

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

#### OPENING WORSHIP SONG

#### **ACCLAMATION**

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins; **His mercy endures for ever.** 

#### THE DECALOGUE

Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God. **Amen. Lord have mercy.** 

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. **Amen. Lord have mercy.** 

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder. **Amen. Lord have mercy.** 

You shall not commit adultery. **Amen. Lord have mercy.** 

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor. **Amen. Lord have mercy.** 

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (Hebrews 4:14,16)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.

#### **WORSHIP SONG**

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### **READING OF THE WORD**

#### **Genesis 9:8-17**

<sup>8</sup> Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him: <sup>9</sup> "I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you <sup>10</sup> and with every living creature that was with you—the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you—every living creature on earth. <sup>11</sup> I establish my covenant with you: Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth."

<sup>12</sup> And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come: <sup>13</sup> I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. <sup>14</sup> Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, <sup>15</sup> I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life.
<sup>16</sup> Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth."

<sup>17</sup> So God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and all life on the earth."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 25:1-9

- To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- Let none who look to you be put to shame; let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.
- Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.
- Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
- Gracious and upright is the Lord; therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

#### **GOSPEL SONG**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

#### Mark 1:9-15

<sup>9</sup> In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup> And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. <sup>11</sup> And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

- <sup>12</sup> And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. <sup>13</sup> He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.
- <sup>14</sup> Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup> and saying, "The time is

fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

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

#### SERMON

#### THE NICENE CREED

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is
worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the

forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

For the Church of God, that we may be filled with love, generosity and truth so to transform our communities and our world;

May your light guide us and shine through us.

For the leaders of our nation, and the leaders of all nations; May your light instill in them compassion and good judgment, and guide them in the ways of justice and peace.

For all who hold authority in your Church, that they may shine your light brightly;

May your Spirit inspire them with creativity, renew their energy, and give them wisdom and love.

For blessings on all of our human endeavors, and for the just and proper use of the beauty and abundance of creation;

May each of us love and serve you in ways that shine your light in our communities and beyond to free your world from poverty, famine and oppression.

For the sick in body, mind or spirit, and for those we now name in our hearts:

May your light bring hope and healing to all who suffer.

For all who have died, and for those who grieve, and for those we now name in our hearts;

May your perpetual light shine on all the saints who have gone before us.

Feel free to add other intercessions and thanksgivings at this time.

#### **SHARING PEACE**

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

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **OFFERTORY SONG**

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Left.

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.

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

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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."

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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

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.** 

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

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, **grant us thy peace.** 

## **COMMUNION SONG**

#### **CLOSING PRAYER**

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

#### BLESSING

### **CLOSING WORSHIP SONG**

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

Reconciliation of a Penitent (i.e. Personal Confession) can be scheduled during Lent.

Call the office at 941-966-1924 to see Father Michael.

# THE WEEK AHEAD FEBRUARY 21 – 27

SUN	21	Holy Eucharist   10:00 am   In Person & Online Journey Through the Gospels Discussion 12:00 pm   Fulton Hall   In Person & Zoom
MON	22	Office Closed
		AA Group   6:00 pm   Fulton Hall
TUE	23	AA Group   6:00 pm   Fulton Hall
WED	24	Yard Crew   9:00 am
		Morning Prayer   10:00 am   In Person & Online
THU	25	Reunion Group – Cursillo   5:30 pm Zoom Video Call
		AA Group   6:00 pm   Fulton Hall
FRI	26	Group Prayer   10:00 am   Conference Call Dial 712-775-7035, Code 375658#
		AA Group   6:00 pm   Fulton Hall

"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

#### - Mark 1:15

# **BEYOND STONE WALLS**



#### Jars of Clay

This year we will be collecting money of what we give up for Lent at home. Bring your collection on the Sunday after Easter.



#### Journey Through the Gospels Beginnings Today at 12:00 pm Fulton Hall, In Person & Zoom

This daily reading plan allows us to read through all the Gospels by Pentecost. Join us every Sunday at noon in person or Zoom to share questions, insights, and how God is speaking to you!



# Yard Crew, Wednesdays at 9:00 am

Join us as we tend to the landscaping needs of the church. Contact Sandy Kreidler at 365-4246 if you are available to help.



#### Reunion Group – Cursillo Thursdays at 5:30 pm, Zoom Video Call

This group offers personal time for prayer and sharing of life's joys and sorrows, as well as accountability to Christ's call for study, piety and action. Contact Sally Allen for details at 413-822-1160.



#### **Group Prayer**

Fridays at 10:00 am, Conference Call Dial 712-775-7035, Code 375658#
Join us as we pray against COVID-19, for our country, and other issues of the day.

# HOW ARE WE DOING FINANCIALLY?

# Year-to-Date Tithe/Offerings

Actual: \$ 11,007 Budgeted: \$ 10,800 Difference: \$ + 207

# Year-to-Date as of January 31, 2021

Total Income: \$ 17,588 Expenses: \$ 21,143 Difference: \$ -3,555

#### WAYS TO GIVE:

In Person • Online Via CHS Website • Mail

# THE CHURCH IN PRAYER

PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAISE REPORTS

If you have a prayer to be added to this list or you would like to be added to our email prayer chain, call the office or email prayers@chsosprey.com.

Belinda and Willette in hospice care. Strength and peace for their families in their care-giving.

Comfort and hope for Vincenzo in his grief for his mother.

Thanksgiving for Shay's safety. God's provision and direction for his recovery.

Sobriety for Trevor.

Continued healing and strength for Joanne.

Healing for all struggling with their sexual identity.

For Julia and Dylan to see themselves in the truth and light of Christ.

Daniel to remain connected and in relationship with his family.

Mark not to hoard stuff.

Freedom for Doug and his coming to Christ. Healing for his family.

Peace and God's light to fill Esteban.

God's clear direction for Jason and Sam.

Love and wisdom for Amberly as she witnesses to others. May they see God in her.

Understanding and trust in God's purposes for Ruth's family.

God's protection over Drew and Carrie's new baby. God's abiding peace and clarity of mind for people's mental health.

Total recovery from COVID for Sheree and Laura's mom.

Reconciliation for Nick and Emma. Peace and light for them.

Purpose and desire for wellness for Lee, Ace, Al, and Trevor.

Wisdom and direction for Trish.

Healing, education, and empowerment for survivors of sex-trafficking.

Comfort and God's light for all who grieve the loss of their loved ones, especially Christine and Joan.













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