

The Holy Eucharist: Enriching Our Worship

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 19, 2025 • 8 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

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 Presider says

Presider 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 Presider 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 OF 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.

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession 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.

THE FIRST READING: Genesis 32:22-31

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 Genesis.

²²[Jacob] got up [at night] and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

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 Psalm 121, found in the service leaflet. Please pray it with me.

PSALM: Psalm 121

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills; * from where is my help to come? ²Mv help comes from the LORD, * the maker of heaven and earth. ³He will not let your foot be moved * and he who watches over you will not fall asleep. ⁴Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel * shall neither slumber nor sleep; ⁵The LORD himself watches over you; * the LORD is your shade at your right hand, ⁶So that the sun shall not strike you by day, * nor the moon by night. ⁷The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; * it is he who shall keep you safe. 8The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, * from this time forth for evermore.

THE SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 3:14--4:5

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 remain seated.

A Reading from Paul's Second Letter to Timothy.

¹⁴As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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

People Thanks be to God.

All stand, as able.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 18:1-8

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.

¹Jesus told [the disciples] a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" ⁴And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ¬And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? [®]I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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. Eric Huseth, Emmaus Campus Ministry

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, sit, or kneel as they are able.

Intercessor The Prayers of the People are guided by Form 3, found on page 387 of the

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

Lord, your love will be our strength and stay while ages roll.

Understanding that there are many things that can unite and divide us, O God, we pray for your holy catholic Church:

That we all may be one.

You watch over how we move through this world. Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Episcopal Church. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the community of Butte and St. John's, with Jim Fay as Senior Warden.

We 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.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

For the body of this and all nations, we pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Help us to be persistent, whether the time is favorable or unfavorable. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Sustain the people of this congregation who desire or need your presence and help, especially those on our prayer list who we silently lift to you now.

Silence

Frank, Anthony, and Benjamin Horton Marleigh Flanigan Dan Bert and Nora Horton Jennifer, Mark and Jacob Sullivan **Bob Simons** Joan Chaussee Graham Betty Rice Robert Hadlow Peg Dolores Criswell Laura and Cannon Janel Lew and Robin Mueller Linda T. Paula Christina Errebo Nancy Callen Tim Kathy Adams Babara Behan Ray *Paula and family* Dan Shannon Michael Ayers and family Jeanne Greg Family and friends of the Ruybalid family *Mari*, *Brian* and baby Mary Doug Harris and family Jone and Jesse Moe Danielle Dimmock Peter and Malcolm Smith Sam Margaret Francis Tom Ard Wanda Dylan Taylor

Holly Rollins and the Corrick family

Chuck Teague and family

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

All whose homelands are now war zones

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We pray especially for Orson Murray, for those lost to disease, destruction, or violence, and for the others we remember to you now.

Silence

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence.

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 Presider 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 as able. The Presider says to the people

Presider 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.

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 http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/. 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

All say in unison as the Offering is received and blessed

All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.

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

The People stand as able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift 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 It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life

and fountain of mercy.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

SANCTUS

The Sanctus (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

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you.

This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,

do this for the remembrance of me."
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [______ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

The Celebrant then continues

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

The blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

DISMISSAL

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

Let us go in peace and persistence to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her father Orson Murray, by Audrey Murray.

Participants in the Service

Presider, Preacher and Celebrant Deacon The New Eric Huseth, Emmaus Campus Ministry
The New Dorcie Dvarishkis
Lector/Lay Eucharistic Minister Usher Michael Irwin
Altar Guild Lori Cordis, Beverly Maas

WELCOME TO HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

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 in the pew and place it in the offertory plate as it passes.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

This Sunday, we welcome Pastor Eric Huseth, Executive Director of Emmaus Campus Ministry, to our worship services. Emmaus is a ministry of ELCA Lutherans in partnership with The Episcopal Church USA, the United Church of Christ, and the Methodist Church, and is welcoming of all perspectives, and during the week Eric can be found around The Ark or Emmaus House.

TRYING SOMETHING NEW IN WORSHIP IN OCTOBER

For the month of October we will try two new practices in our worship, and we want your FEEDBACK. How do these practices change, enhance or inhibit your worship experience?

- 1. Rather than read the names during the Prayers of the People we will allow a time of silence for the congregation to pray for those on the list on their own.
- 2. **And** we will not have verbal announcements, highlighting events that are already listed in the bulletin. We will have special speakers during announcements (like Alms Sunday speakers or Stewardship

speakers) but no announcements to draw attention to those events that are already printed.

