

# **Anglican Church** *of the* **Good Shepherd**

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# ***Jesus Christ***

The Head of the Church

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## **Fr. Robbie 'Hal' Scott**

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## **The Rt. Rev. Steven Tighe, Ph.D.**

Bishop of the Diocese of the Southwest

## **The Most Reverend Stephen D. Wood**

Archbishop

## *Welcome to our Father's House!*

We pray you experience the love of the Father through His Son Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit as you worship with us today. Thank you for being our guest, and know you will always find a warm welcome in our Father's House!

## *We Are Word Centered*

Our lives and worship are centered on Jesus Christ the Living Word of God.

## *The Bible*

Jesus Christ reveals Himself as we hear, read, study, learn, obey and are spiritually nourished by the Scriptures. God's Word Written is at the heart of who we are, what we believe, and how we strive to live.

## *The Holy Eucharist*

Jesus Christ reveals Himself in The Holy Eucharist, 'God's Word made visible.' From the Resurrection of Jesus on, his followers recognized Him in the "breaking of the Bread." We are united to Him and them by faith. Eucharist is a Greek word for Thanksgiving. We thank God Jesus saved us from the penalty of sin through His crucifixion; that He saves us daily from the power of sin by filling us with the Holy Spirit; and that one day He will save us from the very presence of sin when we see Him face to face.

## *Receiving Holy Communion*

All are invited to receive Holy Communion.

## *We Are Members of the Anglican Church in North America*

The Anglican Church in North America serves the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Cuba. Along with 85 million Biblically faithful Anglicans around the world, we trace our roots to the Church of England during the Reformation in the 16th Century and the undivided Church of the 1st Centuries.

If you are looking for a church home, we would love to share our vision with you ...

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# The Anglican Church

The Anglican (English) Church had its beginnings during the latter Roman Empire, when missionaries and other converts settled in Roman Anglia in what is now England. The Church that was built over the generations was part of the greater One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church that had spread across much of Europe and the Mediterranean world. Because of the distance of the British Isles from Rome, the early Anglican Church was somewhat different from the continental church in its customs and traditions. Over the centuries, however, influences from continental Europe swayed the development of the English Church toward complicated liturgies and the use of Latin in the church, a language that few understood.

The Reformation occurred in the 16<sup>th</sup> century when Martin Luther and several other theologians wished to recover the importance of Holy Scripture and to eliminate the things in worship that did not align with the Holy Scriptures. In England, this reformation was led by Thomas Cranmer, who replaced the complicated Latin liturgy with a *Book of Common Prayer* in the English language, first published in 1549. The *Book of Common Prayer* has gone through several editions over the centuries, but the spirit of each edition has always been the same – to encourage clergy, congregations, and families to pray and serve God together.

Anglicanism spread throughout much of the world because of the reach of the British Empire and by the countless and tireless missionaries who brought the word of Christ to the far reaches of the globe. Indeed, the heart of Anglicanism today is now outside of England, most notably in Africa, South America, and parts of Asia. The Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd is part of the Anglican Church in North America, a province of the Global South Fellowship of Anglican Churches.

# Anglican Worship

Anglican worship services involve a lot of motion and congregational participation with lay persons and clergy bowing, kneeling, standing, and making the sign of the cross at various times during the liturgy. Many Anglicans bow to the cross when approaching the altar and when the cross passes in the processional and recessional. For Christians, the cross symbolizes God's grace and the salvation of people, which is why it is so highly visible in churches across the world. Jesus's sacrifice on the cross turned this terrible means of death into a symbol of hope, salvation, and promise.

Similarly, Anglican Christians will often make the sign of the cross upon themselves or on other people or objects. This is simply a way of marking themselves as belonging to Jesus Christ and as well as a physical reminder of the Trinity (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit). This is why Anglicans will often make the sign of the cross when the Trinity is mentioned in the liturgy.

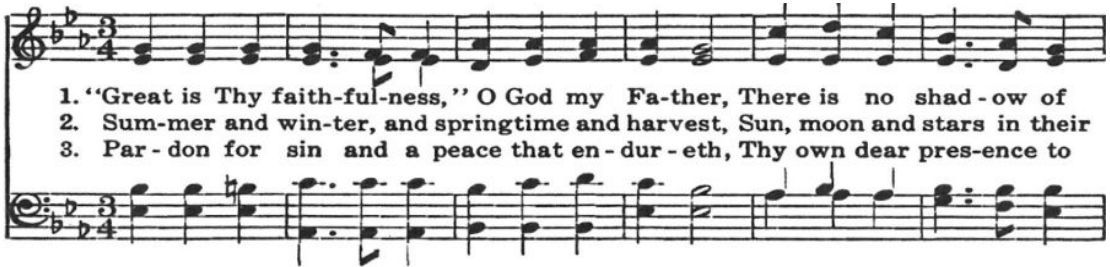
Kneeling during prayer and worship is a symbol of humility before God and is commonly seen in Scripture, and this is the reason people kneel during Anglican services. Many Anglicans will also kneel at the altar rail as they receive communion. This is not meant as an act of worship for the bread and wine but as an act of reverence for Jesus Christ and all that he has done for us.

Anglican worship also involves the congregation in common prayers, responses, recitation of creeds, Bible readings, and singing. The highly participatory aspect of Anglican worship is a reminder that we are one people in God's sight and are united in our adoration and praise of the Lord.

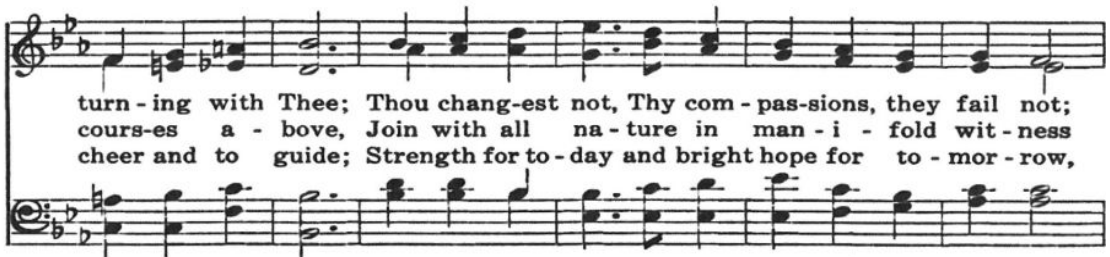
## Prelude

The Prelude is a time to quietly pray and settle our hearts on the holiness of God and the need for His grace and Holy Spirit.

