



The Weekly Newsletter of St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Next Steps

An Update from the Senior Warden

Hello to everyone,

I know there are a lot of questions about what happens after Fr. Steve's departure the week of June 21. Speaking for the Vestry, I can't answer a lot of your questions at this time, but I can provide some broad responses based on a Zoom meeting I had last week with Bishops Ed and Poulson as well as some email exchanges with them. Here's a summary of what we've discussed as well as some other items I'd like to share with you:

- 1) The Diocese will provide a supply priest to St. Luke's beginning Sunday, June 28. The bishops are currently talking with a candidate who can provide both "consistent pastoral and sacramental presence at St. Luke's," in the words of Bishop Ed. We will know soon whether this specific person accepts this temporary role, and if not, the Diocese will continue working to find one. In short, the Bishops assured me that "they've got our back" and appreciate the urgency of our circumstances.
- 2) Parenthetically, I want you all to know that shortly after Fr. Steve's announcement, I discussed the role of supply priest with our own Fr. Bob Gates, and he graciously declined. Given the current public health situation and the vulnerability of our older members, Bob's decision is completely understandable. Bob has served in the supply priest role at least four times over the years, and he has earned his retirement many times over. We want only the best for Bob and Georgia. I should add that in response to some questions I've received, it is not appropriate for Fr. Lee Stephens to be approached.
- 3) Canon Eric Cooter, the new Canon of the Ordinary, is already on board about St. Luke's situation, so he will be up-to-speed when he officially assumes his post July 1. Canon Cooter will be our primary contact in helping us locate our next full-time rector.
- 4) Both Bishops Ed and Poulson are interested in having St. Luke's consider the Priest-in-Charge option in finding our next rector. This is a somewhat streamlined, less time-consuming process than the traditional search committee route. As I understand it, the Diocese does much of the vetting of candidates and presents recommendations to the vestry for consideration. The bishops will tell us more about this option over the next couple of weeks, and I and the Vestry members will be sharing that information with you. We are not committed to this process, but it is certainly worth our while to consider it carefully.
- 5) It appears that the Priest-in-Charge recruitment approach is being used increasingly in situations like ours, where an extensive congregational discernment process has been held in the fairly recent past – four years ago in our case. Importantly, the Priest-In-Charge can be called to be the church Rector after a given amount of time if the Vestry decides to do so. The just-retired Canon of the Ordinary, Michael Durning, helped a large number of Oklahoma congregations "fill the pulpit" during his tenure, with many of those rectors coming through the Priest-in-Charge route. Until we learn more, I caution everyone not to jump to conclusions, positive or negative, about this approach.
- 6) The Bishops are serving as a team during the transition of Diocese leadership. My sense is that over the next few weeks, our support from the Diocese will move more into the hands of Bishop Poulson and most directly from Canon Cooter upon his arrival, which is not that far off.

This is about everything I have to share at this time. I am not going to speculate or make assumptions, and I urge you all to be patient with me and the Vestry. Feel free to call or email me if you need clarification on the

(Senior Warden message, continued)

information above. You can also contact other Vestry members, who names and emails are listed elsewhere in this Steeple.

Keep foremost that we're all moving through this process together, and right now there aren't firm answers to all our questions our questions. There will be in time, but not now. Most of all, please pray for St. Luke's and our members. I'm confident that God, as always, is walking with us. Let's continue to keep our arms – and our minds – wide open to what the Lord has in store for us.

Dan Droege, Sr. Warden
On behalf of the Vestry



Sergeant Jim Warring Retirement Reception



Place: Squad Room
Bartlesville Police Department
615 S. Johnstone, Bartlesville

Date: Friday, June 12, 2020

Time: 2:00 pm

Event: Come and go reception

July 17, 1995 — July 17, 2020
In honor of Twenty-five years
of dedicated service
to the citizens of Bartlesville
and the Bartlesville
Police Department

Office Information: Roseanne is in the office Monday – Thursdays from 9:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. The north doors will be locked, but if you need anything, please ring the doorbell or call the office at 918-336-1212.

