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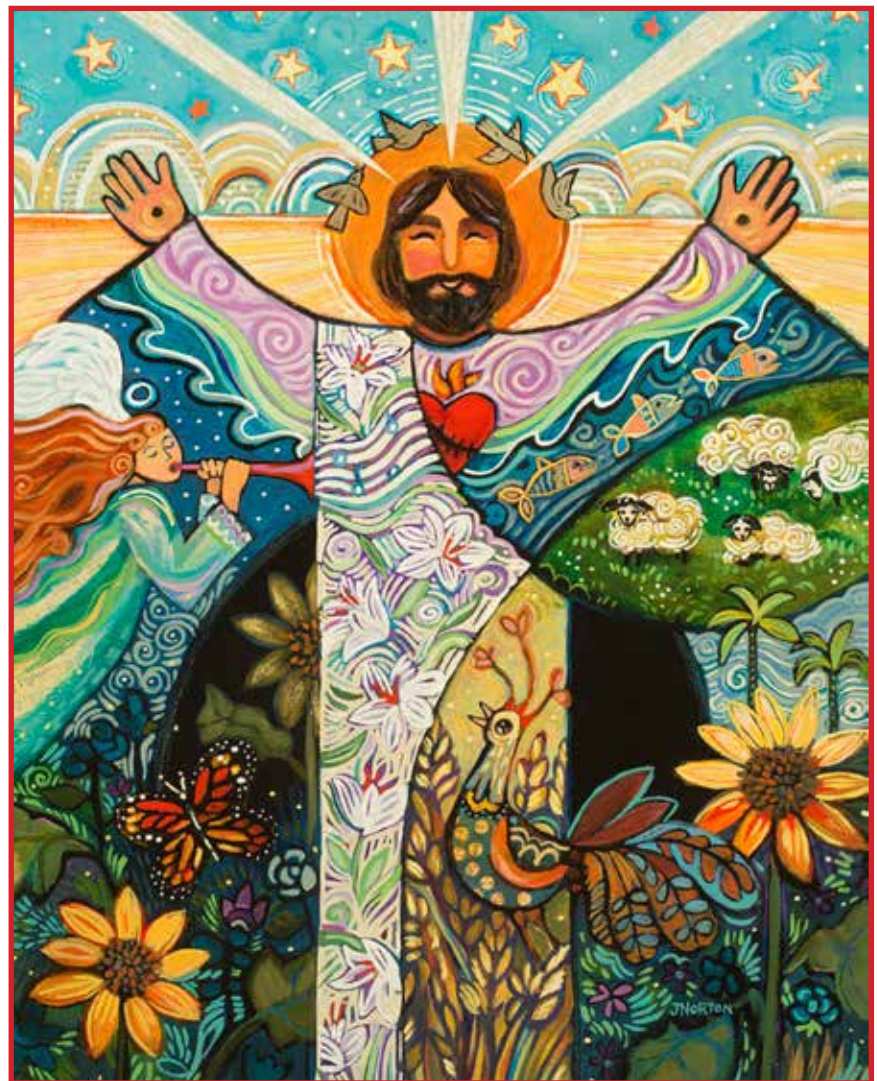
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### Welcome to St Gregory's

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. **All are invited to speak the bolded text aloud.** 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,” which are listed as follows throughout the bulletin:

**(v)** Bowing one's head at Jesus' name reminds us that Jesus is the King of Kings, ruling from a place of humility.

**(+)** 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.

**(+++)** 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.

**Generally speaking, we stand to pray, kneel to confess, and sit to hear.** Regardless of what others are doing, how you physically worship is up to you and how you experience God. Your presence and participation is what matters most to God.

### A Note about the Season After Pentecost (Ordinary Time)

The Season after Pentecost is often called Ordinary Time, and this season connects the Paschal cycle (the death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus) from the gift of the Holy Spirit to the celebration of the Second Coming when Christ comes in glory. As theologian Leo Mitchell says, it is “in these Sundays after Pentecost that we actually live – that is, in the period between the first and final coming (Advent); but in the liturgy, all of time, past, present, and future, is laid before us to be celebrated in the mystery of the liturgical year.

Though this is the season in which we live, and it spans the majority of our liturgical year, there is no such thing as an ordinary day when we are celebrating the sacraments of the risen Lord. The name “ordinary” comes from the tradition of numbering the assigned readings for these Sundays after Pentecost (thus: ordinal becomes ordinary). This season's assigned liturgical color is green, and the liturgy is celebrated without extreme penitence or glory as in other special seasons. At St. Gregory's, we change our liturgical practices halfway through this long season to explore the variety of ways in which we can experience the Holy Spirit in worship.



### THE WORD OF GOD

*We begin our worship by observing a period of quiet (begun and ended with the ringing of a bell) to slow ourselves and rest in God's presence.*

*The people stand, as they are able. All are invited to speak the bolded text aloud.*

#### ENTRANCE HYMN

1 Come, la - bor on. Who dares stand i - dle  
5 Come, la - bor on. No time for rest, till

1 on the har - vest plain, while all a - round us  
5 glows the west - ern sky, till the long sha - dows

1 waves the gold - en grain? And to each ser - vant  
5 o'er our path - way lie, and a glad sound comes

1 does the Mas - ter say, "Go work to - day."  
5 with the set - ting sun, "Ser - vants, well done."

