# Join us for these seasonal offerings.

## The Youth Pageant

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17 | DURING THE 11:15 A.M. SERVICE | LIVESTREAM AVAILABLE Registration is open for all youth, grades 6 through 12, who wish to participate in the youth pageant, a cherished tradition for 98 years. There are roles ranging from costumed characters and readers to cart pushers. **All participants must attend a mandatory dress rehearsal on December 16, 1-3 p.m.** Sign up is required.

#### Winter Solstice Concert

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20 | 7 P.M. | RESERVATIONS AT STSTEPHENSRVA.ORG/SOLSTICE This candlelit concert is an opportunity for rest and beauty in the midst of the busy holiday season. Music and poetry mark the longest night of the year while anticipating the joy of light's return. Sanctuary (our Compline choir)

and St. Stephen's Choristers (youth choir) will be joined by cellist Peter Greydanus and harpist Anastasia Jellison.

### Live Nativity



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21 | 5-6 P.M. (RAIN DATE: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22) Community members stroll our campus as the story of Jesus' birth plays out before their eyes with scripture, music, children, and four-legged friends. Children are invited to help bring the nativity to life as angels, shepherds, members of the holy family, and more. Please sign your child up online. Adults are invited to participate as station chaperones, costume wranglers, and group guides. **Participants gather at 4 p.m. on the day of the event.** 

# Christmas Shop

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21 | SIGN UP BY DECEMBER 18 | BRING IN DONATIONS BY DECEMBER 19 Provide toys, games, dolls, books and more for St. Stephen's annual Christmas Shop for families of students at Fairfield and Anna Julia Cooper schools. Sign-up forms for donations and volunteer shifts are at **ststephensRVA**.

**org/christmas-shop**. (Please use the sign-up sheet before shopping.)

### Sunday, December 24: Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve

This year, the Fourth Sunday of Advent falls on December 24, so the service schedule will be:

#### Sunday morning, Advent IV

8 a.m., Holy Eucharist: Rite One

**9 a.m.**, Holy Eucharist: Rite Two\*

Sunday afternoon and evening, Christmas Eve All Christmas Eve services preceded by 30 minutes of music
2 p.m., Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (family service)\* :: NEW

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5 p.m., Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (family service)\*8 p.m., Celtic Christmas Service with Communion

11 p.m., Traditional Christ Mass, Holy Eucharist: Rite One

#### Monday, December 25: Christmas Day

**10:30 a.m.**, Holy Eucharist: Rite Two All services will be livestreamed. Childcare will be available during services with an asterisk.\*

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