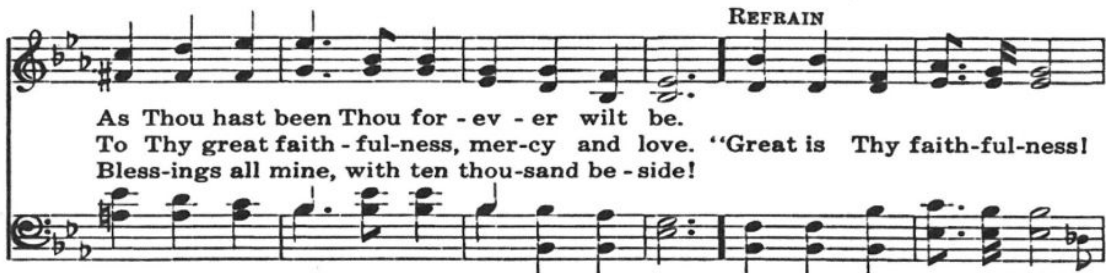
## Processional ~ Great is Thy Faithfulness ~



1. "Great is Thy faith-ful-ness," O God my Fa-ther, There is no shad-ow of  
2. Sum-mer and win-ter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their  
3. Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, Thy own dear pres-ence to



turn-ing with Thee; Thou chang-est not, Thy com-pas-sions, they fail not;  
cours-es a - bove, Join with all na-ture in man-i - fold wit-ness  
cheer and to guide; Strength for to-day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

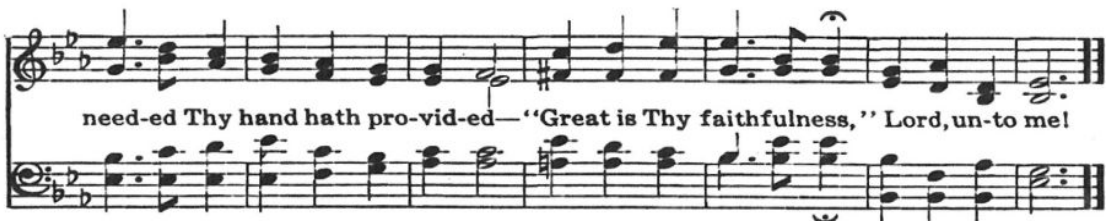


REFRAIN

As Thou hast been Thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
To Thy great faith - ful-ness, mer-cy and love. "Great is Thy faith-ful-ness!  
Bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be - side!



Great is Thy faithfulness!" Morning by morning new mer-cies I see; All I have



need-ed Thy hand hath pro-vid-ed—"Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord, un-to me!

## + THE WORD OF GOD +

### The Acclamation

*In The Acclamation, God's people are called together in unity to worship and give all blessings to God. It is a reminder of the reality of the Holy Trinity, the belief in God in three persons, that saturates the entire Eucharist service from beginning to end.*

*The People standing, the Celebrant says this or a seasonal greeting.*

*Celebrant* I will make you as a light for the nations,

***People* That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.**

### The Collect for Purity

*A collect is prayer that poetically sums up or collects the people's prayers. The Book of Common Prayer (2019) has dozens of collects, some dating to the first centuries of the church, and these have a primary role in Anglican thought and prayer. The Collect for Purity was originally a Latin prayer from the 10<sup>th</sup> century and was part of the liturgy of that time in England. Cranmer translated it for the first Book of Common Prayer (1549), and it has been included in Anglican liturgy since that time. This collect reminds us that God is all knowing and that we must ask the Holy Spirit to cleanse our hearts as we come before him in worship.*

*The Celebrant prays (and the People may be invited to join)*

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.***

## The Summary of the Law

*The Summary of the Law is the heart of how we should live in relation to God and to one another. We are to love God with our entire being, we are to obey the rest of his commandments, and we are to love others as ourselves. Though in this earthly life we will always fall short, we are to trust in Christ for our help and salvation.*

*The Deacon then reads the Summary of the Law. The Decalogue may be used at any time in place of the Summary of the Law. It is appropriate to use the Decalogue throughout the seasons of Advent and Lent and on other penitential occasions.*

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

*Matthew 22:37-40*

## Kyrie or Trisagion

*Kyrie Eleison is Greek for "Lord, have mercy" and first appeared in Christian liturgy in the 4<sup>th</sup> century. It is a beautiful reminder of God's love and mercy and of our sinfulness and need of repentance. It is normally sung during Sunday morning celebrations of The Holy Eucharist. Sometimes the Trisagion (Greek for "thrice holy") is used rather than the Kyrie. This ancient hymn first appeared in Christian liturgies in the 5<sup>th</sup> century but is possibly older. It has the same basic purpose and meaning as the Kyrie.*

*In unison*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



## **The Collect of the Day**

*The seasons on the church calendar and the associated reading from the Holy Scripture are reflected in the Collect of the Day. In this manner, the Collect of the Day serves as a summary of the themes and teachings of Scripture for that day and season, directing our minds to the Lessons and Gospel readings that immediately follow.*

Celebrant      The Lord be with you.

**People            *And with your spirit.***

Celebrant      Let us pray.

