

# 5 Epiphany

February 7, 2021



## St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

WELCOME

St. Cyprian's is a welcoming, inclusive, vibrant community of faith, where every person is invited to engage in our worship, mission, and ministry. This booklet contains all you will need for this morning's worship. Information about upcoming events, activities, and ministries are found on the Announcement page. If you are a visitor to our live-streaming service, we would be honored if you would leave your name and email address to keep you informed of news of our church and ministries. WELCOME!

## PRELUDE

### OPENING HYMN

#### "Father, We Praise Thee"



1 Fa - ther, we praise thee, now the night is  
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for thy  
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual



o - ver, ac - tive and watch - ful, stand we all be -  
man - sions; ban - ish our weak - ness, health and whole - ness  
Spi - rit, Trin - i - ty bless - ed, send us thy sal -



fore thee; sing - ing we of - fer prayer and med - i -  
send - ing; bring us to hea - ven, where thy saints u -  
va - tion; thine is the glo - ry, gleam - ing and re -



ta - tion: thus we a - dore thee.  
nit - ed joy with - out end - ing.  
sound - ing through all cre - a - tion.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant:* This is the day the Lord has made.

*People:* **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Priest:* Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING:

**Isaiah 40:21-31**

<sup>21</sup>Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? <sup>22</sup>It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; <sup>23</sup>who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. <sup>24</sup>Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. <sup>25</sup>To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. <sup>26</sup>Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People:* **Amen. Amen.**

## PSALM 147:1-12, 21C

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! \*

**how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!**

<sup>2</sup>The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; \*

**he gathers the exiles of Israel.**

<sup>3</sup>He heals the brokenhearted \*

**and binds up their wounds.**

<sup>4</sup>He counts the number of the stars \*

**and calls them all by their names.**

<sup>5</sup>Great is our LORD and mighty in power; \*

**there is no limit to his wisdom.**

<sup>6</sup>The LORD lifts up the lowly, \*

**but casts the wicked to the ground.**

<sup>7</sup>Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; \*

**make music to our God upon the harp.**

<sup>8</sup>He covers the heavens with clouds \*

**and prepares rain for the earth;**

<sup>9</sup>He makes grass to grow upon the mountains \*

**and green plants to serve mankind.**

<sup>10</sup>He provides food for flocks and herds \*

**and for the young ravens when they cry.**

<sup>11</sup>He is not impressed by the might of a horse; \*  
**he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;**  
<sup>12</sup>But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, \*  
**in those who await his gracious favor. <sup>21c</sup> Hallelujah!**

## THE SECOND READING:

**1 Corinthians 9:16-23**

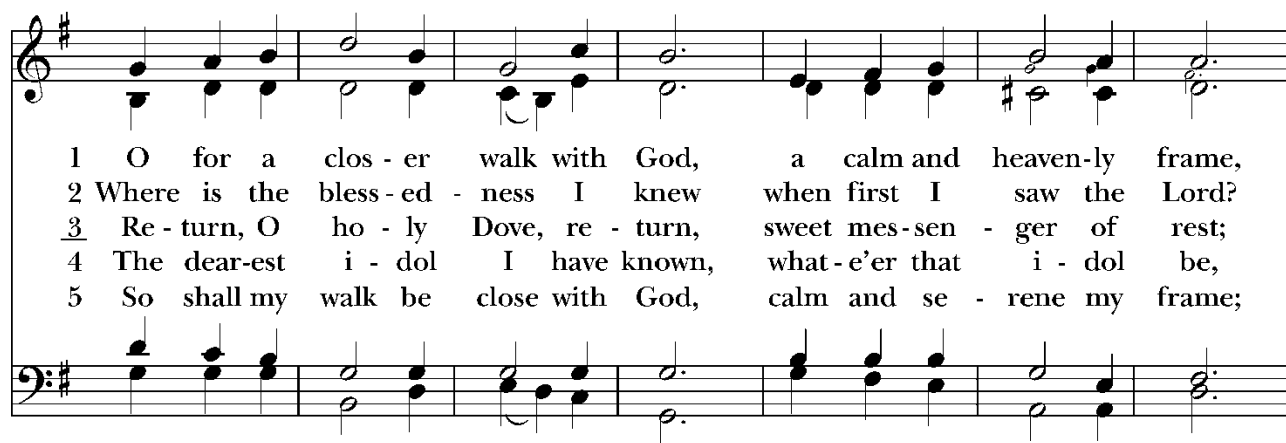
<sup>16</sup>If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. <sup>18</sup>What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. <sup>19</sup>For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

