

HOPE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

+ *Hope Always* +



Hope Episcopal Church
Mt. Hope, Pennsylvania

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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.

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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Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

HOLY EUCHARIST II

The symbol ♠ indicates when to stand if able.

The symbol ✠ indicates where to make the sign of the cross.

Prelude

Welcome + Good News & Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

♠ Processional Hymn #400 - "All Creatures of Our God and King"
Verses 1, 5 & 7

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.



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
*2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
*3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our
5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your
*6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal
7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
2 loft, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
4 way, O— praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and
5 part, O— sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that
6 breath, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back
7 ncss, O— praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:
5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:
6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:
7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

✦ 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 Hymn of Praise

1. We will glo - ri - fy the King of kings, we will glo - ri - fy the Lamb
2. Lord Je - ho - vah reigns in maj - es - ty, we will bow be - fore his throne
3. He is Lord of heav - en, Lord of earth, he is Lord of all who live;
4. Hal - le - lu - jah to the King of kings, hal - le - lu - jah to the Lamb

we will glo - ri - fy the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.
we will wor - ship him in right - eous - ness, we will wor - ship him a - lone.
he is Lord a - bove the u - ni - verse, all praise to him we give.
hal - le - lu - jah to the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

✦ The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

Lector A Reading from the Book of Esther.

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, “What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled.” Then Queen Esther answered, “If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me~ that is my petition~ and the lives of my people~ that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king.” Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, “Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?” Esther said, “A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!” Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen.

Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, “Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high.” And the king said, “Hang him on that.” So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated.

Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Lector: We will read the Psalm responsively.

- 1 If the Lord had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;
- 2 If the Lord had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.
- 6 Blessed be the Lord! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the Lord, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

The Epistle

James 5:13-20

Lector A Reading from James.

Who is wise and Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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.

♠ Gradual Hymn

“Through North or South”

Through north and south and east and west May God's im-mor-tal name be
 blessed: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Till
 ev' - ry - where be - neath the sun, God's reign be - gins; God's will is
 done: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

♠ The Gospel

Mark 9:38-50

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to
 Mark. ✠✠✠

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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.

John said to Jesus, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Bradley Mattson

✠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.**

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!”

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 prayers of the People follow the form of a litany, with the Leader offering petitions to God and the People responding or 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 the 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 Prayers of the People

The people kneel or stand as able. The Leader and People pray responsively

God of earth and sky, we lift our hearts to you in gratitude for the beauty and abundance of your creation. You have called us to be stewards of this gift, to care for the land, the waters, and all living things. Open our eyes to your glory, woven into every blade of grass, every stream, and every creature that sings your praise. God of creation,

We give thanks for your generosity.

For the Church, and especially for the Creation Care Green Team of Hope Church, we pray for wisdom and perseverance. May their efforts inspire us to live in harmony with your creation, to restore what has been broken, and to honor the earth as an expression of our love for Jesus Christ. Strengthen their work, that it may bear witness to the world of your grace and goodness. God of creation,

We give thanks for your generosity.

We thank you for the Center for Watershed Protection and their dedication to safeguarding the health of our rivers, streams, and watersheds. May their work continue to sustain life, quenching the thirst of the earth and its creatures. Guide them in their mission, and may we, too, be protectors of these waters, reflecting your love for all who depend on them. God of creation,

We give thanks for your generosity.

For Interfaith Partners of the Chesapeake, who unite people of different faiths to care for the waters that sustain us all, we ask for your blessing. May their collaboration remind us that we are all interconnected, sharing in the responsibility to protect the earth. Through their work, may we learn to care for creation as a reflection of our love for you and for one another. God of creation,

We give thanks for your generosity.

For Lancaster Clean Water Partners, we offer our prayers of gratitude. Their work brings renewal to the streams and rivers of our region, allowing life to flourish. Grant them continued strength as they restore the health of your creation, that we may all bear witness to your love through the care we give to the earth. God of creation,

We give thanks for your generosity.

We thank you for the National Fish and Wildlife Federation and their tireless efforts to protect habitats and wildlife. Bless their work in conserving the creatures that share this world with us, and remind us that to care for the least of these is to care for you. May we all learn to live more gently upon the earth, honoring the intricate balance of life that you have created. God of creation,

We give thanks for your generosity.

