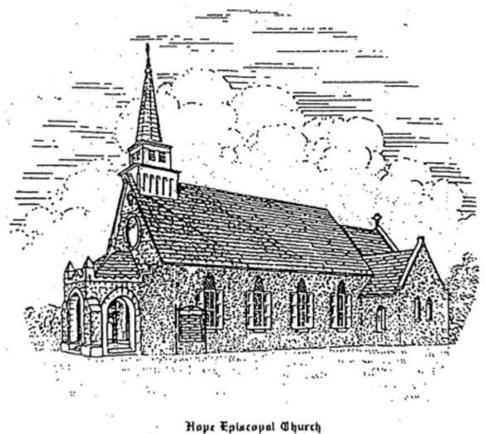


# HOPE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# **Welcomes You!**



Hope Episcopal Church

July 30, 2023 10:00 AM

Outdoor Service

The Rev'd Bradley L. Mattson, Rector

The Rev'd Nancy Lesher, Deacon

#### WELCOME TO HOPE CHURCH

We are a community gathered together in the name of Jesus in the Episcopal Church in Central Pennsylvania. Whoever you are and wherever you are on your faith journey, we are so glad you are joining us for worship, community, and fellowship.

Please take a moment to go through the announcements in the bulletin, and familiarize yourself with the many ways there are to connect with us in worship, music, creation care, Bible study, outreach, GriefShare, and regional youth ministry.

We hope that you will find something in our church that speaks to you. Should you have any questions, or like to learn more, let's have a conversation. Please either call the church office at 717-665-6311 or email us at office@hopeepiscopal.org.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit +Romans 15:13

#### THE SEASON OF PENTECOST (also known as Ordinary time)

The period between Pentecost and the beginning of Advent is called ordinary time. By contrast the period through Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, the Great Triduum, and the Easter season ending on Pentecost is called extraordinary time. Extraordinary time is so designated because its chief purpose is to celebrate the specific historic, supernatural acts of God in history that result in the salvation of creatures and creation. Because this season emphasizes the church's daily and weekly walk with Christ, it should be a time to explore the meaning of Sunday as the Lord's Day and the day set apart for Christian congregations to worship. During Ordinary Time, we can help one another remember why Sunday is special and how we can commemorate it as a special day for individuals, families and Christian communities.

In the season after Pentecost, we celebrate what God does to empower us to live out the Gospel day to day and week to week in the context of our ordinary lives. The liturgical color for Season of Pentecost or Ordinary Time is green. During the Season after Pentecost, we focus on the life of the Church as it grows in the midst of the world. There are a few special days that we (in the Western church) mark in the season after Pentecost.

Trinity Sunday (First Sunday after Pentecost) All Saints Day (Nov. 1) Christ the King (final Sunday before Advent)

#### **CHILDREN**

Children are always welcome at Hope Church. Jesus wanted the little children to come to him, and children's voices and presence are an important part of our worship here at Hope Church.

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# Ninth Sunday After Pentecost HOLY EUCHARIST II

The symbol  $\Phi$  indicates when to stand if able. The symbol  $\Phi$  indicates where to make the sign of the cross.

**Prelude** 

Welcome + Good News & Announcements

# THE WORD OF GOD

† Processional Hymn

"Bullfrogs & Butterflies"

# Chorus:

Bullfrogs and butterflies, we've both been born again. Bullfrogs and butterflies, we've both been born again.

#### Verse 1:

An old tadpole in a fishin' hole,
he couldn't croak or jump to save his soul.
Then one day, it was the funniest thing,
he started growin', turnin' green.
He jumped up on a lily pad, he was croakin'
out a song gave it all he had.
He was singin'...

#### Verse 2:

A little caterpillar on a blade of grass, she was noticin' the days goin' by so fast. She's a lovely little lady, lookin' for a room, weavin' and a spinning' out a fine cocoon. Well it didn't take long 'til she saw the sky, spread your wings, you butterfly.

She was singin'...

# Opening Hymn

Christians often begin their services of worship with music. The opening hymn gives us an opportunity to raise our voices in song while worship servers and clergy process into the sanctuary following the cross. It allows us to enter into worship together as a community.

#### **†** The Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

## †The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### ♦ The Gloria - Traditional tune.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

### ♦ The Collect of the Day

Archdeacon The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Archdeacon Let us pray.