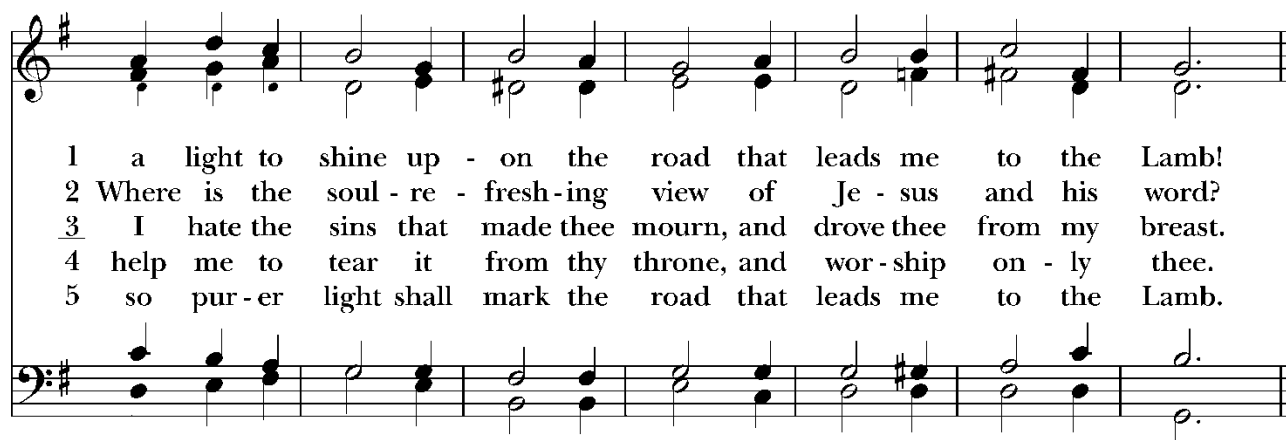
*People:* **Amen. Amen.**

## GRADUAL HYMN

### "O For A Closer Walk With God"



1 O for a clos - er walk with God, a calm and heaven-ly frame,  
 2 Where is the bless - ed - ness I knew when first I saw the Lord?  
 3 Re - turn, O ho - ly Dove, re - turn, sweet mes - sen - ger of rest;  
 4 The dear - est i - dol I have known, what - e'er that i - dol be,  
 5 So shall my walk be close with God, calm and se - rene my frame;



1 a light to shine up - on the road that leads me to the Lamb!  
 2 Where is the soul - re - fresh - ing view of Je - sus and his word?  
 3 I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast.  
 4 help me to tear it from thy throne, and wor - ship on - ly thee.  
 5 so pur - er light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

# THE GOSPEL:

Mark 1:29-39

*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People:* **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

<sup>29</sup>[When Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.<sup>30</sup>Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. <sup>31</sup>He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. <sup>32</sup>That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. <sup>33</sup>And the whole city was gathered around the door. <sup>34</sup>And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. <sup>35</sup>In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and his companions hunted for him. <sup>37</sup>When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." <sup>38</sup>He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." <sup>39</sup>And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

*Priest:* The Gospel of our Lord.

