



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The Seventh Sunday of Easter: Sunday after Ascension Day

May 17, 2026 • 10:15 a.m.

HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the glories of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.

The people's responses are in bold.

This type of note, offering directions about the service, is called a "rubric," which comes from the Latin word rubrica (red)—referring to a time when these instructional notes were always written in red.

The Word of God

THE ENTRANCE RITE

When the service is accompanied by music, it often begins with an instrumental piece of music, during which the congregation can prepare for worship.

PRELUDE

A bird in the church

Rachel Laurin

We begin our worship as a gathered community by praising God in song. The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

OPENING HYMN • #214

Hail the day that sees him rise

Sung by all.

Llanfair

THE OPENING HYMN MAY BE FOUND ON THE NEXT PAGE.

1 Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 There the glo - rious tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!
 *3 See! he lifts his hands a - bove; Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Lord be - yond our mor - tal sight, Al - le - lu - ia!

glo - rious to his na - tive skies; Al - le - lu - ia!
 lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates! Al - le - lu - ia!
 See! he shows the prints of love: Al - le - lu - ia!
 raise our hearts to reach thy height, Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Wide un - fold the ra - diant scene; Al - le - lu - ia!
 Hark! his gra - cious lips be - stow, Al - le - lu - ia!
 there thy face un - cloud - ed see, Al - le - lu - ia!

en - ters now the high - est heaven! Al - le - lu - ia!
 take the King of glo - ry in! Al - le - lu - ia!
 bless - ings on his Church be - low. Al - le - lu - ia!
 find our heaven of heavens in thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

WELCOME

We acknowledge that our worship is taking place in the aboriginal territories of the Salish and Kalispel people.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

The people standing as able, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

This prayer was an English rendering of a Latin prayer that began the liturgy in the medieval church before the Reformation. It remains a distinctive part of Episcopal worship to this day.

The Celebrant may say

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.**

SONG OF PRAISE • S 278

Glory to God (Canticle 20)

Sung by all.

William Mathias

The following is sung, all standing as able

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

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

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The People are seated for the lessons, and when there is Children's Worship, the children leave for Children's Worship. The children will return for Holy Eucharist.

THE FIRST READING: Acts 1:6-14

This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

⁶When [the apostles] had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. ¹³When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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

The People remain seated.

THE PSALM

The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another.

Reader Our response to the first reading is a portion of Psalm 68, found in the service leaflet. Please pray it with me.

PSALM: Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

- ¹Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *
let those who hate him flee before him.
²Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
³But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *
let them also be merry and joyful.
⁴Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;
exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *
YAHWEH is his name, rejoice before him!
⁵Father of orphans, defender of widows, *
God in his holy habitation!
⁶God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; *
but the rebels shall live in dry places.
⁷O God, when you went forth before your people, *

when you marched through the wilderness,
⁸The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,
 at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *
 at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
⁹You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *
 you refreshed the land when it was weary.
¹⁰Your people found their home in it; *
 in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.
³³Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *
 sing praises to the Lord.
³⁴He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *
 he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.
³⁵Ascribe power to God; *
 his majesty is over Israel;
 his strength is in the skies.
³⁶How wonderful is God in his holy places! *
 the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!
 Blessed be God!

THE SECOND READING: 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

The people remain seated.

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

^{5:6}Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. ⁸Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The People stand as able to sing the hymn.