#### Celebrant

Odd, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

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God of Wisdom and Love, in whom we find our joy: Help us to listen for your Word and to discern your way forward for our Church. Give us the insight to hold on to what is true, the courage to explore new ideas, and the boldness to create with you. Let us be Shaped by Faith for your mission; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### The Collect for Purity

Christians have prayed this prayer for more than a thousand years. It is a prayer that orients our hearts and minds to God and prepares us for the praise and thanksgiving that is at the heart of our worship. Through the grace of the Holy Spirit we ask to be transformed so that our lives, our love, and all of our worship may reveal the glory of God and our love for the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day
This prayer gathers together
the scriptural themes of the
readings and the season. The
collect follows a consistent
pattern: We address God,
naming something about
God's nature (i.e., Almighty
God); we ask God to work in
a particular area of human
living; and we acknowledge
that we ask all of these things
in the name of Jesus.

# The Lessons

The next portion of the liturgy focuses on the readings of Holy Scripture that are appointed for the day. The readings have a thematic unity that ties together the message of the Old and New Testaments.

#### The Lessons

The congregation may be seated for the readings.

First Lesson Genesis 29:15-28

Reader A Reading from the Book of the Genesis.

aban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalter A Song of Praise

Psalm 105:1-11, 45b

Reader: We will read the Psalm together aloud.

1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; \* make known his deeds among the peoples.

2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, \* and speak of all his marvelous works.

3 Glory in his holy Name; \* let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. 4 Search for the Lord and his strength; \* continually seek his face. 5 Remember the marvels he has done, \* his wonders and the judgments of his mouth, 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, \* O children of Jacob his chosen. 7 He is the Lord our God; \* his judgments prevail in all the world. 8 He has always been mindful of his covenant, \* the promise he made for a thousand generations: 9 The covenant he made with Abraham, \* the oath that he swore to Isaac, 10 Which he established as a statute for Jacob, \* an everlasting covenant for Israel, 11 Saying, "To you will I give the land of Canaan \*

The Epistle Romans 8:26-39

Reader A Reading from Paul's the letter to the Romans.

to be your allotted inheritance."

45b Hallelujah!

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died,

The Psalter

The Psalter, or the Book of Psalms, is the great song book of the People of God. In Jewish and Christian worship these hymns or songs are ordinarily sung and many of them form the lyrics of hymns in our hymnals. At each celebration of Holy Eucharist we read one of the Psalms, or a portion of a Psalm, that is selected to reinforce the theme of the lessons for the day.

yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**†**Gradual Hymn

"I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy"

#### Verse 1:

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart Down in my heart, down in my heart. I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart, Down in my heart to stay.

#### Chorus:

And I'm so happy, so very happy, I've got the love of Jesus in my heart. (*repeat*)

#### Verse 2:

I've got the peace that passes understanding, down in my heart,
Down in my heart, down in my heart.
I've got the peace that passes understanding, down in my heart,
Down in my heart to stay.

# Verse 3:

I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus, down in my heart, Down in my heart, down in my heart. I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus, down in my heart, Down in my heart to stay. Celebrant

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Matthew. ₩₩₩

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

esus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Fred Stevenson

### The Gospel

We customarily stand and face the Gospel Book as the Gospel of the Lord is read. It is a sign that the Word of the Lord is living and we honor its presence among us.

The Sermon

The purpose of the sermon is to help us understand the meaning of the word of God in Scripture and to make it real in our lives.

#### The Nicene Creed

The Nicene Creed has been used by Christians of all traditions for over 1700 years and reminds us of the basics of our faith. The Creed is not a definition of Christianity, but briefly states the essentials of Christian teaching. We say it together to respond to the Word of God in the Scriptures and the sermon. We are saying in effect, "Yes! This is the faith that we believe and live!"

†The Nicene Creed

To be read in unison.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

The people kneel or stand as able.

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

We pray especially for those listed at the rear of your bulletin.

Amen.

The Priest says

Loving God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen* 

The Prayers of the People

The prayers of the People follow the form of a litany, with the Leader offering petitions to God and the People responding affirming the petition. These are the prayers of the entire community where we offer to God our concerns for the Church and the surrounding world. Prayers of the People always follow a particular order: prayers for Universal Church, its mission and its members, for the Nation and all in authority, for the welfare of the world, for the concerns of the local community, for those who suffer or are in any trouble, for life's blessings, and for the departed.

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Silence

The Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

†The Peace

Deacon The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People And also with you.

The Offertory

The offering will be taken at this time.

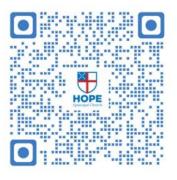
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- 3. Offering plate: cash or a check payable to "Hope Episcopal Church". You may designate any ministry in the 'memo' line.

