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Welcome to St Gregory's

If you are visiting, we invite you to take a Welcome Card from the pew holder, and if you are willing, fill it out and put it in the Offering Plate or give it to a greeter so that we might thank you for worshipping with us. All are truly welcome to participate in worship, and we believe our community is made stronger by your unique presence as we join in prayer and communion.

Our Worship

In the Episcopal Church, we often say that praying shapes believing, so how we worship in word and action shapes how we believe and respond to God. We are physical creatures made in God's image, and the physical nature of our worship helps us to connect more fully to God. Therefore, at St. Gregory's, we change our liturgy during each liturgical season to help us more fully embrace the theology and tone of the season.

Our sacred time of worship includes several different activities: singing, listening, praying, and feasting. This liturgy is enriched by the participation of everyone in the room. Some people choose to manifest prayers in physical ways to center their hearts and minds on God's presence in their lives and in the worship – we call these actions "manual acts". **Bowing one's head at the name of Jesus** reminds us that Jesus is the King of Kings, and he rules from a place of humility. This is indicated by (v). There are several points during the liturgy, where many people **cross themselves by touching their head, chest, and each shoulder (left then right)** to remind themselves that God is in their head, heart, and in all of their actions in the world. These points in the liturgy are marked with this symbol (+). At the declaration of the Gospel, many people **make** the sign of the cross with their thumb on their forehead, lips, and heart as the Gospel is announced. This action is a prayer asking God's word to be in our minds, our words, and in our hearts. This is indicated by the symbol. (+++) Gen- erally speaking, we stand to pray, kneel to confess, and sit to hear. Regardless of what others are doing, how you physical- ly worship is up to you and how you experience God. Your presence and participation is what matters most to God.

The Season after The Epiphany

The season after Epiphany joins the Advent/Christmas seasons with the Lent/Easter seasons. It is a period of unfolding knowledge of who Jesus is to us. Week after week, we explore a new facet of Jesus' presence in our lives on earth, and how he calls us to respond. This season helps us to know Jesus so we can make him known in the world. The image used throughout this season is one of increasing light along with our increasing understanding of Christ. It is a season both of joy and of action, so our liturgy includes facets of both.

THE WORD OF GOD



We begin our worship by observing a period of quiet to slow ourselves and rest in God's presence.

The people stand, as they are able.



We begin our worship by gathering together as the body of Christ, and acknowledging our participation together in the Body of Christ. The Presider invites us to praise God together, and many people choose to cross themselves at the mention of the Trinity. The Collect for Purity allows us to acknowledge that the ability to celebrate the liturgy depends on God's grace.

Song of Praise: (this is USUALLY the Gloria, or Lord have mercy upon us...) The song of praise is an acclamation by all of us together in praise of God.

OPENING ACCLAMATION p. 355, Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (+)

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

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.**

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Celebrant



We are invited to pray, and then the collect collects our prayers together in a single concluding prayer. The opening collect is tailored toward the church season.

We follow a three-year cycle of readings called a Lectionary. These are the lessons being heard in congregations from many denominations throughout the world on this day. The first reading is from the Hebrew Scriptures, which tell us the story of God's love andfaithfulness to God's people from the beginning of time to just before Christ.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Leader Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The people sit.

FIRST READING Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The Word of the Lord.

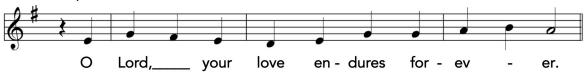
People Thanks be to God.



The Psalm is a hymn or poem. The psalms cover the whole range of the relationship between God and God's people. The Book of Psalms, while a "book" of the Bible, consists of 150 hymns intended to be sung.

PSALM 138

First cantor, then all:



Cantor I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;

Before the gods I will sing your praises. I will bow down toward your holy temple

And praise your Name, because of your love and faithfulness.

All O Lord, your love endures forever.

Cantor For you have glorified your Name and your word above all things.

When I called, you answered me; You increased my strength within me.

All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord.

All O Lord, your love endures forever.

Cantor They will sing of the ways of the Lord,

That great is glory of the Lord.

Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly;

He perceives the haughty from afar.

All O Lord, your love endures forever.

Cantor Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;

You stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;

The Lord will make good his purpose for me; Do not abandon the works of your hands.

All O Lord, your love endures forever.

The Second Lesson is usually a reading from one of the New Testament Epistles (or letters), though occasionally from the Acts of the Apostles or the Book of Revelation. They teach us about the formation of the

church and instruct

of Christ.

us on how to live into our role as followers

During the Holy Eucharist, there is always a reading from a Gospel. We stand to indicate the importance we place on Jesus' words and actions. The deacon or priest proclaims the Gospel in the midst of the people to represent the Good News that Jesus has come among us, and we all turn towards it.

THE EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand, as they are able.