*People:* **Amen. Amen.**

## THE SERMON

FR. TED VOORHEES

### A DECLARATION OF FAITH

**We believe in the one God who has created the land and sea and heavens  
and all that is in them;**

**who established a world that is good;**

**who gives to us the task of watchful and responsible care over it;**

**who is certainty and truth.**

**We believe in the one God who in Jesus Christ assumed our humanity  
and knew our life as child, youth, and adult;**

**who dined with sinners and lived with the homeless;**

**who confronted popular opinion and power;**

**who remained obedient in temptation and suffering;**

**whose triumph was a servant's death and resurrection.**

**We believe in the one God who comes to us as comforter and advocate;**

**who does not leave us as orphans;**

**who brings peace and calms the troubled heart;**

**who bestows gifts for serving, healing, showing compassion, and doing miracles;**

**who alone is the power and the wisdom of our proclamation.**

**Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Leader:* Blessed are you eternal God,  
*People:* **To be praised and glorified for ever.**

*Leader:* Source of all love, hear us as we pray for the unity of our faith  
*People:* **May we all be one that the world may believe.**

*Leader:* Grant that all peoples of the earth may truly and humbly serve you,  
*People:* **That the image of God may be revealed in us.**

*Leader:* Strengthen all who minister in your name.  
*People:* **Give us courage to proclaim your gospel.**

*Leader:* Inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world.  
*People:* **Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.**

*Leader :* Make us alive to the needs of our community.  
*People:* **Help us to share one another's joys and burdens.**

*Leader:* Look with kindness on our homes and families,  
*People:* **Grant that your love may grow in our hearts.**

*Leader:* Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief or trouble.  
*People:* **In your presence may they find strength.**

*Leader:* We remember those who have died.  
*People:* **Into your hands we commend them.**

*Leader:* We praise you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.  
*People:* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Leader:* We pray for our own needs and blessings ...  
*Particular intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered silently or aloud.*

*Leader:* Lord you have called us to serve you.  
*People:* **Grant that we may walk in your presence:**  
**Your love in our hearts,**  
**Your truth in our minds,**  
**Your strength in our wills,**  
**Until, at the end of our journey,**  
**We may know the joy of our homecoming**  
**And the welcome of your embrace.**  
**Amen.**

## THE PEACE

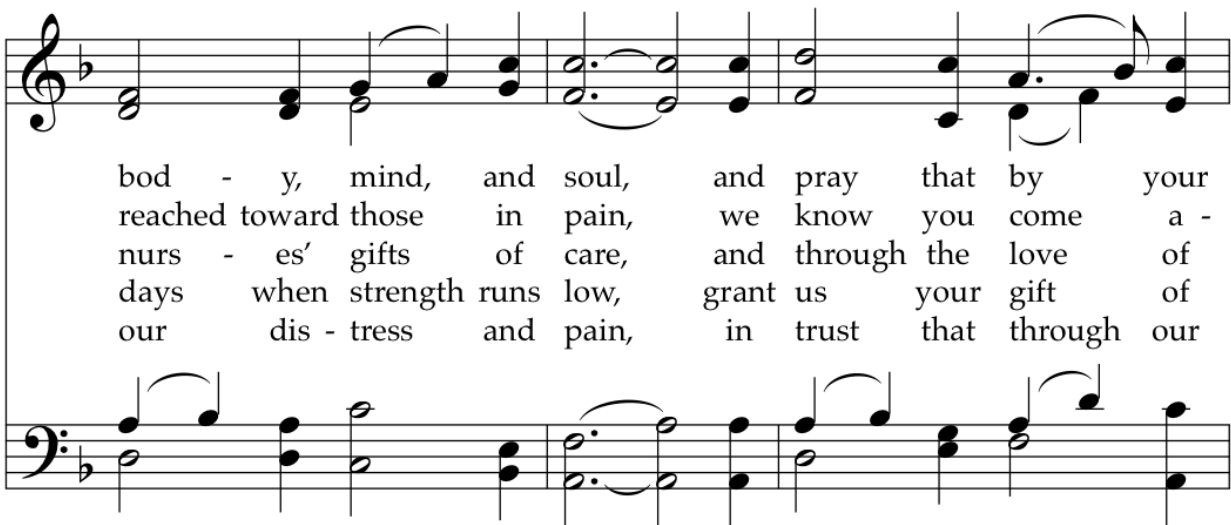
*Priest:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People:* **And also with you.**

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# OFFERTORY HYMN "We Come To You For Healing, Lord"



1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of  
2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and  
3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through  
4 Through nights of pain and wake - ful - ness, through  
5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in



bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your  
reached toward those in pain, we know you come a -  
nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of  
days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of  
our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our



Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.  
mong us still with power to heal a - gain.  
faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.  
pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.  
nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

# 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 our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body.

Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing

*Celebrant and People*

*LEVAS #255*

**Holy, holy ... holy, holy ... holy Lord, God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are filled with your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord  
... of the Lord  
Hosanna in the highest ... hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."



Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name forever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, forever and ever. *AMEN.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

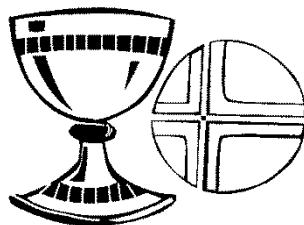
## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Priest:* Alleluia. We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

*People:* ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

*Priest* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Feed on them in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER



## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

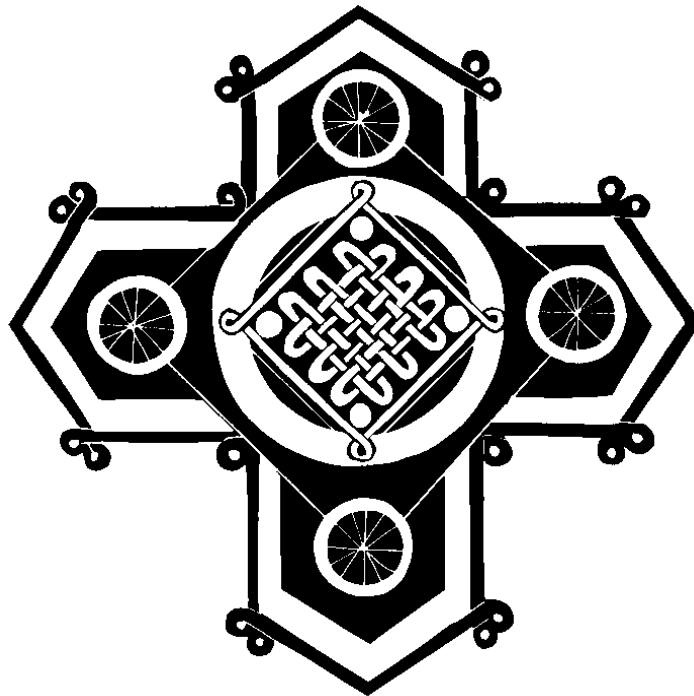
Let us pray.

**God of abundance, you have fed us,  
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
You have united us with Christ and one another;  
And you have made us one with all your people in  
heaven and earth.  
Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;  
that we may proclaim your love to the world  
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## BLESSING

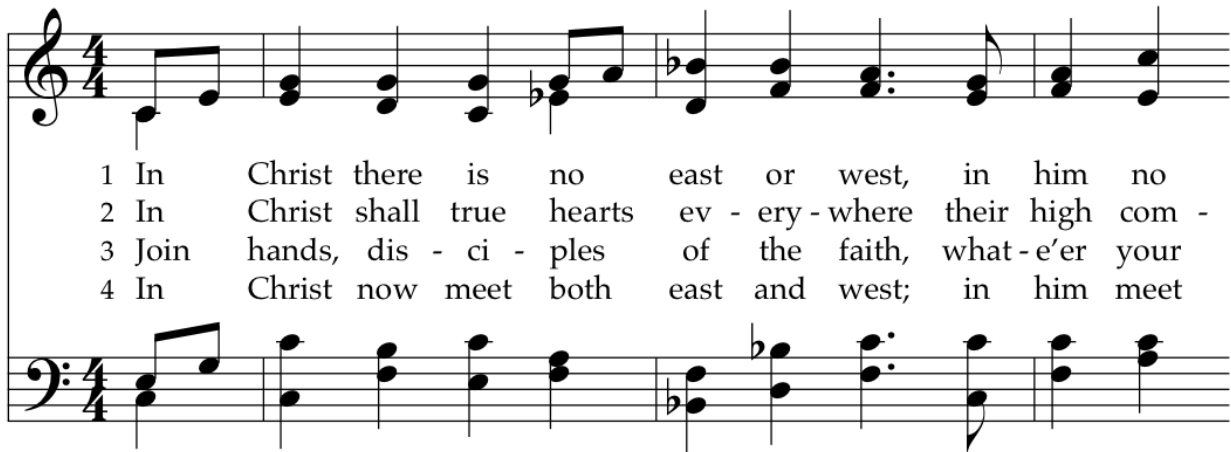
Live without fear.  
Your Creator has made you holy,  
has always protected you,  
and loves you with a power and a presence  
that is stronger than death.

