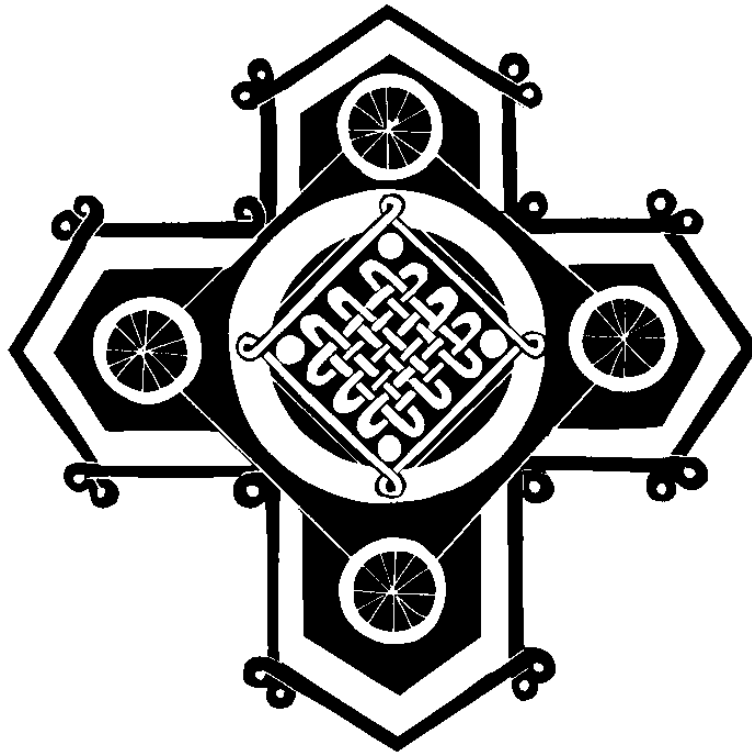


18 Pentecost

September 26, 2021



St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

Our Guest Celebrant this morning is Rev. Mal Jopling

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!

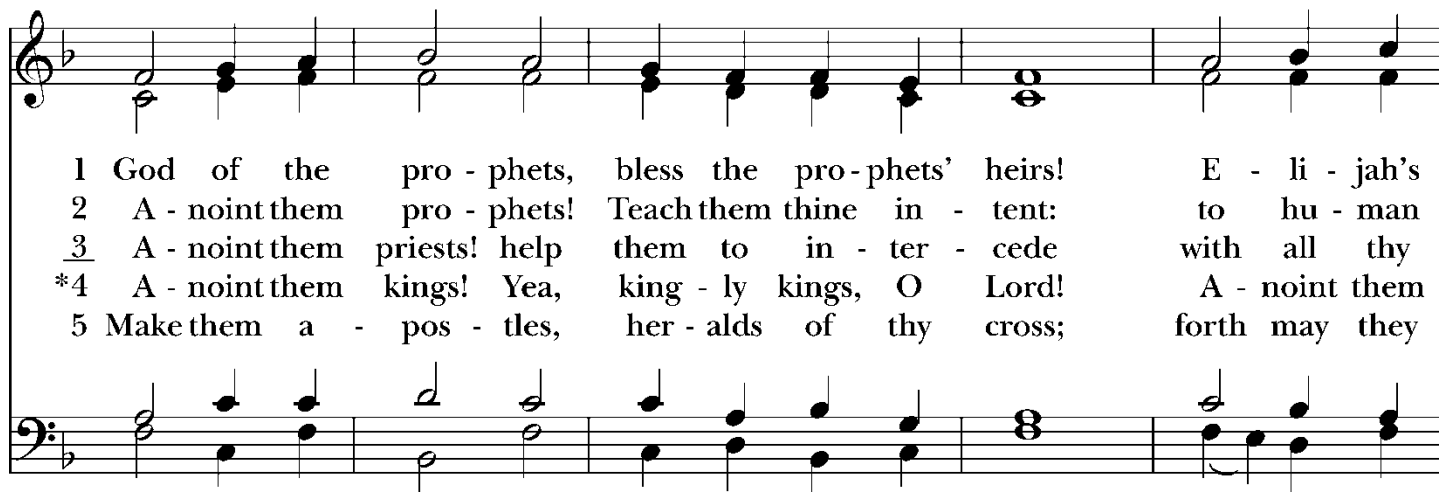
PRELUDE

"Nearer My God to Thee"

