



## HOPE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

+ *Hope Always* +



Hope Episcopal Church  
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## 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](mailto: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*

## EPIPHANY

Epiphany is the climax of the Advent/Christmas Season and the Twelve Days of Christmas, which are usually counted from the evening of December 25th until the morning of January 6th, which is the Twelfth Day. This can be an occasion for feasting in some cultures, including the baking of a special King's Cake as part of the festivities of Epiphany.

The colors of Epiphany are usually the colors of Christmas, white and gold - the colors of celebration, newness, and hope that mark the most sacred days of the church year.

As with most aspects of the Christian liturgical calendar, Epiphany has theological significance as a teaching tool in the church. The Wise Men, or Magi, who brought gifts to the child Jesus were the first Gentiles to acknowledge Jesus as "King" and so were the first to "show" or "reveal" Jesus to a wider world as the incarnate Christ. **This act of worship by the Magi, which corresponded to Simeon's blessing that this child Jesus would be "a light for revelation to the Gentiles" (Luke 2:32), was one of the first indications that Jesus came for all people, of all nations and races, and that the work of God in the world would not be limited to only a few.**

Around January 6, the symbol +C+M+B+ with two numbers before and two numbers after (for example, 20+C+M+B+25) is sometimes seen written in chalk above the doorway of Christian homes. The letters are the initials of the traditional names of the Three Magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. These letters also abbreviate the Latin phrase *Christus mansionem benedicat*, "May Christ bless the house." The beginning and ending numbers are the year, 2025 in the example above. The crosses represent Christ.

## 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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# Third Sunday After The Epiphany

## HOLY EUCHARIST II

The symbol ☩ indicates when to stand if able.

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

### 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.

Prelude

Welcome + Good News & Announcements

## THE WORD OF GOD

☩ Processional Hymn

#388 - **“Oh Worship the King”**

- 1 O worship the King, all glorious above!  
O gratefully sing his power and his love!  
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.
- 2 O tell of his might! O sing of his grace!  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
- 3 The earth, with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old,  
hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,  
and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.
- 4 Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.
- 5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;  
thy mercies, how tender! how firm to the end!  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

#### ✦ 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

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant*

**G**ive us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

#### ✦ The Collect for Shaped by Faith - *said by all*

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 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.

## The Lessons

*The congregation may be seated for the readings.*

### First Lesson

*Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10*

*Reader* A Reading from the Book of Nehemiah.

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### The Psalter *A Song of Praise*

Psalm 19

*Reader:* We will read the Psalm responsively.

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, \*  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
and their message to the ends of the world.

- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the Lord is sure  
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the Lord is clear  
and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey,  
than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound,  
and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my  
heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

The Epistle

*1 Corinthians 12:12-31*

Reader **A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.**

**J**ust as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell

be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            Thanks be to God.

✠ Gradual Music

**“Beautiful Savior”**

1 Beautiful Savior, King of creation,  
    Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve thee,  
    Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.

2 Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,  
    Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
    Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer;  
    He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

3 Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,  
    Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
    Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
    Than all the angels in the sky.

4 Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
    Son of God and Son of Man!  
    Glory and honor, Praise, adoration,  
    Now and forevermore be Thine!

## ✠ The Gospel

Luke 4:14-21

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

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Bradley Mattson

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.*

*Leader* Let us pray for the Church and the world, for Hope Church gathered in expectation, and for the Spirit's refining and renewing work among us.

*Intercessor* God of light, who led the wise men by the brilliance of a star, guide your Church to shine brightly with the love of Christ. May we, like those ancient travelers, kneel in adoration and rise to share the Good News.

*People* Shine through us, O Light of the world.

*Intercessor* God of transformation, who opened the heavens at the Jordan and proclaimed your Beloved Son, remind us of our baptismal call. Refine us with your Spirit, and embolden us to live as your beloved children.

*People* Shine through us, O Light of the world.

*Intercessor* God of abundance, who turned water into wine at Cana's feast, teach us to trust in your provision. When our resources feel stretched thin, may we remember your power to transform the ordinary into the extraordinary.

*People* Shine through us, O Light of the world.

*Intercessor* God of faithfulness, who has journeyed with this congregation for 175 years, we give you thanks for our past, for those whose faithfulness built the foundation upon which we stand. Bless us with vision and courage for the work ahead. Make us the foundation for the next 175 years.

*People* Shine through us, O Light of the world.

*Intercessor* God of compassion, who gathers the brokenhearted and lifts up the weary, we pray for those in need: for the sick, the grieving, the lonely, and the oppressed. Open our hearts to be instruments of your healing and peace.

*People* Shine through us, O Light of the world.

*Intercessor* God of renewal, who calls us to be stewards of your creation and your Church, inspire our efforts in this annual meeting. Bless our decisions, our discernment, and our commitment to your mission.

*People* Shine through us, O Light of the world.

*Intercessor* God of glory, whose Spirit moves through all time and space, we lift to you the prayers of this community, both spoken and silent.

*(Pause for silent prayer.)*

Grant that we may see your glory breaking through, even in the smallest moments.

*People* Shine through us, O Light of the world.

## 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.

*Celebrant* Holy and eternal God, you have called us by name and claimed us as your own. Fill us with your light, refine us with your Spirit, and send us forth to proclaim your abundance to a world longing for hope. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns in glory everlasting.

*People* 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 with you always.

*People* And also with you.

*The Offertory*

*The offering will be taken at this time.*

*Please take this time to make an offering to Hope Church:*

- 1. Online: <https://hopeepiscopal.breezechms.com/give/online> or scan the QR code in the margin of your bulletin*
- 2. Text: “[AMOUNT]” to (717) 999-5991 to make a donation to the General Fund. If it is your first time using text giving, you will receive a link by return text to complete the donation.*
- 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.