[The people kneel or stand as they are able]

ETERNAL FATHER, AT THE BAPTISM OF JESUS YOU REVEALED HIM  
TO BE YOUR SON, AND YOUR HOLY SPIRIT DESCENDED UPON HIM  
LIKE A DOVE: **Grant that we, who are born again by water and the  
Spirit, may be faithful as your adopted children; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

# Praise Song

# ~ For Those Tears I Died ~

## VERSE

♩ = 112      D                      Bm                      G                      A                      Asus D                      Bm                      G



1. You said You'd come and share all my sor - rows.      You said You'd be there for all my to -  
 (2.) good ness so great I can't un - der - stand,      and dear Lord, I know that all this was  
 3. Je - sus, I give You my heart and my soul,      I know that with - out God I'd nev - er be

8      A                      D                      A                      G                      A      G/A      D                      Bm



mor - rows. I came so close to send - ing You a - way.      But just like You prom - ised, You  
 planned. I know You're here now and al - ways will be,      Your love loosed my chains and  
 whole.      Sav - ior, You o - pened all the right doors and I thank You and praise You from

## CHORUS

15      G                      A                      G/A      A      D                      D7                      G



came here to stay,      I just had to pray.      And Je - sus said, "Come to the  
 in You I'm free,      but Je - sus why me?\_\_  
 earth's hum - ble shores,      Take me, I'm Yours.

23      D                      A                      D                      D7



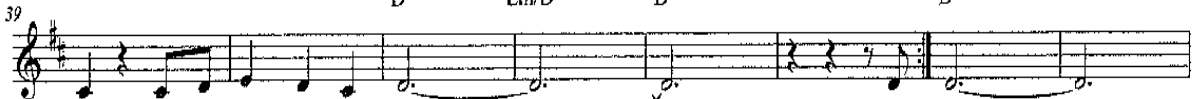
wa - ter, stand by My side;      I know you are thirs - ty, you won't be de - nied.      I

31      G                      D                      A



felt ev - 'ry tear - drop when in dark - ness you cried      and I strove to re - mind

I, 2                      | 3  
 D      Em/D      D                      D



you that for those tears I died."      Your died." \_\_\_\_\_

## + THE LESSONS +

*Each Sunday there are appointed readings from Holy Scriptures that are in harmony with the liturgical calendar. For example, readings during Advent are about the coming of Christ, and readings during Epiphany are about the revelation of God in Christ. There are two Lessons – one from the Old Testament and one from the New Testament – a reading from the Psalms, and a reading from the Gospels. It is customary for the congregation to participate responsively in the reading of the Psalm and to stand for the reading of the Gospel. The deacon or priest will read the gospel to the people from a point within the congregation, emphasizing the presence of Christ the Word of God among the people.*

### **The First Lesson**

### **Isaiah 42:1-9**

NKJV

*The Lord calls to all people— telling us to behold (study, set focus upon) His Servant—Jesus the Messiah.*

- 1 “Behold! My Servant whom I uphold, My Elect One in whom My soul delights! I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the Gentiles.
- 2 He will not cry out, nor raise His voice, nor cause His voice to be heard in the street.
- 3 A bruised reed He will not break, and smoking flax He will not quench; He will bring forth justice for truth.
- 4 He will not fail nor be discouraged, till He has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands shall wait for His law.”
- 5 Thus says God the Lord, Who created the heavens and stretched them out, Who spread forth the earth and that which comes from it, Who gives breath to the people on it, and spirit to those who walk on it:
- 6 “I, the Lord, have called You in righteousness, and will hold Your hand; I will keep You and give You as a covenant to the people, as a light to the Gentiles,
- 7 To open blind eyes, to bring out prisoners from the prison, those who sit in darkness from the prison house.
- 8 I am the Lord, that is My name; and My glory I will not give to another, nor My praise to carved images.

9 Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God**

[Silent Meditation]

**The Psalm**

**Psalm 89:20-29**

All Standing

*A promise from God’s covenant with David—fulfilled in the forever reign of the Messiah, Jesus Christ.*

20 I have found My servant David;  
**With My holy oil I have anointed him,**  
21 With whom My hand shall be established;  
**Also My arm shall strengthen him.**  
22 The enemy shall not outwit him,  
**Nor the son of wickedness afflict him.**  
23 I will beat down his foes before his face,  
**And plague those who hate him.**  
24 “But My faithfulness and My mercy shall be with him,  
**And in My name his horn shall be exalted.**  
25 Also I will set his hand over the sea,  
**And his right hand over the rivers.**  
26 He shall cry to Me, ‘You are my Father,  
**My God, and the rock of my salvation.’**  
27 Also I will make him My firstborn,  
**The highest of the kings of the earth.**  
28 My mercy I will keep for him forever,  
**And My covenant shall stand firm with him.**  
29 His seed also I will make to endure forever,  
**And his throne as the days of heaven.**

~ Gloria Patri ~

G D D D  $\frac{A7}{E}$   $\frac{D}{F\#}$   $\frac{Em}{G}$

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

$\frac{D}{A}$  A7 D G  $\frac{G}{D}$   $\frac{G}{B}$  G  $\frac{G}{D}$  D

5 Ho - ly Ghost, As it was in the be - gin - ning, is

D D7 Gsus G N.C. D7 G

9 now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

[All may be seated]

## The Second Lesson

## Acts 10:34-38

NKJV

*Peace (reconciliation with God) comes only through Jesus Christ—Lord of all.*

- 34 Then Peter opened his mouth and said: "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality.
- 35 But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him.
- 36 The word which God sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus Christ—He is Lord of all—
- 37 that word you know, which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee after the baptism which John preached:
- 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

Lector      The word of the Lord.

**People      *Thanks be to God.***

[Silent Meditation]

The Sequence Hymn

~ Spirit of the Living God ~

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, fall fresh on me. Spir - it of the

The first system of music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is written in the treble clef and the bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, fall fresh on me. Spir - it of the".

Liv - ing God, fall fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me,

The second system of music continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are: "Liv - ing God, fall fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me,".

use me. Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.

The third system of music concludes the piece. The lyrics are: "use me. Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.".

