

the CROSS

an historic Episcopal Church

The Sunday after a Day in the Country Celebration of Holy Eucharist: Rite II 3 October 2021 10 0'Clock

Welcome to the Chapel of the Cross! Whether you are a first-time visitor or you have been a part of the Chapel for generations, thank you for joining us this morning. We invite you to explore how the Chapel can be a part of your journey with God.

Dear Visitors, *if you are visiting, passing through, or searching for a spiritual home, you honor us by your presence. We are so glad you are here!*

HYMN Surely the presence of the Lord

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place I can feel His mighty power and His grace I can hear the brush of angel's wings I see glory on each face Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

In the midst of His children the Lord said He would be It doesn't take very many It can be just two or three And I feel that same sweet spirit that I've felt so many times before Surely I can say I've been with the Lord

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place I can feel His mighty power and His grace I can hear the brush of angel's wings I see glory on each face Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

There's a holy hush around us as His glory fills this place

I've touch the hem of His garment I can almost see His face And my heart is overflowing with the fullness of His joy I know without a doubt I've been with the Lord

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place I can feel His mighty power and His grace I can hear the brush of angel's wings I see glory on each face Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

Oh surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these."

THE SONG OF PRAISE *Jesus loves the little children,*

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world, Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in His sight, Jesus loves the little children of the world.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

The Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken."

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

- 1 O God our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children, your majesty is praised above the heavens.

Psalm 8

Genesis 2:18-24

3	You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger.
4	When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
5	What are we that you should be mindful of us, mere mortals that you should seek us out?
6	You have made us but little lower than the angels; you adorn us with glory and honor;
7	You give us dominion over the works of your hands; you put all things under our feet:
8	All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,
9	The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
10	O God, our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world!

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL

Mark 10:13-16

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOMILY

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Response: Lord, have mercy

THE CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN Jesus loves me

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.

> Refrain Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me; he who died heaven's gate to open wide. He will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. Refrain

Jesus loves me, this I know, as he loved so long ago, taking children on his knee, saying, "Let them come to me". Refrain

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. **By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace. **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

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.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name. **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

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.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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.

THE BLESSING

HYMN All hail the power of Jesus' name

All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Crown him, ye martyrs of our God, who from his altar call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!

Hail him, the Heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call, the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all!

Ye heirs of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all! Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall, go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

DISMISSAL

Thanks be to God!





STEWARDSHIP

UPDATE

2021 Total Pledged \$713,140

Expected Pledge Payments through July **\$381,360**

Actual Pledge Payments through July **\$399,549.94** *105% of expected*

2021 Budgeted Non-Pledge Gifts & Plate Cash **\$155,340**

Expected Non-Pledge Gifts & Plate Cash through July **\$95,280**

Actual Non-Pledge Gifts & Plate Cash through July **\$93,198.78** *98% of expected*

THE ENTIRE 2021 BUDGET IS AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE

Capital Campaign Remainding Pledges **\$611,989.33** (of \$3,302,189.60) Organ Campaign Remaining Pledges **\$93,500.00** (of \$345,700)

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