1 I sing the al-might-y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,  
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;  
 3 There's not a plant or flower be-low, but makes thy glo-ries known;

that spread the flow-ing seas a-broad and built the lif-ty skies.  
 he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.  
 and clouds a-rise, and tem-pests blow, by or-der from thy throne;

I sing the wis-dum that or-dained the sun to rule the day;  
 Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,  
 while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev-er in thy care.

the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o-bey,  
 if I sur-vey the ground I tread, or gaze up-on the sky!  
 and ev-ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

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.

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 2*

*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 the Lord our God.

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

*Then, facing the Altar, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right and good, always and everywhere, to lift our hearts to you, O God of light and glory. From the beginning, your Spirit hovered over the waters, and your voice called forth life. Through the generations, you have guided your people with a steadfast hand, a pillar of light by night, and a promise of abundance by day.

In the fullness of time, you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, the Light of the world, who stepped into the waters of baptism to reveal your love, and into the joys and sorrows of our lives to transform us with your grace. And so, with angels and archangels, with the faithful of every time and place, we sing your unending hymn of praise:

✠ Sanctus - Holy, Holy, Holy

*The people kneel or stand.*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 are you, and blessed is your Son, Jesus Christ.

In him, you revealed your glory, as the heavens opened at the Jordan and the Spirit descended like a dove, declaring him your Beloved. At Cana's wedding feast, water became wine, and scarcity gave way to abundance. Through his life and ministry, the outcast found welcome, the weary found rest, and the broken were made whole.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, he gathered with his friends, and at that table of love and hope, he took bread. Giving thanks, he blessed it, broke it, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." ✠

After supper, he took the cup of wine, and giving thanks, he blessed it and said: "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 for the remembrance of me." ✠

*Celebrant:* And so, in this holy mystery, we proclaim the truth of our faith:

*People:* Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

*Celebrant:* God of transformation and hope, pour out your Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine. Make them for us the Body and Blood of Christ, that we might be filled with his life and light. By that same Spirit, refine our hearts, renew our vision, and bind us together as one body. As we gather today in this annual meeting of your Church, bless us with courage to embrace the future, gratitude for the past, and faith for the work yet to come.

May we be like the jars at Cana, ready to be filled with your abundance, poured out for the sake of the world. May we be like the waters of baptism, bearing the reflection of your love and the power of your Spirit.

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

*People:* Amen.

## ✠The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**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.	Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre; venga tu reino; hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.	Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.	No nos dejes caer en la tentación y líbranos del mal.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.	Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

### The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

*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 for those joining us at home via Livestream:*

*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

### 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.



Post Communion Hymn

#474 - **“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”**

- 1 When I survey the wondrous cross  
where the young Prince of Glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
save in the cross of Christ, my God:  
all the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to his blood.
- 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet  
sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
**Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,**  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were an offering far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.

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

WLP #751 - "Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit"

*Harmony*

Ev' - ry time I feel the spir - it, mov - ing

in my heart. I will pray. Ev' - ry time I feel the

spir - it, mov - ing in my heart, I will pray. **Fine**

*mission*

1. Up on the moun - tain my Lord spoke, out of his  
2. Jor - dan ri - ver chil - ly and cold, chills the

mouth came fire and smoke. All a - round me looked so  
bod - y but not the soul. There ain't but one train runs this

fine. track, asked my Lord if all was mine.  
runs to heav - en and runs right back. **D.C.**

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.

✠ The Dismissal

*Celebrant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

Three-Fold Amen

Postlude

*Worship Servers*  
January 26, 2025

**This Month's Birthdays:**

1/1 - Jim Bubb  
1/9 - Redford Taggart  
1/10 - Fr. John Naegele  
1/19 - Carole Bubb  
1/24 - Warren Herbst  
1/27 - Fr. Bradley Mattson  
1/28 - Stephanie Seaman  
1/29 - Brandon Peach

**This Month's Anniversaries:**

1/17 - Mike & Donna  
Gerhard  
1/20 - David & Connie  
Steinke

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!

Ushers - Tom Brown, Jo Steffy  
Lectors - Kathleen Peach (1st), Stephanie Seaman (*Psalm*), Steve Palmer (2nd)  
Prayers of the People - Lynette Brown  
Lay Eucharistic Minister - Bob Sims  
Altar Guild - Bob Sims  
Acolytes - JD Hynick, Claire Wrage

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 Solis Family, the Leibley Family, Betsy, Bud Dissinger, Emily Garber and family, Steve Tribiooi and family 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. Andrew's Episcopal Church, State College**  
The Church in the Province of the West Indies

*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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*O worship the King, all glorious above, #388 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: Robert Grant (1779-1838). Music: Hanover, alt. William Croft (1678-1727).*

*When I survey the wondrous cross, #474 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748). Music: Rockingham, from Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature, ca. 1970; harm. Edward Miller (1731-1807).*

*I sing the almighty power of God, #398 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: Forest Green, English melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).*

*Ev'ry time I feel the spirit, #751 from Wonder Love and Praise – Words: Traditional. Music: Negro Spiritual.*



## *A Jubilee Parish*

A parish of The Episcopal Diocese of Central Pennsylvania  
The Most Reverend Sean Rowe, Presiding Bishop, Episcopal Church  
in the United States of America  
The Right Rev. Audrey Cady Scanlan, Bishop of Central Pennsylvania

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### Worship at Hope Church

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

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Steve Palmer, Steve Norton, Tom Brown, Brandon Peach  
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