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# The Steeple

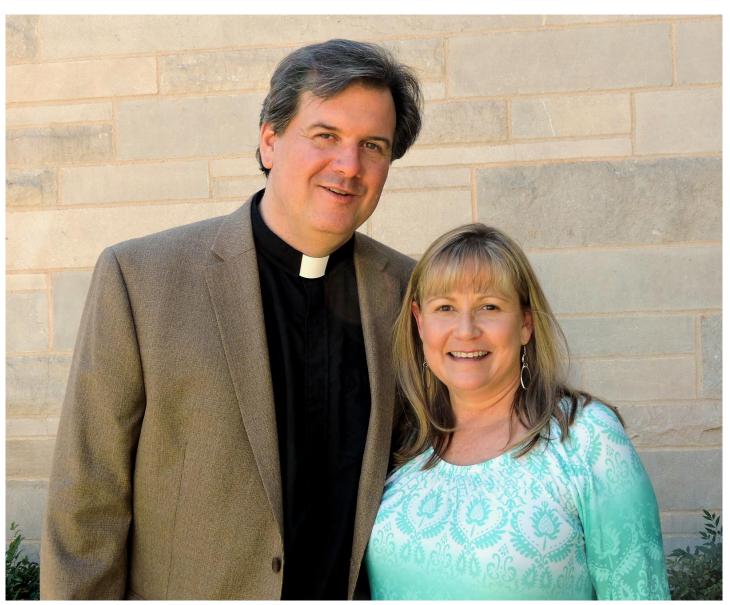


June 17 2020

# The Weekly Newsletter of St. Luke's Episcopal Church

# Time for Farewells

A Message from the Senior Warden



Hello to everyone,

Yup, it's here. It came faster than any of us would have liked, but Fr. Steve's last Sunday with us is coming up this weekend. I hope you'll be there, either in-person or via Zoom. At the conclusion of the service, there be a short presentation and everyone will have a chance to say good bye and best wishes to Fr. Steve, Tracy and family. We plan to have the large-screen TV near the front of the nave so those of you participating through Zoom will be able to share your farewells with the rest of the congregation.

(Senior Warden message, continued)

Obviously, because of social distancing needs and face masks requirements, there can't be the normal after-service gathering of coffee and goodies, so this brief farewell will have to be the next best thing under the circumstances. For those of you planning to attend the service in person, there will be a few more "reserved" spots than last week. We've figured out how to seat 27 individuals or family units, now. But you will need to call Roseanne at the church office and let her know you're coming and how many will be in your group.

We appreciate Jeff Birk, our technical wizard, for continuing to fine-tune this expanded way of worship. We are learning a lot, some through trial and error. So please be patient. Thanks also to Dolores' flexibility on handling the musical aspects of the service, as well as Brian Ferguson's ushering help last week at our first in-person service in nearly three months. Roseanne and Margaret deserve many thanks as well for all their behind-the-scenes efforts to keep us safe. And, of course, the Altar Guild earns our appreciation for making the church look so welcoming on re-opening Sunday.

How long will the COVID restrictions continue? No one can say. The Diocese is taking a very cautious approach to in-person gatherings, a position which the St. Luke's Vestry supports. The much-discussed "curve" in Oklahoma has not flattened, and is in fact rising, and health experts point out that more testing is not the sole explanation for the increase in new cases.

Speaking of the Diocese, I continue to get regular communications from Bishop Poulson regarding locating a supply priest to assist us until the time a new rector is recruited. I've been assured they're "on the case" and appreciate the need for speed. At this point, I can't say if we'll have a preacher-in-the-pulpit by June 28. But, regardless, we WILL have a Morning Prayer service that will be organized and conducted by a Sunday Worship Team composed of several Vestry and lay members, working with our regular readers and the music director. More details on this in next week's Steeple.

Hope to see you all, in person or virtually, on Sunday.

Dan Droege, Sr. Warden On behalf of the Vestry

**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

### Presiding Bishop Curry's Word to the Church: When the Cameras are Gone, We Will Still Be Here

A word to the Church from Presiding Bishop Michael Curry: "Our long-term commitment to racial justice and reconciliation is embedded in our identity as baptized followers of Jesus. We will still be doing it when the news cameras are long gone."

In the midst of COVID-19 and the pressure cooker of a society in turmoil, a Minnesota man named George Floyd was brutally killed. His basic human dignity was stripped by someone charged to protect our common humanity.