For all these organizations, and for the ways they partner with us to love our neighbors and care for the earth, we offer our gratitude. Through their generosity and shared vision, may we continue to bear witness to the world that our care for creation is rooted in our love for Jesus Christ. May we be bold in our proclamation of the gospel through stewardship, generosity, and the work of healing your creation. God of creation,

We give thanks for your generosity.

We ask all these things in the name of Christ, the one in whom all things hold together, and by whom all things are being made new.

Amen.

Silence

Gracious and loving God, we come before You with hearts full of gratitude for the many ministries at Hope Church. We ask for Your blessings on Grief Share, Creation Care, Outreach, Property, Yarn, Youth, and Music

Ministries, our Vestry, and our shared work with neighboring churches and our convocation. May Your grace guide us, Your wisdom light our way, and Your love sustain us.

Bless Grief Share with gentle comfort, Creation Care with a reverence for Your earth, and Outreach with the compassion of Christ. Guide Property in crafting sacred spaces, and Yarn Ministry in weaving warmth into every stitch. Empower Youth Ministry to kindle faith, and Music Ministry to lift our souls in joyful praise. Strengthen our collaborations and grant our Vestry the wisdom and vision to lead us faithfully forward. Amen.

The Priest says

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 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 always with you.
People **And also with you.**

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.

The Offertory

The offering will be taken at this time.

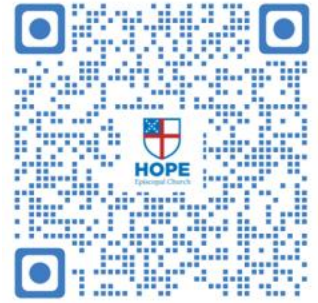
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3. Offering plate: cash or a check payable to “Hope Episcopal Church”. You may designate any ministry in the ‘memo’ line.

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



Offertory Hymn

“Here I Am, Lord”

Unison

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky. I have heard my
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain. I have borne my
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame. I will tend the

peo - ple cry. All who dwell in deep - est sin My hand will
peo - ple's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn a -
poor and lame. I will set a feast for them, My hand will

save. I who made the stars of night,
way. I will break their hearts of stone,
save. Fin - est bread I will pro - vide

I will make their dark - ness bright. Who will bear my
Give them hearts for love a - lone. I will speak my
Till their hearts be sat - is - fied. I will give my

light to them? Whom shall I send? _____
word to them. Whom shall I send? _____
life to them. Whom shall I send? _____

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have

heard you call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, heart.

1. 2. 3.

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.

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 Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer

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 to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

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

Then, facing the Altar, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right, and our deepest joy, to give you thanks, O Lord, for the wonder of your creation, a living tapestry of beauty and grace, where the mountains stand as witnesses of your strength, and the rivers flow with the music of your peace. In the whisper of the wind, in the dance of the flame, in the silence of the night and the song of the morning, your love is made known, sustaining all life with your strong, powerful hands.

You breathed into us the breath of life, calling us to steward the earth with care, to nurture what you have planted, to protect the web of life that sings your praise. Yet we have strayed from your way, forgetting that we are bound to all living things by the same Spirit that gives us life.

But in your great mercy, you did not abandon us. Through prophets, you called us back to the garden, through the law, you taught us justice and mercy, and in Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh, You entered into creation, to heal what is broken and to renew the face of the earth.

Therefore, with all creation, with the creatures of the deep and the birds of the air, with the forests and the fields, and with all who dwell in the heavens, we join in their unending song of praise:

♠ Sanctus - Holy, Holy, Holy

The people kneel or stand.

F Gm/F F Bb/F F C
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and

F C/E Dm F7/C Bb F C/E
might, heav'n and earth are filled with your glo - ry: Ho -

Dm Gm C7 Fsus F Dm Am/C Bb F/A
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who comes

Gm7 F/A Bb C7 F F7/C
in the name of the Lord; ho - san - na in the

Bb F C/E Dm Gm C7 Bb/F F
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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).