*All standing, the Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

## **The Holy Gospel**

Celebrant    The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
                  according to St. Luke (3:15-22)

### **People        Glory to you, Lord Christ**

*John said that the Christ was coming with a greater baptism than his—the Holy Spirit's outpouring promised as a part of the New Covenant.*

- 15    Now as the people were in expectation, and all reasoned in their hearts about John, whether he was the Christ or not,
- 16    John answered, saying to all, "I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.
- 17    His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather the wheat into His barn; but the chaff He will burn with unquenchable fire."
- 18    And with many other exhortations he preached to the people.
- 19    But Herod the tetrarch, being rebuked by him concerning Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, and for all the evils which Herod had done,
- 20    also added this, above all, that he shut John up in prison.
- 21    When all the people were baptized, it came to pass that Jesus also was baptized; and while He prayed, the heaven was opened.
- 22    And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven which said, "You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased."



Celebrant      The Gospel of the Lord.

**People**      ***Praise to You Lord Christ.***

**The Sequence Hymn**      ~ **Spirit of the Living God** ~

**Sermon**

Fr. Hal

*In the sermon, the minister reflects on the meaning of the Lessons and Gospel for the day, drawing out parallels and teachings from the passages. It is typical to focus on the day's Gospel reading and to weave the other New Testament and Old Testament readings as support. Anglicans not only hear the Holy Scriptures from beginning to end within a three-year cycle, but we also enjoy thoroughly Biblical sermons that illuminate Holy Scripture and help us to apply them to our own lives.*

Sermon Notes



## The Nicene Creed

*Anglicans embrace the Apostles', Nicene, and Athanasian Creeds as sufficient statements of the apostolic Christian faith that are thoroughly grounded in Holy Scripture. These creeds date from the earliest centuries of the church and were written to correct error and to clarify biblical truths. By repeating the Nicene Creed after the sermon during every Eucharist service, we are reminded of the essentials of Christian belief and provided with a safeguard against fundamental errors.*

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

*Celebrant and People*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten 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,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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],  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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

*Anglicans embrace the Latin phrase *Lex orandi, lex credendi* as a central belief. It basically means "the law of prayer is the law of belief," and this is the foundation of the very idea of the Book of Common Prayer. How we pray, to whom we pray, and for what we pray greatly influences our being and our beliefs. Prayer is how we communicate with God, ask for direction in our own lives, and intercede for others. It is a way of offering praise to God. The common prayer of God's people multiplies the power of prayer, focuses our petitions, and allows us to pray with a unified voice and spirit.*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

For Stephen, our Archbishop, and Steven, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

For our sister parish All Saints Anglican Church, Midland, Texas.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

For our ministry partners, Pregnancy Help Center, La Gran Familia, Casa Bethesda, Project Dignidad, Christians in Action, and Meals for the Elderly.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

For our community outreach, Food Locker, DivorceCare, GriefShare, and ADSW School of Ministry.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially Joseph, our president.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, defender of order, liberty, and peace, we ask you to halt Putin's aggression in Ukraine, expose and eliminate corruption in those countries as well as ours, and find a peaceful resolution to this conflict and end needless human suffering.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

God our Father, we entrust the United States to your loving care. You are the rock on which we were founded, the source of our rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for your glory. Touch the hearts of the nation's leaders. Open their minds to the sanctity of human life and the responsibilities that accompany freedom. Grant us the courage to reject the culture of death and embrace the culture of life.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the peace of Jerusalem.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer**

O God, our heavenly Father, by your Son Jesus Christ you have promised to those who seek your kingdom and its righteousness all things necessary to sustain their life: Send us, we pray, in this time of need, such moderate rain and showers, that we may receive the fruits of the earth, to our comfort and to your honor; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially

**Jim & Patty**  
**Bob & Linda**  
**Lou & Karen**  
**Linda**  
**Nancy**  
**Bob & Donna**

**Billie**  
**Henry**  
**Katie**  
**Mark**  
**Mollie**  
**Patsy**

**Jackie & Pam**  
**Dianne**  
**Larry**  
**Charlotte**  
**Frank & Susan**  
**Tom**

**Rita**  
**Erlene**  
**Nan**  
**Jean**  
**Shelley**  
**Kelly**

**Duke & Linda**  
**Ruth Ann**  
**Debbie**  
**MaryAnn**

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

**People Hear our prayer.**

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

Reader I invite you to add your own prayer requests or praises at this time.

Celebrant

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## **The Confession and Absolution of Sin**

*The Holy Scriptures state in 1 John 1:9 that "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." We are reminded in the Confession that sins can be committed by thought, word, and deed, as well as by what we have done and by what we have failed to do ("left undone.") In the Absolution, we hear that God has mercy and forgives us through Jesus and that we are kept to eternal life by the Holy Spirit.*

*The Clergy or other person appointed says the following*

Clergy Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

*(Pause for examination of conscience)*

**Most merciful God,**

**we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**

**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**

**have mercy on us and forgive us;**

**that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,**

**to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The priest alone stands and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People Amen.**

### **The Comfortable Words**

*After we have prayed and confessed our sins and after the priest has assured us of God's forgiveness of our sins in the absolution, we are here comforted by the sweet words of Scripture promising salvation from our sins.*

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

*Matthew 11:28-30*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

*John 3:16*

## Catechesis

A catechism is a written instruction in the Christian faith meant to teach converts to Christianity the basics of the faith. The first catechism was written in the 1<sup>st</sup> century, possibly before the completion of the last books of the New Testament by John the Apostle. Catechisms typically follow a question-and-answer format and can be used for the instruction of all age groups. *To Be a Christian* is the official catechism of the ACNA and has been widely acclaimed across denominational lines for its faithfulness to the Holy Scriptures and the doctrines of historic Christianity. *To Be a Christian* begins with a short section on the Gospel and salvation and moves to sections that cover the Apostle's Creed, the sacraments, The Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments.

