

ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL MEMORIAL CHURCH

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OUR DIVINE PURPOSE STATEMENT

- † **WE BELIEVE** that through Jesus Christ we are meant to faithfully and joyfully serve God and our neighbors.
- † **WE WORSHIP** as a community of believers who make people feel welcome from every walk of life. We value and welcome the diversity of all people.
- † **WE SERVE** seekers inside and outside the church to live in accordance with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'" - Isaiah 6:8

ST. GEORGE'S WELCOMES ALL!

WORSHIPPING THE HOLY TRINITY IN RITES OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

WHEN DO I KNEEL, SIT, OR STAND?—We pray to the Holy Trinity; with words & with our posture. Directions in this booklet suggest when you should kneel, sit, or stand. These postures are optional & could help you center your thoughts & bodies on worship. If you are confused or don't know what to do, don't worry about "getting it right." God welcomes your prayers. It matters not your posture.

WHAT IS HOLY COMMUNION? Also called Holy Eucharist, the Divine Liturgy, the Great Offering, ~ Lord's Supper or Mass, it is the sacrament commanded by Christ for the continual remembrance of his life, death, & resurrection, until his coming again. Because Holy Communion, the Church's sacrifice of praise & thanksgiving, is the way by which the sacrifice of Christ is made present, & in which he unites us to his one offering of himself, is also a remembrance of the meal of bread & wine Jesus shared with his disciples.

HOW DO I KNOW WHEN TO SPEAK DURING WORSHIP?—You say the portions which are **bolded** in this worship booklet.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT—Our diocese encompasses traditional tribal homelands of Dakota, Lakota, Nakota, Turtle Mountain Chippewa, Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara people. We acknowledge & understand that this land was stewarded by the people who lived here for thousands of years before the arrival of Europeans & express our appreciation for their continued faithful stewardship of this land.

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE AND PEACE—We pray for peace, but maybe we don't have the words. We pray for a just peace, but maybe we don't have the words. We pray that the lives of innocents & the lives of any human child of God will be spared. We pray that our leaders will find a diplomatic way, a nonviolent way of solution. But we don't know how to pray as we are. So, the Spirit must intercede for us at this time. —The Most Rev'd Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church

ADDICTION SURVIVORS - O blessed Lord, you ministered to all who came to you: look with compassion upon all who through addiction have lost their health & freedom. Restore to them the assurance of your unfailing mercy; remove from them the fears that beset them; strengthen them in the work of their recovery: and to those who care for them, give patient understanding & persevering love. Amen.

CONCERNING THIS WORSHIP SERVICE—This order is provided for use when a priest in charge of a parish ends a pastoral relationship. In other circumstances, appropriate actions of this rite may be used, & necessary alterations may be made.

A LITURGY FOR THE ENDING OF A PASTORAL RELATIONSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION, RITE 1

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

HYMN #437

Tell out my soul

Birmingham

The people standing, the Presider says.

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Presider then continues.

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Presider One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

THE HYMNAL #S-236

A Song of Praise Canticle # 13

BCP, 90

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; *

you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *

on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; *

in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty & everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven & on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, & in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives & reigns with you % the Holy Spirit, one God, forever & ever. AMEN.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:

MICAH 6:1-8

¹Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, & let the hills hear your voice. ²Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, & you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, & he will contend with Israel. ³“O my

people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! ⁴For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, & redeemed you from the house of slavery; & I sent before you Moses, Aaron, & Miriam. ⁵O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, & what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”

⁶“With what shall I come before the Lord, & bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? ⁷Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” ⁸He has told you, O mortal, what is good; & what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, & to love kindness, & to walk humbly with your God?”

