

# The Holy Eucharist: Enriching Our Worship

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 24, 2025 • 10:15 a.m.

# HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the glories of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.

The people's responses are in **bold**.

This type of note, offering directions about the service, is called a "rubric," which comes from the Latin word rubrica (red)—referring to a time when these instructional notes were always written in red.

# The Word of God

# THE ENTRANCE RITE

When the service is accompanied by music, it often begins with an instrumental piece of music, during which the congregation can prepare for worship.

# **PRELUDE**

Land of Rest George Shearing

We begin our worship as a gathered community by praising God in song. The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN • #598

Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth Sung by all

Mit Freuden zart

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN MAY BE FOUND ON THE NEXT PAGE.



#### **WELCOME**

We acknowledge that our worship is taking place in the aboriginal territories of the Salish and Kalispel people.

#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

The People standing as able, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God, for ever and ever.

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

This prayer was an English rendering of a Latin prayer that began the liturgy in the medieval church before the Reformation. It remains a distinctive part of Episcopal worship to this day.

The Celebrant may say

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.* 

#### SONG OF PRAISE • CANTICLE 20: GLORY TO GOD

The Gloria, or some other song of praise, centers the service on the God we gather to praise in our worship.

The following is said, all standing as able

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 FOR THE DAY

The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that "collects" or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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 People are seated for the lessons, and when there is Children's Worship, the children leave for Children's Worship. The children will return for Holy Eucharist.

#### THE FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10

This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

<sup>4</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

5"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,

and before you were born I consecrated you;

I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

<sup>6</sup>Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me.

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';

for you shall go to all to whom I send you,

and you shall speak whatever I command you.

<sup>8</sup>Do not be afraid of them,

for I am with you to deliver you,

says the LORD."

<sup>9</sup>Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth.

<sup>10</sup>See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,

to pluck up and to pull down,

to destroy and to overthrow,

to build and to plant."

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

The People remain seated.

#### THE PSALM

The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another.

Reader Our response to the first reading is a portion of Psalm 71 found in the service leaflet. Please pray

it with me.

# PSALM: Psalm 71:1-6

<sup>1</sup>In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; \*

let me never be ashamed.

<sup>2</sup>In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \*

incline your ear to me and save me.

<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \*

you are my crag and my stronghold.

<sup>4</sup>Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \*

from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, \*

my confidence since I was young.

<sup>6</sup>I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; \* my praise shall be always of you.

# **THE SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29**

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

The people sit.

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

<sup>18</sup>You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, <sup>19</sup>and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. <sup>20</sup>(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." <sup>21</sup>Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") <sup>22</sup>But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, <sup>23</sup>and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup>and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

<sup>25</sup>See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! <sup>26</sup>At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." <sup>27</sup>This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. <sup>28</sup>Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; <sup>29</sup>for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

The People stand as able to sing the hymn.

