



10:30

February 11, 2024

Last Sunday after the Epiphany

WELCOME to all visitors and guests this morning. We are happy you are here to worship with us. If you want to know more about the Church of Reconciliation, please email info@cor-satx.org to receive our weekly e-mail.

- Assisted listening devices and large-print bulletins are available in the church narthexes.
- All are welcome at the table of the Lord for Holy Communion.
- If you would prefer to receive Communion at your seat instead of at the rail, please let an usher know.
- Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available upon request.

Shrove Pancake Sunday, February 11th
TODAY in Brown Hall after the 10:30 service!! EVERYONE is welcome to join us!

SUNDAY SERVICES
8:00am – Holy Eucharist (*no music*)
10:30am – Holy Eucharist (*livestreamed, with music*)

Ash Wednesday, February 14th

- Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes at **12:00pm** (livestreamed)
- Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes at **6:00pm** (livestreamed)

Children, Youth, and Families

- Youth Group: On hiatus thru Lent.
 - **Sunday School for elementary, middle, and high school is every Sunday at 9:15 am.**
- Contact: Jude Castillo at jude@cor-satx.org.

Parks and Rec Hike Club
Let's meet **February 17th at 9:00am** for our next hike. We will once again meet at **Halcyon Southtown Coffee Shop**, 1414 S Alamo St, San Antonio, TX 78210, and then walk the Acequia Park Trail. We will return to Halcyon for brunch. RSVP to Erica or call/text if you're running late at (805) 276-1502.

Dinner Dames! Come join us on Feb 16th from 6pm-8pm at Formosa Gardens, 1011 NE Loop 410, San Antonio, Texas 78209. Please sign up using the Wed. email or call Jude at jude@cor-satx.org.

Dinner Dudes

Save the date for our next Dinner Dudes on **Thursday, February 29th**, 6pm-8pm. Place TBA! Contact Bill at bill@cor-satx.org to RSVP

Annual Meeting & Souper Sunday, February 18th after the 10:30 service

The meeting is an important time for parishioners to come together to hear updates from the past year, to honor outstanding efforts from the past year, and to learn about and discuss plans for the new year. Every parishioner is encouraged to attend! One of our biggest fundraisers of the year for child and youth summer camp scholarships!

Socks for the Unhoused
Between now and Palm Sunday on March 24, we will be collecting packages of new socks - any sizes and types! We will deliver them to Haven for Hope. **Last year, we collected over one thousand pairs!** Please bring sock anytime between now and Palm Sunday to the sanctuary or church office!

Lenten Dinners, Wednesdays, February 21, 28, March 6, 13, 20, 6pm-8pm
This event is back for another year and is a chance for fellowship and a shared meal accompanied by a Eucharist service, all in Brown Hall. Please join us!

Adult Formation: A Journey Through Acts Starting TODAY, February 11th, 9:15am in the Library

Join Fr. Phil for Adult Formation to study the Book of Acts! **We will be using A Journey Through Acts by Marek Zabriskie as our guide. We will have a few copies available.** In 2024 the Rt. Rev. Dr. David G. Read invites the diocese to study Acts. To purchase the book, try Amazon or Forward Movement.

Exercise Class
Stretching, balance, tai chi every Wednesday and Friday at 10am in Alban classroom. Contact Jude at jude@cor-satx.org

THE OPENING MEDITATION

THE PROCESSION AND OPENING HYMN

O For A Thousand Tongues
Hymnal #493

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People **You come to your people and set them free.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **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.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Lector: A reading from second Kings.

2 Kings 2:1-12

Read by Lauren Cate

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.”

He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 30

Refrain: I will praise you Lord, you have rescued me. I will praise you, Lord, for your mercy. I will praise you Lord, you have rescued me. I will praise you Lord.

I will praise you Lord, you have rescued me and have not let me enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. *Refrain*

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment, his favor through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. *Refrain*

The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing. O Lord my God, I will thank you forever. *Refrain*

THE EPISTLE

Lector: A reading from Paul’s second letter to the Corinthians.

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Read by Ed Reischling

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus’ sake. For it is the God who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether

Draw us in the Spirit’s tether for when humbly in your name two or three are met together, you are in the midst of them. Alleluia, alleluia! Touch we now your garment’s hem.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

BRIEF MEDITATION (*sung*)

THE SERMON

Fr. Phil Mason

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith together.