Chapel Schedule: the chapel is open during office hours Monday – Thursdays 9:15 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.

The Chapel lock is worn out. A new one has been ordered but it has not yet arrived.

Until the new lock is installed, call the office at 918-336-1212 to be admitted or ring the bell at the north doors.

Thank you!

Roseanne McKee
Office Manager/Asst. to Rector

Online & Mobile Giving Available

Online giving application is now available to St. Luke's members through the Tithe.ly mobile application or directly online from your home device. You can utilize either method of giving by going to this [Tithe.ly web page](https://get.tithe.ly/download-tithely-app) (<https://get.tithe.ly/download-tithely-app>). Complete instructions for using this convenience are provided on the home page of the [St. Luke's website](http://episcopalbartlesville.org) (<http://episcopalbartlesville.org>) or by picking Online Giving in the right-side menu.

Regardless of whether you can manage all or some of your normal giving, please continue to support our community of faith. And if you're not comfortable with virtual giving, there's always the old-fashioned way of mailing a check to the church office: St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 210 E 9th St, Bartlesville, OK 74003 *or* dropping a check into our locked mail slot to left of the north church doors.

Step-by-Step Instructions for Giving through Tithe.ly

- 1) Get started by going to Tithe.ly (yes, there's a dot between the "e" and the "l") and download the application. Go to: <https://get.tithe.ly/download-tithely-app>
- 2) From the above link, you may donate directly from your home computer (vs. your phone/mobile device) by picking the Give Online option OR you may donate from your phone or other mobile device by selecting either the Apple or Android (Google Play) version.
- 3) Open the application and enter your name and email, and then create a personal password and PIN.
- 4) In the Find a Church window at the top, type in: St. Luke's Episcopal Church (several St. Luke's Episcopal Churches will pop up, so be sure to pick ours in Bartlesville)
- 5) Select the method of payment at the bottom: credit, debit, or bank account withdrawal.
- 6) Enter the amount of your gift and indicate whether you would like it to be Recurring and at what frequency.
- 7) Pick General Fund as the destination.
- 8) If you want to provide the full amount of your gift to the church, check Cover Fees box and the Tithe.ly service charge will not be deducted from your gift to the church. There service charge is 2.75% + 0.30 per credit/debit card transaction, which reflects a slight discount through association with The Network for Episcopal Stewardship.
- 9) The application will save your donation information for the next time you give. All you have to do is enter your PIN. Both the Give Online and mobile methods of Tithe.ly giving are secure. If you have questions, they will probably be answered at (<https://get.tithe.ly/faqs>).

Third season of *The Way of Love with Bishop Michael Curry* Podcast

Season 3 of The Episcopal Church's **podcast** *The Way of Love with Bishop Michael Curry*, is now available. These weekly conversations, featuring Bishop Curry, podcast host Sandy Milien, and a variety of guests, center on ways to live a life committed to living the way of God's unconditional, unselfish, sacrificial and redemptive love.

Season 3 changes include longer conversations between Bishop Curry and his guests: faith leaders, authors, and thinkers who are committed to following the Way of Jesus in the world today. Framed by the **Way of Love** – those seven practices of turning, learning, praying, worshipping, blessing, going, and resting – listeners will hear stories and lessons about how they can grow closer to God in daily life.

Looking back, recent episodes featured these guests:

- June 4, Episode 5, Bishop Curry talks to **Shane Claiborne**, founder of the **Simple Way** and co-founder of **Red Letter Christians**, about the importance of spending time in the words of Jesus and allowing them to directly inform our thinking and actions. The two discuss what it means to pay particular attention to the "red letters" of the Bible – those in which Jesus is directly teaching and guiding us, even now. This episode is sponsored by Emory University's **Candler School of Theology**, offering a Doctor of Ministry 90% online.
- June 9, Episode 6, featured **Fr. Richard Rohr**, founder, **Center for Action and Contemplation** (CAC), Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Go to <https://episcopalchurch.org/way-of-love> to access all of the past podcasts.

