



HOPE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

+ *Hope Always* +



Hope Episcopal Church
Mt. Hope, Pennsylvania

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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.

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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Sixth Sunday After The Epiphany

HOLY EUCHARIST II

The symbol \diamond indicates when to stand if able.

The symbol \boxtimes indicates where to make the sign of the cross.

Prelude

Welcome + Good News & Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

\diamond Processional Hymn #423 - "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

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 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, on - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in night;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blas - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise,
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love,
 thou with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee,
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

✦ 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

○ God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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 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 congregation may be seated for the readings.

First Lesson

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Reader A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

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.

Thus says the Lord:
Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the Lord.
They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.
They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.
Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.
They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.
It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.
The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse--
who can understand it?
I the Lord test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Reader: We will read the Psalm responsively.

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,*
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord,*
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;*
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked;*
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,*
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,*
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

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

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ-whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Reader 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.

1 How won - drous and great thy works, God of praise!
 2 To na - tions of earth thy light shall be shown;

How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!
 their wor - ship and vows shall come to thy throne;

O who shall not fear thee, and hon - or thy Name?
 thy truth and thy judg - ments shall spread all a - broad,

Thou on - ly art ho - ly, thou on - ly su - preme.
 till earth's ev - ery peo - ple con - fess thee their God.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.”

"But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

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: Behold the light that shines in the darkness, illuminating every path and calling all people to seek the holy. With hearts uplifted, let us pray for the Church, the world, and all in need.

Intercessor: O God of the starry heavens, you call your Church to rise and shine with the brilliance of Christ. May we, your people, reflect your glory in word and deed. Empower us to seek justice, embrace mercy, and proclaim your good news. Lord, in your light,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: O Creator of the cosmos, the earth sings of your majesty and creation reveals your wisdom. Teach us to honor the gifts of the earth, to tread gently upon the soil, and to care for all creatures who dwell within it. Lord, in your light,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: O Ruler of all nations, you call the leaders of the earth to seek peace and pursue righteousness. Grant wisdom to those in authority, that they may serve with humility and work for the common good. Lord, in your light,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: O Light for all who wander, guide those who are lost, afraid, or in despair. Be present with those who are suffering in mind, body, or spirit, especially *[names may be offered]*.

Bring them the comfort of your healing presence. Lord, in your light,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: O Gathering One, you call us to be a people of welcome and hospitality. Open our hearts to the stranger, our doors to the outcast, and our lives to those in need. May we be signs of your love to all we meet. Lord, in your light,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: O Eternal Dawn, in you, death has no dominion, and the grave is overcome. Shine your light upon those who have died, and comfort those who mourn. May we, with all your saints, rise in the brightness of your eternal presence. Lord, in your light,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: O God of faithful witness, we lift up to you the ministries of Hope Church. Bless all who serve and lead, all who teach and learn, all who give and receive. May our efforts proclaim your glory and reveal your kingdom here on earth. Lord, in your light,

People: Hear our prayer.

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.

Intercessor: Radiant God, you revealed your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. As we journey through this Epiphany season, may your light guide our steps, illuminate our hearts, and transform our lives. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

(Pause for silent prayer.)

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

People: Hear our prayer.

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 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

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.

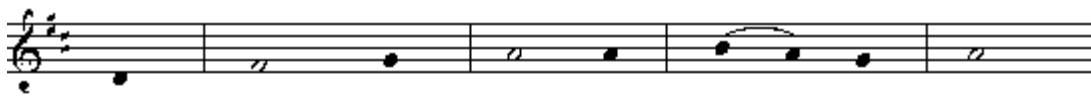
Thank you very much for your contribution to advance the mission of Hope Episcopal Church! Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



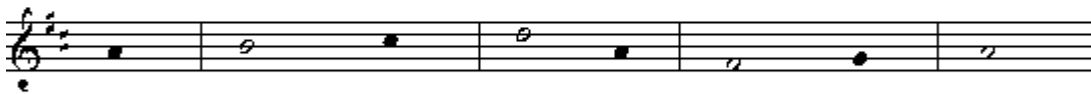
and must be reconciled to one another.

Offertory Music

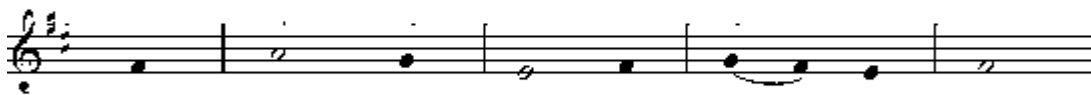
#120 - “The Sinless One”



1 The sin - less one to Jour - dan came.
2 Up - ris - ing from the wat - ers there.
3 A - bowe him see the heaven - ly Dove,
4 How blest that mis - sion then be - gun
5 O Christ, may we bap - tized from sin,
6 On you may all your peo - ple feed,



1 and in the riv - er shared our stain;
2 the Fa - ther's voice did then de - clare
3 the sign of God the Fa - ther's love,
4 to heal and save a race un - done!
5 go forth with you a world to win;
6 and know you are the Bread in - deed,



1 God's right - eous - ness he thus ful - filled.
2 that Christ, the Son of God, had come
3 now by the Ho - ly Spi - rit shed
4 Straight to the wil - der - ness he goes
5 grant us the Ho - ly Spi - rit's power
6 who gives e - ter - nal life to those



1 and chose the path his Fa - ther willed,
2 to lead his scat - tered peo - ple home,
3 up - on the Son's a - noint - ed head,
4 to wres - tle with his peo - ple's foes,
5 to shield us in temp - ta - tion's hour,
6 that with you died, and with you rose.

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 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 B

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 a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

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

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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." ✠

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." ✠

Celebrant: Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People: We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 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.	Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.	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.

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; _____
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; _____

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees; _____
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees; _____

Refrain
 when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun.

O Lord, have mer - cy on me. _____ 1 | 2

3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; _____

let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees; _____

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

#618 - "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

Unison

1 Ye watch-ers and ye ho-ly ones, bright ser-aphs, cher-u-
 2 O high-er than the cher-u-bim, more glo-ri-ous than the
 3 Re-spond, ye souls in end-less rest, ye pa-tri-archs and
 4 O friends, in glad-ness let us sing, su-per-nal-an-thems

Harmony *Unison*

bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al-le-lu-ia! Cry
 ser-aphim, lead their prais-es, Al-le-lu-ia! Thou
 pro-phets blest, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Ye
 ech-o-ing, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! To

out, do-min-ions, prince-doms, powers, vir-tues, arch-an-gels, an-gels'
 bear-er of the e-ter-nal Word, most gra-cious, mag-ni-fy the
 ho-ly twelve, ye mar-tyrs strong, all saints tri-um-phant, raise the
 God the Fa-ther, God the Son, and God the Spi-rit, Three in

Harmony

choirs, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
 Lord, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
 song, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
 One, Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-

Unison

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

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

February 16, 2025

Ushers - Steve Norton, Tom Brown

Lectors - Steve Palmer (1st), Stephanie Seaman (*Psalm*), Lynette Brown (2nd)

Prayers of the People - Missy Gebhard

Lay Eucharistic Minister - Bob Sims

Altar Guild - Bob Sims

Acolytes - JD Hynick, 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 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. James Episcopal Church, Mansfield

The Church of Bangladesh

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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2/1 - Stephanie Hynick

2/6 - Addie Puskar

2/6 - Jamie Solt

2/16 - Carol Palmer

2/17 - Sam Geib

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!



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

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