#### **SEQUENCE HYMN • #304**

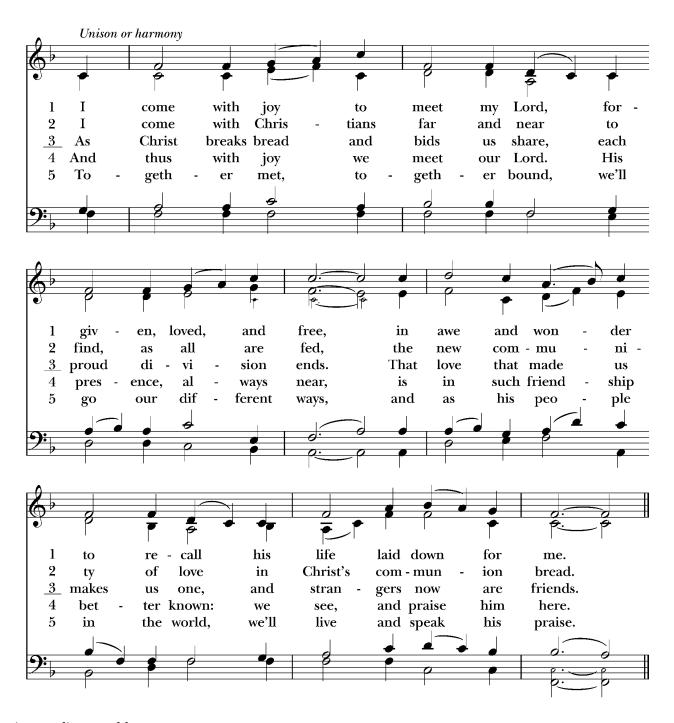
I come with joy to meet my Lord

Sung by all

Land of Rest

The sequence hymn moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means "good news"—specifically the "good news of Jesus."

THE SEQUENCE HYMN MAY BE FOUND ON THE NEXT PAGE.



Remain standing as able.

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17

This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

# People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>10</sup>Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup>And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. <sup>12</sup>When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment."

<sup>13</sup>When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. <sup>14</sup>But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath until his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? <sup>16</sup>And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" <sup>17</sup>When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The Gospel of our Savior.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*The People are seated at the invitation of the preacher.* 

#### THE SERMON

The Rev. Gretchen Strohmaier

The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

The People stand as able.

#### THE NICENE CREED

The word "creed" comes from the Latin "credo" for "I believe." First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: the Holy Trinity.

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

We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the Universal Church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.

The People stand, as able, or sit or kneel.

Intercessor The Prayers of the People are guided by Form 4 found on page 388 of the Book

of Common Prayer and in the service leaflet. Please pray them with me.

In reverence and awe, let us pray for the Church and the world.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of the Province of South East Asia. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the community of Virginia City and the congregation of St. Paul's Episcopal Church with Janet Doornbus as Senior Warden. We also pray for Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop; for Marty Stebbins, our Bishop; and for our priests, deacons, and lay leaders at Holy Spirit and across the Diocese.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

God of love and mercy

Hear our prayer.

Open our ears to your guidance of the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

God of love and mercy

Hear our prayer.

Open our eyes, and give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may steward its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

God of love and mercy

Hear our prayer.

Open our hearts to your blessing of all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

#### Silence

# God of love and mercy

# Hear our prayer.

Open our arms to join with you as you comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Today we pray especially for:

Frank, Anthony, and Benjamin Horton Marleigh Flanigan Dan Bert and Nora Horton Jennifer, Mark and Jacob Sullivan Joan Chaussee **Bob Simons** Beth Robert Hadlow **Betty Rice** Peg Jari Davis Laura and Cannon Janel Lew and Robin Mueller Linda T. Paula **Dolores Criswell** Christina Errebo Patrick Nancy Callen Maggi Teague Ray Kathy Adams Dan Shannon Paula and family Jeanne Greg Michael Ayers and family Mari, Brian and baby Mary Family and friends of the Ruybalid family Jone and Jesse Moe Peggy Deeds Peter and Malcolm Smith Sam Doug Harris and family Ben and Alexis Clark Wanda Mae Nan Ellingson Anna Goodfriend Tim Dennis Beary Jean Larson Graham Cile Shepherd Tom Ard Carol Terry Whatley Dylan Taylor Mary Louise

Danielle Dimmock

The staff and patients of al-Ahli Hospital in Gaza City

And for those who are sick, in prison, oppressed, addicted, suicidal, fearful, or without enough food, shelter, or sense of community.

And we also pray for:

- the students, teachers, and staff who will begin their year at Hellgate High School this week
- our national, state, and local leaders and their work on our behalf
- those involved in fighting wildfires
- peace and right action in war zones, borderlands, and negotiations
- and the other people and concerns on our hearts which we lift to you now

The People may add their own petitions

Silence

God of love and mercy

# Hear our prayer.

Shaped by the memories we hold, we commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. We pray especially this morning for Carol Garlington, Barbara Lang and Sgt. Shawn Bullwinkel and for any others you may wish to remember, silently or aloud.