May God's blessing be with you,  
Christ's peace be with you,  
and the Spirit's outpouring be with you,  
now and always.  
**Amen.**

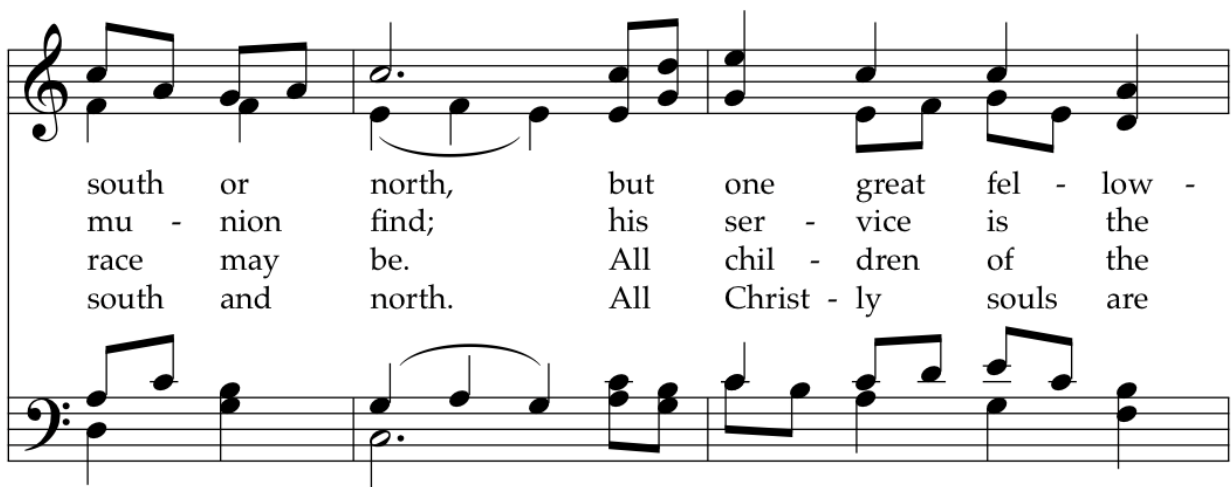


# CLOSING HYMN

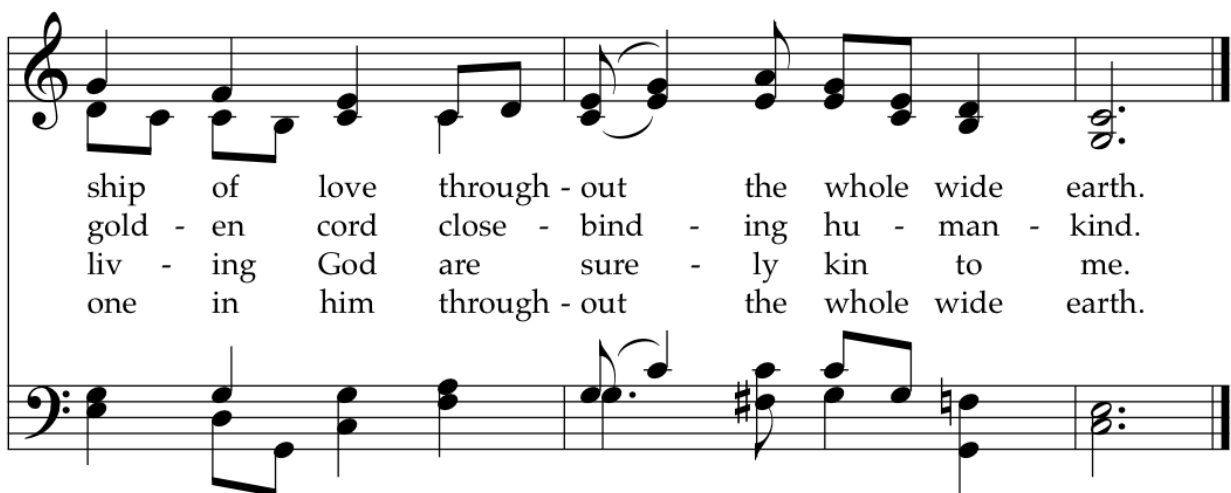
## "In Christ There Is No East Or West"



