Mary of Magdala, ECC June 7th, 2026
Celebrating the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ—Communion. Service—
Together wherever We Are
Deacon Dori Healy Presiding

Welcome and Announcements *Lector Matt Chavez*
Social Justice Reflection *Tom Moos*
Entrance Song **Come To Our God. (V1; R; V2; R)**

Let us continue as one expression of God's people
In the name of the Creator God, the Risen Son, and the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen
May the love of God, the peace of our brother Jesus and the communion and friendship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
All: And also with you

Welcome **Dori**
I welcome you all to today's communion service, those of you gathered here today and those joining us on-line. Mother Rosean and Pastor Jane are taking a well-deserved break and if you both are joining us on-line today we wish you a lovely time for re-creation in the days to come. Safe travels to you all!
As I just mentioned, we are offering a communion service with only consecrated hosts, no wine offered as we have no means of consecration. I thank Kerrie,…….. for her support in my preparations for today's service.
Let us turn to our God with humble hearts….

Penitential Rite
O Holy One beyond all names, you hear the prayers of the poor and rescue the weary, God have mercy
All: God have mercy
Brother Jesus, for the times we have failed to reach out to the lost and lonely : Christ have mercy
All: Christ have mercy
Holy Spirit, our faith is sustained by your mercy, help us in our unbelief, Spirit have mercy.
All: Spirit have mercy

Loving God, (sign of the Cross) renew us by your grace and blessing, forgive us our failings, and bring us to life everlasting.
All: Amen

Opening Prayer
O Loving God, grant us the confidence, to be unapologetic in our love for you, to be change-makers, bringers of hope, love, and grace to those who struggle with no faith and who cannot see that what they seek is found in you. Grant us the confidence, O God, to become the people we are meant to be.
In Jesus' name we pray:
All: Amen

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: 1st Corinthians 10-: 16 – 17. *Lector Matt Chavez*

The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation
in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a

participation in the body of Christ? Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, *are* one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.
Listen to the Spirit speaking to God's people.
All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 147 *Lector. Linda Joyce*
Our Response is: O God, send out your Spirit; renew the face of the earth.
God restores what is broken and rebuilds ruins.
God gathers in dispersed children,
healing the broken-hearted,
and binding up wounds.
This God numbers the stars and names them.
How great is our God! What wisdom beyond measure!
Response: O God, send out your Spirit; renew the face of the earth.

Sing praise with the harp to the God
Who covers the sky with clouds;
Who supplies Earth with rain;
Who makes grass grow on hills;
Who provides food for animals;
and young ravens what they cry for.
Response: O God, send out your Spirit; renew the face of the earth.

God does not delight in the strength of the steed,
or the fleetness of humans.
The Holy One delights in those of humble service
and reverence, those who put their hope in compassion.
Response: O God, send out your Spirit; renew the face of the earth

Alleluia (Recited)
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
"I am the living bread, heaven sent.
Whoever eats this bread will live forever"
All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Gospel

Our Loving God is within you. **All: And also within you.**
A Proclamation of the Gospels attributed to John and Matthew John 6:48, 51 + Matthew 10:5a, 16, 26-31
All: Glory to You, O God.

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life…I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."
…
When Jesus sent out the disciples, he warned them....

"Listen. I am sending you out like sheep amongst wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves...
"But do not be afraid. Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nothing hidden that will not be made known. What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight. What you hear whispered, proclaim from housetops. Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one falls to the ground outside God's loving care. Even the very hairs on your head are counted. So do not be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows.

The Good News of Jesus Our Christ.
All: Praise to You, Jesus our Christ.

Reflection *Deacon Dori Healy*
(Slide on screen)
Questions to ponder and discuss:
Do you find it easy to believe in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist? Why or why not?
How can Jesus in the Eucharist help you to love Jesus in his church?
Dcn. Dori: Let us call to mind the prayers of our hearts.

Prayers of the People *Lector Linda Joyce*
Our Response is: Loving God, receive our prayers.

For the universal church: may the faithful reject what causes division and instead work for unity and solidarity in Christ….we pray,
Response: Loving God, receive our prayers.

For all government officials: may they ensure that all entrusted to their care have access to food, shelter, clean water and that they be allowed to pursue a life of dignity, justice and love, let us pray: **Response: Loving God, receive our prayers.**
For this community of Mary of Magdala: may we continue to honor the Body of Christ in others within our community by continuing our efforts in promoting Social Justice and addressing the needs of loneliness, grief and sorrow , we pray, **Response: Loving God, receive our prayers.**
The prayers of the Sanctuary are….we pray,
Response: Loving God, receive our prayers.
Are there prayers from our members on Zoom…we pray,
Response; Loving God, receive our prayers.
And for all on our Prayer Lists, and those prayers we hold in our hearts, especially for the family of Donna Colhour we pray….
Response: Loving God, receive our prayers. (Long Pause).
Oh Loving God, knowing you have heard our prayers and confident in your love, we abide in your mercy. In Jesus' name we pray.
All: Amen.

Sign of Peace

Celebrating God's endless faithfulness, may the peace of Christ be with you always. **All: And also with you.**
Let us share with one another a sign of that peace, both virtually and in the sanctuary. Please turn to the camera first and greet our siblings attending on zoom.

Communion Rite

As we prepare our tables, offering food and drink here and in our homes, we are reminded that our offerings of time, talent, and treasure, sustain the mission of God's church. Please continue to give as you are able that these our gifts, our lives, may continue to be blessed by our Loving God.

