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May 9, 2021



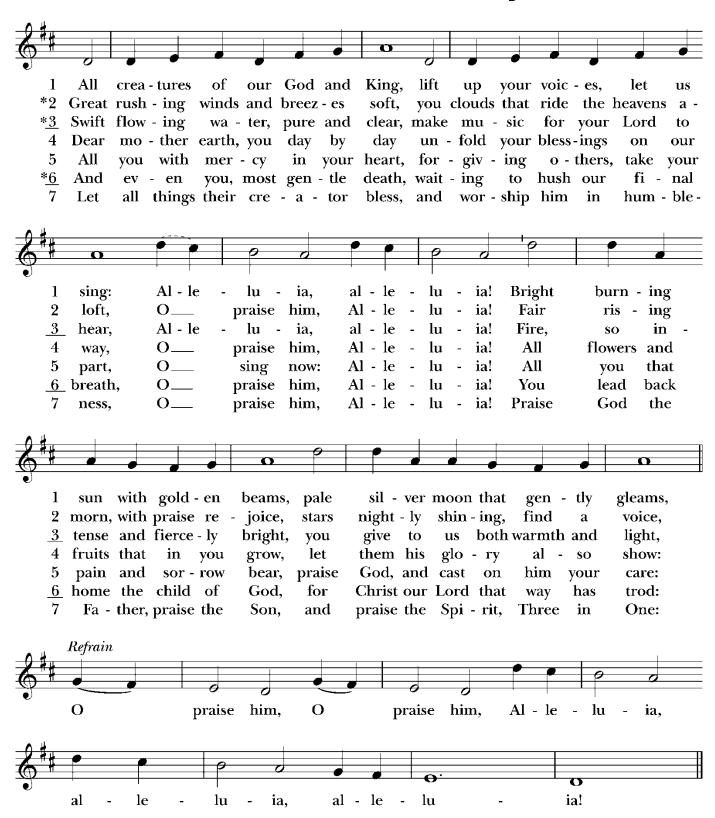
St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

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, and ALL are welcomed at our Communion Table . This booklet contains all you will need for this morning's worship. Information about upcoming events, activities, and ministries are found on the last page. If you are a visitor, or new to St. Cyprian's, we would be honored to have your name and contact information to keep you informed of news of our church and ministries; the blue information brochure available from a Greeter has a form that you may use. WELCOME!

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN "All Creatures of Our God and King"



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Priest: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING:

Acts 10:44-48

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

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

People: Amen. Amen.

PSALM 98

¹Sing to the LORD a new song, *

for he has done marvelous things.

²With his right hand and his holy arm *

has he won for himself the victory.

³The LORD has made known his victory; *

his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

⁴He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *

and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁵Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; *

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

⁶Sing to the LORD with the harp, *

with the harp and the voice of song.

⁷With trumpets and the sound of the horn *

shout with joy before the King, the LORD.

8Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *

the lands and those who dwell therein.

⁹Let the rivers clap their hands, *

and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,

when he comes to judge the earth.

¹⁰In righteousness shall he judge the world *

and the peoples with equity.

THE SECOND READING:

