

St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church

The Rt. Rev. Scott B. Hayashi, 11th Bishop of Utah
The Rev. Michael Carney, Vicar



Sunday Worship, Holy Eucharist 10:00 AM

Twass In the Moon of Wintertime

Christmas is my favorite time of the year for hymn-singing. Most people know the classic carols, so we can sing them together with gusto. They tell the story of a special baby who brought new light into a world with so much darkness.

One of the Christmas songs in our Hymnal has a unique background: #114, often called "The Huron Carol." It was written by a French priest who came to Canada in 1625. Despite the dangers and his own poor health, he traveled by canoe into the wilderness where he lived out his life among the native people.

The words of this hymn tell the story of Jesus' birth in the language of the Hurons, who sang it for more than 200 years without a written text. Set to the tune of a

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Christmas at St. Elizabeth's

Greening of the Church - Sunday, Dec. 17 after the 10:00 Service

We'll welcome our friends from Park City with simple gifts

Christmas Eve Service - Sunday, Dec. 24 at 5:30pm

*Children's pageant and Communion,
followed by a potluck and gifts for the kids*

No 10:00 am service on December 24



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popular French folk song, it uses images familiar to them: wandering hunters in the snow... a baby born in a birchbark lodge, wrapped in rabbit skins... chiefs from far away bringing gifts of fox and beaver pelts.

The last verse brings the message home: “The Holy Child of earth and heaven is born this day for you.” No wonder the Hurons kept singing this hymn—it promised that Jesus is their savior.

So it is for all people on the margins of society. Jesus was born to a teenaged mother living in an occupied territory. While his gift of salvation is for everyone, it carries special meaning for people who struggle. To them the Huron Carol proclaims, “Jesus your King is born, in excelsis Gloria!” Thanks be to God.

Michael

Mission Partners

St. Elizabeth’s is blessed to have a well-established partnership with the Episcopal church in Park City, St. Luke’s. Last month a group of us joined them for worship, with Forrest Cuch reading, Vanessa Quinn serving as an acolyte and Rev. Michael preaching. We enjoyed our conversations during a festive coffee hour afterwards, with the young people playing ping-pong in the parish hall.

On Sunday, Dec. 17 a group from Park City will come to St. Elizabeth’s for worship and the Greening of the Church. During the refreshment time afterwards we’ll give gifts to our visitors—please bring something simple to share. We’ll also try to schedule a day of tubing in Park City early in 2018.



St. Elizabeth’s Mission Statement

Noochu (the people) of St. Elizabeth’s welcome you to worship, share hospitality and grow in God’s love to better serve the church and community.

Arts Kids Christmas Tree

The Enchanted Forest is a traditional November gathering in Roosevelt at which Christmas trees are auctioned to support local nonprofits.



This year we're thankful to Rev. Connie Gordon of Vernal/Randlett for decorating the Arts-Kids tree and to Paragon Oil Company for purchasing it. It's a blessing to be part of such a generous and supportive community!

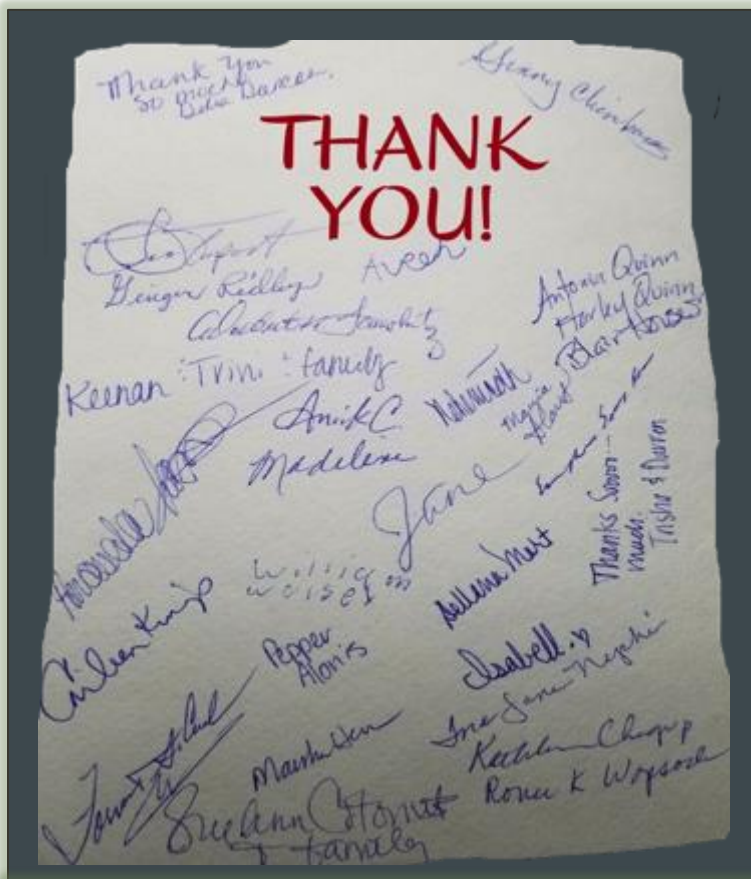


The church office is now located in the former "shop" on the west side of the Vicarage garage.





Congratulations to Keenan and Trini Taveapont, who were married at St. Elizabeth's on November 4.



We expressed our gratitude to the Diocese of Utah for the gift of new furnaces for the sanctuary and parish hall!



Server's Schedule

DECEMBER 3

Altar Guild	Angelica Quinn
Chalice Minister	Raycita Quinn
Reader	Merilyn Beacham
Acolyte	Russana Curry
Refreshments	Marsha Heron

DECEMBER 10

Altar Guild	Carleen Kurip
Chalice Minister	Riley Ridley
Reader	Kathleen Chegup
Acolyte	Lovie Ridley
Refreshments	Trini Taveapont

DECEMBER 17

Altar Guild	Madeleine Martinez
Chalice Minister	Greg Quinn
Reader	Darren Cuch
Acolyte	Vanessa Quinn
Refreshments	Melinda Wopsock

DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve service at 5:30 pm
(no 10:00 am service that day)

Altar Guild	Raycita Quinn
Chalice Minister	Arick Cotonuts
Reader	Forrest Cuch
Acolyte	McCoy Bear
Refreshments	Paul Adams & potluck

DECEMBER 31

Altar Guild	
Chalice Minister	Pepper Alanis
Reader	Merilyn Beacham
Acolyte	
Refreshments	

Thank you to everyone who makes our worship and fellowship possible by serving! Please let Rev. Michael know if you're not able to be there.

December Birthdays & Anniversaries

Melinda Wopsock (2), Rayma Redcap (2), Carlida Sireech (2),
 Sosephina Fagata (7), Jubenal Esquibel (8),
 Delia Mae Duncan (9), Sundae Pargeets (10),
 Anniversary of September and Wayne Gardner (10),
 Linda Jacobs (14), Amy Cesspooch (14),
 Vyvyn Rock (20), Uintah Chapoose (19),
 Annabel Harlan (19), Debbie Carlson (23),
 Christian Quinn-Nephi (25),
 Matai Fagata (27), Leo Tapoof (27),
 Judy Pargeets (30), Maria Alanis (31)

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