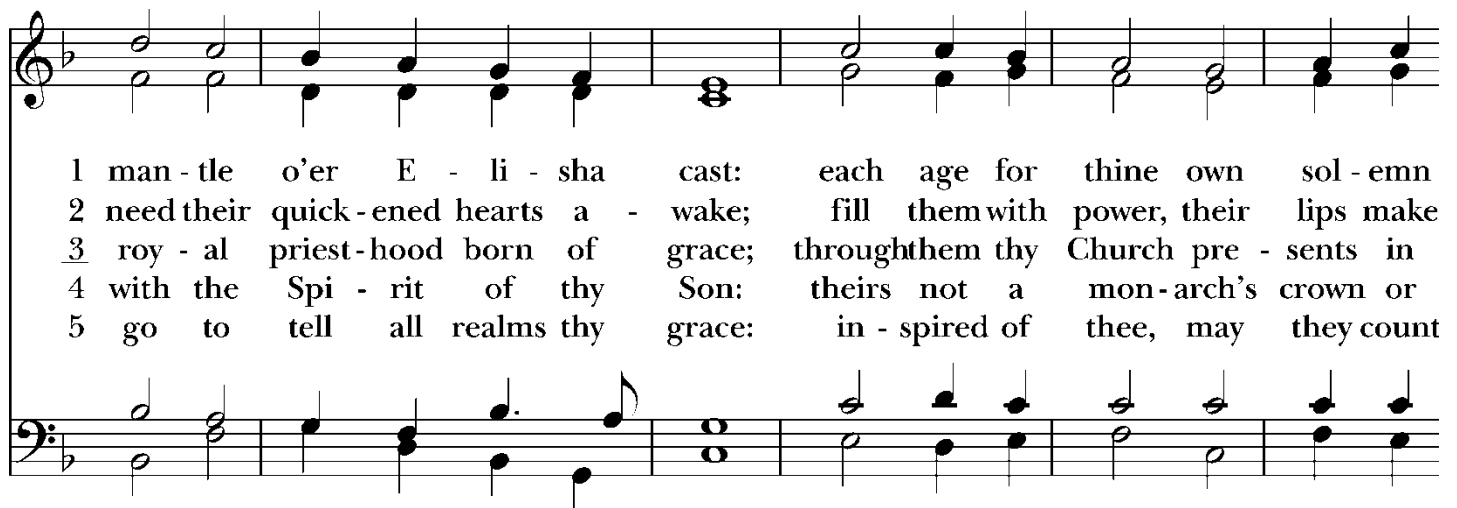
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OPENING HYMN