Agape Mission Volunteer Schedule

Thursday, June 25:

9-11am: Jim Liehr

10:45am – 1pm: Jeff Birk, Dean Zervas

Glenda Garrison, Darian Kedy, Jen Peterson,

1:00 – 2:45pm: Carol Murphy, Radomir Petrovich,
Becky Olsen

Thursday, July 9:

9-11am: Jeanne Julstrom, Becky Liehr

10:45am – 1pm: Kris Bonner, Rita Childers, Becky
Liehr,

Kathy Zervas, Dolores McCreary

1:00 – 2:45pm: Peter Julstrom, Miriam Petrovich,
Wendy Hall

If you need technical assistance, please call Roseanne at the church office at 918-336-1212 and she will get someone to call you with some helpful advice.

Regular services will resume at St. Luke's Episcopal Church this Sunday. Please note that the service is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. and not 10:30 a.m. Online services will continue.

This week's altar flowers are given in Thanksgiving for God's Mercy and Grace



St. Luke's Prayer List

Please keep the following persons in your prayers:

Elizabeth, Jenny, Georgia, Diana, Millie, Bryson, Suzanne, Evelyn, Toni, Milton, Joseph, Lyndee, Alan, Bill, Karen, Ethan, Elaine, Marjean, Helen, Mark, Cynthia, Steve, Barbara, Brent, Katie, Ruth, Glenn, Marsha, Jerry, D.J., Sarah, Mary, Emily, Whitney, Lloyd, Milt, Belinda, Wendy, David, Tracy, Linda, Terry, Leaona, Connie, Tracy, Mark, Diana F., Jim, Bid, Ada, Lisa, Helen, Nan, Patricia, and all members of our armed forces and their families.

If you have a prayer request, contact our Prayer Ministry Coordinator Thelma Blackburn 918-333-7902 or TPBGEN@aol.com or the church office at 918-336-1212 or office@episcopalbartlesville.org.

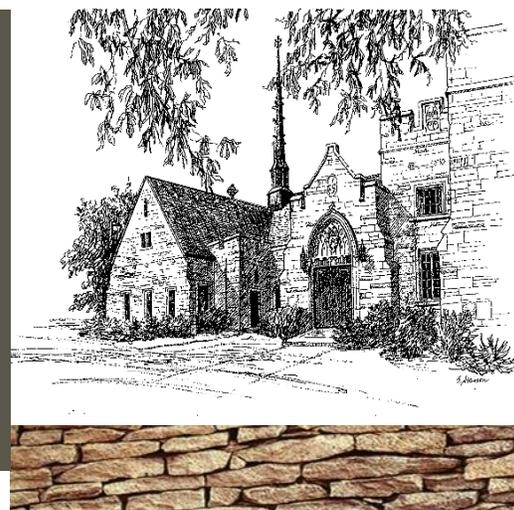
Bereavement Team 1

Susie Clark, Nancy Woods, Sally Lindsey, Georgia Gates, Jeanne Julstrom.

Daily Devotionals for May-July are in available the chapel.

Other thoughts...

- Be aware -- Father Steve will not request gift cards or other monetary support through email. All financial requests/special appeals at St. Luke's go through normal channels and any special requests will be made by phone or in person.
- FYI: Bishop Ed has inhibited the distribution of communion by the clergy to any parishioner (title IV violation). Additionally, Bishop Ed has prohibited public in-person gatherings of any kind including gathering in parking lots or other open spaces.
- **St. Luke's is now on Instagram. Follow St. Luke's at [episcopalbartlesville](#).**



Birthdays and Anniversaries June 11 – June 21

Birthdays

Julia Crane, June 11
Rachel Wade, June 12
Dolores Theis, June 13
The Rev. Mike Watkins, June 16
William Wade, June 17
Dan Droege, June 19
Brad Borg and Kelli Bradshaw, June 20
Milt Enderlin, June 21

Anniversaries

Lauren & Juanita Green, June 12
Fred & Pam Pierce, June 12

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In an Emergency, contact any of the clergy listed above.