Children are invited to join the Gospel procession in the aisle for the reading of the Gospel.

THE GOSPEL Luke 5:1-11

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. (+++)
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people sit, and the children return to their seats.

The sermon is meant to help us make the Word of God a living and transforming reality of our lives today.

In the Nicene Creed, we respond to the proclamation of God's Word by affirming the historic faith of the Church. We "believe" (from the Latin credere, literally "to put one's heart into") because we offer our trust in the story of God's creating, redeeming, and remaining with the world. "We" believe because the church as a whole, the Body of Christ, carries and strengthens the faith of each individual.

The Prayers of the People are always responsive, because everyone gives voice to the supplications. We include prayers for others throughout the world, in our diocese, and those connected to our congregation. This is the part of the liturgy where it is most evident that we would be noticeably less without the contributions of each person present. We voice prayers from our parish prayer list, as well as requests from the onsite and online worshippers.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Anne B. Jolly



A period of quiet is observed to slow ourselves and rest in God's presence.

The people stand, as they are able.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, (+)

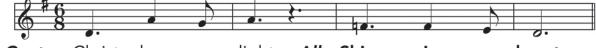
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FOR EPIPHANY

Deacon or other leader

You who by the leading of a star, guided the Magi to the brightness of the Holy Child of Bethlehem, lead us to the light of revelation, that we may value and honor the varied gifts of our sisters and brothers.

Silence



Cantor: Christ, be our light: All: Shine in our hearts.

You who framed the brightness of the first light in creation, dispel the arrogance, animosity, and anger that shatter the unity of your holy Church. Fill your faithful people with the radiant light of truth.



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Silence

Cantor Christ, be our light People Shine in our hearts.

> You who delivered your people from the misery of bondage in slavery to the land of promise, set us free from enslavement to division, disunity, and distrust in our public life and labor. Illumine those in authority with the light

of vision.

Silence

Cantor Christ, be our light People Shine in our hearts.

> You who patterned the stars and called the sun into being, who appointed the moon and chartered the cosmos, pattern the hearts of people everywhere to see in each other the beauty of the universe and the splendor of creation, that divisions of race, class, gender, and ethnicity may

be recreated into one common humanity.

Silence

Cantor Christ, be our light People Shine in our hearts.

> You who shower comfort and hope to the lowest, the lost, and the least, shower the light of compassion on the sick, the sorrowful, and the suffering [especially _____]. Help us to be your compassion and hope in the world.

Silence

Cantor Christ, be our light Shine in our hearts. People

> You who welcome into the brilliant light of eternity those who have died, welcome those whose lives have been cut short by violence, warfare, and

strife [especially _____]. Shine the light of hope.

Silence

Cantor Christ, be our light People Shine in our hearts.

> You who delight in the complexity and splendor of creation, help us to delight in the diversity of this earth, our island home. Inspire your people to

care for all you have made.

Silence

Cantor Christ, be our light People Shine in our hearts.

Presider May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find us ever burning

with the light of love, the spirit of truth, and the wellspring of hope. Amen.

In the confession we admit the ways we have not lived as we were created to live, both individually, and corporately, and ask for forgiveness. The priest declares to us the wonderful grace of God's promise of forgiveness, reconciliation, and the absolute remission of guilt.

The Peace has been exchanged at the Eucharist since the time of the first Christians. It is a profound act to offer the miraculous peace of God to one another before we join in communion with God and each other.

The Offertory is when we bring our gifts of bread, wine, money, and our very selves to present to the Lord as our initial act of Thanksgiving. This collection is a visible reminder that our whole lives are God's, and a part of what God has given us we give back in Thanksgiving for all that we have and all that we are.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

The people stand or kneel, as they are able.

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in

thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your

ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant 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

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The congregation greets one another in the Peace of Christ. We encourage you to exchange the Peace with words and gestures, rather than touch, to protect the most vulnerable among us.

The people sit.

PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAY, ANNIVERSARY, AND TRAVEL

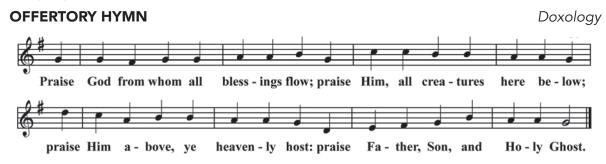
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Bound for the promised land" Traditional spiritual arr. John Leavitt

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land where my possessions lie.
There generous fruits that never fail on trees immortal grow;
There rocks and hills and brooks and vales with milk and honey flow.
I am bound for the promised land, I'm bound for the promised land!
Oh who will come and go with me? I am bound for the promised land!
Oh the transporting, rapturous scene that rises to my sight,
Sweet fields arrayed in living green and rivers of delight.
Soon will the Lord my soul prepare for joys beyond the skies,
Where never-ceasing pleasures roll, and praises never die.
I am bound for the promised land, I'm bound for the promised land!
Oh who will come and go with me? I am bound for the promised land!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The people stand, as they are able.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer B, Page 367, Book of Common Prayer)