1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no  
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their high com -  
 3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what - e'er your  
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet



south or north, but one great fel - low -  
 mu - nion find; his ser - vice is the  
 race may be. All chil - dren of the  
 south and north. All Christ - ly souls are



ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
 gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.  
 liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.  
 one in him through - out the whole wide earth.

# DISMISSAL

*Priest:* Alleluia. Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of God's Spirit.

*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

# POSTLUDE

## About Our Worship Booklet

The worship in this booklet follows the form of **Holy Eucharist: Rite II** in the **Book of Common Prayer**. The **Declaration of Faith** is from the **Moravian Book of Worship**. The **Eucharistic Prayer** is **Prayer 2** from **Enriching Our Worship**. The readings from Holy Scripture are from **Lectionary Year B** using the **New Revised Standard Version** of the Bible.

## Prayer List

We pray for those known to the people of St. Cyprian's who are ill or who have asked for our prayers: Carol Ann Romaine, Kirby von Egidy, Bobbi Miller, Bill Wall, Margie Costas, Adelaide and Anastasia, Matt Shirer, Benedetta & Family, Elise Osako, Geordy Maish, Pat Laurencelle, Charlie Schwab, Tom Lutton, Annette Cappella, Jon Wiles, Jim Colee, Jim Lofquist, Bud & Kevin Cash and Beth.

We pray also for Nan Weaver, Norma Sherry, Martha Shannon, Mary Lynn Hartley, Daria, Bob Mermell, Ervin Bullock, Janine, Kim, Linda Parker, Nancy, Jeanette Webster, Skip Hutton, Marnie, Jeff, Dennis O'Neill, George Libonate, Patti Morrissey, Janet Sowers, Bonnie Wahiba, Foster Swann, Peter Ripley, Garrison Williams, Debbie Gagnon, Irma Brooks, Julie Forker, Kelli Ann Dishmon, Jim Bullock, Kris Phillips, Allison Paisley, Carrie C., Susie, Catherine Martin, Liza Aston, Nury, Bill & Mary Jo Dudley.

**About the Prayer List** – If you would like to add someone to our Prayer List please use the form you'll find on the table near the door. And, please let us know when to take someone's name off our Prayer List.

## Announcements

**The Church is Open Daily for Prayer 9-4:30**

Please be Mindful of Social Distancing

**Dining With Dignity – THANKS!**

Many thanks to all who donated food, clothing, and/or funds to help provide a dignified meal to our homeless sisters and brothers in the area. Our next Dining With Dignity is scheduled for Tuesday, March 2.

Please watch the announcements in the Voice as we make our plans during this Covid-19 coronavirus crisis.

## **Ecumenical Food Pantry**

The Ecumenical Food Pantry is now open five days a week during this Covid-19 coronavirus crisis, and the need for food is extremely high. If you want to bring food contributions for the Ecumenical Food Pantry, the church is open for prayer daily from 9am until 4:30pm, and the food basket is just inside the door. If you would like to make a monetary contribution (each \$1 buys 5lbs. of food), please mail the check to the church and put Food Pantry in the memo line.

## Zoom Meetings

Book Study of *Caste: The Origins of our Discontents* by Pulitzer Prize recipient Isabel Wilkerson.  
The Racial Justice Discussion Group meets on **MONDAYS AT 11AM**.

**Virtual Coffee Hour – WEDNESDAYS AT 10AM**

**Centering Prayer – WEDNESDAYS AT 4:30PM**

**NEW! "Reading Between The Lines" – THURSDAYS AT 10AM**

"Reading Between The Lines" is a study of one of the Scripture lessons from each week's lectionary.