

# 5 Easter

May 7, 2023



## 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!

**A Note about Communion** – Our communion is bread and wine (by intinction). The celebrant will dip the bread in the chalice, placing it on your hand. If you do not wish to have the wine, simply let the celebrant know. Those not wishing to receive may come forward for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

# PRELUDE

# "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Wold

# OPENING HYMN

# "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

Grosser Gott



1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we  
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -  
 3 All a - pos - tles join the strain as your sa - cred  
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it:

bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim;  
 bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,  
 name they hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,  
 three we name you, while in es - sence on - ly one;

all in heaven a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your  
 in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heavens with  
 and the bless - ed mar - tyrs fol - low, and from morn to  
 un - di - vid - ed God we claim you, and a - dor - ing,

vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.  
 sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"  
 set of sun, through the church the song goes on.  
 bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

# 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.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

**"All with Joyful Exultation"**

*Hasidic melody*

*Refrain* (Psalm 30)

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.

*to Refrain*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Priest:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING:

**Acts 7:55-60**

<sup>55</sup>Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup>"Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" <sup>57</sup>But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. <sup>58</sup>Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. <sup>59</sup>While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." <sup>60</sup>Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

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

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

## PSALM 31

<sup>1</sup>In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; \*  
**deliver me in your righteousness.**

<sup>2</sup>Incline your ear to me; \*  
**make haste to deliver me.**

<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; \*  
**for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.**

<sup>4</sup>Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, \*  
**for you are my tower of strength.**

<sup>5</sup>Into your hands I commend my spirit, \*  
**for you have redeemed me, O LORD, O God of truth.**

<sup>15</sup>My times are in your hand; \*  
**rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.**

<sup>16</sup>Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
**and in your lovingkindness save me.**

## THE SECOND READING

**1 Peter 2:2-10**

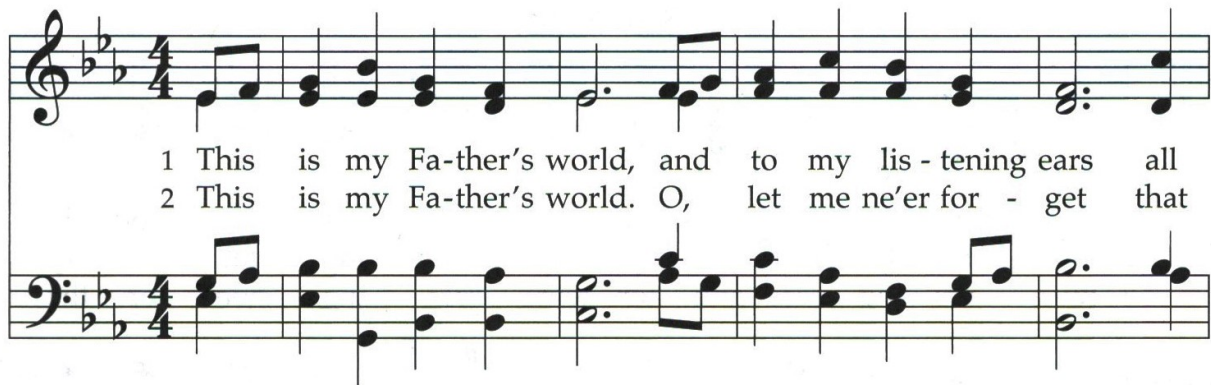
<sup>2</sup>Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—<sup>3</sup>if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. <sup>4</sup>Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and <sup>5</sup>like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup>For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." <sup>7</sup>To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," <sup>8</sup>and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. <sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. <sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