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And also with you. Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord. People

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

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give

thanks to you, Almighty God, 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:

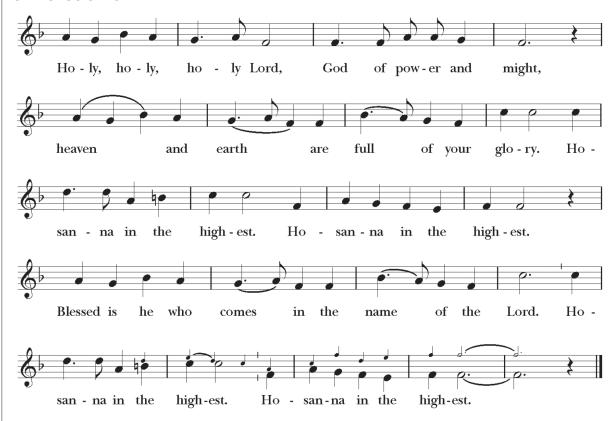
The Eucharist, or Communion, is the act of offering, breaking bread, and sharing in Christ's life, death, and resurrection. It also reminds us that we are Christ's body in our world today.

As Episcopalians, the Eucharist is the principal act of worship, in which we always have a full proclamation of the heart of the Gospel. Celebrating Eucharist is something we do together, so we all take part in the prayers.

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The Sanctus (holy, holy, holy) recalls the words of the prophet Isaiah, overwhelmed by the presence of God in the sanctuary, and these words were sung by the people as Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The Sanctus reminds us that this is an offering of the whole creation, which joins in singing these praises.





Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ (v), the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

Celebrant

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ (v) 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 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O God,

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We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory;

Celebrant

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ (v), through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. (+) In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Gregory and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior (v), the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

The Great Amen is the only word in our Book of Common Prayer that is in all capital letters. It emphasizes that we all join together in asking Jesus to be present in the bread and wine, in boldly affirming our desire to receive God. It is appropriate to say this with enthusiasm!

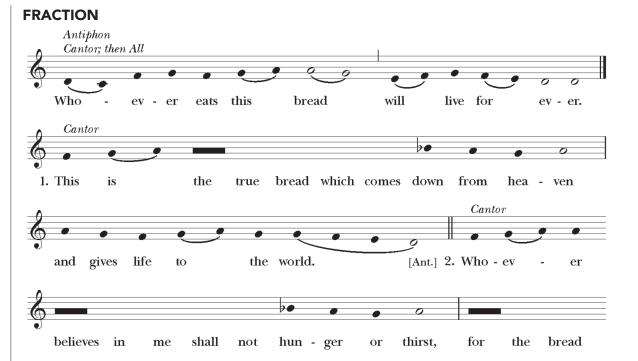
The Lord's Prayer is the prayer that Jesus gave to his followers when they asked him to teach them to pray. It links our daily bread to the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist.

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The Fraction recalls Jesus breaking the bread at the Last Supper to share with the disciples, and reminds us that Jesus' body was broken on the cross for us to be shared with the world. Therefore we keep a moment of silence for prayers of awe and gratitude.



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All are welcome at the Lord's table. Baptized Christians, regardless of denomination or age, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free bread is available; please ask the clergy. Receiving the bread only is full communion in the body of Christ, so if you choose to not receive the wine, you may cross your arms over your chest as you pass the Eucharistic Minister, or take a cup of consecrated juice.

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To receive communion, hold out your hands and you will be given the bread. Then take a cup of wine or juice from the Eucharistic Minister, move to the next tray, consume the Bread and wine there, put the empty cup in the tray, and replace your mask before returning to your seat.

Anyone who has not been baptized, or for other reasons desires to receive a blessing instead of Communion is invited to come forward, and cross your arms over your chest to indicate your desire for a blessing. If you seek a deeper relationship with Christ through baptism, please speak with a priest after the service.

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion articulates a hunger for unity with Jesus Christ when you cannot physically receive the Body and Blood of Christ. This prayer connects the one(s) praying with the reception of Holy Communion. Those worshipping online are invited to say this prayer as those onsite receive

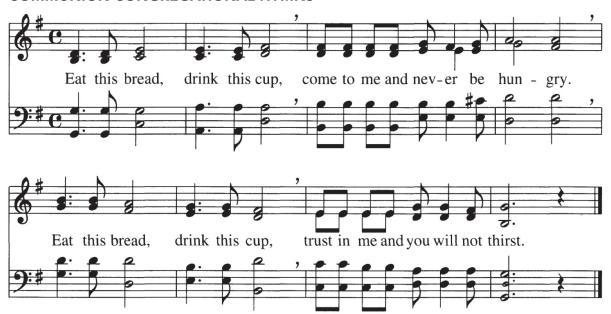
Communion.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (for those worshipping remotely)

All at home

In union, gracious God, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, O Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

COMMUNION CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS



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The people stand, as they are able.

