

15 Pentecost

September 10, 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

Prelude on "Lasst uns Erfreuen"

Peterson

OPENING HYMN

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Last uns Erfreuen

Unison

1 All crea-tures of our God and King, lift up your voice
 2 O broth - er wind with clouds and rain, you nur - ture gifts
 3 O broth - er fire, so warm and bright, chase off the shad -
 4 All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain

Harmony

and with us sing, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 of fruit and grain. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 ous of the night. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 or sor - row grieve, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Unison

O broth - er sun with gold - en beam, O sis - ter moon
 O sis - ter wa - ter, flow - ing clear, make mu - sic for
 Dear moth - er earth, who day by day un - folds such bless -
 Christ bears your bur - dens and your fears; so, e - ven in

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Priest: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING:

Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

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

People: **Amen. Amen.**

PSALM 119:33-40

³³ Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.

³⁴ Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
I shall keep it with all my heart.

³⁵ Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for that is my desire.

³⁶ Incline my heart to your decrees *
and not to unjust gain.

³⁷ Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *
give me life in your ways.

³⁸ Fulfill your promise to your servant, *
which you make to those who fear you.

³⁹ Turn away the reproach which I dread, *
because your judgments are good.

⁴⁰ Behold, I long for your commandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my life.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

People: Amen. Amen.

GRADUAL HYMN

"Cyprian of Carthage"

LEVAS 47

1. O Cyp - ri - an, con - vert to the faith, Made bish - op
2. O Cyp - ri - an, you did teach that we who God Al -
3. O Cyp - ri - an, you did teach that we out - side the
4. Stead - fast — de - fend - er of the truth, through Af - ric's

5. O Cyprian bishop, martyr blest

1. of — the Car - thage See, — Be - set, by schism, —
2. might - y Fa - ther call, — Must claim the church, The
3. church can - not — be saved, — Help us to bring forth
4. coast you gained — re - nown, — Who per - se - cu - ted,

5. Pray for us at God's heav'nly throne,

1. war — and strife, Preached to the faith - ful u - ni - ty.
2. Bride — of Christ As the true moth - er of — us all.
3. pen - i - tents Un - to Christ's font, that they — be laved.
4. and — be - sieged, Re - ceived, at last, the mar - tyr's crown.

5. That we, who Christ's true faith confess
May Father, Son and Spirit own.

THE GOSPEL:

Matthew 18:15-20

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

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

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Deacon: The Gospel of our Lord.

People: **Amen. Amen.**

THE SERMON

CLERENE ROMEO

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Rain Down"

Cortez

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: As we remember that God is always seeking to be in communion with us, and that Jesus died for our sins to restore us to that communion, let us speak to God in prayer. As our prayer leader prays, we respond

People: **Lord, we thank you for always hearing us.**

Leader: Strengthen and inspire the servant leaders of the Episcopal Church, the leaders of all our sister churches within your holy, catholic church, and the leaders of all religions.
For this we pray.

People: **Lord, we thank you for always hearing us.**

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

Leader: As we see wars and death in this world you have created for us, save us from hardening our hearts, and guide those in leadership to seek your will, and to work towards solutions.
For this we pray.

People: **Lord, we thank you for always hearing us.**

Leader: Guide and strengthen us in our daily efforts and struggle to be doers of your will.
For this we pray.

People: **Lord, we thank you for always hearing us.**

Leader: Help us to do the tough but holy work of tearing down the walls that divide us: in our communities, in our churches, in our country and in the world.
For this we pray.

People: **Lord, we thank you for always hearing us.**

Leader: As we see our brothers and sisters who have no home, a shortage of food and those needs we know are basic and essential, guide us to seek and serve Christ in all persons.
For this we pray.

People: **Lord, we thank you for always hearing us.**

Leader: We lift to you, all those who are suffering from sickness of body, mind and spirit, and ask for your healing to rest upon them. Let us always remember the healing we can bring simply by being present with those who suffer. At this time, please feel free to lift those persons and concerns that are on your heart, either silently or aloud.
For this we pray.