## SALVATION

1. What is the human condition? **Though created good and made for fellowship with our Creator, humanity has been cut off from God by self-centered rebellion against him, leading to lawless living, guilt, shame, death, and the fear of judgment. This is the state of sin.** (*Genesis 3:1–13; Psalm 14:1–3; Matthew 15:10–20; Romans 1:18–23; 3:9–23*)
2. What is the Gospel? **The Gospel is the good news that God loves the world and offers salvation from sin through his Son, Jesus Christ.** (*Psalm 103:1–13; Isaiah 53:4–5; John 3:16–17; 1 Corinthians 15:1–5*)
3. How does sin affect you? **Sin alienates me from God, my neighbor, God's good creation, and myself. Apart from Christ, I am hopeless, guilty, lost, helpless, and walking in the way of death.** (*Genesis 3:14–19; Psalm 38; Isaiah 53:6; 59:1–2; Romans 6:20–23*)

## Announcements

Jean Yarbrough, Senior Warden

### The Offertory

*The Offertory is a time to offer our praise and ourselves to God, to give our tithes and offerings, and most importantly for the offering and preparation of the bread and wine at altar by the clergy. We are reminded that all that we have has first been given to us by God and that God can take these things and renew them for his holy purposes.*

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." *Acts 20:35*

*Cash offerings in the plate this week will go to Pregnancy Help Center.*

*If you desire your cash offering to go toward the general support of the church, please place your cash in a giving envelope.*

### The Offertory Anthem

~ **Of the Father's Love Begotten** ~

Dr. Stephen Emmons



# The Doxology

*The people stand while the offerings are presented*

*Unison*

The musical score is written for a unison voice part and a piano accompaniment. It consists of five systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano line on a bass clef staff. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 3/2. The lyrics are: 'Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!'. The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic and rhythmic foundation for the vocal line.

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise Him, all crea-tures  
here be - low. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise  
Him a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and  
Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

All things come from You, O Lord

**And of your own we have given you.**



## **+ The Holy Eucharist +**

*Celebration of the Holy Eucharist (also known as The Lord's Supper and Holy Communion) is the most important service on the Lord's Day and other Holy Days. The word Eucharist is from a Greek word meaning "thanksgiving," and it is with this attitude that we should come together and celebrate in unity. As Christ took bread and wine and blessed them at the Last Supper before his crucifixion, Christians have likewise received the bread and wine and commemorated the sacrifice of his atoning death for nearly two thousand years.*

*Anglicans consider Holy Communion and Holy Baptism to be sacraments – outward and visible signs of inward and spiritual grace that is given to us when we receive them. We believe that the outward and visible signs in Holy Communion, the bread and wine, have matching inward gifts, the Body and Blood of Christ. By receiving the bread and wine we are strengthened, receive God's forgiveness, and are renewed in the love and the unity of the Body of Christ, the Church.*

*The celebration of the Holy Eucharist can be thought of as having two parts – the Liturgy of the Word and the Holy Eucharist, with the Prayers of the People serving as a hinge between them. In the Liturgy of the Word, we find prayers, the readings of Scripture, and the sermon. The Holy Eucharist culminates in the blessing of the wine and bread and its distribution to the people of God.*

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## The Sursum Corda

*Sursum corda* is Latin for "lift up your hearts," and its use is found as early as the third century in all ancient Christian liturgies. It is the beginning of the Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharist, and recalls certain passages in the Psalms and Lamentations where the soul, heart, and hands are lifted in praise and prayer as an offering to God. We should truly desire to offer our innermost selves to God in thanksgiving for our salvation.

*The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says*

Celebrant            The Lord be with you.

**People                And with your spirit.**

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 just and right so to do.**

*Celebrant*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said*

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth, giving them boldness and fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel to all nations; by which we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of you, and of your Son Jesus Christ.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

# The Sanctus

*Sanctus* means "holy" in Latin, and the liturgical use of this joyous Eucharistic acclamation goes back to the 5<sup>th</sup> century and possibly to the 2<sup>nd</sup> century. The text is derived from three passages of Holy Scripture, including the heavenly visions of Isaiah 6 and Revelation 4, in which the angels call out "holy, holy, holy" around the throne of God. In Matthew 21, the crowds shout "hosanna in the highest" as Christ enters Jerusalem just days before his passion and crucifixion. The church's ancient tradition is to sing the Sanctus during Sunday morning celebrations of The Holy Eucharist.

The musical score is written in 3/4 time and consists of five staves. Each staff includes a line of music with lyrics underneath and guitar chords above the notes. The chords are: Dm, C, Dm, A, Bb, A, Dm; Dm, C, Dm, A, Dm, C, Dm, A; Bb, A, Dm, Am, G, Em, Am; C, E7, Am, Am, G, Em, Am; E7, Am, E7, Am.

Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly is our Lord God of po - wer and might. —  
 Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly is our Lord Ho - ly ho - ly Ho - ly is our Lord.  
 God of po - wer and might. Hea - ven and earth are full of Your glo - ry Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is He who comes in the na - me, the  
 name of God. Ho - san - na! Lo - rd God

## The Prayer of Consecration

*The Prayer of Consecration begins with a recollection of God's redemptive work, from our creation to our sin, and then to Christ's incarnation, death, resurrection, and ascension. The Words of Institution are where the celebrant recalls Christ's own words at the Last Supper, where he instituted this sacrament. This portion of the Holy Eucharist is at once joyous and somber as we remember most vividly Christ's sacrifice for us.*

*The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He offered himself and made, once for all time, a perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. He instituted this remembrance of his passion and death, which he commanded us to continue until he comes again. So now, Father, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine that we may partake of his most blessed Body and Blood.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and here\* may break the bread; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.*

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it,\* and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord and heavenly Father, with these holy gifts we celebrate the memorial instituted by your beloved Son, remembering his passion and death, his resurrection and ascension, and his promise to come again. Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his Blood, we and your whole Church may receive forgiveness of our sins and all other benefits of his passion, making us one body with him that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And here we offer to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a living sacrifice, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**

## The Lord's Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer, found in the books of Matthew and Luke, has been a source of comfort and inspiration for God's people for two millennia. Jesus taught it to his disciples as both a practice and pattern for prayer to God the Father. It teaches us to praise God, to want what is in the Father's will and not in our own, to wait upon God for our provision, to forgive one another of sins as God forgives us, and to be delivered from evil and the evil one. The Lord's Prayer has been a part of Christian liturgy since the early days of the church.*

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

*Celebrant and People together*

**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 Fraction

Celebrant                      Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
**People**                         **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**