*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. The Collect for Purity allows us to acknowledge that the ability to celebrate the liturgy depends on God's grace.*

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
**Glory to God for ever and 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. **(v) Amen.**

#### CANTICLE OF GOD'S LOVE

**Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God.  
Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is Love.  
In this the love of God was revealed among us,  
that God sent God's only Son into the world,  
so that we might live through Jesus Christ. (v)  
In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us  
and sent the Son that sins might be forgiven.  
Beloved, since God loved us so much,  
We ought also to love one another.  
For if we love one another, God abides in us,  
and God's love will be perfected in us.**



*During the season after Pentecost, the collects cover the wide variety of human longing and responsibilities of the church and humanity.*

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, (**v**) who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

*We follow a three-year cycle of readings called a Lectionary. These are 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 and faithfulness to God's people from the beginning of time to just before Christ.*

**FIRST READING**

**MALACHI 4:1-2**

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 98**

*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.*

- 1 Sing to God a new song,  
for God has done marvelous things.
- 2 **With their right hand and holy arm  
have they won the victory.**
- 3 God has made known their victory;  
their righteousness they have openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 **God remembers their mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**
- 5 Shout with joy to God, all you lands;  
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 **Sing to God with the harp,  
with the harp and the voice of song.**
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
shout with joy before the Ruler, God.
- 8 **Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it,  
the lands and those who dwell therein.**
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands,  
and let the hills ring out with joy before God,  
when God comes to judge the earth.
- 10 **In righteousness shall God judge the world  
and the peoples with equity.**



*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 us on how to live into our role as followers of Christ.*

**THE EPISTLE**

**2 THESSALONIANS 3:6-13**

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*The people stand, as they are able. Children are invited to join the procession in the aisle for the reading of the Gospel.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN (verse 1)**

Praise God in whose word we find food for bod - y,  
 Praise God who through Christ makes known all are loved and  
 soul, and mind. Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!  
 called God's own. Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!  
 Hal - le - lu - jah! God's good - ness is e - ter - nal.  
 Hal - le - lu - jah! God's good - ness is e - ter - nal.



*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 toward it.*

**THE GOSPEL**

**LUKE 21:5-19**

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

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

The Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SEQUENCE HYMN (verse 2)**

*The people sit.*

**SERMON**

*The Rev. Anne B. Jolly, Rector*

***A period of quiet (begun and ended with the ringing of a bell) is observed to slow ourselves and rest in God's presence.***

*The people stand, as they are able.*

*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.*

**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, (v) 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: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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. who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.**

*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.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

God our provider: the glory of the changing seasons reminds us of your artistry as nature's colors shift from summer greens to autumn golds. May the brilliant colors of the leaves remind us of the wonder of your creation. May the harvest from the fields remind us of the abundance we have been given and bounty we are to share with others (prayers of gratitude). God our provider:

**Hear our prayer.**

God our refuge: The morning mists soften the landscape and the days draw shorter and the nights colder. As we welcome the autumn months, may the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest. Remind us that though the unknown journey lies ahead, we can trust in your unfailing truth and presence (prayers for the sick, sad, lonely, and afraid).

God our refuge:

**Hear our prayer.**

God of our living and dying: May the steam of our breath in the cool air remind us that it is you who give us the breath of life. May the dying of summer's spirit remind us of your great promise that death is temporary and life is eternal (prayers for the dead and the dying). God of our living and dying:

**Hear our prayer.**

*The Priest will offer a concluding collect.*



*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.*

**CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence will be kept.*

**God of all time and all seasons:  
we come before you now,  
all too aware of our smallness and our brokenness.  
All too aware that our insecurities, our selfish thoughts,  
and our secret desires are an open book to you.  
God of mercy, forgive us.  
When our words and actions have injured others,  
God of mercy, forgive us.  
When our silence and inaction have injured others,  
God of mercy, forgive us.  
For the harm we have done to the earth,  
God of mercy, forgive us.  
When we have failed to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you,  
God of mercy, forgive us and renew us.  
Help us, in each moment and in every circumstance,  
to live lives of generosity and peace. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, (v) strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*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 PEACE**

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

*The congregation greets each other in the peace of Christ.*

*The people sit.*

**PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND TRAVELS**

**COMMISSIONING OF DIOCESAN CONVENTION DELEGATES**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*"O Clap Your Hands"  
by Victor Johnson*

*O clap your hands, all ye people! Lift up your voice, sing alleluia!  
O clap your hands, all ye people! Lift up your voice, alleluia!  
Shout and rejoice, give praise to the Lord, sing with jubilation.  
Let all the earth now cry out with joy and raise a hymn of exultation - alleluia!  
Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, break forth into jubilant song.  
Let the mighty rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together with joy!*







## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The people stand, as they are able.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN

*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.*

Give praise and thanks to God, whom earth and heav'n a - dore,  
for thus it was, and ev-er shall be, for now and ev - er - more.