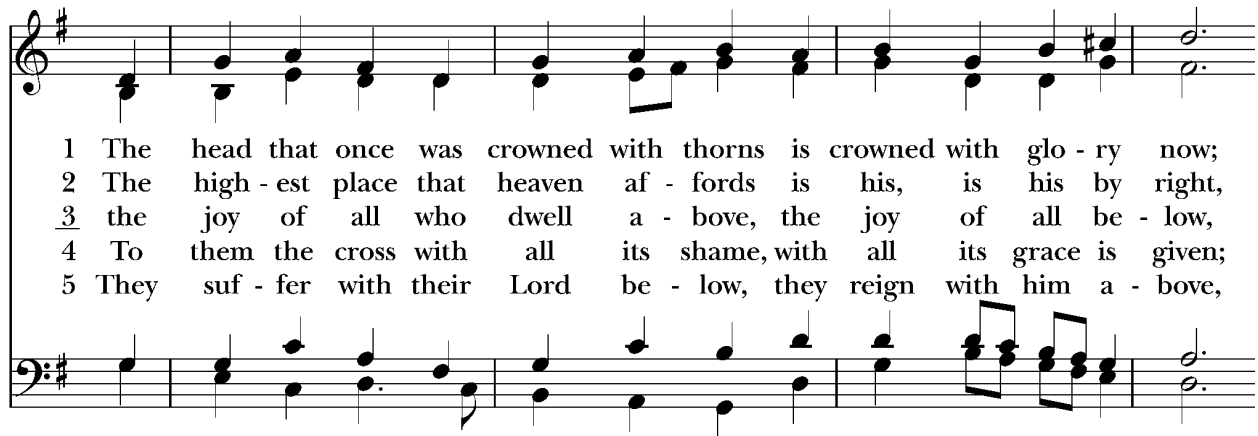
SEQUENCE HYMN • #483

The head that once was crowned with thorns Sung by all.

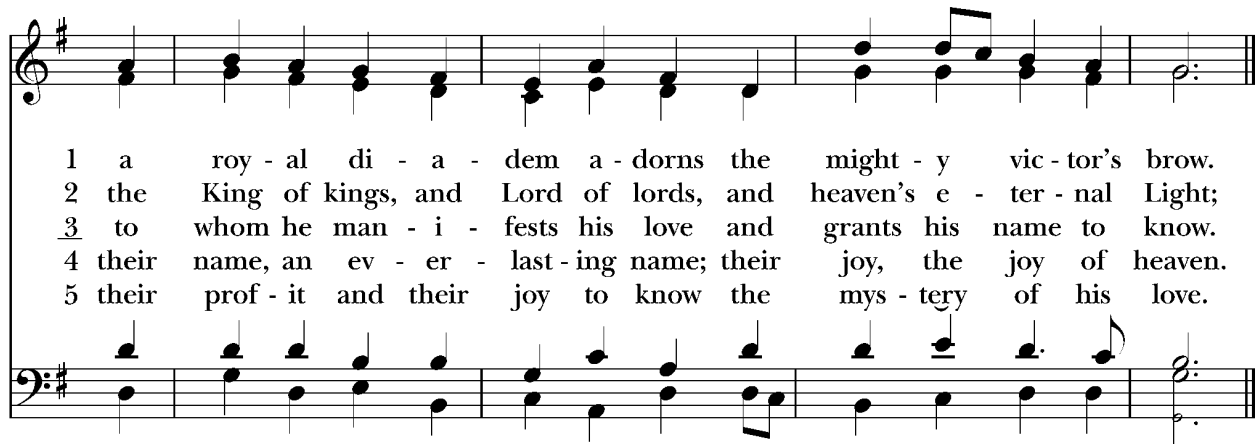
St. Magnus

The sequence hymn moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means “good news”—specifically the “good news of Jesus.”

All remain standing as able.



1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
2 The high - est place that heaven af - fords is his, is his by right,
3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low,
4 To them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given;
5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove,



1 a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
2 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's e - ter - nal Light;
3 to whom he man - i - fests his love and grants his name to know.
4 their name, an ev - er - last - ing name; their joy, the joy of heaven.
5 their prof - it and their joy to know the mys - tery of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,
though shame and death to him:
his people's hope, his people's wealth,
their everlasting theme.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 17:1-11

This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

¹[Jesus] looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you,²since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.³And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

⁶"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

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

The People are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Gretchen Strohmaier

The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

The People stand as able.

THE NICENE CREED

The word "creed" comes from the Latin "credo" for "I believe." First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: the Holy Trinity.

**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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the Universal Church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.

The People stand, sit, or kneel as they are able.

Intercessor The Prayers of the People today are guided by Form 6, found on page 392 of the Book of Common Prayer and in the service leaflet. Please pray them with me.

Lord, may we make your name known to those whom you give us from the world.

In Easter hope and in peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For Missoula Interfaith Collaborative, this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the sustainable, just, and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the right action, peace, and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop, and Marty Stebbins, our Bishop; for our priests, deacons, and lay leaders at Holy Spirit and across the Diocese; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

We pray for all who are on our hearts, for our sick, and for those who cannot be with us. Please pray silently for this group and take your leaflet home so you can pray for them individually during the week.

Silence.