Thank you very much for your contribution to advance the mission of Hope Episcopal Church! Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

#### The Peace

After the Prayers of the People, the Priest extends Christ's peace to the congregation and the congregation shares the peace with one another. The Peace is real and also symbolic. It is real because in the forgiveness of our sins we are restored to Christ's peace. It is also the way we remind ourselves that because we have received the gift of God's forgiveness we can and must be reconciled to one another.



# Victory Chant

Hail Jesus, You're my King (echo)
Your life frees me to sing (echo)
I will praise You all my days (echo)
You're perfect in all Your ways (echo)

Hail Jesus, You're my Lord (echo)
I will obey Your Word (echo)
I want to see Your kingdom come (echo)
Not my will but Yours be done (echo)

Glory, glory to the Lamb (echo)
You take me into the land (echo)
We will conquer in Your name (echo)
And proclaim that Jesus reigns (echo)

Hail, hail Lion of Judah
How powerful You are
(echo)
Hail, hail Lion of Judah
How wonderful You are
(echo)
How wonderful You are
(echo)

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

# The Doxology

The congregation stands

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise, Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

# The Holy Communion or Holy Eucharist

Eucharist means "thanksgiving." This celebration of thanksgiving with its bread and wine is at the heart of the Christian faith. The Eucharist can also be called Holy Communion, the Lord's Supper, or the Mass. In Holy Eucharist Christians give thanks for the gift of salvation given to us in the life, death, resurrection, and ascension of Christ Jesus and the gift of new life that comes from it.

# Gathering Together for the Meal of Christ

Offertory: At the beginning of the Eucharist we offer gifts to God, which are really just a return of the gifts God has given us—bread and wine for the Lord's Supper, our financial gifts, and our lives.

Ablutions: The Priest comes to the front of the altar and wash his or her hands. This symbolic washing cleanses the Priest on behalf of all of the People so that we might all come to the holy meal refreshed. It is a reference to Psalm 26:6-12 which starts, "I wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, that I may go in procession around your altar."

Sursum Corda: Literally, "we lift up our hearts." Here in the *Sursum Corda* the People affirm that they have turned wholeheartedly to God.

Sanctus: Sanctus means "holy." We sing this hymn that the angels and archangels sing in heaven as a reminder that our worship here is an echo of the heavenly worship of God (Isaiah 6:3, Revelation 4:8).

# ♦ The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people stand.

#### The Sursum Corda

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

# Then, facing the Altar, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

†Sanctus - Holy, Holy, Holy The people kneel or stand.





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Praise for the Work of God the Father

Preface: The opening prayer of the Eucharist is a prayer of blessing, praising God and giving thanks for his mercy to us. This opening prayer of blessing ends with a section that refers to the death and resurrection of Christ and focuses our prayers for the remainder of the liturgy.

# Praise for the Work of God the Son

The next portion of the prayer of thanksgiving remembers the gift of salvation that came through Jesus Christ. It is followed by the Institution, the words of Jesus that explained the bread and the wine to His disciples at the Last Supper (Matthew 26:26-28).

# Praise for the Work of God the Holy Spirit

This prayer asks that the Holy Spirit be present and bless and sanctify the bread and wine so that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. It also asks for blessings on the People that we might be holy. At the end of the prayers the People say, "Amen" which means, "So be it," or "So it is."

#### Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."  $\blacksquare$ 

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." \*\*

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and people

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

#### Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

# †The Lord's Prayer

#### **Celebrant**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to pray,

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God.

#### Communion

Communion is received at the altar rail. All are invited to receive communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest.

# The Prayer of Spiritual Reception of the Sacrament

Lord Jesus Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The last prayer of the Eucharist is the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples. The Priest and the People say it together (Matthew 6:9-13).

Breaking of Bread The Priest breaks the bread so that it might be shared among the People. It is seen as a symbol of the breaking of Christ's body on the cross and an invitation to each of us to enter into the life of Christ.

#### The Communion

In 1 Corinthians 10: 16-17, St. Paul says, "The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread". In receiving Communion week after week, Christians are sacramentally united with Christ in His life, death, and resurrection.

#### Prayer after Communion

In this prayer of thanksgiving for the gifts of grace we are given in the Communion we ask God to send us out into the world as ambassadors of the good news of the Gospel. It is important to remember that the gifts we have been given during worship are gifts given to us to share with all the world.