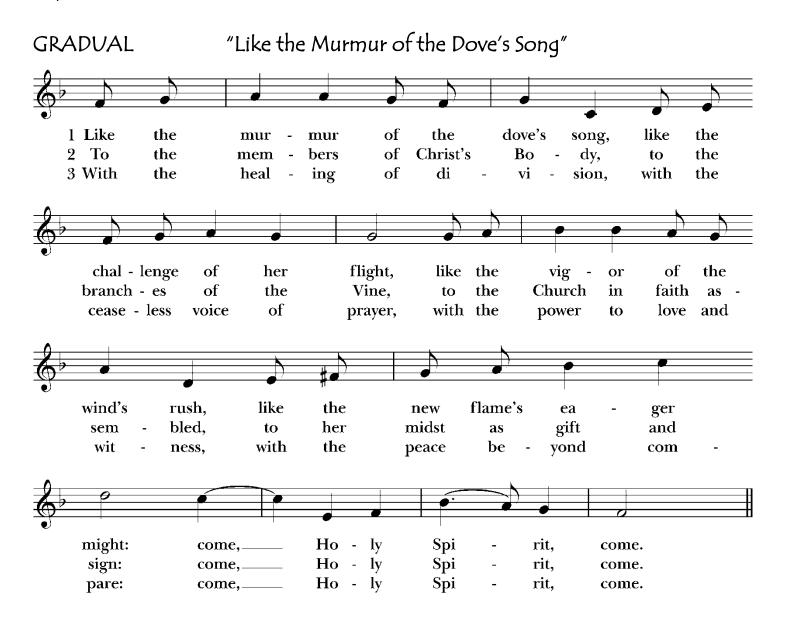
1 John 5:1-6

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are

not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? ⁶This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

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

People: Amen. Amen.



THE GOSPEL: John 15:9-17

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

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

[Jesus said to his disciples,] ⁹"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ¹²"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you

servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Priest: The Gospel of our Lord.

People: Amen. Amen.

THE SERMON

PASTOR DEENA GALANTOWICZ

A DECLARATION OF FAITH

I believe in the one true God, the Creator of humanity, who creates and sustains the universe in wisdom and power, who calls us into being and into relationship with God by grace, whose nature is love.

I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God,
who lived that we might see God,
who died that we might be reconciled to God,
who rose again that we might experience the life of God,
who freely accepts and welcomes all who come to him,
not on the basis of merit,
but on the basis of unconditional love.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
who is God present with us now,
who shows us our need for God,
who assures us of God's love in all circumstances,
who lives the life and love of Jesus Christ through us.

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 the Church.

People: May we all be one that the world may believe.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you.

People: That the life of Christ may be revealed in us.

Leader: Strengthen all who minister in the name of Christ.

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: Father, into your hands we commend them.

Leader: Remembering blessed Cyprian 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: 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, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

