

Last Sunday after the Epiphany

March 2, 2025



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!

About Our Worship

The worship in this booklet follows the outline of **Holy Eucharist: Rite II** in the **Book of Common Prayer**. The **Declaration of Faith** is borrowed from the Moravian Book of Worship. (The Moravian Church and the Episcopal Church are in full communion with each other.) The **Eucharistic Prayer** is from **Enriching Our Worship**, a resource for the Episcopal Church's liturgy. The readings from Holy Scripture are from **Lectionary Year C** using the **New Revised Standard Version** of the Bible.

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

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

Ritter

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (Please stand as able)

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

Laudes Domino

1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing
 2 Does sad - ness fill my mind? A so - lace here I
 3 Let earth's wide cir - cle round in joy - ful notes re -
 4 Be this, while life is mine, my can - ti - cle di -

cries: may Je - sus Christ be praised! A -
 find: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Or
 sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let
 vine: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Be

like at work and prayer to Je - sus I re -
 fades my earth - ly bliss? My com - fort still is
 air and sea and sky from depth to height re -
 this the e - ter - nal song through all the a - ges

pair: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 this: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 ply: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 long: may Je - sus Christ be praised!

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

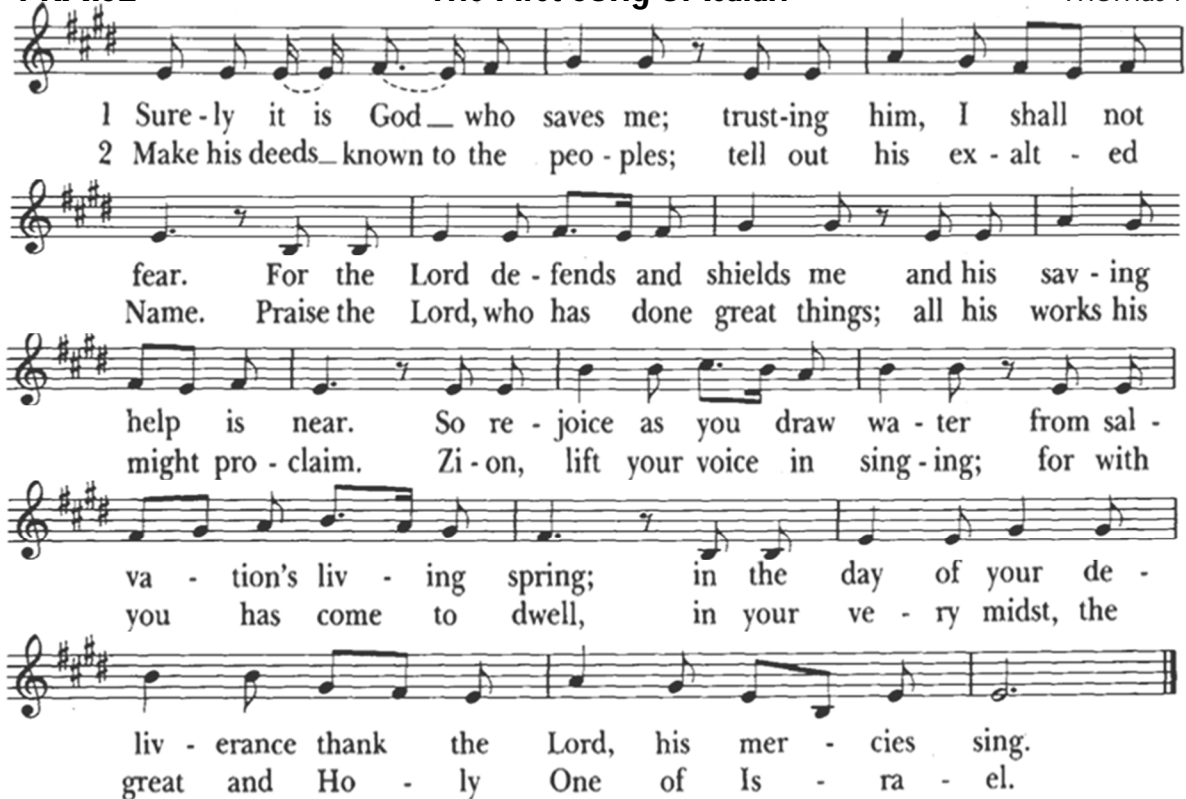
OPENING ACCLAMATIONS FOR EPIPHANY

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.
People **You come to your people and set them free.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