So....come experience some changes in October and then let us know how it feels. How does it shape your worship experience? You can share your feedback at the door as you leave or send us an email: gretchen@holyspiritmissoula.org.

WHAT IS BEING REVEALED – STEWARDSHIP 2026

Even now, God is preparing us and this place to welcome a new rector. This year, as we look forward, your gifts to support our church life at Holy Spirit are more important than ever. We invite you to join in with a new gift or an increased gift on **Stewardship Sunday**, **November 2**. Be sure to check your mail this week for an invitation from our Co-Rectors to make your annual gift.

WELCOME SCOTT JOURDONNAIS

Our Stewardship speaker this week is Scott Jourdonnais. Scott, with Mary Beth and their family, is carrying on the tradition of five generations of the Jourdonnais family worshipping at Holy Spirit. Scott has served for several terms as a Vestry member, has been senior warden, and is a longtime Lay Eucharistic Minister. He's also cared for a long time about Holy Spirit's role in the diocese, and most recently he was named Canon of the Ordinary to assist Bishop Marty Stebbins. It's great to hear from Scott this morning!

TODAY IS HELLGATE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER ALMS SUNDAY

Our Traffic Education Scholarships for Hellgate students in need help them learn to drive, and so much more. We'll learn more about Scholarship needs today, as one avenue among many where we work to support our Hellgate student neighbors through the Hellgate Family Resource Center (FRC) team. Thank you for your support of today's Alms Sunday focus, and please connect with Hellgate Ministry Coordinator A'Lisa Scott for volunteer and other support needs.

Please place your contributions for Traffic Education Scholarships in the basket in the back of the church, or you can make your donation through our giving platform Pushpay, either on the church app or the church website, http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/. Just choose "Hellgate Ministry" from the dropdown menu of funds.

LAST CALL: RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS FOR THE HOLIDAY MARKET!

Holy Spirit's 2025 Raffle & Silent Auction is almost here—and today is the final day to contribute! Help us make this beloved tradition a success by donating items for our themed baskets or silent auction.

- Donation basket available in the Parish Hall—today only!
- All items needed by end of day, Sunday, October 19
- Ticket sales begin Sunday, October 26
- Drawing will be held Sunday, November 9

Raffle Basket Themes

We're building themed baskets and would love your help filling them:

- Death by Chocolate Basket: Premium chocolates of all kinds
- Wine Basket & Manhattan Basket: Wine, whiskey, vermouth, and cocktail goodies
- Children's Basket: Toys, games, puzzles, crafts—something special for little ones
- Flavored Oil & Vinegar Basket: Gourmet olive oils and vinegars

Gift Certificate Donations for the Raffle

We're also seeking gift certificates for local experiences and services—think soup kitchen, cinema, massage, and more. These make wonderful raffle items.

Silent Auction Donations

Have a unique item that might delight others? We welcome contributions such as:

- Art
- Jewelry
- Handmade crafts
- Anything beautiful, useful, or intriguing!

Questions or ideas? Want to help? Please contact Diane Rasmuson at 406-493-9313. Thank you for your generosity and creativity—we're so grateful!

RAFFLE TICKET VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We're looking for two friendly volunteers to help sell raffle tickets after church on the following Sundays: **October 26, November 2, and November 9.** If you're available to lend a hand, please sign up in the Parish Hall after any service, or call Diane Rasmuson at **406-493-6192**.

Thank you for supporting this fun and meaningful effort!

EARLY SHOPPING, GREAT COMPANY—VOLUNTEER FOR THE HOLIDAY MARKET!

Come, sign-up this Sunday in the Parish Hall to help out with this year's Holiday Market. Your presence is needed in setting up the market Monday - Thursday, November 3-6 and for sale days Friday and Saturday, November 7 and 8. Or, you could help furnish a light lunch during the week for our volunteers. If you've yet to experience the behind-the-scenes of the Market, here's the perfect opportunity. (Early shopping privileges, too!) Join us in whatever hours you can in the shared laughter and camaraderie as we put together yet another splendid Holiday Market. No experience required!

