

Advent and Christmas Events at St. Philip's

Except as noted, Sunday services will follow the regular schedule. All services are in the Church unless indicated.
Seating for Christmas Eve is on a first-arrived, first-seated basis.

Advent

Tuesday, December 1

- 7:00 p.m. **Advent Festival of Lights Service: "What's Next, Divine Mother?"** — Freewill offering benefits Emerge! Center.
8:00 p.m. Dessert Reception

Sunday, December 6

- 9 & 11:15 a.m. **First Sunday Music: Welcoming Advent with Masters of the Baroque** with St. Philip's adult and youth choirs and chamber orchestra. *Cantata BWV 61, Nun Komm der Heiden Heiland*, by Johann Sebastian Bach and *Magnificat* by Antonio Vivaldi.
10:15 a.m. **Special Advent Series: A Tapestry of Stars—A Renaissance Advent** (three Sundays), lecture series by Dr. Kevin Justus

Sunday, December 13

- 11:30 a.m. **Advent Party for Children & Family Ministries**

Sunday, December 20

- 4:00 p.m. **Organ Recital and Solemn Choral Evensong** — Based on 1662 Book of Common Prayer liturgy including music by Blair and Gardiner. Led by the St. Nicholas Choir and Schola Cantorum. Preceded by a brief organ recital presented by Sara Tobe, Director of Music at First United Methodist Church, Tucson. Reception to follow.

Tuesday, December 22

- 5:00 p.m. **The Greening of the Church** — Come help prepare the Church and campus for Christmas Eve. Chili supper hosted by the Parish Life Ministry (please bring a dessert to share). Music provided by the Tucson Flute Club.

Thursday, December 24

The Eve of the Nativity

- 3:30 p.m. **(new time) Children's Service** — A communion service designed for toddlers and preschoolers and their families. Bring Baby Jesus from your home crèche (Nativity Set) to be blessed. Featuring organ, trumpet, the Cherub Choir, and the St. Cecilia Choir.
4:00 p.m. **Live Nativity Scene** in the church plaza following the Children's Service
4:50 p.m. **(new time) Pre-service music** leading into the ...
5:00 p.m. **All Generations Eucharist** — A Holy Eucharist service for school-aged children and their families. Music sung by the St. Cecilia Choir and St. Nicholas Choir, with trumpet and the St. Philip's Ringers. Chalice Players lead the liturgy.
6:50 p.m. **Pre-service music** leading into the ...
7:00 p.m. **Candlelit Eucharist with Carols** — A quiet, reflective Choral Eucharist service rooted in our ancient Anglican tradition. Music includes carols sung by the St. Nicholas Choir and Schola Cantorum; also harp, and popular carols for congregational singing.
8:50 p.m. **Pre-service music** leading into the ...
9:00 p.m. **Festival Eucharist** — Choral Eucharist Rite II. Music, led by the St. Philip's Singers, soloists, and orchestra, will include *Mass in G* by Franz Schubert with chamber orchestra as well as handbell music by the Mission Ringers and popular carols with brass and organ for congregational singing.
10:50 p.m. **Pre-service music** leading into the ...
11:00 p.m. **Solemn Festival Eucharist** — Choral Eucharist Rite II, with incense. Music, led by the Canterbury Choir, soloists, and orchestra, will include *Mass in G* by Franz Schubert with chamber orchestra, plus popular carols with brass and organ for congregational singing.

Friday, December 25

Christmas Day

- 10:50 a.m. **Congregational carol singing** leading into the ...
11:00 a.m. **Feast of the Nativity** — Holy Eucharist Rite II service with choir and well-loved congregational carols

Sunday, December 27

The First Sunday after Christmas

Services on Sunday, December 27, will follow the regular service schedule

Sunday, January 3, 2016

The Second Sunday after Christmas

Services on Sunday, January 3, will follow the regular service schedule

- 9 & 11:15 a.m. **First Sunday Music: Zephyrus Winds** playing classics for Woodwind Quintet, with Cassandra Bendickson, bassoon & director; Sandy Schwoebel, flute; Devin Gardner, oboe; Kevin Justus, clarinet; Gregory Helseth, horn.
11:15 a.m. **Epiphany Party for Children & Family Ministries**

Wednesday, January 6

The Feast of the Epiphany

- 7:00 p.m. **Sung Eucharist Rite II**

Saturday, January 9

Special Event

- 4:30 & 7:30 p.m. **Amahl and the Night Visitors** — Gian Carlo Menotti's beloved one-act opera, with full orchestra and chorus, is suitable for all ages. See www.friendsofmusictucson.org for tickets and sponsorship opportunities.