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Connecting with St. Luke's

The parish staff and volunteers are working hard to keep the parish connected. Here are the resources available to you to stay connected:

- Parish phone tree—a phone tree has been set up to keep our members connected. If you have a need or concern, please let your phone tree captain know. If you aren't receiving calls from the phone tree, please let Jeff Birk know @ jpbirk54@gmail.com
- Follow St. Luke's on Instagram. You can find us @ [episcopalbartlesville](https://www.instagram.com/episcopalbartlesville). Also, like our content so it will appear in your Instagram feed. Typically, the content on Instagram is also posted on Facebook, although not all of the photographs posted on Instagram will appear on Facebook.
- Follow St. Luke's on FaceBook. Search for St. Luke's Bartlesville on Facebook and like our Page. Also, once you start seeing our content in your FaceBook feed, please like it and share it. This helps others to see it, but it also keeps St. Luke's content coming into your feed. If you don't "like" our content, you won't see it. Facebook is about engagement, and you will see the things you engage.
- Friend Father Steve on FaceBook. He will friend you back and you can follow him and see his shenanigans.
- Subscribe to the St. Luke's YouTube channel [HERE](#). (If the HERE link does not work, go to <https://bit.ly/2QIgY7c> in your computer's browser.) Subscribing helps us gain followers which allows the content to be seen by a wider audience. The content includes recordings of our Zoom worship services. You can also access this content on your television with streaming devices (like FireTV) that have the YouTube app included.
- Check out the St. Luke's website for updates on a regular basis. The website is found here: www.episcopalbartlesville.org. We are working hard to update it frequently, so the content is current.
- Receive *The Steeple* and other updates via Mailchimp. Please send Roseanne your current email @ office@episcopalbartlesville.org, and you can receive updates and the newsletter. *The Steeple* is usually published on Wednesday or Thursday and is often followed up with a weekend highlights on Fridays (not every Friday). We will also continue to mail a hardcopy of *The Steeple* to those who prefer to receive things via USPS.

Worship:

Worship services are live on the Zoom app on Sundays at 10 am.
The weekly bulletins can be found at www.episcopalbartlesville.org.

Please note that there are three ways to participate in Worship:

- 1) Listen to the service by telephone. (This can be a home phone, or a flip phone, smartphone, etc.)
 - To do this:
 - Dial 1-346-248-7799
 - When asked to enter the Zoom Meeting ID, enter 9365095026#
 - When asked to enter a Participant ID, just enter the # sign
 - When asked to enter the Meeting Password, enter 251445#
 - That's it. You should now be in the meeting, by phone.
- 2) Use Zoom on a computer or smartphone.
 - Go to <https://zoom.us/j/9365095026> in your computer's browser.)
 - When asked to enter the Meeting Password, enter 251445
 - **Please mute your device during the worship service.**
- 3) Service will be uploaded to the St. Luke's YouTube channel on Sunday afternoons. Audio recording of the sermon will be found on St. Luke's website.





Daily Morning Prayer: Rite Two

Organ Prelude

Opening Hymn #686

Come, thou fount of every blessing

1 Come, thou fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace!
Streams of mercy never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! O fix me on it,
mount of God's unchanging love.

2 Here I find my greatest treasure;
hither by thy help, I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee;
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, oh, take and seal it,
seal it for thy courts above.

*The Officiant begins the service with one or more of
these sentences of Scripture beginning on page 77
of **The Book of Common Prayer (BCP)***

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God
Almighty, who was, and is, and is to
come. *Revelation 4:8*

The Invitatory and Psalter *BCP 80*

All stand

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim
your praise.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be for ever.
Amen. Alleluia!

Venite Psalm 95:1-7 *BCP 82*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us
shout for joy to the Rock of our
salvation. Let us come before his
presence with thanksgiving and raise a
loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great
King above all gods. In his hand are the
caverns of the earth, and the heights of
the hills are his also. The sea is his, for
he made it, and his hands have molded
the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the
knee, and kneel before the Lord our
Maker. For he is our God, and we are
the people of his pasture and the sheep
of his hand. Oh, that today you would
hearken to his voice!

