Type. Scheduled at the beginning of Advent, this retreat is offered for those who want to dive deeper into a spiritual consciousness in this season of expectation and preparation. Cost is \$60 per person and includes lunch on Saturday. Registration is required, contact Ayana at (561) 655-4554 or e-mail her at ayana@bbts.org.

LUNCHEON FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND CHRISTMAS EUCHARIST

Thursday, December 28 | 11:00 a.m.

The Advent and Christmas seasons are a beautiful time at Bethesda-by-the-Sea. And for most of us they are also a beautiful time spent with family and friends sharing the joy and abundance of the season. For some of our parish family, however, the holidays can be a time of isolation and loneliness. Some of our senior members face special circumstances concerning transportation and mobility. Some are living in assisted living facilities or skilled nursing centers and are unable to attend church on a regular basis.

For all of these members of our parish family, our annual Christmas Homebound Luncheon and Eucharist will be held on Thursday, December 28, beginning in the Parish Hall at 11:00 a.m. and followed by a special Eucharist in the Church.

Music at Bethesda

A SERVICE OF ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS Sunday, December 3 | 4:00 p.m.

The First Sunday of Advent is celebrated with our annual Service of Advent Lessons and Carols. Sixteen years after introducing the now-famous Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols to King's College, Cambridge, the Dean of King's College created this service for Advent. He stated that the purpose of the service was "not to celebrate Christmas, but to expect it." The beautiful Bidding Prayer at the beginning of the service describes the lessons to be read: "Let us hear and heed in Holy Scripture the story of God's loving purpose from the time of our rebellion against him until the glorious redemption brought to us by his holy Child Jesus, and let us look forward to the yearly remembrance of his birth with hymns and songs of praise."

The Bethesda Choir leads the service and offers Advent carols and anthems. Some of the greatest hymns of the church year are in the Advent section of our hymnal, and the congregation sings many of them in this service—*enhanced this year by the glorious sounds of a brass sextet*. There is no recital preceding the service, but Prelude music begins at approximately 3:50 p.m. Please come and bring your friends.

PRELUDE MUSIC BEGINNING AT APPROXIMATELY 3:50 P.M.
BETHESDA CHOIR FREE-WILL OFFERING

CHRISTMAS CONCERT AND COMMUNITY CAROL SING Monday, December 18 | 7:30 p.m.

Bethesda presents one of our area's most popular Christmas concerts! The Bethesda Choir performs with the finest instrumentalists our area has to offer, and the audience sings many favorite Christmas carols with the excitement of full orchestra accompaniment. Come early to get a seat!

TWENTY-DOLLAR REQUESTED DONATION AT THE DOOR
NO ADVANCE PURCHASE OF TICKETS POSSIBLE

ANNUAL BOAR'S HEAD AND YULE LOG FESTIVAL

Saturday, January 6 | 3:30 p.m.
Sunday, January 7 | 2:00 & 4:30 p.m.

Pipes and Drums, Beefeaters, Sprites, Shepherds, the Three Kings and their Pages, Mary and Joseph, Flag Bearers, Jesters, the Herald, King Wenceslas and his Page, a Brass Quintet, the mighty Austin organ, and the Bethesda Choir . . . all will be in place as our Festival takes place on the Sunday closest to The Feast of the Epiphany, twelve days after Christmas! A \$20 donation is gratefully accepted at the door.