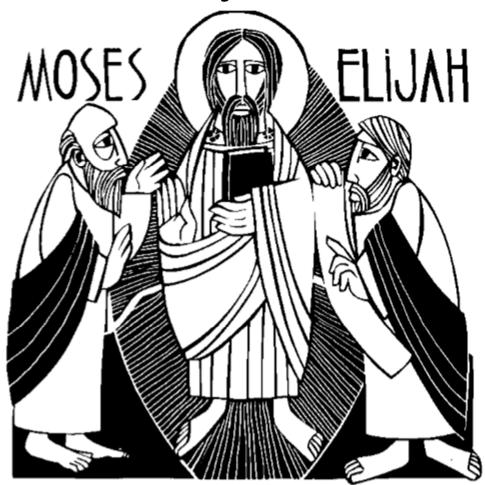
# Last Sunday of Epiphany

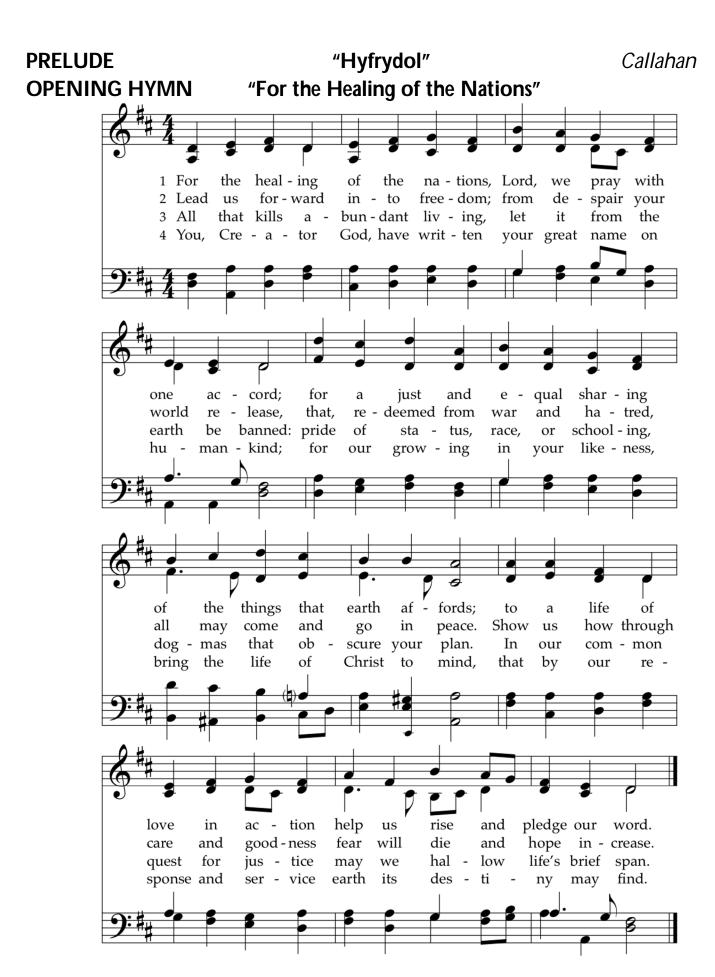
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## St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

### **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!



### 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.** 

### HYMN OF PRAISE: "The First Song of Isaiah"

Surely it is God who saves me; trusting him, I shall not fear. For the Lord defends and shields me and his saving help is near. So rejoice as you draw water from salvation's living spring; In the day of your deliverance thank the Lord his mercies sing.

Make his deeds known to the peoples; tell out his exalted Name.
Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his might proclaim.
Zion, lift your voice in singing; for with you has come to dwell,
In your very midst, the great and Holy One of Israel.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen** 

Fxodus 34:29-35

#### THE FIRST READING:

<sup>29</sup>Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup>When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to

come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup>When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; <sup>34</sup>but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, <sup>35</sup>the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

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

People: Amen. Amen.

### **PSALM 99**

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is King; let the people tremble; \*

he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

<sup>2</sup>The LORD is great in Zion; \*

he is high above all peoples.

<sup>3</sup>Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \*

he is the Holy One.

<sup>4</sup>"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; \*

you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

<sup>5</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and fall down before his footstool; \*

he is the Holy One.

<sup>6</sup>Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \* they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

<sup>7</sup>He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*

they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

<sup>8</sup>O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; \*

you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.