People: **Lord, we thank you for always hearing us.**

Leader: We lift up to you those who have died. We thank you for receiving them into your loving embrace, and for comforting those who are grieving the death of a loved one.
For this we pray.

People: **Lord, we thank you for always hearing us.**

Deacon: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins but the faith of your Church, and give us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and forever. **Amen.**

Deacon: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

People: **Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; 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.**

Deacon: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us eternal life.
Amen.

THE PEACE

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

People: **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY HYMN

"Jesu, Jesu"

Chereponi

Capo 3: (D) (A7)
F C7

Refrain



Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love; show



us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you. *Fine*



1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and
3 These are the ones we should serve; these are the ones we should
4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees, will - ing to wash oth - ers'



feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
race; neigh-bors are near us and far a - way.
love; all these are neigh-bors to us and you.
feet; this is the way we should live like you.

(D) (Bm) (Em) (A)
F Dm Gm C

(D) (Bm) (Em7) (A7) (D)
F Dm Gm7 C7 F *to Refrain*

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 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

Leader: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Leader: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for us, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

"I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table"

Andrews

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

FRANCISCAN PRAYER

May God bless us with discomfort...

At easy answers, half truths, and superficial relationships, so that we may live deep within our hearts.

May God bless us with anger...

At injustice, oppression and exploitation of people, so that we may work for justice, freedom and peace.

May God bless us with tears...

To shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation and war, so that we may reach out our hands to comfort them and turn their pain to joy.

And may God bless us with enough foolishness to believe that we can make a difference in this world, so that we can do what others claim cannot be done.

Amen.



**The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Jon Wiles, by his wife Michele.**

CLOSING HYMN

"I want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Houston

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to fol - low
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God. I want to look at
 3 I'm look-ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to be with

Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ-teous-ness, shine on my path, and
 Je - sus. When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

Refrain

star of my life is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther. In him there is no dark-ness at
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.

all. The night and the day are both a - like. The Lamb is the

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Leader: 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 on "Lasst uns Erfreuen"

Bohlert

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: The Family of Frank Smith, Sue Paul & Family, George Sage, Mignon Williams, Jonathan Brunjef, Joe Finnegan, Carrie C., Barb Lofquist, Michelle Curlee, 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, and Jim Colee.

Those listed below will be prayed for by The Daughters of the King, and members and clergy of St. Cyprians.

Jim, Tom, Chloe, Elena & Juliette, Lindsay, Parker Aune, Penny Rolleston, Stacy Borenstein, Dianne Quimby, Lian Obrey, Alan Turner, Sally Yocum, Isaac Katcher, Roger & Sandy Pinnicks, Susie, Bruce Cudworth, Melissa & Family, Traude, Pam & Dick Sherry, Michael, Lurna, Margaret, Sandy, Diane, Michael Kratz, Diane Radibeau Wise, Dick & Karin Jeter, John Neuman, Donna Bahr, Bev Curry and family, Patricia Maxwell, Anthony Patterson, Jane Rhodes, Anthony & Claire, Raymond & Leslie Stricklen, Cheryl Hundley, Curt Charlton, Susie Calvaruso, The Morrissey Family, Catherine Martin, and Liza Aston.

About the Prayer List – If you would like to add someone to our Prayer List with their permission, please call 904-829-8828 or email Dcn. Steve at stcyprianssteve@gmail.com. Please let us know when to take off someone's name.

Healing Service – Second Wednesday, Sept. 13 at 3pm

St. Cyprian's Activities

AED/CPR Training- October 28th- See Deacon Steve if interested.

Zoom Meetings

Aging Angels – Tuesdays at 10am

Virtual Coffee Hour – Wednesdays at 10am

Centering Prayer – Wednesdays at 4:30pm

Racial & Social Justice Discussion Group – 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 10am

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Steve Seibert – Deacon

Deacon's Office Hours: Tues & Wed 9:30am-4pm

Kathleen Vande Berg – Music Director & Organist

Holly Horahan – Church Administrator