Joan Chaussee

Monica Roscoe and Family

Nancy Callen

Kathy Adams

Paula and family

Michael Ayers and family

Family and friends of the Ruybalid family

Peter and Malcolm Smith

Linda Peavey

Nancy Guthrie

Mark Dvarishkis and family

Marleigh Flanigan

Bob Simons

Robert and Christine Hadlow

Laura and Cannon

Christina Errebo

Ann Rennie

Diana Plyley

Chris Tweeten

Janel

Moe

Donna Brummett

Dan

Sullivan

Graham

Linda T.

Lynne

Paula

Sam

Wanda

Greg

Mary

Peg

Madeleine Johnson
Stanley Underwood

Patty and Geoffrey Harp

Quinn
Joshua

For the Ruybalid family in the midst of a life transition

The staff and patients of Al-Ahli Hospital in Gaza City
All who are suffering in war zones

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, you crossed every border between Divinity and humanity to make your home with us. Help us to welcome you in newcomers, migrants and refugees. Help us to be good stewards and peacemakers who live as your children. May we come to live in human solidarity and in hope. As we grow alongside the Rio Grande Borderland Ministries, give us courage to open the door to our neighbors and grace to build a society of justice.

We ask your blessing also on the ministry of Casa Maria in their work in Minneapolis as they provide food, clothing and advocacy for immigrants. Assist them as they live into God's beloved Community and work to ensure that all their neighbors are treated with dignity and respect.

We also pray to share your hope with those who are sick, in prison, oppressed, addicted, suicidal, fearful, or without enough food, shelter, or sense of community.

And in silence or aloud, we pray for the other people or oppressions we lift to you now.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We raise our alleluias, and we thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Ever-present Lord, we pray for those who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We pray especially for those lost to violence, disease, or destruction, and for any others we lift to you now, silently or aloud.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

The Presider stands and says

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

THE PEACE

The People stand as able.

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

Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord and then are seated..

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

THE OFFERTORY

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

All are invited to make a gift to support Holy Spirit's ministry of sharing God's love with our community and the world by texting HOLYSPIRITGIVE to (833) 714-3270 or by visiting <http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/>. You may also put your gift in the offering plate or by scanning the QR code below to give to the General Fund:



The altar is prepared for Holy Communion

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

Christ hath a garden

Gerald Near

DOXOLOGY • #380, vs. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Hymnal 1982

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)
This selection is in the public domain.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

SURSUM CORDA

The People remain standing as able.

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 him thanks and praise.**

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

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:

SANCTUS • S 128

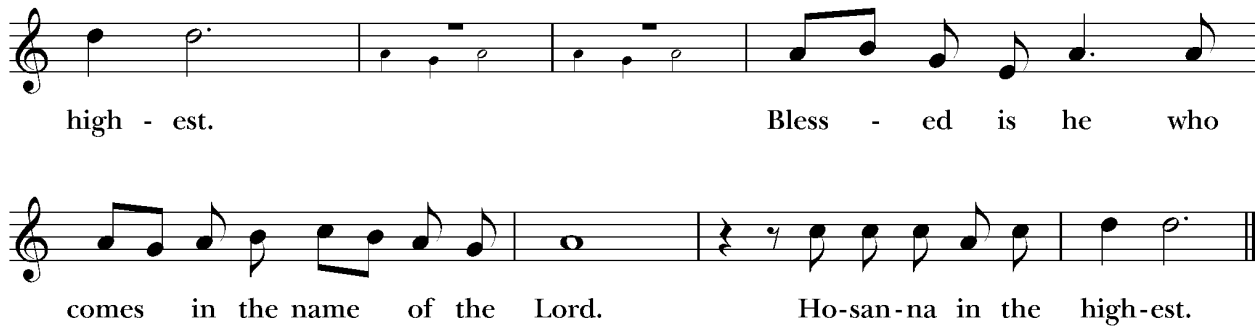
Holy, holy, holy Lord

Sung by all.

William Mathias

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the



The People stand or kneel as able.

We recall God's acts of salvation history. The presider says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

The Celebrant continues

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 the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

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 to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, 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 [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

The Great Amen is when the congregation with a unified great voice concurs with all that the presider has prayed. It is the only "Amen" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the greatness of the congregation's response.

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

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

The Celebrant then continues

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

People and Celebrant

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said

FRACTION ANTHEM • S 154

Christ our Passover

Sung by all.