Perhaps the deeper pain is the fact that this was not an isolated incident. It happened to Breonna Taylor on March 13 in Kentucky. It happened to Ahmaud Arbery on February 23 in Georgia. Racial terror in this form occurred when I was a teenager growing up black in Buffalo, New York. It extends back to the lynching of Emmett Till in 1955 and well before that. It's not just our present or our history. It is part of the fabric of American life.

But we need not be paralyzed by our past or our present. We are not slaves to fate but people of faith. Our long-term commitment to racial justice and reconciliation is embedded in our identity as baptized followers of Jesus. We will still be doing it when the news cameras are long gone.

That work of racial reconciliation and justice – what we know as Becoming Beloved Community – is happening across our Episcopal Church. It is happening in Minnesota and in the Dioceses of Kentucky, Georgia and Atlanta, across America and around the world. That mission matters now more than ever, and it is work that belongs to all of us. It must go on when racist violence and police brutality are no longer front-page news. It must go on when the work is not fashionable, and the way seems hard, and we feel utterly alone. It is the difficult labor of picking up the cross of Jesus like Simon of Cyrene, and carrying it until no one – no matter their color, no matter their class, no matter their caste – until no child of God is degraded and disrespected by anybody. That is God's dream, this is our work, and we shall not cease until God's dream is realized.

Is this hopelessly naïve? No, the vision of God's dream is no idealistic utopia. It is our only real hope. And, St. Paul says, "hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit" (Romans 5:5). Real love is the dogged commitment to live my life in the most unselfish, even sacrificial ways; to love God, love my neighbor, love the earth and truly love myself. Perhaps most difficult in times like this, it is even love for my enemy. That is why we cannot condone violence. Violence against any person – conducted by some police officers or by some protesters – is violence against a child of God created in God's image. No, as followers of Christ, we do not condone violence.

Neither do we condone our nation's collective, complicit silence in the face of injustice and violent death. The anger of so many on our streets is born out of the accumulated frustration that so few seem to care when another black, brown or native life is snuffed out.

But there is another way. In the parable of the Good Samaritan, a broken man lay on the side of the road. The religious leaders who passed were largely indifferent. Only the Samaritan saw the wounded stranger and acted. He provided medical care and housing. He made provision for this stranger's well-being. He helped and healed a fellow child of God. Love, as Jesus teaches, is action like this as well as attitude. It seeks the good, the well-being, and the welfare of others as well as one's self. That way of real love is the only way there is.

Accompanying this statement is a card describing ways to practice the <u>Way of Love in the midst of pandemic</u>, <u>uncertainty and loss</u>. In addition, you will find online a set of resources to help Episcopalians to LEARN, PRAY & ACT in response to racist violence and police brutality. That resource set includes faithful tools for listening to and learning from communities too often ignored or suppressed, for incorporating God's vision of justice into your personal and community prayer life, and for positively and constructively engaging in advocacy and public witness.

Opening and changing hearts does not happen overnight. The Christian race is not a sprint; it is a marathon. Our prayers and our work for justice, healing and truth-telling must be unceasing. Let us recommit ourselves to following in the footsteps of Jesus, the way that leads to healing, justice and love.



### **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 have resumed at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. 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 Provisions



# 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 in the hallway.

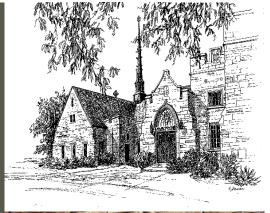
#### **Online & Mobile Giving Available**

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 <a href="Tithe.ly web page">Tithe.ly web page</a> (https://get.tithe.ly/download-tithely-app). Complete instructions for using this convenience are provided on the home page of the <a href="St. Luke's website">St. Luke's website</a> (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, you can always mail a check to the church office: St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 210 E 9th St, Bartlesville, OK 74003 *or* drop a check into our locked mail slot near north entrance.

# 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.
- St. Luke's is now on Instagram. Follow St. Luke's at episcopalbartlesville.





### Birthdays and Anniversaries June 17 – June 30

### **Birthdays**

William Wade, June 17
Dan Droege, June 19
Brad Borg and Kelli Bradshaw, June 20
Milt Enderlin, June 21
Bill Pendley, June 26
Sally Sheridan, June 27
Craig Bradshaw, June 28
Don Doty, June 30

### **Anniversaries**

Jim & Nancy Warring, June 29

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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. 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 <a href="HERE">HERE</a>. (If the HERE link does not work, go to <a href="https://bit.ly/2QIgY7c">https://bit.ly/2QIgY7c</a> 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: <a href="www.episcopalbartlesville.org">www.episcopalbartlesville.org</a>. 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 @
   <u>office@episcopalbartlesville.org</u>, 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.



