

# **Baptism of Our Lord Holy Eucharist**

### Grace Episcopal Church Galena, Illinois

January 9, 2022 10:30am

### Welcome to Grace Church!

It is, as always, a pleasure and privilege to worship together today. Please know that your presence is valued whether this is your first time at Grace or whether you are a regular, whether we are together in person or online.

We have chosen to keep our online and in-person congregations together. For those at home on YouTube, links to the bulletin may be found in Friday's e-Blast, the link to YouTube, and on our website. Printed copies will be available for the in-person congregation. If you are worshipping in the church and wish to use a bulletin on your electronic device, you must download it before coming into the church. Please be aware that we are live-streaming this service to YouTube and our website. It is possible that you will be shown briefly in the recording.

#### Information:

Due to the upsurge in COVID infections and out of concern for those who cannot yet be vaccinated or whose immune systems are compromised, we respectfully request that you wear a mask indoors, regardless of your vaccination status.

#### Social hour will be suspended.

Masks are required for all singing, whether in the choir or congregation.

Masks and hand sanitizer are available at each entrance for those who need them.

You may be seated in any pew EXCEPT for a section in the rear of the nave reserved for any who wish to maintain distancing. In that area, please sit only where seats are marked by bulletins.

Baskets are located at each entrance for your offerings. If possible, please place them in the baskets prior to the service so they may be dedicated with the other gifts at the offertory.

Communion will be offered—wafer only—at the altar rail.

# Should you become ill after attending worship, please notify the church so that others present may be contacted.

As life continues to change, let us rejoice in God who continues to be revealed to us and give thanks for our ability to share in worship in hope for the time when all of us can be together again.

**PRELUDE** 

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Divinum Mysterium/Carter

We stand as the bell rings and the altar party enters.

OPENING HYMN 117

Brightest and Best (verses 1-4)

R. Heber/J.P. Harding

### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

Presider: 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 us all.

### **GLORIA**



### THE COLLECT

Priest: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior;

who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

People: Amen.

(Please be seated.)

### We proclaim God's word

### THE LESSON

Lector: A reading from Isaiah 43:1-7

Thus says the Lord,

he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the Lord your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,

Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my sight,

and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you,

nations in exchange for your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east,

and from the west I will gather you;

I will say to the north, "Give them up,"

and to the south, "Do not withhold;

bring my sons from far away

and my daughters from the end of the earth--

everyone who is called by my name,

whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

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#### THE RESPONSE

## PSALM 29 Afferte Domino

(We read responsively as directed by the lector.)

Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

# Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

# The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

# He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

# The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

# The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.

The LORD shall give strength to his people; the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

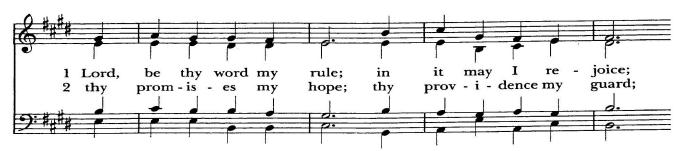
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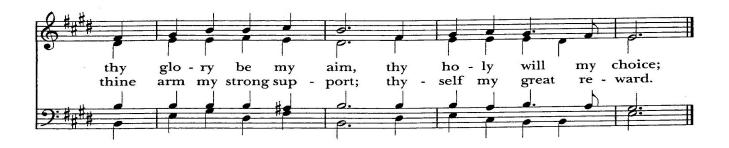
Lector: A reading from Acts 8:14-17

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.





### THE GOSPEL Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Rev. Thomas Rogers III

(We stand after a brief silence.)

### We affirm our faith

#### REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Presider: Let us, on this Feast Day Celebrating the Baptism of our Lord, renew our baptismal

covenant.

Presider: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of Heaven and earth.

Presider: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord. He was conceived by the power of

the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Presider: Will you continue in the apostle's teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in

the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return

to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of

every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Having renewed our baptismal promises, let us pray.

### We Offer Prayers

Deacon: Let us pray to our God whose Spirit breathes life into being, that through baptism we may

be empowered as God's beloved children to share in the healing and reconciling work of Christ, saying: God shall give strength to the people; God shall give us the blessing of peace.