David Hurd

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

INVITATION

The Celebrant says

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

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and respond to receiving Communion by saying "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. Receiving the bread only is full participation in the Eucharist. Wine is also available, and you may drink from the common cup or dip your wafer in the intinction cup. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest. Those who wish to have Holy Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

The Lone, Wild Bird

arr. David Johnson

COMMUNION HYMN • #305

Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest *Sung by all.*

Rosedale

Descant

3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take, one

1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay,
2 We meet, as in that up - per room they met; thou
3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take, one
4 One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee, who

Ped.

Church u - nit - ed in com-mun-ion blest; one Name we
 let us be thy guests; the feast is thine;
 at the ta - ble, bless - ing, yet dost stand:
 Church u - nit - ed in com - mun - ion blest;
 art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head;

bear, one Bread of life we break, with all thy
 thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest in
 "This is my Bo - dy"; so thou giv - est yet: faith
 one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break, with
 then o - pen thou our eyes, that we may see; be

saints on earth and saints at rest.
 thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.
 still re - ceives the cup as from thy hand.
 all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.
 known to us in break - ing of the Bread.

PRAYER FOR SENDING FORTH EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

When this prayer is needed, the Celebrant and People say

In the name of Holy Spirit Episcopal Church we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood. We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son 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 Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

POST-COMMUNION HYMN • #494

Crown him with many crowns

Sung by all.

Diademata

Descant

5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned a - bove;

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!
2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and
3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and
4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who
5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove; Crown

crown him to whom is given the won-drous name of Love.

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -
 2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who
 3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his
 4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran - somed sin - ners slain, now
 5 him the King, to whom is given the won - drous name of Love. Crown

Crown him with man-y crowns, as thrones be-fore him

1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and
 2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu - man breast, and
 3 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, who
 4 lives in realms of light, where saints with an - gels sing their
 5 him with man - y crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall, crown

fall, crown him, ye kings, for he is King of all.

1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King,
 5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

POSTLUDE

Today God's Son triumphs

J. S. Bach



THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving, by the people of Holy Spirit Episcopal Church.

Participants in the service

<i>Presider, Preacher and Celebrant</i>	<i>The Rev. Gretchen Strohmaier</i>
<i>Director of Music</i>	<i>Dr. Nancy Cooper</i>
<i>Children's Worship Storyteller and Doorkeeper</i>	<i>TBD, Sarah Bennett</i>
<i>Crucifer/Acolyte</i>	<i>Pat King</i>
<i>Lectors/Lay Eucharistic Ministers</i>	<i>Ken Ballinger, Lucy Deaton</i>
<i>Intercessor</i>	<i>Lucia Solorzano Work</i>
<i>Ushers</i>	<i>John and Tracey Gage</i>
<i>Altar Guild</i>	<i>Tracey Gage, Barbara Hosier</i>
<i>Coffee Hour Hosts</i>	<i>Helen Matveyeff, Kate Laney</i>
<i>Counters</i>	<i>Patti Beckley, Mary Beth Jourdonnais</i>
<i>Videographer</i>	<i>PJ Willett</i>

WE WELCOME THOSE NEW TO OUR WORSHIP!

Newcomers and guests are always welcome at Holy Spirit Episcopal Church. Our service today uses the service leaflet, and a service leaflet is also available online. The QR code to access the bulletin page of the website is available in the pews. Just scan it with the camera on your phone. We hope you will take a moment to complete the blue Visitor's Card found in the pew and place it in the offertory plate as it passes.

JOIN US FOR GODLY PLAY IN MAY

As Easter's light continues to unfold, our Godly Play stories in May invite children to wonder about symbols of new life, the journeys of the early Church, and the Spirit who gathers us. From the legend of the Easter eggs to the fire of Pentecost, we'll explore how God's love moves through every part of the story.

Join us during the 10:15 a.m. service. To learn more, connect with Deacon Dorcie after worship or through the church office.

A REALLY SPECIAL ALMS SUNDAY – SUPPORTING CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL

Beth Israel, a Jewish congregation in Jackson, MS, suffered a severe arson attack in January — the second in its history, following an attack by the Ku Klux Klan in the 1960s. In response, Jackson's faith community stepped in, including St. Philip's Episcopal Church across the street, which has long supported the synagogue and again opened its doors in solidarity.

This witness is inspiring. It reminds us of the freedom to worship that we all cherish, whatever our tradition. As Gretchen has said, we cannot allow hatred to have the last word. We stand with our brothers and sisters of faith, helping them get back on their feet and reminding them they are loved — including by this Episcopal

community in Missoula.