## The Prayer of Humble Access

*This prayer of preparation includes several allusions to Holy Scriptures and reminds us that we are unworthy sinners who need the great mercy of the Lord to cleanse us and to save us. When we receive the body and blood of Christ in humility and in awareness of our fallen nature, we are strengthened, cleansed, and renewed by God's mercy and grace. The Prayer of Humble Access was used in the first Book of Common Prayer in 1549 and has appeared in all Prayer Books since.*

*Celebrant and People*

***We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in your abundant and great mercies.***

***We are not worthy so much as to gather up  
the crumbs under your table.***

***But you are the same Lord,***

***Whose character is always to have mercy.***

***Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,***

***so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ  
and to drink his blood,***

***that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,***

***and our souls washed through his most precious blood,***

***and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen***

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# The Agnus Dei

*Agnus Dei* means "Lamb of God" in Latin and has been a part of the Christian liturgy for well over a millennium. The words are based on John 1:29, where John the Baptist says, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" Christians continue to call out with these same words, magnifying Jesus who shows mercy to us and who gives us peace with God the Father. As with the *Kyrie* and *Sanctus*, it is traditional to sing the *Agnus Dei* during Sunday morning celebrations of the Holy Eucharist.

Gently (♩ = 66)

Am G F

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the

*p*(*mp*)

C9—8 Dm 3 E4—3 Am G

world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

*mf*

F C9—8 Dm F G Am4 *rit.* 3

sins of the world: grant us peace.

*rit.*

## The Ministration of Communion

*The ministration of communion is when the people are invited to come forward and receive the consecrated bread and wine. The bread is the outward and visible sign of the body of Christ, and the wine is the outward and visible sign of his blood.*

*Communion is a holy time for God's people in which we celebrate the memorial of Christ's sacrifice for us. There is a spectrum of belief among Anglicans concerning the nature of communion, but the mainstream belief is of the "real presence" of Christ in the bread and wine, something that is mysterious, real, grace-imparting, and effective. The words spoken by the priest, deacon, and Eucharistic ministers make this mystery known. We invite all people to share communion with us!*

*Facing the People, the Celebrant may say the following invitation*

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.]

*or this*

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

*John 1:29, Revelation 19:9*

*The Ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the People.*

*The Bread and Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life.

[Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith, with thanksgiving.]

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. [Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you, and be thankful.]

*The Celebrant may offer a sentence of Scripture at the conclusion of the Communion*

The body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

## **For Spiritual Communion**

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people [gathered around every altar of your Church], and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

## **The Post Communion Prayer**

*The post communion prayer is a thanksgiving to the Father for his provision of the spiritual food of the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. We also ask the Father for further grace to continue our lives in holy fellowship and for help in doing good works that are possible only through his grace.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People together*

**ALMIGHTY AND EVER-LIVING GOD,  
we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries,  
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us, through this Sacrament,  
of your favor and goodness towards us;  
and that we are true members  
of the mystical body of your Son,  
the blessed company of all faithful people;  
and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom.  
And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father,  
to assist us with your grace,  
that we may continue in that holy fellowship,  
and do all such good works  
as you have prepared for us to walk in;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen**

# The Recessional

# ~ Shine Jesus Shine ~

A A<sup>SUS</sup> A E/A A A<sup>SUS</sup> A E/A



1. Lord, the light of Your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the dark - ness, shin - ing;  
 2. Lord, I come to Your awe - some pres - ence, from the shad - ows in - to Your rad - i - ance;  
 3. As we gaze on Your king - ly bright - ness, so our fac - es dis - play Your like - ness;

5 D E/D C#m F#m D E/D C#m F#m G



Je - sus, Light of the world, shine up - on \_ us, set us free by the truth You now bring \_ us. Shine on \_  
 By the blood I may en - ter Your bright - ness, search me, try me, con - sume all my dark - ness. Shine on \_  
 Ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our lives tell Your sto - ry. Shine on \_

## CHORUS

10 E<sup>SUS</sup> E G E<sup>SUS</sup> E A E/A A D A/C# Bm Bm/A



me, \_ shine on \_ me. \_ Shine, Je - sus, shine, \_ fill this land with the  
 me, \_ shine on \_ me. \_  
 me, \_ shine on \_ me. \_

16 E<sup>SUS</sup> E A E/A A D A/C# Bm Bm/A G E<sup>SUS</sup> E A E/A A D



Fa - ther's glo - ry; Blaze Spir - it, blaze, \_ set our hearts on fire. Flow, riv - er, flow, .

22 A/C# Bm Bm/A E<sup>SUS</sup> E A E/A A D A/C#



\_ flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy; Send forth Your word, \_ Lord, and

## INSTRUMENTAL

27 Bm E<sup>7</sup> A D/A 1, 2. E/A D/A 3. E/A D/A ENDING A D/A A



let there be light.

## The Blessing

*In the blessing, the priest reassures us that God will comfort, protect, and keep us as we journey back into the world. The Holy Trinity is again invoked, reminding us of the mysterious magnificence of God and his abiding love for us.*

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives this or a seasonal blessing*

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

## The Dismissal

*The parish is commissioned to go out into the world to serve as ambassadors and missionaries for our Lord and to reflect His light and grace with everyone with whom we meet.*

*The Deacon, or the Priest, may dismiss the people with these words*

Deacon      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**People      Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory  
through our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## The Postlude

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## NEXT STEPS



Father Hal will be in the Narthex after the service if you would like to speak with him about:

**Accepting Jesus as Lord and Savior  
Baptism**

**Confirmation  
Prayer for Healing**



## HOW TO RECEIVE CHRIST

1. Admit your need. ("I am a sinner.")
2. Be willing to turn from your sins. (Repent)
3. Believe that Jesus died for your sins on the cross and rose from the grave.
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to come in and control your life through the Holy Spirit. (Receive Him as Lord and Savior)
5. By God's grace follow Him daily.



