

# 24 Pentecost

November 7, 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

# "How Firm a Foundation"

Callahan

## OPENING HYMN

## "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to his  
 2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his  
 3 Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our  
 4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be -

feet your trib - ute bring; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for -  
 peo - ple in dis - tress; praise him still the same as  
 fee - ble frame he knows; in his hands he gent - ly  
 hold him face to face. Sun and moon, bow down be -

giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 bears us, res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space: Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

# 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, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING:

**Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17**

<sup>1</sup>Naomi her mother-in-law said to [Ruth,] "My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. <sup>2</sup>Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. <sup>3</sup>Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. <sup>4</sup>When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do." <sup>5</sup>She said to her, "All that you tell me I will do."

<sup>4:13</sup>So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the LORD made her conceive, and she bore a son. <sup>14</sup>Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! <sup>15</sup>He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him."

<sup>16</sup>Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. <sup>17</sup>The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

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

## PSALM 127

- <sup>1</sup>Unless the LORD builds the house, \*  
**their labor is in vain who build it.**  
<sup>2</sup>Unless the LORD watches over the city, \*  
**in vain the watchman keeps his vigil.**  
<sup>3</sup>It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so late; \*  
**vain, too, to eat the bread of toil,**  
**for he gives to his beloved sleep.**  
<sup>4</sup>Children are a heritage from the LORD, \*  
**and the fruit of the womb is a gift.**  
<sup>5</sup>Like arrows in the hand of a warrior \*  
**are the children of one's youth.**  
<sup>6</sup>Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them! \*  
**He shall not be put to shame**  
**when he contends with his enemies in the gate.**

## THE SECOND READING:

Hebrews 9:24-28

<sup>24</sup>Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup>Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; <sup>26</sup>for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup>And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, <sup>28</sup>so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

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

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

## GRADUAL

### "O Jesus, I Have Promised"



1 O Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve thee to the end:  
2 O let me hear thee speak-ing in ac - cents clear and still,  
3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom-ised to all who fol - low thee,

be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;  
a - bove the storms of pas-sion, the mur-murs of self - will;  
that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;

I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,  
O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.  
O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard-ian of my soul.  
O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

## THE GOSPEL:

Mark 12:38-44

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

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

<sup>38</sup>As [Jesus] taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, <sup>39</sup>and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at

banquets! <sup>40</sup>They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." <sup>41</sup>He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup>A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. <sup>43</sup>Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. <sup>44</sup>For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

*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

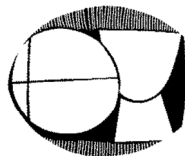
*Priest:* Let us confess our sins to God.  
**Most merciful God,**  
**we confess that we have sinned against you**  
**in thought, word, and deed,**  
**by what we have done,**  
**and by what we have left undone.**  
**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**  
**we have not loved our neighbors 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

## "How Firm a Foundation"



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,  
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!  
 for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
 the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;  
 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;  
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,  
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 for I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.  
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."



# 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<sup>b</sup> 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<sup>b</sup> 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

### "We Are One in the Spirit"



1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;  
 2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;  
 3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;  
 4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,



we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,  
 we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,  
 we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,  
 and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:  
 and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:  
 and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:  
 and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:



And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

## 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

### "Postlude in F Major"

*Freed*

# **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: Vicki Lewis, Sue Paul, Linda Larrimore, Henning Toensmann, Barb Lofquist, Jane Schwab, Carol Ann Romaine, Joe Finnegan, Bobbi Miller, Bill Wall, Elise Osako, Pat Laurencelle, Jon Wiles, Jim Colee, and Beth.

We pray also for Kirby von Egidy, Raymond & Leslie Stricklen, Joan Athey, Elise Loney, Debby Self, Holly and Mark Arnim, Mary Caldwell, Gracia McCabe, Eric & Denise Glaude, Karen Mullis, Jaime Turner, 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, Marty Turner, Peter Morin, Norma Sherry, Daria, Bob Mermell, Linda Parker, 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, Allison Paisley, Carrie C., Susie, Catherine Martin, Liza Aston.

**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**

The next date for St. Cyprian's is December 7th. To participate, call or text Linda Kish at (904) 377-7666, to see what we need this or what you can offer. We will continue to collect warm clothes to distribute through the winter months.

## **Habitat for Humanity**

St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church has been invited to become a Sponsoring Congregation of Habitat for Humanity of St. Johns County. The cost of congregational sponsorship is \$5000 and includes recognition when new homes are dedicated, shared signage at the building site, church name in the dedication flyer, and group photo on social media. The Mission Board has accepted the invitation. One donation of \$2500 has already been made, and it will serve as a matching grant for congregational members to contribute the remaining \$2500. We are excited to be participating in this important housing project. Please earmark your checks for HABITAT in the memo.

## **Interfaith Thanksgiving Virtual Event**

### **"Unity Through Gratitude"**

Sunday, November 14 at 4:00 PM

Live-streamed on Facebook at: [facebook.com/SaintPhotios/](https://facebook.com/SaintPhotios/)

Hosted by +Bishop Demetrios of Mokissos, St. Photios Greek Orthodox National Shrine

## **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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