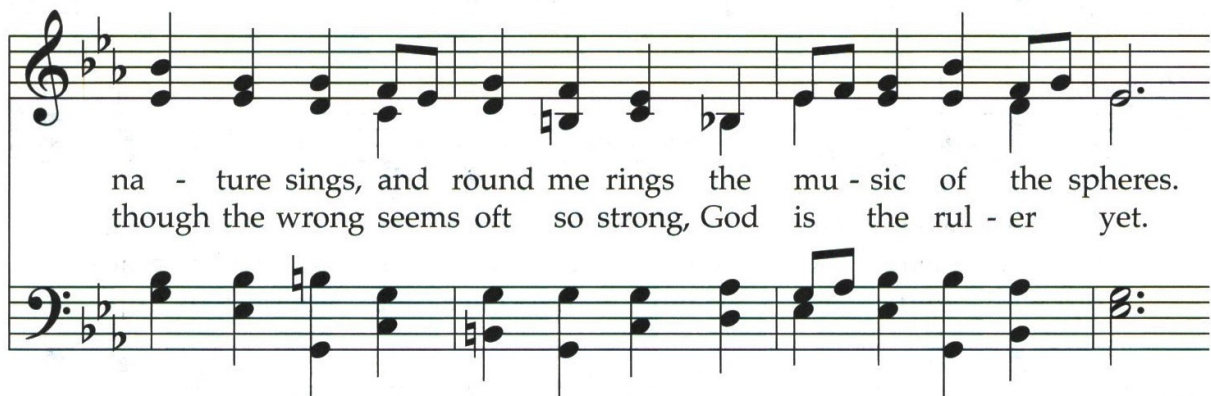
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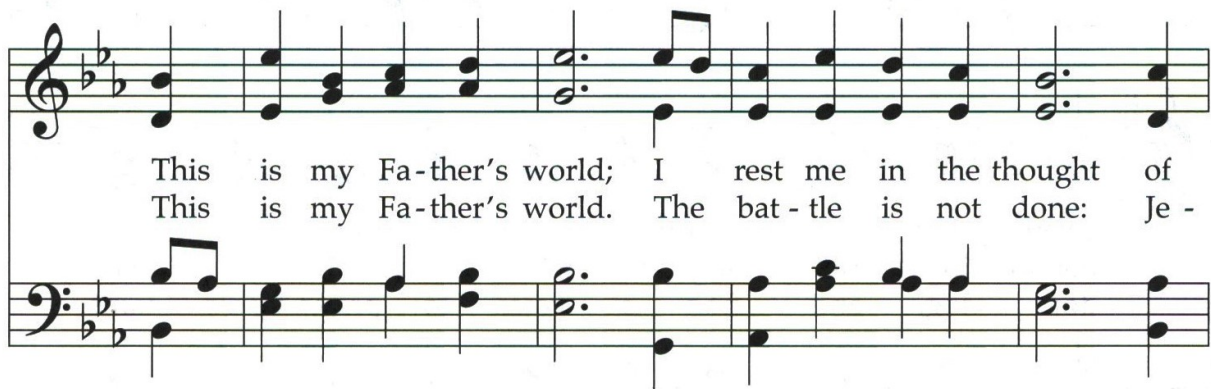




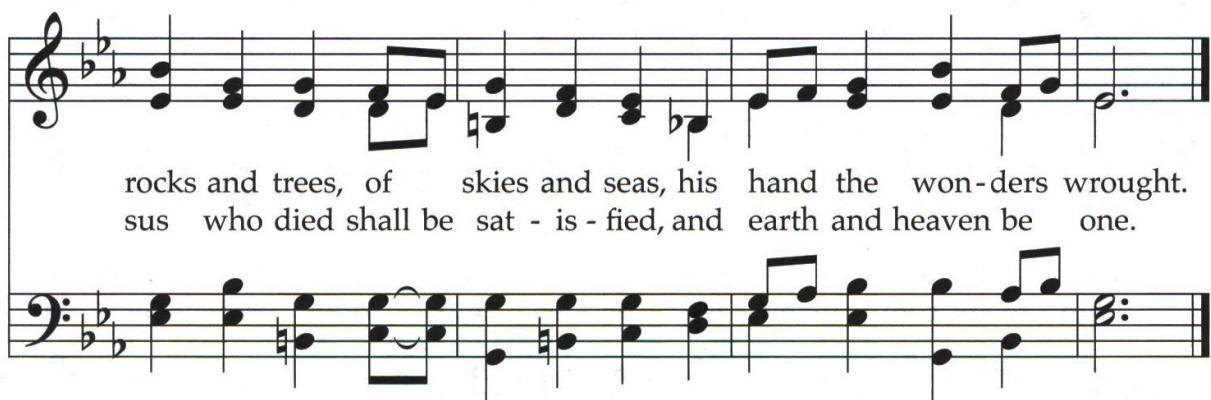
1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis - tening ears all  
2 This is my Fa-ther's world. O, let me ne'er for - get that



na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.  
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.



This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of  
This is my Fa-ther's world. The bat - tle is not done: Je -



rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand the won - ders wrought.  
sus who died shall be sat - is - fied, and earth and heaven be one.

## THE GOSPEL

John 14:1-14

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

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

[Jesus told his disciples,] <sup>1</sup>"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to the place where I am going." <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

<sup>8</sup>Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." <sup>9</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup>Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

*Priest:* The Gospel of our Lord.