Intercessor: Fill your Church with the power of your Holy Spirit, O God, that we may bring the light of

your blessing to the whole world. God shall give strength to the people;

People: God shall give us the blessing of peace.

Lector: Let your gentle spirit be upon this nation and upon all in authority, that we may share in your

work to bring forth justice upon the earth. God shall give strength to the people;

People: God shall give us the blessing of peace.

Intercessor: Let your prophets speak powerful words of repentance and transformation to the ends of

the earth, that the breath of your creative love and the sound of your blessing may go forth

throughout the world. God shall give strength to the people;

People: God shall give us the blessing of peace.

Lector: Let your grace descend and dwell among the people of this community, that we may be

united in love, abounding in compassion, and proactive in peace. God shall give strength to

the people;

People: God shall give us the blessing of peace.

Intercessor: May your heavens open and your Spirit descend upon us, bringing your comfort and healing

to all for whom we pray, especially for Bob & Tami (Jansen), Jan (Parent) Sonia (Smith) and

Sandi. God shall give strength to the people;

People: God shall give us the blessing of peace.

Lector: Hear our grateful thanks and praise for your manifestation of presence and grace in our lives

and in the lives of others, giving thanks especially for Alex (Meade) and Max (Vollkommer)

serving in the military; our outreach partners Glory Parish in the Diocese of Renk and La Santa Cruz Parish in the Diocese of SE Mexico; the United Thank Offering, the Galena ARC, the United Churches Food Pantry, Episcopal Relief and Development, Shelter Care Ministries, Dubuque Rescue Mission; all who worship in this place and those

who have not yet walked through these doors. Other blessings? \_\_\_\_\_.

Welcome with your divine pleasure all who have died, especially Robert (Bartholomew) that

they may have a place in your eternal domains. Others?

God shall give strength to the people;

People: God shall give us the blessing of peace.

Deacon: Gracious and loving God, you have anointed your people with the waters of Baptism and

have made us your beloved children: Let your Spirit spread mightily among us, that we may share in the work of your Son, bringing blessing and light to all the world in the power of

the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

### We confess our sins and are forgiven

(Please stand or kneel.)

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Presider: 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.

People: Amen.

(We stand.)

### We share the peace of Christ

Presider: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

### We share the ministries of the church

**MINISTRY MOMENT** 

Pastoral Care Ministry

### ANNOUNCEMENTS/BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY

ANNIVERSARY/BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase;
bless and guide them wherever they may be.

Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful;
raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace
which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### We offer our lives and gifts to God

Priest: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. For those at home who have received the consecrated wafers and communion items,

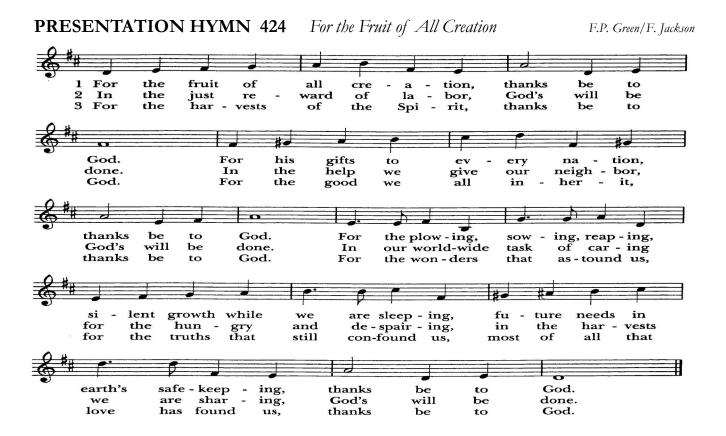
you may prepare your worship area as the priest prepares the table.

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

When Jesus Came to Jordan

F.P. Green/Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch

(We stand as our offerings are presented and remain standing.)



### We share the Holy Communion

BCP Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider:

God be with you.

People:

And also with you.

Presider:

Lift up your hearts.

People:

We lift them to the Lord.