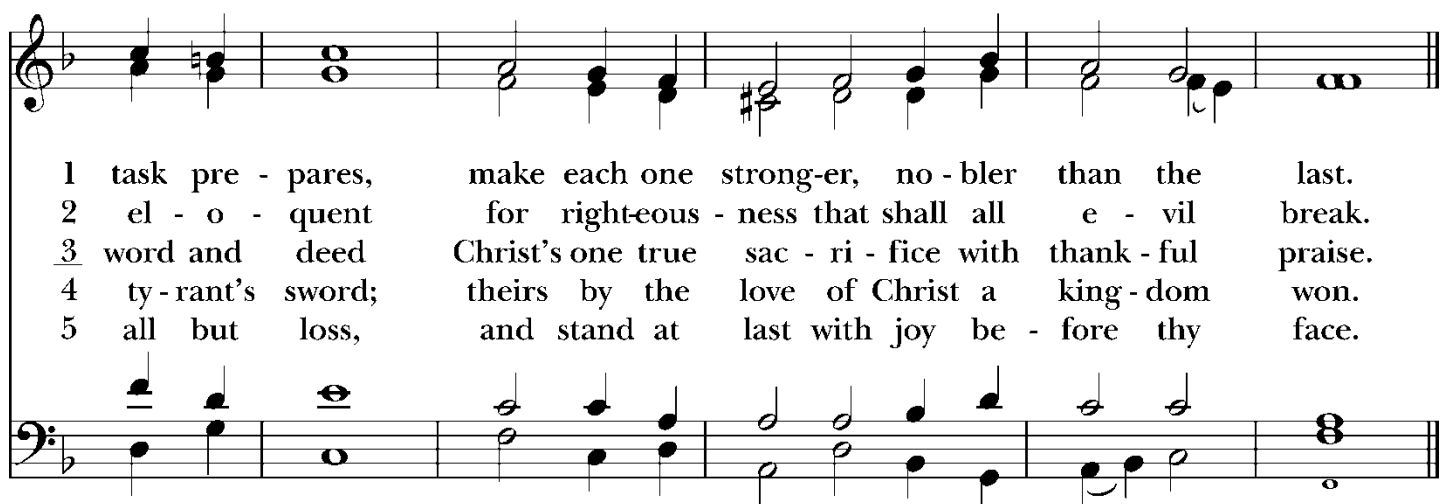
"God of the Prophets, Bless the Prophet's Heirs!"



1 God of the pro - phets, bless the pro - phets' heirs! E - li - jah's
 2 A - noint them pro - phets! Teach them thine in - tent: to hu - man
 3 A - noint them priests! help them to in - ter - cede with all thy
 *4 A - noint them kings! Yea, king - ly kings, O Lord! A - noint them
 5 Make them a - pos - tles, her - alds of thy cross; forth may they



1 man - tle o'er E - li - sha cast: each age for thine own sol - emn
 2 need their quick - ened hearts a - wake; fill them with power, their lips make
 3 roy - al priest - hood born of grace; through them thy Church pre - sents in
 4 with the Spi - rit of thy Son: theirs not a mon - arch's crown or
 5 go to tell all realms thy grace: in - spired of thee, may they count



1 task pre - pares, make each one strong - er, no - bler than the last.
 2 el - o - quent for right - eous - ness that shall all e - vil break.
 3 word and deed Christ's one true sac - ri - fice with thank - ful praise.
 4 ty - rant's sword; theirs by the love of Christ a king - dom won.
 5 all but loss, and stand at last with joy be - fore thy face.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Priest: Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People: **Glory to God for ever and ever**

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE:

"All with Joyful Exultation"

Hasidic melody

Refrain Am (Psalm 30) E



All with joy - ful ex - ul - ta - tion let us sing to God our praise;



to the rock of our sal - va - tion loud ho - san - nas raise.



1 Lord, we sing with joy - ful voic - es; your great
2 Praise to you, our sure sal - va - tion, you, the



power can lift and save; by your heal - ing
Ho - ly One a - bove. End the night so



touch, re - vive us; life re - store be - yond the grave.
dimmed by an - guish, with your light of peace and love.

Dm E *to Refrain*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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:

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

¹The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. ²On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." ³Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me—that is my petition—and the lives of my people—that is my request. ⁴For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king." ⁵Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?" ⁶Esther said, "A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen. ⁹Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, "Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high." And the king said, "Hang him on that." ¹⁰So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated. ^{9:20}Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, ²¹enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, ²²as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

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

People: **Amen. Amen.**

PSALM 124

¹If the LORD had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;
²If the LORD had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;
³Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;
⁴Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
⁵Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.
⁶Blessed be the LORD! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
⁷We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
⁸Our help is in the Name of the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

THE SECOND READING:

James 5:13-20

¹³Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray

for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. ¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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

People: Amen. Amen.

