



The Holy Eucharist: Enriching Our Worship

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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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, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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: Joel 2:23-32

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 Joel.

²³O children of Zion, be glad
and rejoice in the LORD your God;
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,
he has poured down for you abundant rain,
the early and the later rain, as before.

²⁴The threshing floors shall be full of grain,
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

²⁵I will repay you for the years
that the swarming locust has eaten,
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,
my great army, which I sent against you.

²⁶You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
and praise the name of the LORD your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you.
And my people shall never again be put to shame.
²⁷You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,

and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other.
And my people shall never again be put to shame.

²⁸Then afterward

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.

²⁹Even on the male and female slaves,
in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

³⁰I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. ³¹The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes. ³²Then everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

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

PSALM: Psalm 65

¹**You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; *
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.**

²**To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, *
because of their transgressions.**

³**Our sins are stronger than we are, *
but you will blot them out.**

⁴**Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there! *
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
by the holiness of your temple.**

⁵**Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,
O God of our salvation, *
O Hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the seas that are far away.**

⁶**You make fast the mountains by your power; *
they are girded about with might.**

⁷**You still the roaring of the seas, *
the roaring of their waves,
and the clamor of the peoples.**

⁸**Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; *
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.**

⁹**You visit the earth and water it abundantly;**

you make it very plenteous; *
the river of God is full of water.

¹⁰You prepare the grain, *
for so you provide for the earth.

¹¹You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

¹²You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.

¹³May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.

¹⁴May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.

THE SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

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.

⁶As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

¹⁶At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

All stand, as able.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 18:9-14

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.

⁹[Jesus] told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³But the tax

collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

People The Gospel of our Savior.
 Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

Kara Hanson, Godly Play Storyteller

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.

O God of our salvation, O Hope of all the ends of the earth, we pray for your holy catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

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 Church in Wales. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the community of Columbia Falls and All Saints', with Jonathan Coffee as Interim Rector.

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.

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.

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.

Longer silence

Frank, Anthony, and Benjamin Horton

Bert and Nora Horton

Joan Chaussee

Betty Rice

Dolores Criswell

Lew and Robin Mueller

Nancy Callen

Kathy Adams

Paula and family

Michael Ayers and family

Family and friends of the Ruybalid family

Doug Harris and family

Marleigh Flanigan

Jennifer, Mark and Jacob

Bob Simons

Robert Hadlow

Laura and Cannon

Linda T.

Christina Errebo

Babara Behan

Dan

Jeanne

Jone and Jesse

Peter and Malcolm Smith

Dan

Sullivan

Graham

Peg

Janel

Paula

Tim

Ray

Shannon

Greg

Mary

Moe

Danielle Dimmock
Margaret Francis
Holly Rollins and the Corrick family
The staff and patients of Al-Ahli Hospital in Gaza City
All whose homelands are now war zones
Those facing uncertainty in their employment

Tom Ard
Dylan Taylor
Chuck Teague and family

Sam
Wanda

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 Patrick Corrick, Loel and John Carson and Jim and Jack Carson, 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.

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	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, 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.
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

<i>Celebrant</i>	We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
<i>People</i>	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 perseverance to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**



THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lucy's parents Loel and John Carson and her brothers Jim and Jack, by Lucy and Bob Deaton.

Participants in the Service

<i>Presider and Celebrant</i>	<i>The Rev. Terri Ann Grotzinger</i>
<i>Deacon</i>	<i>The Ven. Dorcie Dvarishkis</i>
<i>Preacher</i>	<i>Kara Hanson, Godly Play Storyteller</i>
<i>Lector/Lay Eucharistic Minister</i>	<i>Jody Thomasson</i>
<i>Usher</i>	<i>Mark Dvarishkis</i>
<i>Altar Guild</i>	<i>Jody Thomasson</i>

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.

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**.

This past week your mail brought a message from Gretchen and Terri and an invitation to make your important annual gift to support the life of Holy Spirit Church for 2026. Please complete the Annual Giving Card that was included in the mailing and place it in the offering plate on or before our Stewardship Sunday on November 2. You may also make your Annual Gift online at <http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/annual-gift/>. And please remember to join us for a special "Thank you" coffee hour following the 10:15 a.m. service on Stewardship Sunday.