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 indeed are you, O God, and blessed is Jesus Christ, the light of the world, the gardener of our souls, who came to show us the way of abundant life. In the fullness of time, he walked this earth, touching the soil, feeling the sun, and teaching us the sacredness of every moment, the holiness of every creature.

On the night he was betrayed, He took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take, eat: This is my Body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ✠

After supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me." ✠

And so, as we gather at this table, we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Celebrant and people

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

Celebrant continues

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon these gifts of bread and wine, the fruits of your creation, that they may be for us the Body and Blood of Christ.

As we partake of this sacred meal, may we, inspired by the wisdom of your creation, live in harmony with the cycles of life, protect what is fragile, and cultivate communities of justice and peace.

Make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one with all creation, that we may be the signs and wonders of your kingdom on earth, a people who live by the rhythms of grace, tending to the world as Christ tends to us. ✠

Celebrant

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

✠The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant

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

Notre Père..., Padre nuestro..., Vater unser...,

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.	Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre; venga tu reino; hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en la tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.
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The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Behold the bread, once scattered as grain, now made one. This is the Body of Christ.

The Fraction Anthem

<i>Celebrant</i>	Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us.
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<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,
<i>People</i>	Grant us peace.

Celebrant

Behold the gifts of God, for the people of God. Come, the table is ready.

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 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.

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.

Music During Communion

Post Communion Hymn

#301 - "Bread of the World"



Bread of the world, in mer - cy bro - ken, Wine of the
soul, in mer - cy shed, by whom the words of life were
spo - ken, and in whose death our sins are dead:
look on the heart by sor - row bro - ken, look on the
tears by sin - ners shed; and be thy feast to us the
to - ken that by thy grace our souls are fed.

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.

The Thanksgiving

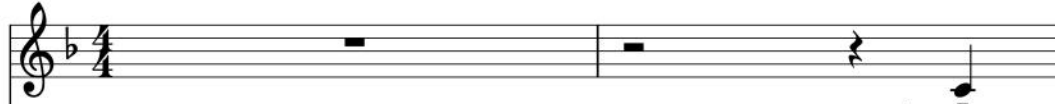
The congregation stands

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

The Recessional Hymn

"I Danced in the Morning"



- 1 I
- 2 I
- 3 I
- 4 I
- 5 They

Optional Intro and /or Interlude



danced in the morn-ing when the world was be-gun, and I
danced for the scribe and the Phar-i-see, but
danced on the Sab-bath and I cured the lame. The
danced on a Fri-day when the sky turned black. It's
cut me down and I leapt up high.



danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I
they would not dance and they would not foll-ow me. I
ho-ly peo-ple said it was a shame. They
hard to dance with the dev-il on your back. They
I am the life that will nev-er, nev-er die. I'll



came down from heav-en and I danced on the earth. At
danced for the fish-er-men, for James and John. They
whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, and
bur-ied my bod-y and they thought I'd gone, but
live in you if you'll live in me, 7



Beth-le-hem I had my birth.
came with me and the dance went on.
left me there on a cross to die. Dance, then, wher-
I am the dance and I still go on.
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.



ever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, and I'll



lead you all, wher-ev-er you may be, and I'll



lead you all in the dance, said he.

The Blessing and 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 Month's Birthdays:

4th - Elijah Puskar
4th - John Groh
7th - Rev. Tim Small
9th - Jeremy Brown
13th - Amy Dissinger
14th - Mike Geib
15th - Dec. Stacey Catigano
17th - Rev. Jennifer Mattson
19th - Gunner Tuscan
19th - LeAnne Burchik
27th - Jae Dupler
27th - Lydia Engle

This Month's Anniversaries:

8th - Jae & Deb Dupler
18th - Brandon & Kathleen Peach
19th - Jeremy & Katie Brown

*Thanks to
everyone who helped
provide lunch today!*

✠The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Three-Fold Amen

Postlude

Worship Servers September 29, 2024

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Prayers of the People - Jo Steffy

Lay Eucharist Minister - Micah Roldan

Altar Guild - Lynette Brown

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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 and our Grief Share, Creation Care, Outreach, Property and Yarn Ministries.

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: St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Altoona

The Church of Pakistan (United)

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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