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### Daily Morning Prayer: Rite Two

### Organ Prelude

Hymn 400 (sing standing)

1 All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing: alleluia, alleluia!
Bright burning sun with golden beams, Pale silver moon that gently gleams, O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 Dear mother earth, you day by day unfold your blessings on our way;
O praise him, Alleluia!
All flowers and fruits that in you grow, let them his glory also show:
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

5 All you with mercy in your heart, forgiving others, take your part, O sing now: Alleluia!
All you that pain and sorrow bear, praise God, and cast on him your care: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

7 Let all things their creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, Alleluia!
Praise God the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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* 

Remain standing

The Invitatory and Psalter

BCP 80

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!

Sit for the reading of the Psalm and Lessons (including Gospel text), stand for the reading or singing of the Canticle(s)

### Psalm 86: 1-10, 16-17

- 1 Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.
- 2 Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God;
- 3 be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long.
- 4 Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
- 5 For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.
- 6 Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication.
- 7 In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me.
- 8 There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.
- 9 All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you,O Lord, and shall glorify your name.
- 10 For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.
- 16 Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant; save the child of your serving-maid.



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17 Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame, because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

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 21:8-21

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac."

The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring."

So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of

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Beer-sheba. When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept.

And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him."

Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink. God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow.

He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

The Reader says Here ends the Lesson.

Canticle 15 The Song of Mary Hymn 438 from Luke 1:46-55 Magnificat

1 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice; tender to me the promise of his Word; in God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.

2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name! Make known his might, the deeds



his arm has done; his mercy sure, from age to age the same; his holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.

3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might! Powers and dominions lay their glory by. Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight, the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his Word! Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord to children's children and forevermore!

# A Reading from the Gospel According to Matthew 10:24-39

Jesus said, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head

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are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows."

"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven."

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

The Reader says Here ends the the Lesson.

Homily The Reverend Steve Hood

Stand

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 661 (Based on a poem by William Alexander Percy)

1 They cast their nets in Galilee Just off the hills of brown Such happy simple fisherfolk Before the Lord came down

2 Contented peaceful fishermen Before they ever knew The peace of God That fill'd their hearts Brimful and broke them too.

3 Young John who trimmed the flapping sail,
Homeless, in Patmos died.
Peter, who hauled the teeming net,
Head-down was crucified.

4 The peace of God, it is no peace, But strife closed in the sod, Yet, brothers, pray for but one thing— The marvelous peace of God.

Kneel or sit

The Prayers

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- 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

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. 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 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, D.J., Sarah, Mary, Emily, Whitney, Lloyd, Milt, Belinda, Wendy, David, Tracy, Linda, Terry, Leaona, 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 lovingkindness 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.* 



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

#### Announcements

Stand

### Hymn 325

1 Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees;

(Refain) When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

2 Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees; (Refrain)

3 Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees; (Refrain)

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

### The Great Thanksgiving

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 him thanks and praise.

The people kneel (or sit as you are able)

Then the Celebrant continues

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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:

### 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 he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### The Celebrant continues

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 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



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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

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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



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### 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 412 Earth and all stars

Earth and all stars, Loud rushing planets, Sing to the Lord a new song! Hail, wind, and rain, Loud blowing snowstorm, Sing to the Lord a new song!

God has done marvelous things. I, too, will praise God with a new song!

Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing cymbals!

Sing to the Lord a new song! Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud humming cellows!

Sing to the Lord a new song!

God has done marvelous things. I, too, will praise God with a new song!

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Engines and steel! Loud pounding hammers,
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Limestone and beams, Loud building workers,
Sing to the Lord a new song!

God has done marvelous things. I, too, will praise God with a new song!

Classrooms and labs, Loud boiling test tubes,
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Athlete and band, Loud cheering people,
Sing to the Lord a new song!

God has done marvelous things. I, too, will praise God with a new song!

Knowledge and truth, Loud sounding wisdom,
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son, Loud praying members,
Sing to the Lord a new song!

God has done marvelous things. I, too, will praise God with a new song!

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