



HOPE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

+ *Hope Always* +



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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, 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

ASH WEDNESDAY + LENT

Ash Wednesday begins the holy season of Lent, a forty-day journey of prayer, fasting, and self-examination that prepares the Church to behold the saving mystery of Holy Week and Easter. Lent is counted as forty days in remembrance of Jesus' forty days in the wilderness, though Sundays are not included in the count, because every Sunday is a feast of the Resurrection even in a penitential season. Ash Wednesday is named for the ancient practice of marking the forehead with ashes in the shape of a cross as the Church prays, "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." The liturgical color for Lent is purple, a sign of repentance and spiritual seriousness, and in many places the bare simplicity of the season is reflected in music, prayer, and the environment of the church.

As with the whole liturgical year, Lent has theological significance as a teaching tool, shaping not only what we believe but how we live. The ashes are not a badge of spiritual achievement, but a sign of honest humility: we are mortal, we are dependent, we are in need of mercy, and we are claimed by Christ even here. Lent invites the faithful to return to God with the whole heart, to name what is broken in us and in the world, and to practice the disciplines that open space for grace—confession, almsgiving, simplicity, and deeper attention to prayer and scripture. Lent leads us into truth and renewal, shaping a deep turning of the heart toward the living God—steadfast in mercy, patient in healing, and always at work making all things new.

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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Ash Wednesday

HOLY EUCHARIST II

The symbol ☩ indicates when to stand if able.

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

Gathering Music

Welcome + Good News & Announcements

Prelude

THE WORD OF GOD

☩ Processional Hymn

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

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 Come ye sin - ners, poor and nee - dy, Weak and woun - ded, sick and sore;
2 Come ye thir - sty, come and wel - come, God's free boun - ty, glo - ri - fy;
3 Come ye wea - ry, hea - vy - la - den, Lost and ru - ined, by the fall;
4 Let not cons - cience make you lin - ger, Nor of fit - ness, fond - ly dream;

Je - sus read - y stands to save you, Full of pi - ty, love and pow'r.
True be - lief, and true re - pen - tance, Ev' - ry grace that brings you nigh.
If you tar - ry till you're bet - ter, You will ne - ver come at all.
All the fit - ness He re - qui - reth Is to feel your need of Him.

Chorus

I will a - rise and go to Je - sus, He will em - brace me in His arms;

In the arms of my dear Sa - vior, O there are ten thou - sand charms.

✠ The Acclamation

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever. Amen.

✠ The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lessons

The congregation may be seated for the readings.

First Lesson

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

Reader A Reading from the Book of Joel.

Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming, it is near-- a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness! Like blackness spread upon the mountains a great and powerful army comes; their like has never been from of old, nor will be again after them in ages to come.

Yet even now, says the Lord, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and relents from punishing. Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the Lord, your God?

Blow the trumpet in Zion; sanctify a fast; call a solemn assembly; gather the people. Sanctify the congregation; assemble the aged; gather the children, even infants at the breast. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her canopy.

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.

Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep. Let them say, "Spare your people, O Lord, and do not make your heritage a mockery, a byword among the nations. Why should it be said among the peoples, `Where is their God?'"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalter *A Song of Praise*

Psalm 103

Reader: We will read the Psalm responsively.

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.

10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

12 As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.

13 As a father cares for his children, *
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

14 For he himself knows whereof we are made; *
he remembers that we are but dust.

The Epistle

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

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

We entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights,

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.

hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see - we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

♣ Gradual Music

#693 - "Just As I Am"

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya
 3 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed. blind; sight, rich - es,
 4 Just as I am: thou wilt re - ceive; wilt wel - come,
 5 Just as I am. thy love un - known has bro - ken

1 blood was shed for me, and that thou biddest me
 2 con - flict, man - ya doubt; fight - ings and fears with -
 3 heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in
 4 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve, be - cause thy prom - ise
 5 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,

1 come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 2 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 3 thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 4 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 5 thine a - lone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am, of thy great love
 the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
 here for a season, then above:
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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 Gospel

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven.

"So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Bradley Mattson

The Invitation to a Holy Lent

Dear People of God: The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And, to make a right beginning of repentance, and as a mark of our mortal nature, let us now kneel before the Lord, our maker and redeemer.

Silence is then kept for a time.

The Celebrant says the following prayer

Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth: Grant that these ashes may be to us a sign of our mortality and penitence, that we may remember that it is only by your gracious gift that we are given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

Imposition of Ashes

The ashes are imposed with the following words

Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

The Psalm

Psalm 51

Reader: We will read the Psalm responsively.

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness;*
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness*
and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions,*
and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned*
and done what is evil in your sight.