***All:* 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

Read by Sidney Burnette

Intercessor: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work, especially military, medical workers, and first responders;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world, especially our president, Joe, our governor, Greg, our mayor, Ron, and all other leaders;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the 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, especially those we name either silently or aloud (silence) ; and from our parish family: Kimberly, Garnet, Kes, John, Carolyn, Kevin, Tiffany, Jeffrey, Marilyn, Suzanne, Jonathan, Art, Kathy, Daniel, Lilas, Joel, and Michael.
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, David our Bishop, Phil, our priest, Jennifer, our seminarian, and all other ministers of the church;
For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially wisdom and discernment for our rector search committee. Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, especially those we name either silently or aloud ; that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant reads the concluding Collect.

O Great God, thank you for living and loving in us and through us. May all that we do flow from our deep connection with you and all beings. Help us become a community that vulnerably shares each other's burdens and the weight of glory. Listen to our heart's longings for the healing of our world. Knowing you are hearing us better than we are speaking, we offer these prayers in all the holy names of God. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence

Minister and People

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.

THE ABSOLUTION

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 the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

(The people exchange greetings)

THE GATHERING HYMN

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Shine, Jesus, shine fill the land with the Father's glory; Blaze, Spirit, blaze set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nation with love and mercy; send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy birthday to:

Charlotte Hardy 2/10

Sam Gilliam 2/11

Timothy Webber 2/13

Carolyn Atkins 2/13

Ivonne Patterson 2/13

Trish Bigelow 2/14

Caris Edwards 2/14

MILESTONES

On February 10, Terri Lynn Falks celebrated being 21 years cancer free.

You are invited to come to the altar for a blessing.

If you would like your birthday, anniversary, or other milestone mentioned here, please email info@cor-satx.org.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.
Ephesians 5:2

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Ain't Got time to Die by Hall Johnson
Edward Lee Jones, soloist

DOXOLOGY

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Oh Praise Him, Oh
Praise Him, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 God thanks and praise.**

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

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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: *(Bells)*

Celebrant and People (sung)

Music by The Rev. Matt Wise

**Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosannah in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord
(Blessed is the One who comes in your name)
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(Blessed is the One who comes in your name)
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord. God of power and might (power and might)
Heaven and earth are full of your Glory. Hosanna to the Giver of light.
Hosanna to the Giver of light. Hosanna to the Giver of light.**

Then the Celebrant continues

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

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

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." (*Bells*)

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." (*Bells*)

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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

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

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.** (*Bells*)

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The LORD'S PRAYER (*sung*)

Music by Cindy Sanchez

Our Father who are 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, and we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, the power and glory forevermore. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

The people respond: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE INVITATION

This is the table of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love and for those who want to love more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been here long; you who have tried to follow and you who have fallen short. Come, for it is the Risen Christ who invites you. It is the Risen Christ who wants to meet you here.

HOLY COMMUNION

*All are welcome at the table of the Lord for Holy Communion.
Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available upon request.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

**Bridge Over Troubled Water by Paul Simon
Edward Lee Jones, soloist**

Heal Me, Hands of Jesus

THE GREETING AT THE RAIL

Greeting: Christ has come.
Response: Let us receive him.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: And now, let us pray.

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 the strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING HYMN

Wade in the Water

THE DISMISSAL

The Priest dismisses the people saying:
Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

The People Respond:
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Elementary Ministry:

Ages: 4 years old through 4th Grade

- **Sunday School from 9:15-10:20 a.m.**

Rec Middle School Ministry:

Ages: 5th Grade thru 8th Grade

Middle School Faith Formation/Sunday

School: from 9:15-10:20 a.m.

Middle School Youth Group: Wednesdays
from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Rec Room.

Rec High School Ministry:

Ages: 9th-12th Grade

High School Faith Formation/Sunday School:
from 9:15-10:20 a.m. in Rec Room

High School Youth Group: Wednesdays from
6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Rec Room

Contact: Jude Castillo, Director of Children, Youth,
and Families at jude@cor-satx.org

Serving and Ministering This Sunday
February 11, 2024

8:00

Verger: Erica Valle

Lector: Susan Ennis

Prayers of the People: Susan Ennis

Acolytes: Oliver and Eliza Merrifield

Chalice: Rusty Wilson

Intincter: Carol Westerkom

Altar Guild: Team IV (Roxie Montesano
Team)

Usher: Roxie Montesano

10:30

Verger: Erica Valle

Livestream: Lou Navarro and Lee Mick

Lectors: Lauren Cate, Ed Reischling

Prayers of the People: Sidney Burnette

Intincter: Benjamin PowerGriffin

Chalice: Mark Mangus

Acolytes: Elim Pritchett, Kathryn Daniels

Altar Guild: Team IV (Roxie Montesano
Team)

Ushers: Bill Schiller (lead), Nathan Roller,
Mike Moneer

Greeters: Benjamin PowerGriffin (lead),
Sonia Suire

Breakfast: None – Join us for Shrove
Pancakes

Coffee Hour: Shrove Pancakes

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