STEWARDSHIP SPEAKER TODAY IS SARA STREETER

Sara Streeter is one part of a dynamic duo, with her husband Jim, that is relatively new to Holy Spirit. In just two or so years, they're already making difference in a number of ways. Sara is contributing her leadership to the Creation Care Ministry and is part of our new Audit Team. And that makes sense because she for a number of years headed up accounting for Mountain Water. Thank you, and welcome, Sara!

PUMPKIN CARVING AND HALLOWEEN POTLUCK – THIS SUNDAY!

Join us for a spooktacular evening of creativity, community, and delicious food!

 **Sunday, October 26 at 4:00 pm in the Parish Hall**

Pumpkin carving begins at 4 p.m.; dinner at 5:30 p.m.

Holy Spirit will provide the pumpkins—just bring your carving tools and your best jack-o’-lantern ideas. After the carving fun, stick around for a Halloween-themed potluck at 5:30 pm. Costumes are welcome (but not required), and children and grandchildren are warmly invited!

 Prizes will be awarded for the most creative pumpkins, courtesy of the Wholly Fun Committee.

Let’s celebrate the season with laughter, lanterns, and a table full of treats!

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!

CALLING NEW VESTRY MEMBERS FOR 2026

If you’ve been waiting for the right time to be part of Holy Spirit Vestry, this could be the year. We are seeking several new Vestry members for the next three-year term.

Interested in exploring this meaningful work for our parish? Contact Gretchen Strohmaier at the church office, 406-542-2167, or Molly Bowler, Senior Warden, at 406-529-6847.

HOLIDAY MARKET RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE!

Let the holiday fun begin! Raffle tickets for our Holiday Market Raffle and Silent Auction go on sale this Sunday, October 26. Thanks to your generous donations, we have an incredible variety of prizes for all ages—you’ll want to drop tickets in nearly every jar!

Tickets will also be available:

- Sunday, November 2
- During the Holiday Market (Friday & Saturday, November 7–8)

The drawing will take place on **Sunday, November 9**—don’t miss your chance to take home something special!

Thank you for making this one of our most exciting and diverse raffles yet!

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!

HELP US GET READY FOR THE HOLIDAY MARKET!

The Holiday Market is almost here—and we'd love your help to make it a joyful success!

Donate Your Holiday Treasures

We're collecting clean, gift-worthy items to delight shoppers and support our parish. Popular donations include:

- Holiday décor
- Christmas books
- Vintage & antique pieces
- Jewelry
- Needle & fabric arts
- Wood-crafted items
- New or regiftable items (preferably in their original boxes)

Donation Drop-Off

Bring donations before or after church on **Sunday, November 2**, or between **9 a.m.–2 p.m. on Monday & Tuesday, November 3–4**. Need to drop off early? Contact **Sue Lowery** at slower14@gmail.com or **406-546-8401**.

Shop the Market

Join us for two festive days of shopping:

- Friday, November 7, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
- Saturday, November 8, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.

Enjoy the Coffee Bar, browse handmade crafts, jewelry, antiques, holiday décor, and discover the Regiftable Shop—Missoula's best-kept secret for ready-to-gift treasures!

Let's celebrate the season and the generous spirit of our Holy Spirit community. **See you at the Market!**

LAST WEEK TO JOIN THE HOLIDAY MARKET CRAFT GROUP!

Calling all crafters, creators, and Christmas elves! This Tuesday, October 28 is your final chance to join the Holy Spirit Craft Group as we prepare handmade ornaments and festive décor for the Holiday Market.

We meet from 10:00 am to 12 noon in the craft room upstairs in the parish hall (across from the Choir Room). No experience needed—all supplies provided, and all are welcome! Come for the crafting, stay for the camaraderie.

Questions? Contact Sue Lowery at (406) 546-8401 or slower14@gmail.com.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS NOVEMBER 2

It's time to Fall Back! Remember to turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, November 1. Daylight Savings Time ends on November 2 at 2 a.m.

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.

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.

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