THE PSALM:

PSALM 15

¹ Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?
*who may abide upon your holy hill?
² Whoever leads a blameless life and does
what is right, * who speaks the truth from his
heart. ³ There is no guile upon his tongue; he
does no evil to his friend; *he does not heap
contempt upon his neighbor.⁴ In his sight

the wicked is rejected, *but he honors those
who fear the Lord. ⁵ He has sworn to do no
wrong * and does not take back his word.
⁶ He does not give his money in hope of gain,
*nor does he take a bribe against the
innocent. ⁷ Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown.

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-31

¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, “*I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, & the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.*” ²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs & Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews & foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews & Greeks, Christ the power of God & the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, & God’s weakness is stronger than human strength. ²⁶Consider your own call, brothers & sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low & despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no one might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, &

righteousness & sanctification & redemption, ³¹in order that, as it is written, “*Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.*”

HYMN #554

Tis the gift to be simple

Simple Gifts

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 5:1-12

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³“*Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*” ⁴“*Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.*” ⁵“*Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.*” ⁶“*Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.*” ⁷“*Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.*” ⁸“*Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.*” ⁹“*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.*” ¹⁰“*Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*” ¹¹“*Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.*” ¹²“*Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.*”

THE SERMON

THE REV'D HAL JOSEPH WEIDMAN

The service continues with the Nicene Creed.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. **AMEN.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Deacon or other person appointed says.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers [*Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, & Tom, the provisional Bishop of the Diocese of North Dakota; The Church of Pakistan (United), St. Luke's, Fort Yates: John Floberg, Rector; Sloane Floberg, Angela Goodhouse-Mauai, Deacons; Carmine Goodhouse, Sr. Warden; and for the work of the Diocesan Reconciliation Committee: Christie Iverson, Interim chair.*], that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land [*especially Joe, our President, the Congress, & the courts; Joe, our President; Doug, our Governor; & Michael & Tim, our Mayors*] that they may be

led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [*Michelle W, Fr. Randy K, Carol K, Nellie O, Linda J, Marlis C, Nancy E, Dionne N, the Tudor family* and] all those in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Additional petitions & thanksgivings may be included here.
For all those celebrating birthdays; *Wilyem Thoms, Laura Schumacher, Janelle Welch, & Salem Towne.*

For those serving in the Armed Forces: *Ethan, Joe, Tyler, Marc, Veterans, & their families.*

For our parish family: *Dolly Luger.*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [*especially Fr Rich Tudor*], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of [*St George, the blessed Virgin Mary and of*] all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon or Celebrant says one of the following.

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

or this

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy

THE RECTOR'S ADDRESS

Just before the Peace, the Minister addresses the Bishop (or the Bishop's Deputy) and the congregation.

Dr. Jason Thoms, Diocese of North Dakota Provisional Bishop Tom Ely's Deputy says.

Do you, the people of St George's Church, recognize and accept the conclusion of this pastoral relationship?

PEOPLE We do.

Then the Minister may express thanksgiving for the time of the tenure, with its joys and sorrows, and state hopes for the future of the congregation.

The Minister may present to the warden(s) a letter of resignation, the keys of the parish, the parish altar service book, the parish register, or other symbols fitting to the occasion.

The Minister may also express his/her thanks to the representatives of parish organizations and offices and indicate that those organizations will continue to function.

on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. AMEN.

THE ABSOLUTION

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Minister may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

The Minister may then be joined by members of his/her family, who may express what life with the congregation has meant to them.

One or more representatives of the congregation may briefly respond to the Minister and family and bid them Godspeed.

If it is appropriate, representatives of diocesan and community organizations in which the Minister or members of his/her family have been active may also speak.

The Bishop or the Bishop's Deputy may then indicate what provision has been made for the continuation of the ministries of the parish. He/she may declare the name of the persons to have ecclesiastical responsibility, and may request, if it seems appropriate, other leaders in the parish to continue their leadership until a new incumbent is installed. He/she may express his/her feelings about the ministry now coming to its end.

The departing Minister and the congregation then say together the following prayer.

O God, you have bound us together for a time as pastor and people to work for the advancement of your kingdom in this place: We give you humble and hearty thanks for the ministry which we have shared in these years now past.