LEND A HAND, FILL A HEART

Fundraising Envelope Assembly for the Missoula Food Bank

Parish Hall | Tuesday, October 21 at 5:00 PM

Join us for a simple, hands-on way to support our local food bank's vital work. We have learned that volunteer letter stuffing can really help the Food Bank save money. So we will have regular opportunities to gather to fold, stuff and seal a variety of different mailings for them. Join others for this fun and easy volunteer event.

We'll gather in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, October 21 to fill fundraising envelopes that will be mailed to donors—helping ensure no one in our community goes hungry this season. Bring a friend, share a laugh, and be part of something meaningful.

& Text or call Rosemary at 406-570-7074 to sign up or add your name to the sheet in the Parish Hall. Let's turn envelopes into impact—together.

INQUIRERS GATHERINGS CONTINUE THROUGH OCTOBER

Curious about Holy Spirit Parish or The Episcopal Church? Rev. Terri is hosting Inquirers Gatherings on Tuesday evenings in October—October 7, 14, 21 & 28—from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Guild Room. The gatherings are already underway, but newcomers are always welcome to inquire!

Whether you're new or simply seeking deeper connection, these gatherings offer a chance to ask questions, explore our faith tradition, and meet others on the journey.

To learn more, contact the Parish Office at 406-542-2167 or office@holyspiritmissoula.org.

PARKING LOT CLEANUP – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 9:00 A.M. TO NOON

Join us for a fall morning of fellowship and fresh air as we tidy up the plantings around the church parking lot. From trimming bushes to pulling weeds and hauling debris, there's plenty to do—and no special gardening skills required!

We'll gather at 9:00 a.m. and wrap up by noon. If you have rakes, loppers, clippers, or gloves, please bring them along. An additional truck would be a huge help for hauling—if you can bring one, let us know!

Come lend a hand, enjoy the company of fellow parishioners, and help keep our grounds looking beautiful. All ages welcome—there's a job for everyone! Questions? Contact Don Gisselbeck at (406) 546-3892 or dongisselbeck@yahoo.com.

PUMPKIN CARVING AND HALLOWEEN POTLUCK!

Hear ye; hear ye, all HSP parishioners. Get out your carving knives and let your jack-o'-lantern visions run wild. Then head to the church for a pumpkin creation party and Halloween potluck, Sunday, October 26, at 4 pm, in the Parish Hall. Holy Spirit will provide the pumpkins; you provide your carving tools and a dish to share at the 5:30 potluck. There will be awesome prizes for the best pumpkins, as selected by the Wholly Fun Committee. Bring your children or grandchildren. Costumes are welcome but not required.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS PRESENTATION: CYBERSECURITY & YOU Wednesday, October 29 | 6:30 PM Parish Hall

Have you ever received a suspicious email, a strange phone call, or an offer that felt just a little too good to be true? You're not alone—and you're not to blame. Scams are designed to trick caring, trusting people.

Join us for a vital Community Concerns presentation on *personal cybersecurity*, led by experts from **LMG Security**, a nationally recognized Missoula-based organization. Presenter **Matt** brings deep knowledge and a lively, engaging style that promises to make this an enlightening and empowering evening.

Learn how to spot scams, protect your personal information, and secure your digital life. Whether you've been one click away from a costly mistake or simply want to stay ahead of the curve, this session is for you.

Bring your phone or laptop for hands-on tips and tools to help safeguard your cyber world.

"It's not a question of if—but when—you'll be targeted. Let's be ready."

All are welcome. No shame, no judgment—just practical help and community support. Please join us!

JOIN OUR WOMEN'S GROUP: LIVING OUR FAITH TOGETHER

Looking for a welcoming space to grow in your faith alongside other women? Join our **Practicalities of Faith** group, where meaningful conversation and genuine community await you. All women are invited—bring a friend and experience support and inspiration together.

The group, led by Julie Benson, will meet on the following dates in the Guild Room from 1-2:30 p.m.:

November 12 and 19

December 3 and 17

Please come to any or all sessions as you are available! Registration is not required.

LET'S GET CRAFTY!

Join the Holy Spirit Crafters on Tuesdays from 10 am - 12 pm upstairs in the Parish Hall continuing through October 28th. Come any Tuesday and stay as long as your schedule allows. Step by step instructions on making holiday decorations and ornaments are provided. No experience is necessary. This is a great way to meet other parishioners. For more information about the Craft Group, contact Sue Lowery at 406-546-8401 or slower 14@ gmail.com.

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.

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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