"The First Song of Isaiah"

Thomas Merton



1 Sure-ly it is God_ who saves me; trust-ing him, I shall not
2 Make his deeds_ known to the peo- ples; tell out his ex- alt - ed
fear. For the Lord de- fends and shields me and his sav - ing
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his
help is near. So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal -
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with
va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the
liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; 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

Exodus 34:29-35

²⁹Moses 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. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but 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, ³⁵the 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 **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 99

- ¹The LORD is King; let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
- ²The LORD is great in Zion; *
he is high above all peoples.
- ³Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.
- ⁴"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
- ⁵Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.
- ⁶Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.
- ⁷He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them. You were a God who forgave them,
- ⁸O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- ⁹Proclaim 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

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

¹²Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not 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. ¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And 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. ^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We 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.

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GRADUAL HYMN *(Please stand as able)*

"O for a World"

Azmon

1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice
4 The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the fool - ish ones are wise.
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,
where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
that o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

About eight days after these sayings ²⁸Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now 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. ³³Just 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. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" ³⁶When 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. [³⁷On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. ³⁹Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. ⁴⁰I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." ⁴¹Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." ⁴²While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. ^{43a}And all were astounded at the greatness of God.]

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

Rev. Steve Seibert

(A period of silence follows the sermon)

A DECLARATION OF FAITH *(Please stand as able)*

**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
People

Lord you have called us to serve you.
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.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

"Learn to Lean"

Men's Quartet

PRESENTATION HYMN *(Please stand as able)*

"Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

Ratisbon

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies; Christ, the true, the on - ly light;
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pa-nied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine; pierce the gloom of sin and grief;

Sun of Righ-teous-ness, a - rise; tri-umph o'er the shades of night;
joy - less is the day's re - turn till thy mer - cy's beams I see;
fill me, ra - dian - cy di-vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, cheer my eyes and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

The musical score consists of five systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines.

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.**

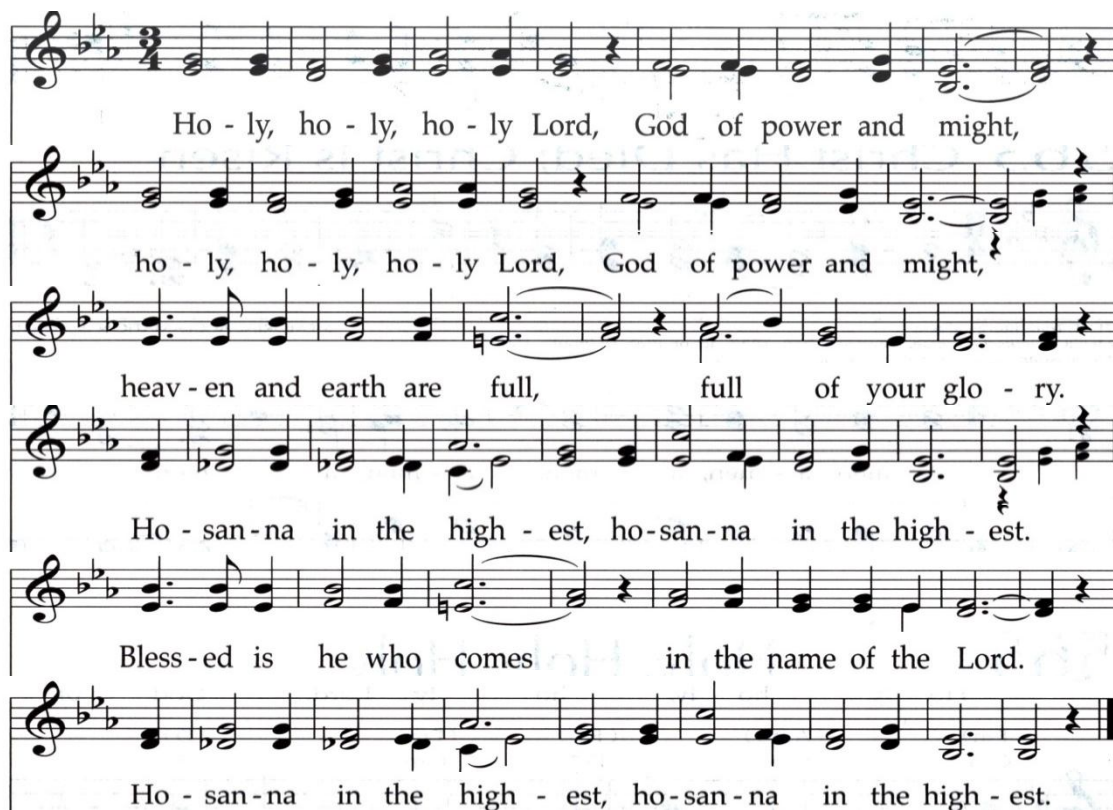
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS



The musical score for the Sanctus is written in G major, 3/4 time, and consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Schubert

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, 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. Again, he gave thanks to you, 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 for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with blessed Mary, blessed Cyprian and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever 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

Celebrant Alleluia! We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

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

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

"This is the Hour"

Shepherd

COMMUNION CHANT

"Come to the Table of Grace"

Table of Grace

(All sing together)



1 Come to the ta - ble of grace. Come to the
2 Come to the table of peace...
3 Come to the table of love...
4 Come to the table of hope...
5 Come to the table of joy...



ta - ble of grace. This is God's ta - ble; it's



not yours or mine. Come to the ta - ble of grace.

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 on earth.
Now send us forth
In the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior, Amen.

BLESSING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *(Please stand as able)*

"I Love to Tell the Story"

Hankey

1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry; 'tis pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it, like the rest.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are placed between the two systems.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know 'tis true;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else could do.
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly Word.
 'twill be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

DISMISSAL

Subdeacon
People

Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace, to love and serve God's world.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

"Laudes Domini"

Wood

PRAYER FOR THE CALLING OF A RECTOR 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 rector for this parish, 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.

The Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Michelle Park
by Jody Stowers.

St. Cyprian's Activities & Announcements

Dining with Dignity- Tuesday Mar. 4th
Ash Wednesday Service- Mar. 5th 5:30pm

Zoom Meetings

Aging Angels – Tuesdays at 10am
Centering Prayer – Wednesdays at 4:30pm

Prayer List

We pray for those known to the people of St. Cyprian's who are ill or who have asked for our prayers: Peter Ziegler, Linda B., Bonnie Santos, Shirley Jones, RJ, Chase Alonso, Phil and Susan Murphree, Michelle, Jerry Pantelakis, Jim & Dana Clausner, Diane, Jane Schwab, Howard Katz, Heather, John Miller, Linda Kish, Steve Brown, Clivia Milburn, Jordan Sadie, Kevin Cash, Bill Schwab, Robert Timmons, Rebecca, Adele Anthony, Dave Lang, Joe Finnegan, Geordy Maish, Linda Larrimore, David Arena, Theo & Lily Pignataro, Domingo C., Lynn Timmons, Martha Bailey, Mignon Williams, Harrison, Brandi Killings, Clifford Romeo, Sue Rausch, Pat Ethridge, George Paul, Henning Toensmann

Those listed below will be prayed for by The Daughters of the King and members of St. Cyprians. Laurie & Eric, Joanne, Mildred Williams, Roger Toussaint, Kate Masters, Barbara & Fred Jaillet, Natasha McGee, Suzi Cameron, Suzanne Overton-O'Hara, Brenda & John Beal, Carol Steinhauss, The Morrissey Family, Mark Shine, Chip Wise, Mary Klunk, Dinetha Wilbur, Dee Beck, Sebastian Alawi, Mildred Oliver, Candy Overton, Kirby von Egidy, Jonathan Brunjef, Carole Prior, Ron, Jim, Tom, Chloe, Elena, Alan Turner, Susie, Bruce Cudworth, Pam & Dick Sherry, Michael, Lurna, Margaret, Sandy, Diane, Dick & Karin Jeter, Catherine Martin

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

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