# EXTENDED PRAYER LIST



Aaron	Walter	Evelyn	Becky
Fr. Stan & Eilene	Jason	Carol	Ernesto
Brian	Joni	Jim	Sara
Barney	Ronnie	Vonnell	Deborah & Mike
Alice	Collin	Linda	Jimmy
Shawn	Sailor	Nikki	Darryl
Alyssa	Shawn	Millie	Jeffrey
Amanda	Peggy	Tiffany	Rocky
Mona	Joyce	James & Stacy	Diana
John	Cookie	Amelia	Alexis
Krystal	Lulu	Julie	Jamie
Nancy	Mark	Michelle	Sage
Madeline	Russell	Jimmy	Sophia
MaryAnn	Suzanne	Roy	Lisa
David	Cindy	Jolene	Arthur
Diane	Lincy	Martha	Lee



ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN  
 to the glory of God by  
*Larry & Sharon Weber*

*In celebration of our 49th wedding anniversary.*

## January Birthdays



1/1 Jo Lieber  
 1/3 Katie Harrison  
 1/5 Dianne Findlay  
 1/6 Luke Grant  
 1/6 Doug Seamands  
 1/7 Kristen Billingsley  
 1/12 Scott Reisdorfer

1/14 Robin Grier  
 1/15 Caroline Benson  
 1/17 Karen Czarnecki  
 1/17 Paul Foxcroft  
 1/23 Linda Westbrook  
 1/28 Jean Yarbrough





DIVORCE *Care*

**Mondays, Jan. 13—Apr. 7, 2025**

**6:00 PM to 7:30 PM**

**In the Conference Room**

**Workbook provided**

**Childcare is provided IF SET UP  
IN ADVANCE with administrator**

GRIEF *SHARE*

**Tuesdays, Jan. 14—Apr. 8, 2025**

**6:00 PM to 7:30 PM**

**In the Conference Room**

**Workbook provided**

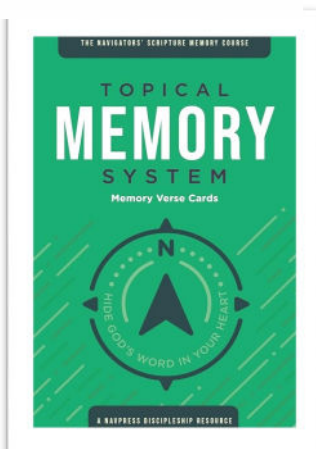
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**DivorceCare's** life-changing support groups welcome people and guide them on the path of recovery after separation or divorce. Over 1 million people have found comfort and hope through this 13-week, video-based series.

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## Hide God's Word in Your Heart!



Wherever life takes you,  
the *Topical Memory System* (TMS)  
provides a portable, effective way to memorize Scripture.

Developed by The Navigators, the  
*Topical Memory System* is a clear, simple, proven way  
to meditate on key Bible verses.

This week's memory verse:

A. Live the New Life

**Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new  
creation; old things have passed away;  
behold, all things have become new.**

**2 Corinthians 5:17**



**SUNDAY,  
JANUARY 26TH, 2025  
FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE**

**BRING YOUR  
FAVORITE CASSEROLES,  
SALADS AND/OR DESSERTS**

# ANNUAL MEETING

## **Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd Notice of Annual Meeting Sunday, January 26, 2025 Following covered-dish potluck**

The following By-Law change was voted by the Vestry at its November 25th meeting. It requires 15 days notice to the congregation before a vote can be taken at the Annual Meeting of January 26, 2025.

	<b>Current Version</b>	<b>Proposed Changes</b>
<b>Article IV Section 5</b>	Wardens and members of the Vestry shall be Communicants in good standing of the Parish, eighteen (18) years old or over, and contributing members according to the Treasurer's records.	Wardens and members of the Vestry shall be Communicants in good standing of the Parish, <b><i>twenty-five (25)</i></b> years old or over, <b><i>attended the Parish for a full year</i></b> , and contributing members according to the Treasurer's records.



# Anglican Diocese of the Southwest School for Ministry

The Anglican Diocese of the Southwest School for Ministry (ADSWSM) is a diploma program for second career professionals who are interested in becoming a deacon and who want a deeper understanding of faith and ministry in the Anglican tradition. Participation in the program *does not automatically place a person on an ordination track*. This distance program *may* satisfy certain educational requirements for those interested in a non-traditional, non-credit program route to ordination in the Anglican Diocese of the Southwest. Classes will be offered through Zoom sessions. Participation in this 2.5 year, five semester program will approximate a 30-hour Master of Arts degree. Students who finish the 10 courses in the program will be awarded a Diploma in Anglican Ministry from the ADSWSM under the certification of the Bishop. Auditing students may earn a certificate of completion.



Fr. Hal Scott, Rector  
Anglican Church  
of the  
Good Shepherd

Presently, the professor for many of the classes will be Fr. Hal Scott, Rector of the Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd in San Angelo, TX. Hal holds a Ph.D in Theology (New Testament) from Southwestern Baptist theological Seminary. Hal is a retired Navy Commander in the USN Chaplain Corps where he held subspecialty codes in resource management, ethics, and pastoral care. Additionally, He is a Board Certified Chaplain with the National Association of VA Chaplains and a Pastor Care Specialist with the ACPE. Prior to accepting his parish in San Angelo, Hal was the Provost of the Jurisdiction of Armed Forces and Chaplaincy, with approximately 200 endorsed chaplains.

## Courses Offered:

### **Fall 2024**

- New Testament
- History & Theology of the Diaconate

### **Spring 2025**

- Systematic Theology
- Church History

### **Fall 2025**

- Old Testament
- Biblical Ethics

### **Spring 2026**

- Anglican History and Theology
- BOCP Liturgy and Spirituality

### **Fall 2026**

- Pastoral Theology and Care
- Preaching and Homiletics

Different classes will be offered Monday and Tuesday—each meeting lasting 90 minutes, beginning at 8PM CST. No tests will be given; however, classroom participation in discussions will be required. At the end of each course, students will be assigned a grade of either Pass or Incomplete. Textbooks are chosen that are readily available through Amazon and noted for their clarity in expression, utility in ministry, and availability in both English and Spanish.