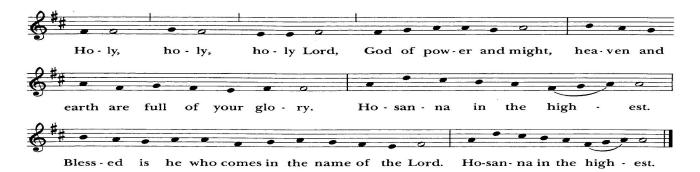
Presider:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People:

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. 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, as we sing:



(Please stand or kneel.)

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,

#### Priest and **people:**

We remember Christ's death; We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory;

#### Priest:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting 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 in the sacrifices of Jesus Christ through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 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.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

People: AMEN.

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

People: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will

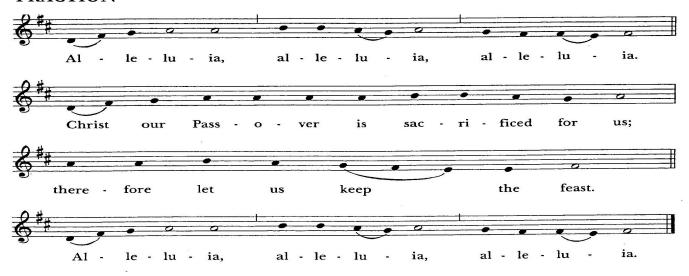
be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Priest: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

### **FRACTION**



Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All are welcome at the communion table to receive a blessing or the wafer. Please approach the chancel by the center aisle. Proceed to the altar rail where you may stand or kneel. Hold your hands crossed, palms up, to receive the wafer. And, if you do not wish to receive the wafer, but desire a blessing, simply approach the priest with your arms crossed across your chest. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please tell the priest. Please return to your seat by the side aisles.

### **COMMUNION HYMN 116** I Come, the Great Redeemer Cries fr. Christian Hymnbook/R.V. Williams

(Please stand.)

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider: Let us pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior.

Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

Presider: May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the

Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth.

People: Amen.

Presider: And the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always.

People: Amen.

**RECESSIONAL 448** 

O Love, How Deep (Verses 1, 2, 3 & 6)

Latin/from Antiphoner

Deacon: You baptized of the Lord, go forth in courage and strength living out your

baptismal covenant.

People: Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** Wade in the Water Traditional/Hayes

### The flowers today are given by the Altar Guild

### Ministers of the Service

\* Members and Guests, Celebrants

\* Rev. Thomas Rogers III, Presider

\* Rev. Diane Luther, Deacon

\* Richard Luther, Lector

\* Donna Davis, Intercessor

\* Robin French, Music Director

\* Nancy Cook, Erben Organ

\* Charlotte Stryker, Vestry Coordinator

\* Alice Maffit & Kim Kreiser, Altar Guild

\* Amy Hardwicke, Greeter

### Scripture Readings for January 16, 2022 Second Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 62:1-5 John 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 Psalm 36:5-10

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS for the week of January 9, 2022

### First Sunday after Epiphany

We are fortunate to have Rev. Thomas (Tommy) Rogers as our supply priest this Sunday. We who have completed the Spiritual Care Visitor Training, know him to be a kind and encouraging instructor. In addition to being an Association of Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc., Certified Educator, and an Episcopal priest, Rev. Rogers is the Executive Director of Bishop Anderson House. He provides education to students in the Clinical Pastoral Education program at Rush University Medical Center, supports professional chaplains at Stroger Cook County Hospital, and provides help and resources to those who volunteer as spiritual care visitors in the Chicago area and beyond.

<u>The Richard Babcock Memorial Yarn Ministry</u> learned the chaplains at Bishop Anderson House give prayer shawls to patients but their supply is running low. So we are sending prayer shawls back to Chicago with Tommy Rogers. Each shawl bears a tag: "Made with Love"

### Heifer Project & RIP Medical Debt

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Heifer Project and to RIP Medical Debt. We are getting checks off to them this week.

### Lenten Meditation Booklet

It's that time of year again to think about writing a meditation or two for our annual Lenten Meditation Booklet. Please request an assignment from Carmen at church or via email at <a href="fergusoncarmen99@gmail.com">fergusoncarmen99@gmail.com</a>. The deadline this year is Valentine's day February 15th. Thanks and the entire congregation eagerly awaits your thoughts and insights.