Let us sing together. . .
Offertory Song. Do This In Memory Of Me (V1; R; V2; R; B; R)

Prayer of Jesus (Celtic version)

Let us turn to the camera and prayer with the words that Jesus gave us:
All: Holy One beyond all names
Eternal Wellspring
May love rise again in us today
With food for every table
Shelter for every family
And reverence for every life.
Forgive us our failings in love
And free us from all falseness
That the light of our souls may shine
And the strength of our spirits endure
For Earth and all its people
This day, tonight, and forever.
Amen.

Prayer and Invitation to Communion

(Raise pattens with hosts)
Dori: This is the Living God, the Body and Blood of Christ. This is the one who transforms us and the world. Happy are we who are called to this meal.
All: Jesus, I am ready to receive You and by Your invitations I am here.

Invite

As we join in with this meal provided for us, let us affirm together:
All: in this we are a Eucharistic people, the body and blood of Christ incarnate, given for the life of the world.

This is an open invitation for all present today, at this table where Jesus is the host. An invitation for be fed and to be loved without measure. Each one of you is a precious child of God. All are welcome, no exceptions.

Today, wheat hosts are at each side, gluten free in the middle. And, as this is a communion service, there will be no wine offered today.
(Quiet music in background **Here At This Table**)

Prayer after communion

We come before You with open hearts, yearning to deepen our connection with You. Help us to seek Your presence in every moment, to listen for your voice in the silence, and to embrace Your love in our daily lives.

May our faith grow stronger, and may we draw closer to You, finding peace and purpose in our relationship with You.

In Christ Jesus name,

All: Amen

Concluding Rite and Dismissal

(Arms out in blessing)

The Love of God be with you. **All: And also with you.**

Let us open our hearts to receive God's blessing…

May the blessings of our loving Creator, our brother Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, descend upon you and may you reflect their light, love and glory all the days of your life.

All: Amen.

This service continues on in each of us, go and spread that good news.

All: Thanks be to God

Closing Song Go Out, Go Out. (R; V1; R; V2; R)

INTRODUCTORY RITES

(After the people have assembled and preparations for the service are complete, all stand for the greeting of the minister. The assembly's responses are printed below in bold.)

Greeting If the minister is a priest or deacon, he says: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Or: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Or: The Lord be with you. The people answer:

ALL: **And with your spirit**.

If the minister is not a priest or deacon, he greets those present with these or similar words: Brothers (and/or Sisters), the Lord invites us (you) to his table to share in the body of Christ: bless him for his goodness. The people answer: Blessed be God for ever.

PENITENTIAL RITE The penitential rite follows, and the minister invites the people to recall their sins and to repent of them in these words: Brothers (and sisters), to prepare ourselves for this celebration, let us call to mind our sins
(A pause for silent reflection follows.)

The minister concludes; May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. The people answer: Amen

Liturgy of the Word
2nd Reading
Responsoral Psalm

Responsorial Psalm

Gospel:

Homily:

Prayer of the Faithful (General Intercession) The minister begins the prayer with an invitation to the people, such as: My brothers (and/or sisters), let us bring our needs and requests before our God: Each petition is concluded with the statement: we pray to the Lord. The people respond to each prayer petition with: Lord, hear our Prayer. The minister then concludes with a short prayer, such as:
Lord God, look upon us and hear our prayers. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. The people answer: Amen The people answer: Amen

COMMUNION RITE
The Lord's Prayer After the Prayer of the Faithful,
the minister goes to the place where the sacrament is reserved, takes the ciborium or pyx containing the body of the Lord, places it on the altar and genuflects. He then introduces the Lord's Prayer in these or similar words: At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say: He continues with the people: 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.
The minister then acclaims: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. The people answer: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever. The minister continues:
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continues: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever. The people answer: Amen. The minster acclaims: The peace of the Lord be with you always. The people answer: And with your spirit. The minister may invite the people in these or similar words:

Let us offer each other the sign of peace. All make an appropriate sign of peace, according to local custom. Page 6 of 10 Invitation to Communion The minister genuflects. Taking a host, he raises it slightly over the vessel or pyx and, facing the people, says; Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb. The communicants say once: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

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Distribution of Communion If the minister receives communion, he says quietly: May the body of Christ bring me to everlasting life. Then he takes the vessel or pyx and goes to the communicants. He takes a host for each one, raises it slightly, and says: The body of Christ. The communicant answers: Amen, and receives communion. After communion, the minister puts any particle left on the plate into the pyx, and he may wash his hands. He returns any remaining hosts to the tabernacle (if applicable to the institution) and genuflects. A period of silence may now be observed, or a psalm or song of praise may be sung.

Prayer after Communion (Concluding prayer) The minister then says the concluding prayer: Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood help us to experience the salvation you won for us and the peace of the kingdom where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. The people answer: Amen (Other prayers may be chosen.) CONCLUDING RITE Blessing If the minister is a priest or deacon, he extends his hands and, facing the people, says: The Lord be with you. The people answer: And with your spirit. He blesses the people with these words:

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. If the minister is not a priest or deacon, he invokes God’s blessing and, crossing himself, says: May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil, and lead us to everlasting life. Or: May the almighty and merciful God bless and protect us, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The people answer: Amen. Dismissal Finally the minister says: Go in the peace of Christ. The people answer: Thanks be to God. Then after customary reverence, the minister leaves (or concludes the service).