Psalm 100



1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness and come
before his presence with a song.

2 Know this: The Lord himself is God;
*he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his
pasture.

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *give
thanks to him and call upon his Name.

4 For the Lord is good; his mercy is
everlasting; *and his faithfulness endures
from age to age.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit: *as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be for ever.
Amen.

The Lessons

Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7

18 The Lord appeared to Abraham by
the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the
entrance of his tent in the heat of the
day. He looked up and saw three men
standing near him. When he saw them,
he ran from the tent entrance to meet
them, and bowed down to the
ground. He said, 'My lord, if I find favor
with you, do not pass by your
servant. Let a little water be brought,
and wash your feet, and rest yourselves
under the tree. Let me bring a little
bread, that you may refresh yourselves,
and after that you may pass on—since

you have come to your servant.' So they
said, 'Do as you have said.' And
Abraham hastened into the tent to
Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly
three measures* of choice flour, knead
it, and make cakes.' Abraham ran to the
herd, and took a calf, tender and good,
and gave it to the servant, who hastened
to prepare it. Then he took curds and
milk and the calf that he had prepared,
and set it before them; and he stood by
them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, 'Where is your wife
Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the
tent.' Then one said, 'I will surely return
to you in due season, and your wife
Sarah shall have a son.' And Sarah was
listening at the tent entrance behind
him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old,
advanced in age; it had ceased to be with
Sarah after the manner of women. So
Sarah laughed to herself, saying, 'After I
have grown old, and my husband is old,
shall I have pleasure?' The Lord said to
Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, and say,
"Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I
am old?" Is anything too wonderful for
the Lord? At the set time I will return to
you, in due season, and Sarah shall have
a son.' But Sarah denied, saying, 'I did
not laugh'; for she was afraid. He said,
'Oh yes, you did laugh.'

21 The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had
said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he
had promised. Sarah conceived and bore
Abraham a son in his old age, at the time
of which God had spoken to
him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to

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his son whom Sarah bore him. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Now Sarah said, 'God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me.' And she said, 'Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age.'

The Reader says Here ends the the Lesson.

Canticle 15 *The Song of Mary* BCP 91
from Luke 1:46-55 *Magnificat*

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel, for he has remembered his promise of mercy, The promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *as it was in the

beginning, is now, and will be for ever.
Amen.

**A Reading from the Gospel
According to Matthew 9:35-10:23**

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.'

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Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

"See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When

they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes."

The Reader says Here ends the the Lesson.

Homily The Reverend Steve Hood

The Apostles' Creed *BCP 96*

Officiant and People together

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn #602

Jesu, Jesu

(Refrain:)

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve
the neighbors we have from you.

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends,
silently washes their feet,

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Master who acts as a slave to them.
(Refrain)

2 Neighbors are rich and poor,
neighbors are black and white,
neighbors are nearby and far away.
(Refrain)

3 These are the ones we should serve,
these are the ones we should love.
All are neighbors to us and you.
(Refrain)

4 Loving puts us on our knees,
serving as though we are slaves;
this is the way we should live with you.
(Refrain)

The Prayers

BCP 97

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
V. Clothe your ministers with
righteousness;
R. Let your people sing with joy.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the

world;

R. For only in you can we live in
safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under your
care;

R. And guide us in the way of justice
and truth.

V. Let your way be known upon
earth;

R. Your saving health among all
nations.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be
forgotten;

R. Nor the hope of the poor be
taken away.

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. And sustain us with your Holy
Spirit.