<sup>9</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him upon his holy hill; \* for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

### THE SECOND READING:

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

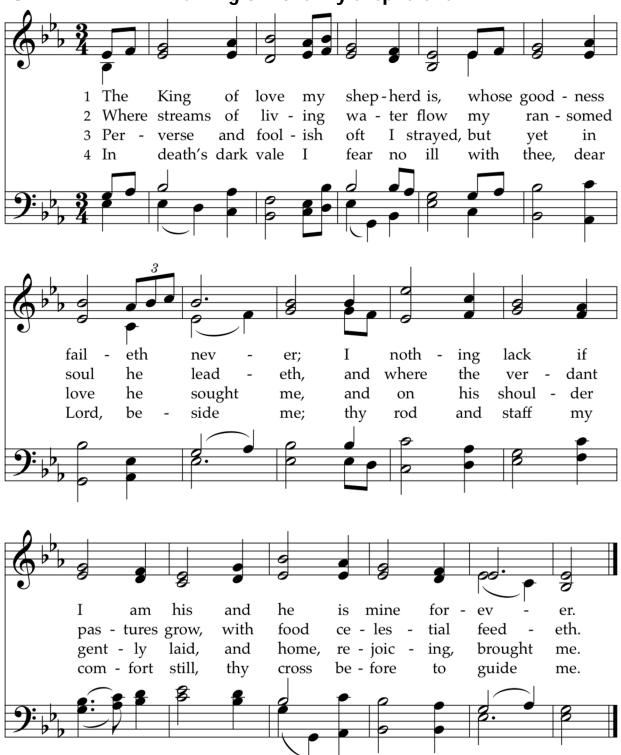
<sup>12</sup>Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, <sup>13</sup>not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. <sup>14</sup>But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; <sup>16</sup>but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup>And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

<sup>4:1</sup>Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

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

People: Amen. Amen.

### GRADUAL HYMN "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"



- 5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

THE GOSPEL: Luke 9:28-36

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

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

<sup>28</sup>Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>30</sup>Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup>They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup>Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup>While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. <sup>35</sup>Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" <sup>36</sup>When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

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.

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"



### 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.

### **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 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"



### **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 "Hyfrydol" Bouman

### 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 C** 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: Linda Kish, Jane Holzkamp, Dick and Pastor Deena Galantowicz, Dick Massom, George Paul, Lucy Lang, teZa Lord, Sandra Parks, Clerene Romeo-Jackson, Jamie, Neal, Jax, Marion and Eldon Jones, Kirby von Egidy, Linda Larrimore, Henning Toensmann, Jane Schwab, Carol Ann Romaine, Bobbi Miller, Bill Wall, Elise Osako, Pat Laurencelle, Jon Wiles, Jim Colee, and Beth.

We pray also for Anita Myketuk, Cheryl Hundley, Curt Charlton, Chuck Guagliardi, Susie Calvaruso, Jeff Robinson, Maury Husic, James Mangum, Terra Williams, Bethany Ringgold Stevenson & Family, Richard & Betty Rose, Margaret Anne Payne, Michael Scott, Glenda Greene, Raymond & Leslie Stricklen, Joan Athey, Elise Loney, Mary Caldwell, Eric & Denise Glaude, Karen Mullis, Laurey & Jagger, Penny, Brian, Angela & Ariel, Bobby Morrow, Steve Larew, Rick & Margie Oney, Barbara Presha, Donna Miami, Bruce Cudworth, Marty Turner, Peter Morin, Norma Sherry, Daria, Bob Mermell, Linda Parker, Dennis O'Neill, George Libonate, Patti Morrissey, Bonnie Wahiba, Peter Ripley, Debbie Gagnon, Kelli Ann Dishmon, Jim Bullock, Allison Paisley, Carrie C., Catherine Martin, and Liza Aston.

<u>About the Prayer List</u> – If you would like to add someone to our Prayer please call or email Holly at 904-829-8828 or stcyprianschurch@att.net. And, please let us know when to take someone's name off our Prayer List.

### **Announcements**

## In-Person Services Resume Starting Ash Wednesday March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5pm

We will continue to request everyone attending be Fully Vaccinated, Masked, and mindful of Social Distance

For those who cannot attend in-person, there are small bags of ashes that can be picked up at the church and used at the appropriate time during the YouTube Live service. The church is open daily 9am-4:30pm

### **Dining With Dignity**

We are still planning for Take Away bags for our next DWD on March 1st.

Please call or email Linda Kish to see what may still be needed. Everything must be delivered to the office by Tuesday morning.

Thank you all very much!

### **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**

Racial Justice Initiative – MONDAY AT 11 AM Aging Angels – TUESDAY AT 10AM Virtual Coffee Hour – WEDNESDAY AT 10AM Centering Prayer – WEDNESDAYS AT 4:30PM "Between The Lines" – THURSDAYS AT 10AM

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

Contact Fr. Ted at StCypriansTed@aol.com for the study material.