Silence

We thank you for your patience with us despite our blindness and slowness of heart. We thank you for your forgiveness and mercy in the face of our many failures.

Silence

Especially we thank you for your never-failing presence with us through these years, and for the deeper knowledge of you and of each other which we have attained.

Silence

We thank you for those who have been joined to this part of Christ's family through baptism. We thank you for opening our hearts and minds again and again to your Word, and for feeding us abundantly with the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of your Son.

Silence

Now, we pray, be with those who leave and with us who stay; and grant that all of us, by drawing ever nearer to you, may always be close to each other in the communion of your saints. All this we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

The departing Minister, or the Bishop, or the Bishop's Deputy then says

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE And also with you.

THANKSGIVING FOR OUTGOING ST. GEORGE'S LEADERSHIP

The Rector expresses his gratitude for the outgoing leadership's ministries.

RECTOR: Let us pray:

Almighty and merciful God,

During our members' years on the vestry, they were part of developing a vision about this parish's future. They have set some things in motion to make that vision a reality. They have generated or endorsed new ideas, ministries, or programs and the jury is still out on whether they will come to fruition or not.

In a continuing institution like the church, a leader's special challenge is that he or she must let someone else interpret their vision and finish the job.

At the end of their years on the vestry, they will be like Moses on Mt. Nebo. They will have seen the Promised Land and labored mightily to get there. But, like Moses, they must have someone else lead them there. That someone else will lead them there might make them feel mighty conflicted, no matter how much they long to give up the burden of vestry service. For all the prayers, thoughts, and actions your outgoing Vestry Members have offered this past year, dear God, we thank them from the bottom of our hearts. "*Well done, good and faithful servants!*" AMEN.

The Rector offers the ministers a token of his appreciation for their ministry.

COMMISSIONING OF INCOMING ST. GEORGE'S LEADERSHIP

PRESENTERS: I present to you these persons to be admitted to the ministry of Wardens and Members of the Vestry in this congregation.

RECTOR: Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one Body and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good. Our purpose is to commission these persons in the name of God and this congregation to the special ministries to which they are called.

Are these persons prepared by a commitment to Christ as Lord, by regular attendance and by the knowledge of their duties, to exercise their ministry to the honor of God and the well-being of the parish of Saint George's in Bismarck?

PRESENTERS: I believe they are.

RECTOR: You have been called to a ministry in this congregation. Will you, as long as you are engaged in this work, perform it with diligence?

WARDENS AND MEMBERS OF THE VESTRY: I will, with God's help.

RECTOR: Will you faithfully and reverently execute the duties of your ministry to the honor of God, and the benefit of the members of this congregation?

WARDENS AND MEMBERS OF THE VESTRY: I will, with God's help.

RECTOR: Let us pray. (*Silence*)

O eternal God, the foundation of all wisdom and the source of all courage: Enlighten with your grace the Wardens and Members of the Vestry of this parish, and so rule their minds and guide their counsels, that in all things they may seek your glory and promote the mission of your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

In the name of God and of this parish, I commission you as Wardens and Members of the Vestry of St George's Church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERTORY

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE:

CELEBRANT: Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion,

PEOPLE: **for God loves a cheerful giver.** ~2 Corinthians 9:7 (NIV)

THE OFFERTORY "Lead me, Lord" (G&P #715) *John Becker*

HYMN # 389, V 3 DOXOLOGY

THE MINISTRY OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

THE PROPER PREFACE

EPIPHANY

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

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

HYMNAL # S-117

SANCTUS

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

Here may be added.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand as they are able.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

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

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; & when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to pray,

**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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said.

HYMN # 417 THE FRACTION ANTHEM This Is the Feast of Victory *Festival Canticle*

The following prayer may be said. The people may join in saying this prayer.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

And may add take them in remembrance that Christ died for you comma and feed on him in your hearts by faith comma with thanksgiving.