### Ministry of Care

Because of the many volunteers willing to help out with calls, rides, errands, meals, etc., the Ministry of Care won't miss a beat while our search for a new rector is ongoing. Please don't hesitate to contact Bonnielynn Kreiser at 815-777-1468 or 815-291-9005 if you are in need. Also know that our clergy are available to meet your spiritual needs as well.

#### Altar Flowers & Poinsettias

The Poinsettias are being given away after the service today for anyone who is interested. The 2022 Flower Chart is on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

**Social Hour** has been suspended due to COVID upsurge.

**Zoom Poetry Meeting** A Zoom Poetry group is meeting on Mondays at 2:00pm. If you are interested, write Carol Poston at **poston@sxu.edu** or call her at **815-777-0220** to receive information about the meeting.

**Service of Compline** is Tuesday, January 11th at 8:30pm on Zoom.

Mid-Week Morning Worship is this Wednesday, January 12th, at 7:30am in the chapel and on Zoom.

Wednesday Morning Study Group will meet next at 10:00am, Wednesday, January 12th, both in the Parish Hall and, for those not able or wanting to attend in person, on Zoom. We are a group that studies spiritual subjects, including the Bible. All are welcome to join us to enhance their knowledge of spirituality and explore how to apply it to their lives. Currently we are studying the Gospel of Luke. Meetings (in the Parish Hall and on Zoom) begin at 10:00 a.m. (Those in the Parish Hall need to wear a mask.) Anyone needing a Zoom invitation can contact Greg Serwich (gserwich@gmail.com).

<u>Meditative Prayer</u> meets Friday, January 14th, at 9:00am online. You are welcome to join, and gentle guidance will be provided for those unfamiliar with this practice.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayers are Requested. Please include the following concerns during worship today and throughout the week:

### Cycle of Prayer:

The Most Rev. Justin Welby, the Archbishop of Canterbury and for our companion Parishes: Glory Parish in the Diocese of Renk and La Santa Cruz parish in the Diocese of SE Mexico.

### Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Paula, our Bishop-Elect; Chilton, our Assisting Bishop; and all members of Grace Church.

#### We pray for those who are sick or in need:

Leila (Anwar), John (Berens), Barbara (Bolsen), \*Bob (Burton), Rose (Buttell), Bishop-Elect Paula (Clark), \*Kathy (Doig), Matthew (Dowe), \*Renee (Dowe), \*Al (Elsbree), Greg (Elsbree), Eunice (Ferguson), \*Jennie (Fjelde), Janet (Groezinger), \*Barb (Hooper), Bob & Tami (Jansen), Ginger (Komiskey), Verity (Liljedahl), \*Elizabeth (Ludescher), LaVone (Luther), Terry (Maglich), Liam (Malone), \*Diann & \*Robert (Marsh), JoAnn (Mikelson), \*Mary (Nelson), Tom (Nelson), Ruth (Niendorf), \*Bill (Norton), \*Rev. Linda (Packard), Jan (Parent), Carol & Roger (Peterson), Bernie (Pint), Anne(Poston), Lanise (Sanders), \*Greg (Serwich), \*Karen (Serwich), Melody (Serwich), \*Mary Lou (Smith), Sonia (Smith), Emma (Storey), \*Pat (Terry), Joe (Watts), Ashley (Winess), Paulette (Zais), Mina, Patricia, Robyn and Sandi.

### We give thanks for the many blessings we have received:

Max (Vollkommer) and Matthew (Morel) serving in the military; our Outreach partners: the United Thank Offering, the Galena ARC, the United Churches Food Pantry, Episcopal Relief and Development, Shelter Care Ministries, Dubuque Rescue Mission and all who worship in this place and those who have not yet walked through these doors.

# We pray for those who have died; and for the anniversary of the death of: Robert (Bartholomew).





The Rt. Rev. Paula Clark, Bishop-Elect of Chicago The Rt. Rev. Chilton Knudsen, Assisting Bishop The Rev. Linda Packard, Priest Associate The Rev. Diane Luther, Deacon Nancy Kenney, Parish Administrator

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