**Spring 2025 textbooks:** Wayne Gruden— Systematic Theology, 2nd edition,  
Justo L. Gonzalez— The Story of Christianity, Revised, 2 volumes.

*No enrollment or tuition will be assessed for this program, but students are required to obtain their own textbooks.*

Spring 2025 enrollment begins December 23, 2024 and closes January 6, 2025. Previously enrolled students do not need to reapply. Email Fr. Hal at [anglican.sm@gmail.com](mailto:anglican.sm@gmail.com) for an enrollment form. The Spring Semester begins January 13-14, 2025.

For Mexican students, please email Meredith Omland at [meremex97@gmail.com](mailto:meremex97@gmail.com) for more information.



# The Order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross

To: Women of the Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd

You are invited to attend a discernment class of the Order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross ( DHC ).

This order of the Daughters of the Holy Cross was instituted September 12, 2009, at Holy Cross Anglican Church in Loganville, Georgia. It was established to provide Anglican women a way to support encourage each other in living out a lifelong vow to follow our Lord and further His work in the world by focusing on the disciplines of Prayer, Service, Study and Evangelism.

A religious Order is much more than an organization because joining an organization usually entails merely paying dues and enrolling, whereas joining an Order requires a period of discernment and the making of a life-long commitment.

From the beginning, being a part of the DHC Order must be Jesus's idea. He alone knows how He will mold and shape each member according to His plan and purpose for her life. With the blessing of her priest, a candidate will undergo a minimum of three months of discernment and study to test and confirm the call. Discernment comes as she takes the following steps:

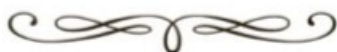
- ◆ Pray
- ◆ Study the Bible, the DHC Discernment Manual and the Handbook
- ◆ Reflect with her mentor and study group members
- ◆ Seek counsel from their priest and others whose spiritual direction she trusts

When a candidate is sure of her calling, she vows to live by the Rule of Life of the Order as she participates in the Service for Admitting Members. The vow she takes is a lifelong commitment. When she is admitted to membership she receives the Cross of the Order.

Registration will continue through January and the class will begin mid-February. All women are welcome to attend the Discernment class to fully understand if this is the Lord's calling for you.

Contact Teddye Read 325-262-2710 or call the church to let us know you are interested in the discernment class.

# Intercessory Prayer



Do you believe in the power of prayer?

Does prayer really change things?

Does God intervene in our lives today?

**Every Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. we meet at the church in the College/Career Sunday School Room** to bow before the LORD in adoration, thanksgiving and intercession. We come together and lift our concerns and petitions to the King of kings, and LORD of lords. We know that God is always with us, but when we do what He says, and gather in His Name, we are keenly aware that He truly is in midst of us and we are overwhelmed by His Holy Presence.

Sometimes we come in need of prayer ourselves, sometimes we come with heavy hearts and long lists of petitions, sometimes we pray out loud, and sometimes we are silent and open our hearts to receive. ALL THE TIME, God hears and answers.



We would love to have you join us on a regular basis, or just stop in when you are able. We will pray for you and your needs, and you can pray for us.

The answer to above questions is yes, yes, and yes!

Thanks be to God, Who gives us the victory through our LORD Jesus Christ, Come and see!





## What is Epiphany?

“Epiphany” comes from the Greek *epiphaneia*, meaning “manifestation” or “appearance.” In 2 Timothy 1:9–10, the word is used to refer to the manifestation of Jesus Christ:

*This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, but it has now been revealed through the **appearing** of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.*  
(NIV)

Epiphany refers to the appearance of Jesus Christ as the Savior of the world—of Israel and the Gentiles. For this reason, Epiphany is commonly associated with the visitation of the Magi (or “wise men”), who were almost certainly Gentiles, in Matthew 2:1–12.

The Church has long viewed the Magi finding Jesus (thanks to the leading light of a star) as a fulfillment of the prophecy of Isaiah 60:1–3, particularly verse 3:

*Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.  
For darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the Lord will arise upon you,  
and his glory will appear over you.  
**Nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.***

In addition to the coming of the Magi, Jesus’s baptism and his changing water into wine at the wedding in Cana are also commonly associated with Epiphany, as these are two other “manifestations” of Christ’s glory.

# Anglican Church of the Good Shepherd

## Vision

*One in Christ ~ One in Love*

## Mission

We are a vibrant, relevant, Word-based church embracing individuals and families in the Concho Valley by offering love, practical support and spiritual growth through the transforming love of Jesus Christ.

## Core Values

Grounded in Scripture  
Strengthened through the Sacraments  
Dependent on the Holy Spirit  
(Loving Family)

## Essential Beliefs

Commitment to Jesus Christ  
Authority of Scripture  
Expectant prayer  
Evangelism  
Relational ministry  
Worship  
Servant ministry  
Sacrificial giving

## Good Shepherd Music Team

### Minister of Music

*Judy Holik*

### Song Leaders

*Henry McWilliams, Stephen Emmons, PhD*

### Instrumentalist

*Mark Findlay*

### Pianists

*Judy Holik, Billie Smithwick,*

*Luke Grant, Robin Grier*

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# The Week Of January 12th—January 18th

## **The First Sunday of Epiphany**

9:00 AM Sunday School for all ages  
10:30 AM The Holy Eucharist

## **Monday**

6:00 PM DivorceCare in the Conference Room

## **Tuesday**

10:00 AM Intercessory Prayer in College/Career Classroom 5  
11:00 AM Ladies Bible Study in the Conference Room  
1:00 PM Stitches in the Conference Room  
6:00 PM GriefShare in the Conference Room

## **Wednesday**

3:00 PM Gospel of John Bible Study on Facebook Live  
6:00 PM Bible Study: The Epistle of Paul to the Galatians — Conference Room  
7:00 PM Holy Communion in the Nave

## **Thursday**

**6:30 PM** Musicians Rehearsal in the Nave

## **The Second Sunday of Epiphany**

9:00 AM Sunday School for all ages  
10:30 AM The Holy Eucharist



### **Church Office Hours**

Monday—Thursday 9:00 am—2:00 pm  
Fridays 9:00 am—Noon