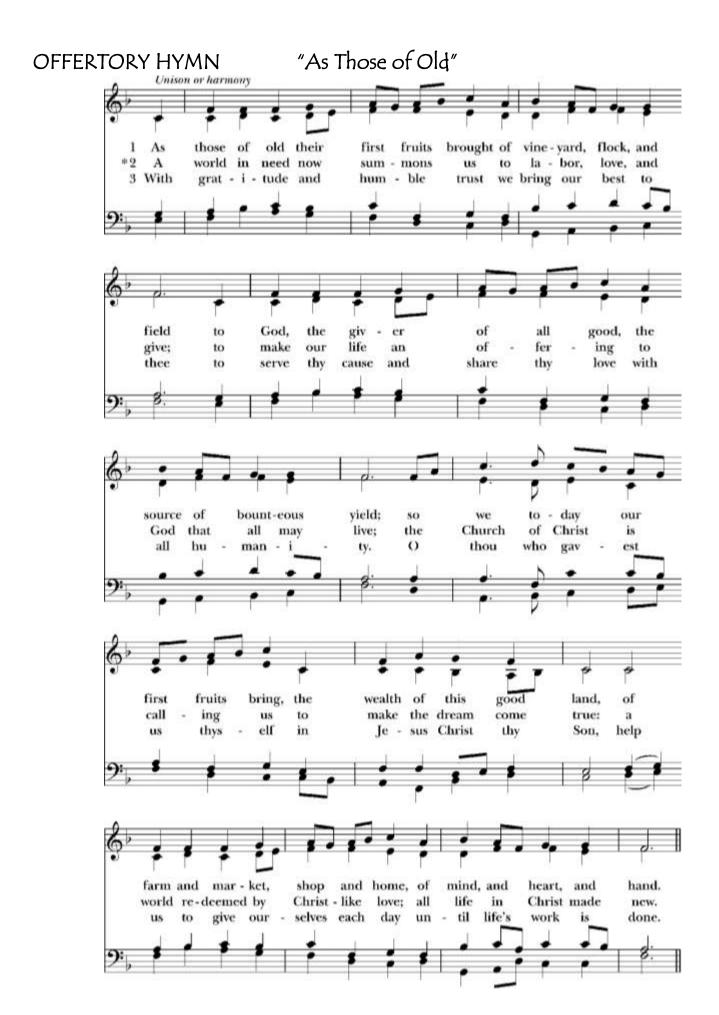
THE PEACE

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS





THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

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.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant, poured out for you and for all. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Priest and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Saint Cyprian and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Priest and People

Blessed are you now and for 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 him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father,

you have graciously accepted us as living members

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,

and you have fed us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.

Send us now into the world in peace,

and grant us strength and courage

to love and serve you

with gladness and singleness of heart;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

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"



DISMISSAL

Priest: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

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 borrowed from the Moravian Book of Worship. (The Moravian Church and the Episcopal Church are in full communion with each other.) The **Eucharistic Prayer** is from **Enriching Our Worship**, a resource for the Episcopal Church's liturgy. The readings from Holy Scripture are from **Lectionary Year B** using the **New Revised Standard Version** of the Bible.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer List

We pray for those known to the people of St. Cyprian's who are ill or who have asked for our prayers: Stephanie and Harrison Balazategui, Bill Schwab, Jane Holzkamp, Kirby and Matthew von Egidy, Bobbi Miller, Bill Wall, Margie Costas, Adelaide and Anastasia, Matt Shirer, Elise Osako, Pat Laurencelle, Charlie Schwab, Tom Lutton, Jon Wiles, Jim Colee, Jim Lofquist, Bud & Kevin Cash and Beth.

We pray also for Lynn, Walter Daniels, Tim Poole, Marty Turner, Marianne Finn, Peter Morin, Rodolfo, Norma Sherry, Geordy Maisch, Martha Shannon, Daria, Bob Mermell, Janine, Kim, Linda Parker, Nancy, Skip Hutton, Marnie, Jeff, Dennis O'Neill, George Libonate, Patti Morrissey, Bonnie Wahiba, Foster Swann, Peter Ripley, Garrison Williams, Debbie Gagnon, Irma Brooks, Kelli Ann Dishmon, Jim Bullock, Kris Phillips, Allison Paisley, Carrie C., Susie, Catherine Martin, Liza Aston, Bill & Mary Jo Dudley.

<u>About the Prayer List</u> – 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.

Dining With Dignity - THANKS!

Many thanks to all who donated food and/or funds to help provide a dignified meal to our homeless sisters and brothers in the area. We served 65 persons and gave away 80 take-away dinners. Tommy & Katie Cash had the help of Linda & Hugh McClelland, Linda & Ivan Kish, and Gail Wisler & Bill Brown. This new group will be coordinating DWD for the next few months giving Tommy & Katie some well-deserved time off. Our next Dining With Dignity is scheduled for Tuesday, June 1. 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 office is open on Monday-Tuesday, and Thursday-Friday from 9am until 4:30pm, and on Wednesday from 9 until noon. 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.

Concert on the Commons Mama Blue! Sunday May 16 at 7pm

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Bring a chair is you have one, and your beverage of choice (but NO FOOD)

Zoom Meetings

Racial Justice Discussion Group – Mon at 11am Aging Angels – Tues at 10am Virtual Coffee Hour – Wed at 10am Centering Prayer – Wed 4:30pm Reading Between the Lines – Thur at 10am

Romanza at St. Cyprian's

On The Commons

Community Drumming – May 12 at 7pm St. Augustine Sax Pack – May 12 at 7:45pm Community Drumming – May 14 at 7pm Teal Cabana Club Band – May 14 at 7:45pm

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