# **Music During Communion**

# The Thanksgiving

# The congregation stands

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# †The Blessing



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**†**The Dismissal

Three-Fold Amen

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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Postlude

Worship Servers July 30, 2023

Ushers - Jeff Gebhard, Steve Norton

Lectors - LeAnne Burchik, Jo Steffy

Prayers of the People - Missy Gebhard

Lay Eucharist Minister - Dave Dissinger

Acolytes - J.D. Hynick, William Peach, Ethan Weckerly, Keegan Brown

Please remember in your prayers:

Elizabeth Grace & the Mattson Family, John, Marian, Michael, Bob, Barbara, Angie, Katie, Jerry, Paul, Braiden, Diane, Nancy, Judith, Lydia, Jeff, Lester, Susan, Beth Ann, Mose, Ed, Daphne, Peg, Stephanie, Bertha, Janice, Lily, Carol, Steve, Lori, Patrick, the Beal Family, the Solis Family, the Leibley Family, Betsy, Grief Share and Fr Zwiftka on return from sabbatical;

Those suffering from all illnesses and those who caring for them; Those impacted by natural disasters and violence;

The People of Ukraine and all those supporting them;

Those living in nursing homes, group homes, and prisons;

The People of the Diocese of Navajoland and all indigenous peoples;

Those serving in the military;

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Bangor Episcopal Church, Churchtown The Anglican Church of Central America

To add people to our Parish Prayer List, including those in the military please call the church office so they can be added to our prayer list.

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The Blessing & Dismissal

In the blessing and dismissal we are reminded that we carry the peace and love we have received from Christ into the world. We are challenged to live out the Gospel in our lives outside the walls of the church so that others may see and be drawn into new life in Christ.

#### This week's Birthdays:

Bob Sims - 7/231 Lynette Brown - 8/2 Steve Palmer - 8/3 Elizabeth Mattson - 8/5

# This week's Anniversaries:

Jim & Nancy Reinhart - 8/1

# Thanks to everyone who helped provide lunch today!

If you'd like to sign up to provide lunch, there is a sign -up list on the whiteboard in the parish house. The entire year is listed on the sign-up pages. The last Sunday of the month is a Pot Luck, so plan to bring your favorite dish!

If you are in need of

Pastoral Care

during Fr. Bradley's

vacation, feel free to

contact Deacon Nancy

through the church office,

or email her at

NLesher@hopeepiscopal.org

### Happenings at Hope Church:

- + Coffee hour/Sunday Luncheon: There is a sign-up list on the whiteboard in the parish house kitchen for those who want to provide lunch. The entire year is listed on the sign-up pages. The last Sunday of the month is a Pot Luck, so plan to bring your favorite dish!
- + Dedicate a Bible: Have you ever thought about dedicating a Bible in honor of or in memory of someone? Now is your chance! New pew Bibles have been purchased and placed in the pews for use during services. If you would like to sponsor and dedicate a Bible, please contact the church office. The cost is \$20.
- + Membership Update Survey: In an effort to minister to the parishioners of Hope Church most effectively, we are working through and updating our membership records and the contact information that we have on file.

A simple, digital survey has been created that you may fill out to help update us on current contact preferences, birthdays and important anniversaries, and areas that you are interested in getting involved here at Hope Church! You may access it by scanning the QR code! Thank you for helping us update our records!

- + Green Paraments: We are currently working to complete the green parament set! If you would like to make a donation towards this project through the offering plate, you may simply note "paraments" in a check memo line or envelope. If you would like to sponsor the a portion of the paraments as a memorial gift, please contact the church office.
- + Help, Healing and Hope: Phase 2 of the Help, Healing and Hope campaign has officially opened! We will continue to host this as a ministry for our neighboring churches in two dioceses. to keep knocking out medical debt for our neighbors in state of Pennsylvania! We will continue to host this as a ministry for our neighboring churches in two dioceses.
- + Now more than ever, people need your help. The pandemic and inflation have exasperated food insecurity and housing issues. We need to continue to support our local food banks. One in 10 Lebanon County residents face food insecurity, which means nearly 14,000 individuals do not have certain access to adequate food throughout the year. There is a collection basket in the back of the church. From LCCM.



# A Jubilee Parish

A parish of The Episcopal Diocese of Central Pennsylvania The Most Reverend Michael Bruce Curry, Presiding Bishop, Episcopal Church in the United States of America

The Right Rev. Audrey Cady Scanlan, Bishop of Central Pennsylvania

### Worship at Hope Church

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist and live-streamed on YouTube.

# Our Clergy and Staff

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# Supporting Volunteer Staff

Lynette Brown, Altar Guild; Nancy Wesley, Card Ministry; Bob Sims, Cemetary; Jo Steffy, Facebook; Steve Palmer, Finance Committee; LeAnne Burchik, Outreach Committee; Jae Dupler, Property Committee Rob Gokey, Creation Care Committee; Gail Edgell, Garden of Hope

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