

21 Pentecost

October 22, 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

African-American Spiritual

arr. Trey Clegg

OPENING HYMN

"The Mighty God with Power Speaks"

Kingsfold

1 The Might - y God with pow - er speaks, and all the world o - bes;

2 God comes not with a si - lent form, but rid - ing on the winds;

3 The heavens de - clare your jus - tice, Lord, as end - less as the sky;

from dawn un - til the set - ting sun, God's won - der earth dis - plays.

be - fore God's face, the rag - ing storm its blast of thun - der sends.

a - gainst the taunts of dis - be - lief, our God will tes - ti - fy.

The per - fect beau - ty all a - round from Zi - on's height shines forth;

All hail the Judge, in bold ar - ray, whose prom - ise is to bless;

Re - ceive my heart - felt gift of thanks, as hon - or to your might;

and stars a - cross the fir - ma - ment so bright - ly beam their worth.

who sees our sins, yet al - so feels our thirst for righ - teous - ness.

re - fresh my faith with each new day; pro - tect me through the night.

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.

E

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

Dm *E* *to Refrain*

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

Priest: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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:

Isaiah 45:1-7

¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him— and the gates shall not be closed: ²“I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, ³I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. ⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, ⁶so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. ⁷I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things.”

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

People: **Amen. Amen.**

PSALM 96:1-13

¹Sing to the LORD a new song; *

sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.

²Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; *

proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.

³Declare his glory among the nations *

and his wonders among all peoples.

⁴For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *

he is more to be feared than all gods.

⁵As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *

but it is the LORD who made the heavens.

⁶Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! *

Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!

⁷Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; *

ascribe to the LORD honor and power.

⁸Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; *

bring offerings and come into his courts.

⁹Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; *

let the whole earth tremble before him.

¹⁰Tell it out among the nations: “The LORD is King! *

he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.”

¹¹Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; *

let the field be joyful and all that is therein.

¹²Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the LORD when he comes, *

when he comes to judge the earth.

¹³He will judge the world with righteousness *

and the peoples with his truth.

THE SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake.

⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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

GRADUAL HYMN

"Lord, Speak to Me"

Canonbury

1 Lord, speak to me that I may speak in liv - ing
 2 O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wan - dering
 3 O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the pre - cious
 4 O fill me with your full - ness, Lord, un - til my
 5 O use me, Lord, use e - ven me, just as you

ech - oes of your tone. As you have sought, so
 and the wa - vering feet. O feed me, Lord, that
 truths which you im - part. And wing my words that
 ver - y heart o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and
 will, and when, and where un - til your bless - ed

let me seek your err - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.
 I may feed your hun - gering ones with man - na sweet.
 they may reach the hid - den depths of man - ya heart.
 glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.
 face I see, your rest, your joy, your glo - ry share.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

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

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

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Priest: The Gospel of our Lord.

People: **Amen. Amen.**

THE SERMON

FR. CHRISTOPHER MARTIN

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Jazz Cantate"

Andy Beck

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: 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 struggles 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 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.**

Priest: 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.**

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

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

I Want to Be a Christian

1 Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart, in my heart;
2 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart, in my heart;
3 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart, in my heart;
4 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart,
In my heart, in my heart,

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

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 him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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

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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.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Priest and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, 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. 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

"Loaves Were Broken"

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.**

BLESSING



CLOSING HYMN

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

Walk with Me

1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

I want Je - sus to walk with me;
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,
when my head is bowed in sor - row,

Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It features a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are arranged in three systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The first system contains three verses. The second system contains a combined line of lyrics. The third system contains a combined line of lyrics. The fourth system contains a combined line of lyrics. The fifth system contains a combined line of lyrics. The sixth system contains a combined line of lyrics.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

"Celebration"

Mansfield

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: Jody Stowers, Mtr. Celeste Tisdelle, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Anita McDonough, Lynn Timmons, Anita McDonough, Martha Bailey, 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.

Carole Prior, Ron, 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, Nov. 8 at 3pm

St. Cyprian's Activities

Men's Night- Tues. Oct. 24th

AED/CPR Training- Oct. 28th

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

St. Cyprian's Staff

Steve Seibert – Deacon

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

Kathleen Vande Berg – Music Director & Organist

Holly Horahan – Church Administrator