The People may add their own petitions

Silence

God of love and mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you,

opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other,

in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us

through our Savior Jesus Christ,

that we may abide in your love

and serve only your will. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

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

#### THE PEACE

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord and then are seated.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# The Holy Communion

#### THE OFFERTORY

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, confessed our sins, received forgiveness and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

All are invited to make a gift to support Holy Spirit's ministry of sharing God's love with our community and the world by texting HOLYSPIRITGIVE to (833) 714-3270 or by visiting <a href="http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/">http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/</a>. You may also put your gift in the offering plate or by scanning the QR code below to give to the General Fund:



The altar is prepared for Holy Communion

## **DOXOLOGY** • #380, vs. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

<u>Hymnal 1982</u>

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.

St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711) This selection is in the public domain.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

#### **SURSUM CORDA**

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### Celebrant

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey;

And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation:

#### **SANCTUS**

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel as able.

We recall God's acts of salvation history. The presider says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

#### The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine,

said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

## Celebrant and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

#### The Celebrant continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ.

Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with [blessed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and] all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

The Great Amen is when the congregation with a unified great voice concurs with all that the presider has prayed. It is the only "Amen" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the greatness of the congregation's response.

#### Celebrant and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be said

#### **FRACTION ANTHEM**

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

#### **INVITATION**

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and respond to receiving Communion by saying "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. Receiving the bread only is full participation in the Eucharist. Wine is also available, and you may drink from the common cup or dip your wafer in the intinction cup. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest. Those who wish to have Holy Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.

#### PRAYER FOR SENDING FORTH EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

When this prayer is needed, the Celebrant and People say

In the name of Holy Spirit Episcopal Church we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood. We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

# THE BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, saying

God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always. *Amen*.

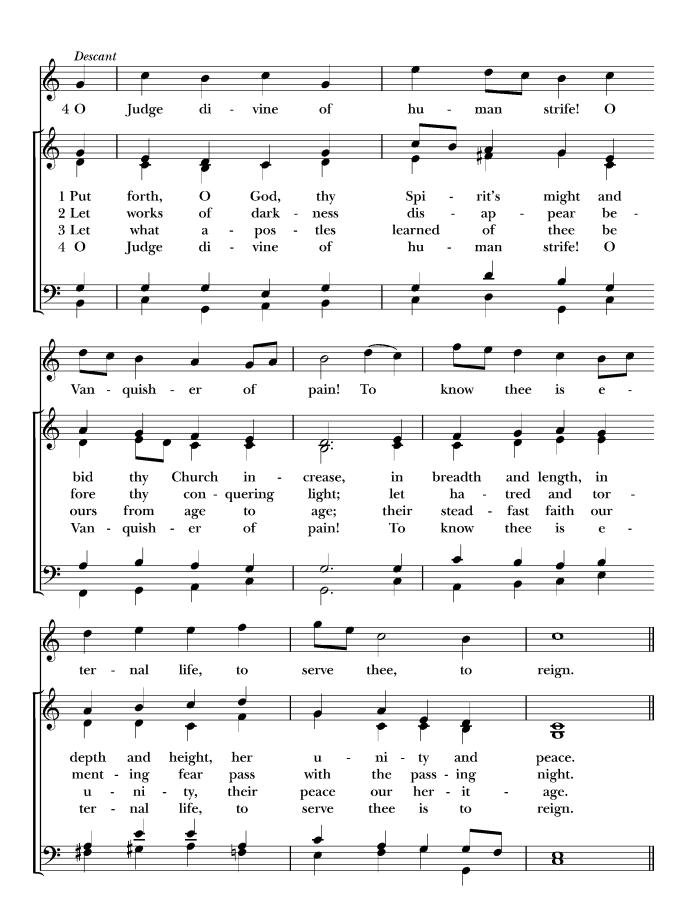
#### POST-COMMUNION HYMN • #521

Put forth, O God, thy Spirit's might

Sung by all

Chelsea Square

THE POST-COMMUNION HYMN MAY BE FOUND ON THE NEXT PAGE.