GRADUAL

"Shepherd of Souls"



1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
 2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
 3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
 4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
 word of grace, in strength of which we
 then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bid with
 and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
 trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
 us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
 heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

THE GOSPEL:

Mark 9:38-50

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

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

³⁸John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the

reward. ⁴²"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. ⁴⁹"For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

Priest: The Gospel of our Lord.

People: **Amen. Amen.**

THE SERMON

Rev. Mal Jopling

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Priest: Let us confess our sins to God.

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 our Savior 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.

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

Amen.

THE PEACE

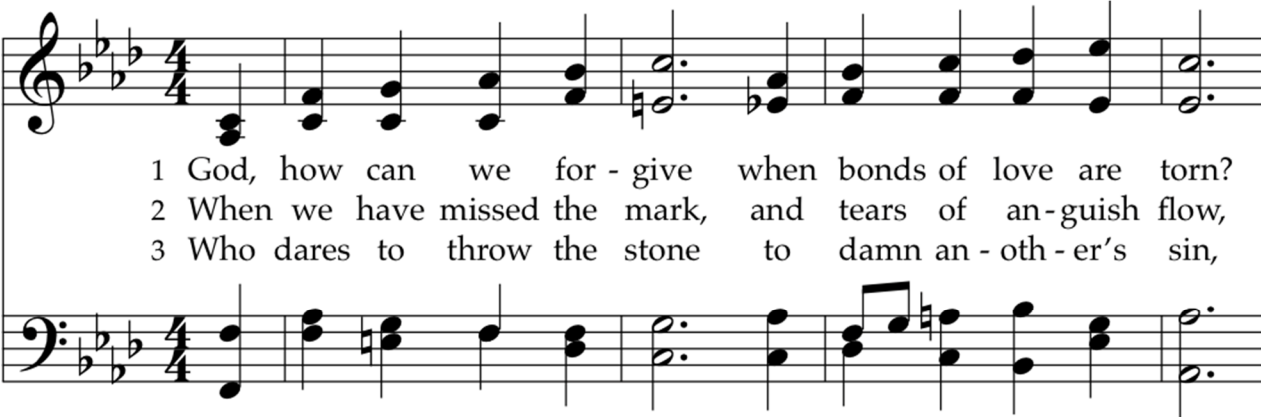
Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN


"God, How Can We Forgive"



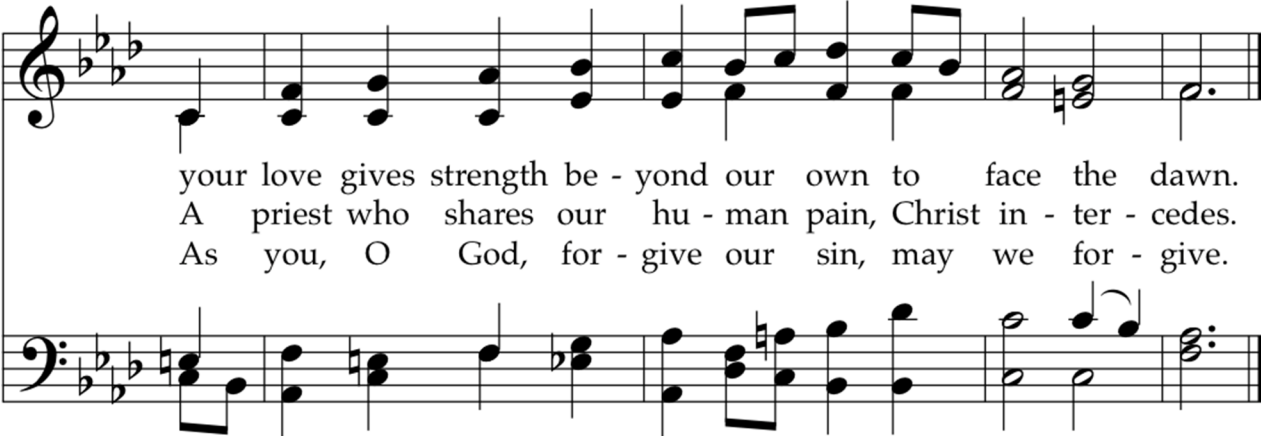
1 God, how can we for - give when bonds of love are torn?
 2 When we have missed the mark, and tears of an - guish flow,
 3 Who dares to throw the stone to damn an - oth - er's sin,