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

## THE SERMON

REV. RENEE LIABRAATEN

## ANTHEM

**"Be Still"**

*Marrolli*

## 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 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.**

## PRAYER FOR THE CALLING OF A VICAR TO ST. CYPRIAN'S (See back page)

*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:* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.  
*You may add your own petitions either silently or aloud.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*Priest:* Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.  
*People:* **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown, things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

*Priest:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord 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.**

**OFFERTORY HYMN****"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"***Coronation**Descant*

4 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;  
2 Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran-somed from the fall,  
3 Let ev - ery kin-dred, ev - ery tribe on this ter - res - trial ball  
4 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all!

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!  
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!  
to him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all!  
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**THE DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.  
Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.



# 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.**

*Priest:* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, You are worthy of glory and praise.

*People:* **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

*Priest:* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*People:* **By your will they were created and have their being.**

*Priest:* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*People:* **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

*Priest:* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*People:* **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

*Priest:* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy ... holy, holy ... holy Lord God of hosts.**

**LEVAS 255**

**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.**

*Priest:*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*People:* **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

*Priest:*

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*People:* **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

*Priest:*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

*Priest:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## **COMMUNION ANTHEM**

**"Simple Gifts"**

*Schweizer*

## **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**

**The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God  
in thanksgiving for goodness and love  
by Linda Hood and Gary Jordan.**

**CLOSING HYMN**

**"Christ Be Beside Me"**

*Buinessan*

1 Christ be be - side me; Christ be be - fore me; Christ be be -  
2 Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all a -  
3 Christ be in all hearts think - ing a - bout me; Christ be on

hind me, King of my heart. Christ be with - in me; Christ be be -  
round me, shield in the strife. Christ in my sleep - ing, Christ in my  
all tongues tell - ing of me. Christ be the vi - sion in eyes that

low me; Christ be a - bove me, nev - er to part.  
sit - ting, Christ in my ris - ing, Light of my life.  
see me; in ears that hear me Christ ev - er be.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**DISMISSAL**

*Priest:* Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*People:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**POSTLUDE**

**Postlude on the tune "Grosser Gott"**

*Flint*

## **PRAYER FOR THE CALLING OF A VICAR TO ST. CYPRIAN'S**

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on St. Cyprian's, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a vicar for this mission, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries. Bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Prayer List**

We pray for those known to the people of St. Cyprian's who are ill or who have asked for our prayers: Mignon Williams, Jonathan Brunjef, Irene Brown, Jerry Pantelakis, Joe Finnegan, Carrie C., Barb Lofquist, Michelle Curlee, Cathy Hamilton, Frank Smith, Jane Schwab, Harrison, Brandi Killings, Kenny Brown, Clifford Romeo, Sue Rausch, Pat Ethridge, Laurey & Jagger, George Paul, Kirby von Egidy, Henning Toensmann, Carol Ann Romaine, Bobbi Miller, Elise Osako, Pat Laurencelle, Jim Colee, and Beth.

We pray also for Sally Yocum, Isaac Katcher, Roger & Sandy Pinnicks, Susie, Lee Padula, Bruce Cudworth, James Mangum, Melissa & Family, Traude, Pam & Dick Sherry, Michael, Lurna, Margaret, Sandy, Diane, Michael Kratz, Diane Radibeau Wise, Dick & Karin Jeter, John Neuman, Donna Bahr, Bill Gourley, Bev Curry and family, Patricia Maxwell, Anthony Patterson, Jane Rhodes, Anthony & Claire, Raymond & Leslie Stricklen, Cheryl Hundley, Curt Charlton, Susie Calvaruso, Jeff Robinson, James Mangum, Bethany Ringgold Stevenson & Family, Richard & Betty Rose, Margaret Anne Payne, Joan Athey, Elise Loney, Mary Caldwell, Brian, Angela & Ariel, Bobby Morrow, Steve Larew, Marty Turner, Norma Sherry, Daria Dammond, The Morrissey family, Bonnie Wahiba, Catherine Martin, and Liza Aston.

**About the Prayer List** – If you would like to add someone to our Prayer List please call the office at 904-829-8828 or email Holly at stcypriansstaug@gmail.com. And, please let us know when to take someone's name off our Prayer List.

### **Weekly Healing Service – Wednesdays at 3pm**

### **St. Augustine History Festival- St. Cyprian's is participating!**

**Church Tours Friday, Saturday and Sunday**

**Friday May 12<sup>th</sup> 10:30am-2pm**

**Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> 12-3pm**

**Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup> 12-2pm**

### **In Person Meetings**

**Cyprian Women- May 20<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

**Men's Night- May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4pm**

**Daughters of the King – May 25<sup>th</sup> at noon**

### **Zoom Meetings**

**Aging Angels – Tuesdays at 10am**

**Virtual Coffee Hour – Wednesdays at 10am**

**Centering Prayer – Wednesdays at 4:30pm**

**Racial & Social Justice Discussion Group – Thursdays at 10am**