#### **DISMISSAL**

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people with these words

Let us go forth into the world, in reverence and awe of Christ's love in action.

People Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

Trumpet Tune in F Brenda Portman

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THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Carol Garlington, by Myra Shults, Joanna Lester, Barbara Blegen, and Judith Blegen; and in loving memory of Keith's mother, Barbara Lang, by Keith and Wendy Kuhn.

# Participants in the Service

Presider, Preacher, and Celebrant | The Rev. Gretchen Strohmaier

**Deacon** | The Ven. Dorcie Dvarishkis

**Director of Music** | Dr. Nancy Cooper

Crucifer | Pat King, Jesse Jaeger shadowing

Children's Worship Storyteller and Doorkeeper | Katie Nederhoed and Beverley Sherman

Lectors/Lay Eucharistic Ministers | Jesse Jaeger, Torian Donohoe

**Intercessor** | Carla Mettling

Ushers | Holly and Gary Swartz

Altar Guild | Tracey Gage, Caitlin Sherman

Coffee Hour Hosts | Lori Cordis and Keith and Wendy Kuhn

Counters | Lance Collister, Beverley Sherman

DINING BUILDING

**Videographer** | PJ Willett

#### **GROW WITH US**

Everything we do at Holy Spirit, including today's in-person and online services, is made possible because of people like you. We rely on your donations to make our mission and ministry possible. In these challenging times, your support is needed more than ever. If this service has been meaningful for you, we encourage you to give as you're able to help Holy Spirit continue to serve our community and the greater world. Visit <a href="http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/">http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/</a> or give on our church app or text **HOLYSPIRITGIVE** to (833) 714-3270 to give on your smartphone. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

#### WE WELCOME THOSE NEW TO OUR WORSHIP!

Newcomers and guests are always welcome at Holy Spirit Episcopal Church. Our service today uses the service leaflet, and a service leaflet is also available online. The QR code to access the bulletin page of the website is available in the pews. Just scan it with the camera on your phone. We hope you will take a moment to complete the blue Visitor's Card found in the pew and place it in the offertory plate as it passes.

#### SOCIAL MEDIA/MARKETING OPT-OUT

Holy Spirit posts photos of activities and events on Facebook and Instagram, as well as on our website. We know many people are just fine with this and enjoy seeing their photos at everything from picnics to baptisms.

However, if you would like to opt out of this practice for yourself or your family, please let the office know. We will do our best to honor this request.

#### NAME TAG PICK UP!

Many new name tags are in and ready in the Parish Hall this Sunday. Come and check to see if yours is there!

# CHILDREN'S WORSHIP/GODLY PLAY CONTINUES THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER. PLEASE JOIN US!

Our Godly Play journey for our children this summer will be full of stories of the first people and places we come to know in the Bible. Your children are welcome to explore with us, any and every Sunday, all summer long!

# WELCOME BACK, HELLGATE STUDENTS!

As a new school year begins next week for our Hellgate High School neighbors, Deacon Dorcie Dvarishkis and Hellgate Ministry members will have our Holy Spirit flag a-flying in our parking lot corner on August 27 and 28 by our table of free snacks, coffee, and hot chocolate. If you would like to explore becoming a Hellgate Ministry member this school year, please reach out to A'Lisa Scott, our Hellgate Ministry Coordinator, or Deacon Dorcie through the Church office at 406-542-2167. Thank you!

# URGENT NEED FOR SLEEPING BAGS AND TENTS FOR OUR HOUSELESS NEIGHBORS

Have you cleaned out your garage this summer only to discover you have 7 adult-sized sleeping bags? Plus 3 one-or two-person tents? Have we got an urgent need for you!