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

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words.

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

or with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [Amen.]

or with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

HYMN #488 Be thou my vision *Slane*

THE PRAYER AFTER THE COMMUNION

After Communion, the Celebrant says.

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants of your Word and Sacraments. We thank you especially for the work of Hal among us, and the presence of his wife and colleague in ministry, Michelle, here. Grant that both they and we may serve you in the days ahead, and always rejoice in your glory, and come at length into your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May God, who has led us in the paths of justice and truth, lead us still, and keep us in his ways. AMEN.

May God, whose Son has loved us and given himself for us, love us still, and establish us in peace. AMEN.

May God, whose Spirit unites us and fills our hearts with joy, illumine us still, and strengthen us for the years to come. AMEN.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. AMEN.

HYMN #473 Lift high the Cross *Crucifer*

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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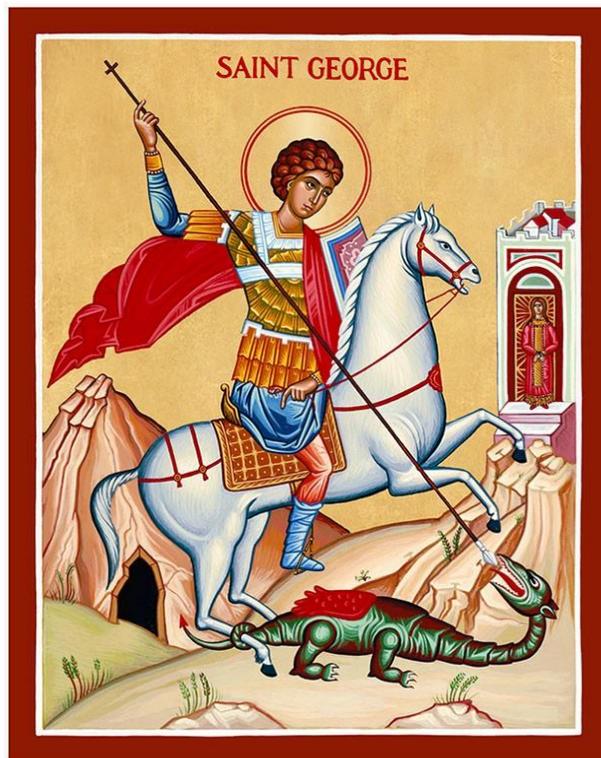
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PLEASE JOIN US DOWNSTAIRS IN THE PARISH HALL FOR A CELEBRATORY MEAL.

FLOWER DEDICATIONS: If you would like to dedicate flowers in memory or honor of a loved one, contact either Sherrie Hopkins (ratherbesewing@hotmail.com) or Krista Reynolds (haykrew@bis.midco.net). Sundays available: February 1st & 4th, March 1st, 2nd & 3rd, April 5th, May 2nd & 4th, July 1st, 3rd & 5th, August 4th, October 2nd & 5th, & December 2nd & 3rd.

THE VESTRY RETREAT is February 17-18, with our Diocesan Minister, Steve Godfrey leading the initiative.

TRANSITION NEWS—If you have any questions during this time of transition, contact me at either 701-527-4128 or jlassiter@umary.edu—Joanne Lassiter, Sr Warden



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Choir & Music Director | Cellist
Organist & Pianist
Guitarist & Pianist
Housekeeping
Sr Warden ('23)
Past Sr Warden ('23)
Jr Warden ('23)
Operations Treasurer ('23)
Investments Treasurer ('23)
Vestry ('23)
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23 CONVENTION DELEGATES: *Janelle Coombs, Allison Hyatt, Traci Juhala, Joanne & Elton Lassiter, David Martin, Collette Rudolph, & Shirel Zillier; ALTERNATES:* *Kate Hanlon, Jacinda & Jody Simmons, & Steve Tillotson*

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