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (when appropriate)

Celebrant We send you out to share Communion this week.

People May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of

Christ's presence.

Celebrant May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that

community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

People Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.

After Communion, we give thanks for being part of the communion of God's life and for being fed so that we may go out to feed and serve others in

our world.

One of the roles of the priest is to declare the eternal truth of God's ever-present blessing to God's people.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BLESSING

Celebrant May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by shining of a star to find the

Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also in your pilgrimage, to find the

Lord. Amen.

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to

the waters of new birth. Amen.

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at

Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

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"Praise to the living God"

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CONGREGATIONAL HYMN (Verses 1, 4)



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Having heard the Gospel and having been fed at communion, the final act of our common worship is the Dismissal. It is not an afterthought, but an integral part of the service. Jesus' final action on earth was to send his followers into the world to make disciples, baptizing and teaching them to obey all he had commanded. And so we are sent out into the world to proclaim the Good News and be Christ's hands and feet on earth.

The Deacon dismisses the people, and the people respond,

"Go Fish!"

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will catch men." Luke 5:10 (NIV)

Based on Luke 5:1-11



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Sign up for Civil Rights Pilgrimage to Alabama by February 27th

Anchored in the knowledge that all are created in God's image, and seeking to respect the dignity of every human being, this March we will take a pilgrimage to Alabama. We will immerse ourselves in the history of racism and civil rights in an effort to build God's beloved community. Engaging with the past will enable us to look within and work together toward a more faithful future. This trip is designed for pilgrims of all ages, and will take place the week of Spring Break for Deerfield schools. We will anchor our trip to Alabama at the Legacy Museum and Memorial in Montgomery, visit the Rosa Parks Museum, and take a day trip to Selma where we will walk across the Edmund Pettus Bridge. We will hear speakers, enjoy social time, pray, learn, sing, and grow in wisdom and faith together. Exact costs will be calculated once we have a firm number committed to the trip. Transportation to Montgomery, AL is not included - but traveling together in small groups is encouraged! Our pilgrimage will begin on March 22nd and end on March 24th.

Approximate cost: \$400/per person (double occupancy) - not inclusive of travel. This cost will vary, depending on how many commit to the trip. Sign up no later than February 21st. Once we have a final count, we can finalize the exact cost and details. The more who sign up, the lower the cost! Invite your family and friends - all are welcome to join in this pilgrimage.

StGs Annual Meeting - February 20th following the 9:30am worship service - Onsite and Online

The Annual Meeting is a time to celebrate the joys of the past year, mourn the losses, and look forward to where God is calling us to join in God's work in the world. It is our deep hope that this COVID surge will abate by February 20th so that as many people as possible can come onsite to worship and join in the meeting on February 20th. As always, we will have a zoom option (we will just continue the morning worship zoom meeting) for those who need or prefer to participate online. We have MUCH to look forward to in 2022, and it is going to be fun to prayerfully explore all the possibilities. Mark your calendars, and look for more information about elections and the fun to come!

Joyful Noise Sunday - February 27th at the 9:30am service

It's been far too long since we've had a chance to make a joyful noise together at StGs! Write in your calendars that the music in the service on Sunday, Feb 27 will be a delightfully eclectic mix of favorites from past Joyful Noise Sundays: a little Broadway, a little country, a little Disney, a little gospel... it's going to be great fun! With our friends Michael and Bob Potsic and Tom Gilman filling out our band, you won't want to miss this last joyful hoorah before we begin the season of Lent.

COMMUNITY MEALS

St. Gregory's parishioners have the opportunity to volunteer at the Community Meals program in Waukegan on the following dates – Feb 27, April 24, May 22, June 26, July 24, Sept 25, Oct 23, and Jan 1 2023. We are still making food and packing bags for pick up so could use some people to help out. Please contact Barb Schaper at bschaper?@aol.com or 948-8989 if you would like to help. We will have more information in January.

Our intergenerational formation program, **Tell Me the Truth About Racism**, will meet Feb 20, and the last session is TBD. Each session is a stand-alone program so if you haven't been able to join for previous sessions, this is your chance! Due to the surge in covid cases we will conduct the January session completely online for safety sake. We will follow the story with the children of StGs and Trinity leading us in wondering time. Families can attend with one device or more, whichever is easiest. Please join us for music, Bible references, and a story at 11:30 am on zoom at: Tell Me the Truth About Racism **Meeting ID: 819 7901 5026 Passcode: 598639**

All Zoom links/info available at www.StGsChurch.org