- 5 And so you are justified when you speak*
and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth,*
a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me,*
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure;*
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness,*
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins*
and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God,*
and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence*
and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again*
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.
- 14 I shall teach your ways to the wicked,*
and sinners shall return to you.
- 15 Deliver me from death, O God,*
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness,
O God of my salvation.
- 16 Open my lips, O Lord,*
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.
- 17 Had you desired it, I would have offered sacrifice;*
but you take no delight in burnt-offerings.
- 18 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit;*
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Litany of Penitence

Leader: Most holy and merciful Father: We confess to you and to one another, and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

The Celebrant continues

Intercessor: We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.

People: Have mercy on us, Lord.

Intercessor: We have been deaf to your call to serve, as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.

People: Have mercy on us, Lord.

Intercessor: We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives,

People: We confess to you, Lord.

Intercessor: Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people,

People: We confess to you, Lord.

Intercessor: Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,

People: We confess to you, Lord.

Intercessor: Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work,

People: We confess to you, Lord.

Intercessor: Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to commend the faith that is in us,

People: We confess to you, Lord.

Intercessor: Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done: for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,

People: Accept our repentance, Lord.

Intercessor: For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,

People: Accept our repentance, Lord.

Intercessor: For our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us,

People: Accept our repentance, Lord.

Intercessor: Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us;

People: Favorably hear us, for your mercy is great.

Intercessor: Accomplish in us the work of your salvation,

People: That we may show forth your glory in the world.

Intercessor: By the cross and passion of your Son our Lord,
People: Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.

Celebrant: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desires not the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live, has given power and commandment to his ministers to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins. He pardons and absolves all those who truly repent, and with sincere hearts believe his holy Gospel.

Therefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do on this day, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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 Peace

Deacon The peace of the Lord be always with you.
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!

1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance. Je - sus is mine! — O what a
 2. Per - feet sub - mis - sion, per - feet de - light. — Vi - sions of
 3. Per - feet sub - mis - sion, all is at rest. I in my

1. fore-taste of glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of
 2. rap - ture now burst on my sight; An - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a -
 3. sav - ior un hap - py and blest; Watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a -

1. God. — Born of His spir - it, washed in His blood. —
 2. boy — Ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. —
 3. boy. — Filled with His good - ness, lost in His love. —

This is my sto - ry, this is my song. — Prais - ing my

sav - ior all the day long. — This is my sto - ry, this is my

song. — Prais - ing my sav - ior all the day long. —

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 D

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 truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

✠ 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).

Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."** ✠

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling **Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.**

Celebrant and People: We praise you, we bless you, We give thanks to you, And we pray to you, Lord our God.

Celebrant: Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy and catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and 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,	Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
hallowed be thy Name,	santificado sea tu nombre;
thy kingdom come,	venga tu reino;
thy will be done,	hágase tu voluntad
on earth as it is in heaven.	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,	Perdona nuestras ofensas,
as we forgive those	como también nosotros perdonamos
who trespass against us.	a los que nos ofenden.
And lead us not into temptation,	No nos dejes caer en la tentación
but deliver us from evil.	y líbranos del mal.
For thine is the kingdom,	Porque tuyo es el reino,
and the power, and the glory,	el poder y la gloria,
for ever and ever. Amen.	ahora y por siempre. Amén.

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."

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 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.

Music During Communion

Post Communion Hymn #325 - "Let Us Break Bread Together"

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

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 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.

3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees;
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Refrain
 when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris-ing sun,
 O Lord, have mer-cy on me.

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

Celebrant May Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The Recessional

“Kind Maker of the World”

1. Kind Mak - er of the world, O hear
2. Each heart is man - i - fest to thee;
3. Spare us, O Lord, who now con - fess
4. Give us the self - con - trol that springs
5. Grant, O thou bless - ed Trin - i - ty,

The fer - vent pray'r, with ma - ny a tear
Thou know - est our in - fir - mi - ty;
Our sins and all our wick - ed - ness,
From ab - sti - nence in out - ward things,
Grant, O un - chang - ing U - ni - ty,

Poured forth by all the pen - i - tent
Now we re - pent and seek thy face;
And for the glo - ry of thy name,
That from each stain and spot of sin,
That this our fast of for - ty days

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 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.

Who keep this ho - ly fast of Lent!
 Grant un - to us thy par - d'ning grace.
 Our weak - en'd souls to health re - claim.
 Our souls may keep the fast with - in.
 May work our prof - it and thy praise! A - men.

✠ The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Three-Fold Amen

Postlude

Please remember in your prayers:

Elizabeth Grace & the Mattson Family, John, Marian, Michael, Bob, Janice, Barbara, Angie, Jerry, Paul, Braiden, Diane, Judith, Lydia, Jeff, Beth Ann, Mose, Ed, Daphne, Peg, Stephanie, Bertha, Lily, Carol, Steve, Lori, Patrick, Kyle, Betsy, Bud Dissinger, Katie, Jim, Brandon, Kathleen, Liam and our 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 & all indigenous peoples;

Those serving in the military;

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Nativity Cathedral, Bethlehem; Calvary Chapel, Beartown; Transfiguration, Blue Ridge Summit

Diocese of Kajo Keji St. James Longira Parish

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