Today we are taking a special collection to help Beth Israel rebuild. You may contribute in the special offering basket at the back of the church, through **Pushpay**, or online at **holyspiritmissoula.org**.

Thank you joining us today as we send our support to fellow Americans who also prize the ability to worship in freedom.

INVITATION TO NEWCOMERS – IT’S A PICNIC TO MEET PEOPLE AT HOLY SPIRIT

In fact, it *is* a picnic. If you’re new to Holy Spirit, come to a special “meet, greet and eat” at the parish picnic, set for **Sunday, June 7**.

We’re gathering at **12:30 p.m. at the Meadowlark Shelter at Fort Missoula** (the picnic shelter closest to Community Hospital on South Avenue). Look for the heaps of fried chicken and lots of Holy Spirit folks. We hope you’ll join in with other newcomers to say hello, with hosts including Warren Gartner and Molly Bowler. This easy-going picnic is a great place to meet up with the Holy Spirit community.

Here’s what to bring: last names **A-M = sides and salads; N-Z = dessert**. See you there!

HONORING NANCY TYRELL AT 90

On Sunday, May 24, Nancy Tyrell and her family will host a coffee hour celebration for her 90th birthday following the 10:15 a.m. service that day. We invite the parish to join in marking this joyful occasion with gratitude for Nancy’s presence in our community.

MAY 31 – SAVE THE DATE!

Plan to be part of our gala farewell to Rev. Terri and Rev. Gretchen after the 10:15 service on Sunday, May 31. Come with stories to share and enjoy music and memories about our two co-rectors. Terri heads toward actual and true retirement and Gretchen shifts to focus on her life as rector of St. Paul’s in Hamilton. We’ll send them with our love and thanks. Don’t miss this special day.

You’re also invited to be part of an Episcopal tradition – the making of a “purse” for clergy who are bringing years of parish service to a close. If you are able, please consider making a contribution to this special thank you gift. You can put a check in the offertory plate marked “purse,” send it to the office, or use Pushpay. Many thanks for considering this request.

SPRING MARKET: A MAGICAL SUCCESS!

Thank you to everyone who helped make this year’s Spring Market such a joyful and record-breaking event. With **\$11,357.47** in sales, long lines of happy shoppers, and beautifully displayed treasures of every kind, the Market was filled with energy, laughter, and goodwill.

Unsold items continued their good work in the community, going to the Missoula Children’s Theater, the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes transitional housing program, Give Art to Missoula, and Missoula Thrift (part of Flathead Industries, supporting individuals with disabilities across Montana).

Special thanks to **Beverley Sherman** for her steady leadership, and to all who donated, sorted, priced, played music, and brought this magical event to life.

JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT COMMUNITY CONCERNS EVENING ON MAY 20 AT 6:30 PM

Getting to Know our Neighbors to the North: The Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

Over the past thirty years Jim Taylor has worked in several capacities for the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, including as the Managing Attorney of the Tribal Defenders Office (1996-2006), Managing Attorney of the Tribal Prosecutors Office (2019-2022), and Associate Attorney Justice on their Court of Appeals (2022-

2025). In December of 2025 he was appointed as the Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals for the CSKT and currently serves in that capacity.

His talk, “Getting to Know our Neighbors to the North: The Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes,” will present a brief history of the Flathead Reservation, admittedly from the perspective of a non-member, but a non-member with significant contacts with the Tribes over the past three decades.

Be sure to join us May 20 to learn more about the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes with Vestry member Jim Taylor.

EXPLORE SPRING MIGRATION AT NINEPIPE ON MAY 23!

Join Holy Spirit’s Creation Care Ministry for a morning of birdwatching **on Saturday, May 23**, at the beautiful **Ninepipe Fish & Wildlife Area** in the Mission Valley. This rich wetlands habitat attracts a wide variety of migrating waterfowl, shorebirds, and songbirds — a perfect chance to experience spring on the move.

We’ll meet in the **church parking lot at 8:00 a.m.** and carpool to the refuge. We’ll have bird books, some binoculars, and a spotting scope to share.

What to bring:

Lunch, water, and a camp chair if you’d like — facilities at the site are limited to an outhouse.

After bird viewing, you’re welcome to join optional side trips to the **Ninepipes Museum of Early Montana** or the **CSKT Bison Range** (both require an entrance fee).

Questions?