How can we rise and start a - new, our trust re - born?
 how can you still re - lease our guilt, the debt we owe?
 when you, while know - ing all our past, for - give a - gain?



When hu - man lov - ing fails and ev - ery hope is gone,
 The o - cean depth of grace sur - pass - es all our needs.
 No more we play the judge, for by your grace we live.



your love gives strength be - yond our own to face the dawn.
 A priest who shares our hu - man pain, Christ in - ter - cedes.
 As you, O God, for - give our sin, may we for - give.

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:

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of the
2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the

(A) (D/F#) (F#m) (G) (A) (Bm)
C F/A Am B^b C Dm

pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

(G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)
B^b F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.*

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

CLOSING HYMN "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"



The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with five staves. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with line numbers 1 through 5 indicating the different parts of the choir. The first system covers the first two lines of the hymn, the second system covers the next two lines, and the third system covers the final line. The music features a variety of note values, including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests and ties. The lyrics are: 1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the 2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on sha - dowed 3 The cup of wa - ter given for thee still holds the 4 O Mas - ter, from the moun - tain side, make haste to 5 till all the world shall learn thy love, and fol - low 1 cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of 2 thresh - olds dark with fears, from paths where hide the 3 fresh - ness of thy grace; yet long these mul - ti - 4 heal these hearts of pain; a - mong these rest - less 5 where thy feet have trod; till glo - rious from thy 1 self - ish strife, we hear thy voice, O Son of Man. 2 lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of thy tears. 3 tudes to see the true com - pas - sion of thy face. 4 throngs a - bid, O tread the ci - ty's streets a - gain; 5 heaven a - bove, shall come the ci - ty of our God.

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

"The Awakening"

Broughton

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: Lanny Ballard & Bruce Uveges, Deeh Israel, Dick & Jean Parker, Henning Toensmann, Mike Cash, Barb Lofquist, Jane Schwab, Carol Ann Romaine, Joe Finnegan, Teza Lord, Bobbi Miller, Bill Wall, Elise Osako, Pat Laurencelle, Tom Lutton, Jon Wiles, Jim Colee, and Beth.

We pray also for Eric & Denise Glaude, Karen Mullis, Jaime Turner, Lori & Jagger, Penny, Jay Holdman, Brian, Angela & Ariel, Terress Lang, Bobby Morrow, Steve Larew, Rick & Margie Oney, Barbara Presha, Bob Merrell, Donna Miami, Bruce Cudworth, Hal Dockins, Brad Dowden, Marty Turner, Peter Morin, Norma Sherry, Geordy Maisch, Daria, Bob Mermell, Linda Parker, Marnie, Jeff, Dennis O'Neill, George Libonate, Patti Morrissey, Janet Sowers, Bonnie Wahiba, Foster Swann, Peter Ripley, Garrison Williams, Debbie Gagnon, Irma Brooks, Kelli Ann Dishmon, Jim Bullock, Allison Paisley, Carrie C., Susie, Catherine Martin, Liza Aston, 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.

Dining With Dignity

Calling all chefs! The sign-up sheet is in the back of church today.
Please sign-up, call, text or email Linda Kish at (904)377-7666 or lindarkish@gmail.com
Thank you so much! Your participation each month makes this ministry possible.

Zoom Meetings

Racial Justice Discussion Group – Mondays 11am

Aging Angels – Tuesdays at 10am

Virtual Coffee Hour – Wednesdays at 10am

Centering Prayer – Wednesdays at 4:30pm

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