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ (v) and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

### SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en and earth are full, are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -  
san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

*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.*



Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.  
**You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.**

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves;  
**we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.**

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you.  
**You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.**

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. (v)  
**Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, Christ revealed your glory.**

Giving himself freely to death on the cross, Jesus triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

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 friends, 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, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

Remembering Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we now present to you from your creation these gifts of bread and wine. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit (+) and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, that with the blessed Virgin Mary, St. Gregory, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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

A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men!

*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 sing 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.*

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

**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.**

### THE FRACTION

*The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.*

Musical notation for the Fraction. The notation is in 2/4 time with a key signature of one flat. It is divided into two parts: CANTOR and ALL. The lyrics are: Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, our pass - ov - er is sac - ri - ficed for us, there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

### INVITATION

*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.*

*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 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.*



COMMUNION HYMN

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
 4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
 2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
 3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
 4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
 5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
 4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
 5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

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)

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, (v) 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.**

The people stand, as they are able.



**SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS** *(when appropriate)*

We send you out to share Communion this week.

**May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.** May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ. **(v) Amen.**

Let us pray.

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. (v) Amen.**

***The people sit.***

*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.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***The people stand, as they are able.***

**BLESSING**

Do not pray for easy lives! Pray for the living of life. Pray to be stronger people. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers; pray for powers equal to your task. Then the doing of your work shall be no miracle, but you shall be the miracle. And then, in turn, every day you shall wonder at yourself, At the richness which has come in you, by the grace of God. And the blessing of God Almighty: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. **Amen.**

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



**EXIT HYMN**

1 Sa - vior, a - gain to thy dear Name we raise  
3 Grant us thy peace through - out our earth - ly life;

with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;  
peace to thy Church from er - ror and from strife;

guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
peace to our land, the fruit of truth and love;

that in this house have called up - on thy Name.  
peace in each heart, thy Spi - rit from a - bove:

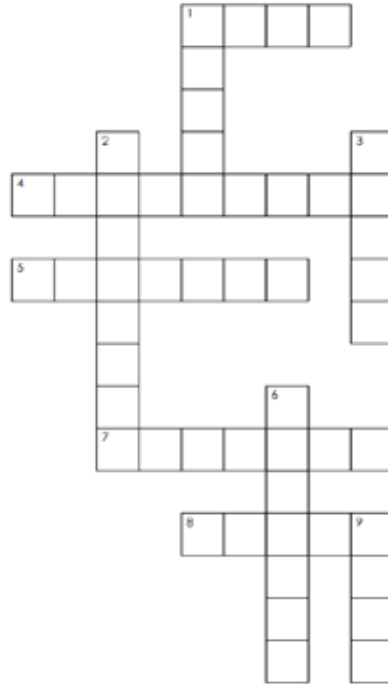
*Having heard the Gospel and having been fed at communion, the final act of our common worship is the Dismissal. It is not an afterthought, but an integral part of the service. Jesus' final action on earth was to send his followers into the world to make disciples, baptizing and teaching them to obey 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,  
Thanks be to God!**



Across: →

- 1. A way to talk to God
- 4. To keep going on even when it's hard
- 5. Your \_\_\_\_\_ have consequences
- 7. What you call siblings who are girls
- 8. To believe in something you can't see



Down: ↓

- 1. Calmness, no fighting
- 2. What you call siblings who are boys
- 3. The opposite of "Always"
- 6. To have faith that something is true
- 9. The opposite of easy

Word Bank:

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| BELIEVE     | BROTHERS | PEACE   |
| PERSEVERE   | SISTERS  | ACTIONS |
| FAITH NEVER | HARD     | PRAY    |



Find the following words in the puzzle. Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

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| ACTIONS  | GOOD      | PRAY    |
| BELIEVE  | HARD      | SISTERS |
| BROTHERS | NEVER     | WORK    |
| EARN     | PEACE     |         |
| FAITH    | PERSEVERE |         |



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Better Together formation continues!** We will finish our discussion on "This Here Flesh" on November 16. We'll take a week off for the holiday, and then begin our new study on Wednesday, November 30! We'll continue our Zoom study Wednesday evenings at 7pm, reading "Advent Unbound: An Advent Companion to Pádraig Ó Tuama's "Poetry Unbound." Truly experiencing Advent and Christmas depends on connecting the head and the heart - and poetry can help. In this devotional, we let scripture and Ó Tuama's beloved podcast "Poetry Unbound" lead the way to Bethlehem. If you need help purchasing your book, please reach out to Mother Anne!

**Thanksgiving morning service - 10am, online only!** Baste your turkey and mash your potatoes while you enjoy a lovely online service to celebrate Thanksgiving with StGs. Link in the newsletter!

**Community Meals - join us next Sunday!** We will have the opportunity to serve a hot meal to our neighbors in Waukegan next Sunday, November 20th. We meet from noon-3pm. Please consider this ministry as you reflect on your many blessings this year. We have baker volunteers for the 20th and for January 1st! Thank you to all those who have stepped up to support this ministry. For more info, contact Barb at [bschaper7@aol.com](mailto:bschaper7@aol.com) or 847-948-8989.