Contact **Warren Gartner** at 317-872-2431 or kwgartner@sbcglobal.net. Come enjoy the beauty of creation and a peaceful morning outdoors!

MISSOULA FOOD BANK OPPORTUNITIES IN MAY

EmPower Pack Build – Wednesday, May 20 • 4:15 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

We’re looking for **30 parishioners** to help with our next EmPower Pack Build on **Wednesday, May 20**. A sign-up sheet is available in the Parish Hall. Please arrive at the Missoula Food Bank (**1720 Wyoming St**) at **4:15 p.m.**, using either the front door or the parking-lot side door. We’ll wrap up by **6:30 p.m.** This is a wonderful way to support local kids and families as the school year winds down.

May Donation Focus: “Picnic”

Our non-perishable donation theme for May is **Picnic**. Please consider donating items such as: Peanut butter and jelly; pretzels and chips; condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise); pickles; trail mix; granola bars; seed crackers; graham crackers; marshmallows; canned meats and fish (tuna, chicken, salmon, sardines); canned meals and legumes (chili, pork and beans, lentils, beans); nuts and seeds; nut butters (no added sugar welcome); jerky and meat sticks; low-sugar protein bars; shelf-stable or powdered milk; shelf-stable cheese snacks; olives; pantry add-ons (vinegar, dressings, broth); juice boxes; bottled or sparkling water; Kool-Aid; and unsweetened tea.

Your generosity helps keep our neighbors nourished — thank you for supporting the Food Bank in so many ways this spring.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS BEGIN MAY 22

From May 22 through September 4, the church office will be closed on Fridays. The church office will also be closed Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Starting on Sunday, **May 31**, we will begin our summer worship schedule, having only **one service at 10:15 a.m.** on Sunday mornings. This schedule continues through August, and we'll return to two services (8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.) on **Sunday, September 13**, our Kick-off Sunday. The summer presents a wonderful opportunity to worship all together, share coffee hour, and get to know other members of your church family.

We're also looking forward to welcoming **Pastor Arne Bergland** to Holy Spirit for summer worship in June and July. Pastor Bergland will serve as our celebrant and interim clergy from **June 3–August 2**, offering a gentle breathing space between Gretchen and Terri's departures and before **Rev. Nate Darville** begins his ministry with us on **August 3**.

Arne's first Sunday with us will be **June 7**, the day of our parish **Summer Picnic**. Please plan to come to the 10:15 service and then join us for this first big parish event of the summer as we welcome the Berglands.

HOLY SPIRIT SUMMER PICNIC — JUNE 7 AT 12:30 P.M.

Meet Us at the Meadowlark Shelter at Fort Missoula

Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 7, when we'll gather at the Meadowlark Shelter at Fort Missoula for our annual summer church picnic. Come enjoy delicious fried chicken (or lemon pepper or barbecue roasted chicken), great camaraderie, delightful accordion music, and all the potluck favorites our parish is known for.

Please bring a dish to share:

A–M: salad or side dish

N–Z: dessert

We'll provide plates, utensils, cold water, ice, canned beverages (no plastic bottles), and Holy Spirit's famous punch. Feel free to bring a lawn chair, serving utensils for your potluck item, lawn games, and your best summer stories.

We look forward to seeing everyone on June 7!

JOIN OUR WOMEN'S GROUP: LIVING OUR FAITH TOGETHER

Looking for a welcoming space to grow in your faith alongside other women? Join our **Practicalities of Faith** group, where meaningful conversation and genuine community await you. All women are invited—bring a friend and experience support and inspiration together.

The group, led by Julie Benson, will meet on the following dates in the Guild Room from 1-2:30 p.m.:

June 8, 15 & 29

Please come as you are available! Registration is not required.

HOLY SPIRIT VESTRY

The Rev. Gretchen Strohmaier, Co-Rector
The Rev. Terri Ann Grotzinger (retired), Co-Rector
Molly Bowler, Senior Warden
Charlie Swannack, Junior Warden
Leslie McShane, Clerk of Vestry
James Wiley, Treasurer

Vestry Members, listed with the year their terms expire:

2026	2027	2028
Molly Bowler	Julie Benson	Patti Beckley
Lance Collister	Keith Kuhn	Anne Geiger
Glenn Hladek	Beverley Sherman	Mary Beth Jourdonnais
Charlie Swannack	Jim Taylor	Leslie McShane

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