As many of you already know, the Johnson Street Shelter for houseless individuals is closing the end of August. The Homeless Outreach Team from the Poverello Center, better known as the HOT team, is inviting community members to a Johnson Street Farewell Gathering to be held at the shelter located at 1919 North Avenue West on Friday, August 29, from 4 p.m to 7 p.m. In these days leading up to the closure, the HOT team is hoping to receive 100 tents and sleeping bags to give to our houseless neighbors as many face an uncertain future. Please bring your donations to the Poverello Center at 1110 West Broadway or to the Johnson Street Shelter by August 29. Questions? Please contact the hotteam@thepoverellocenter.org. Thanks so much for your support.

-- Lucia Solorzano Work, Social Concerns Committee

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY WITH FAMILY PROMISE IN SEPTEMBER**

Four times a year, Holy Spirit parishioners feed unhoused families at the Meadowlark Shelter, while they search for housing. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> week is coming up from September 7<sup>th</sup> through September 13<sup>th</sup>. We could still use help serving the meal on Thursday and Friday, or providing salad, fruit, or dessert throughout the week. To sign up, if you are already a Family Promise volunteer, go directly to the sign-up sheet at

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D4AA5AB2DA2FA7-45123927-family#1

If you are not a volunteer, contact me to join our group of volunteers at 406-203-7177. Thanks for your help with this important ministry.

-- Carla Mettling, Family Promise Coordinator

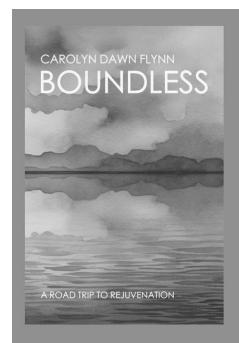
#### JOIN US FOR KICKOFF SUNDAY ON SEPTEMBER 7!

We are thrilled to invite you to our Kickoff Sunday event on September 7! This is a wonderful opportunity for our Church Family to come together and start the new program year and the Season of Creation with faith, hope, and grace.

# **Kickoff Sunday Highlights:**

- **Two Inspiring Services:** Join us at 8 a.m. for peaceful, contemplative worship and at 10:15 a.m. for uplifting worship, featuring the return of our beloved Holy Spirit Choir.
- **Special Coffee Hour:** After the 8 a.m. service, enjoy a special Coffee Hour with your fellow congregants. It's a great chance to connect with our 8 a.m. community!
- **Kickoff Sunday Picnic:** Following the 10:15 a.m. service, head over to Bonner Park for our Kickoff Sunday Picnic. Bring your favorite entree, side dish, salad, or dessert to share. You can store your picnic items in the church refrigerator or keep them warm in the oven during worship.
- Wholly Fun Crew: The Wholly Fun Crew will have tables set up at the park, as well as all necessary plates, utensils, paper items, and coolers of drinks ready for us to enjoy a delightful picnic together.

Your participation will make this day even more special. Mark your calendars and join us for a day filled with faith, fellowship and fun!



# A Memoir & Mini-Retreat

Deepening our Experience of God's Story, through reflecting on One Woman's Story

Missoula, Stevensville & Polson You are invited to meet author Carolyn Flynn!

Dinner
Opening Meditation
Presentation
Conversation

WHEN September 30, 5:30-7:30 PM
WHERE Holy Spirit Episcopal Church

**RSVP** Rev. Gretchen Strohmaier Gretchen@holyspiritmissoula.org



## HOLY SPIRIT VESTRY

The Rev. Gretchen Strohmaier, Co-Rector
The Rev. Terri Ann Grotzinger (retired), Co-Rector
Molly Bowler, Senior Warden
Charlie Swannack, Junior Warden
Blake Lineweaver, Clerk of Vestry
James Wiley, Treasurer

Vestry Members, listed with the year their terms expire:

2025	2026	2027
Alice Caplins	Molly Bowler	Julie Benson
Patti Beckley	Lance Collister	Keith Kuhn
Blake Lineweaver	Glenn Hladek	Beverley Sherman
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Our 10:15 a.m. worship service is livestreamed via video for our online congregation. By participating in this service, you acknowledge that you may be visible on live broadcast or archived video. If you are uncomfortable about the possibility of appearing on video, please see an usher to be reseated in a more private area.