*The Officiant then says one or more of the following
Collects*

The Collect of the Day

Keep, O Lord, your household the
Church in your steadfast faith and love,
that through your grace we may
proclaim your truth with boldness, and
minister your justice with compassion;
for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Then, this prayers for mission is added

O God, you have made of one blood all
the peoples of the earth, and sent your
blessed Son to preach peace to those
who are far off and to those who are
near: Grant that people everywhere may

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seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayers of intercession and thanksgiving are offered here and silence is observed

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all churches in our diocese, for their mission and ministry, and for their proclamation of the Good News in cities and towns across the state; in our parish, we pray for those requesting prayer including Elizabeth, Jenny, Georgia, Diana, Millie, Bryson, Suzanne, Evelyn, Toni, Milton, Joseph, Lyndee, Alan, Bill, Karen, Ethan, Elaine, Marjean, Helen, Mark, Cynthia, Steve, Barbara, Brent, Katie, Ruth, Glenn, Marsha, Jerry, DJ, Sarah, Mary, Emily, Whitney, Lloyd, Milt, Belinda, Wendy, David, Tracy, Linda, Terry, Leona, Connie, Tracy, Mark, Diana F., Jim, Bid, Lisa, Ada, Michelle, Patricia, and Elizabeth. We also remember those who have died. Let let perpetual shine upon all your Saints who we remember this morning. We pray for Bishop Poulson C. Reed as he begins his ministry as Bishop Coadjutor.

We also pray for doctors, nurses, aides, and all other health care professionals and service employees entrusted with the health and wellness of our community; and for our elected officials and those given the public's trust to make prudent decisions for the care of this city, state, and nation. We also pray

for the men and women of the armed services, for those serving in other areas of national service, for those who are traveling or homebound or recovering from illness, surgery, or some other affliction. For all of these and for prayers spoken and for prayers left unspoken, let us pray to the Lord.

The General Thanksgiving *BCP 101*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

Then may be said

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Officiant concludes with the following

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from

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generation to generation in the Church,
and in Christ Jesus for ever and
ever. *Amen.* *Ephesians 3:20,21*

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 him
 thanks and praise.

Announcements

Hymn #665

The people kneel (or sit as you are able)

1 All my hope on God is founded;
he doth still my trust renew, me through
change and chance he guideth, only
good and only true. God unknown, he
alone calls my heart to be his own.

Then the Celebrant continues

2 Mortal pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray our trust;
though with care and toil we build them,
tower and temple fall to dust. But God's
power, hour by hour, is my temple and
my tower.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and every-where to give thanks to
you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven
and earth. Because in the mystery of the
Word made flesh, you have caused a new
light to shine in our hearts, to give the
knowledge of your glory in the face of
your son Jesus Christ our Lord.
Therefore, we praise you, joining our
voices with Angels and Archangels and
with all the company of heaven, who for
ever sing this hymn to proclaim the
glory of your Name:

3 God's great goodness e'er endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing thought:
splendor, light and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore from his store newborn
worlds rise and adore.

Celebrant and People

5 Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done, high above
all praises praising for the gift of Christ,
his Son. Christ doth call one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of
power and might, heaven and
earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is
he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The service for Holy Communion continues in
the church. If you are not staying for
communion, please exit the church quietly.

The Celebrant continues

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Holy and gracious Father: In your
infinite love you made us for yourself,
and, when we had fallen into sin and
become subject to evil and death, you, in
your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only
and eternal Son, to share our human

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nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *AMEN.*

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People

Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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The Gifts of God for the People of
God.

*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the people will
receive the bread only.*

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have
graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and
you have fed us with spiritual food in the
Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send
us now into the world in peace and grant
us strength and courage to love and
serve you with gladness and singleness
of heart; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Blessing and Dismissal

Minister Let us go forth in the name
of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn #306

1 Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our
guest; nay, let us be thy guests; the feast
is thine; thyself at thine own board make
manifest in thine own Sacrament of
bread and wine.

2 We meet as in the upper room they
met; thou at the table, blessing, yet dost
stand: 'This is my body': so thou givest
yet: faith still receives the cup as from
thy hand.

3 One body we, one body who partake,
one church united in communion blest;

one name we bear, one Bread of life we
break, with all thy saints on earth and
saints at rest.

4 One with each other, Lord, and one in
thee, who art one Savior and one living
Head; then open thou our eyes, that we
may see; be known to us in breaking of
the Bread.

The altar flowers this week are given in
thanksgiving for God's mercy and grace.