

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE
Heavenly Rest

Welcome!

We're so glad you're here. Church of the Heavenly Rest is a spiritual home where everyone can experience God's love in the ways that we care for one another. Together, as a community, we share our gifts and build bridges to our neighbors. We are a parish committed to discipleship and reconciliation. Please introduce yourself to the clergy after the service; we would love to meet you.

The Service Today

The order of service can be found in the leaflet; page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer and the hymnal found in the pews. All are welcome to receive Holy Communion here. We believe that it is God's table, that God sets it for anyone who is hungry: here, God never turns anyone away. If you'd rather come forward for a blessing, please indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest.

Today at Heavenly Rest

Nursery Care and Sunday School in the Undercroft

Nursery Care for children from newborn to three years old - 9am.

Sunday School for grades K-5 - 9:40am.

Faith, Friends, and Fun for the youth group grades 6 and 7 - 9:40am.

Sunday Forum & Questioning Faith

There will be no Sunday Forum or Questioning Faith this week - Happy New Year! Regular programs will resume on **January 7** with Sunday Forum continuing to focus on our Moral Compass series and new topics and guests participating in Questioning Faith.

Children's Chapel

Children ages three through third grade are welcome to join us for a simple service with lessons and crafts - during the 10:30am service.

World's Greatest Coffee Hour

Immediately following the 10:30am service. Come meet other members of Heavenly Rest for conversation and delicious, parishioner-prepared refreshments.

Night Prayer in the Chapel - 7pm.

Using chant, prayer, and meditation by candlelight, this Compline Service bridges Sunday night and the beginning of the week.

Church Office Closures

Please note that Heavenly Rest's Church Offices will be closed **tomorrow, New Years Day, January 1.**

OUR CLERGY want to hear from YOU!

The Rev. Matthew Heyd, Rector mheyd@heavenlyrest.org

The Rev. Cynthia Stravers, Associate Rector cstravers@heavenlyrest.org

The Rev. Tuesday Rupp, Associate Rector trupp@heavenlyrest.org

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THE MESSENGER

December 31, 2017 | The First Sunday after Christmas

Weekly Services

SUNDAYS

8am, 9am, 10:30am & 7pm

MONDAYS Meditation - 6:15pm

WEDNESDAYS - Noon & 6:30pm

SATURDAYS - Noon

WEEKDAYS Morning Prayer - 8am

DAILY

Open daily for prayer & meditation
7:30am - 7pm



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COMING UP

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Art Walk with Roland de Fries

You are invited to go on an Art Walk at the Metropolitan Museum of Art with artist Roland de Fries on **Sunday, February 11 from 2pm-4pm**. Roland will lead us on a journey of visual depictions of ethereal images from the Old Testament, especially Genesis. Please wear comfortable shoes as this tour involves some walking. Space is limited to 20, and offered on a first-come basis. Sign up with the Rev. Tuesday, trupp@heavenlyrest.org.

Lenten Reflection Book

Calling all authors, poets, artists, photographers, and puzzle-makers of all ages: We are seeking submissions for the 2018 CHR Lenten Reflections Booklet which will have reflections for every day of Lent and Holy Week. All reflections are due by January 15. The booklet will be available to all members of the parish and on our website. Please contact Tuesday Rupp, trupp@heavenlyrest.org for more information or to sign-up.

PARISH LIFE

The Annual Meeting

January 28 in the Church immediately following the 10:30am service. A light lunch will be served. The congregation will consider a slate of five new vestry members for election to a first three-year term: **Lucy Appert, Sally Cummins, Karen Holmberg, Robin Pelkki, and Rikki Tahta.**

Pageant Congratulations

Congratulations to all the children and families that participated in our Christmas Pageant! It was a beautiful event, and we're so grateful to all who contributed.

Our Prayers

We have been asked to pray for these people:

Art, Zach, Jim and Rosalee, Sofie, Peter, Ken, Angelica, Emil, Ashley, Anna, Sara, Cynthia, Jacqueline, Mary Elizabeth, Barbara, Harvey and Nelda, Bonnie, Amber and her family, Bishop Daniel and his family, and Phil.

Rest of the soul: Anne Miller Daniel, Donald Ebel, Mary Parkman, Sarah Anne O'Reilly Fox

Need a prayer? If you or a member of your family is in need of a prayer, please call the church office at **212-289-3400**.

Children and Families Epiphany Party

All children and families are invited to the Rectory on **Sunday, January 7 at Noon** for a party to celebrate the Three Kings. There will be a puppet show for the children, food for everyone, and King cakes - of course! Come help us celebrate the coming of the Kings!

Thrift Time is Here Again

On **January 20 from 10am to 4pm** we will have our first Thrift Sale since May. We are accepting donations of men's, women's and children's clothing, housewares, small appliances, sports equipment, toys, and costume jewelry. We also accept fine knick knacks that we sell at our 'special finds' table. Please mark your calendar for this fun event that benefits our church - and remember CHR when clearing out closets and apartments. Donations accepted at Fifth Avenue entrance (tax receipt available).

Church Office Closure

Please note that the church offices will be closed on **New Year's Day, January 1**.

Happy New Year from Heavenly Rest!

All of us here at Heavenly Rest want to wish all of our parishioners, community members and neighbors a Happy New Year. We've been able to do some incredible things, thanks to your generosity and spirit. Our Prison and Reentry Ministry is growing and thriving, we've celebrated old traditions and established new ones, enjoyed music from many different groups, completed our Undercroft and most importantly grown as a community of faith. We are looking forward to all the joy and learning that 2018 is sure to bring. Happy New Year!

DID YOU KNOW?

Our Stewardship campaign "Let it Shine" is almost at 300 pledges out of our goal of 400 by February 13! Thank you to everyone who has pledged. For those who haven't, no pledge is too big or too small, help us let it shine at Heavenly Rest. We're all in!

Pledging information can be found at heavenlyrest.org

WARDENS & VESTRY

Wardens: Caroline Williamson, Evan Davis | Treasurer: Jo Dare Mitchell

Vestry: PJ Camp, Ann Collins, Lindsey Counts, Ted Donovan, Josh Doyle, Holly Hughes, Adam MacDonald, Suzanne Matthews, Douglas McIntyre, Margaret McQuade, Elizabeth Stevens, Allyson Tang, Judith Washam, Gail Zimmermann