



HOLY CROSS CATHEDRAL

The Cathedral Church of the Anglican Diocese of the South

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY
SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY

JESUS REVEALED

*Everything we do is to lead people into a growing
relationship with Jesus Christ.*

January 21, 2024

11:15 am

Crosstalk

News for the Parish of Holy Cross Cathedral

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The Third Sunday of Epiphany

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

Welcome, we're glad you're here! If you are a guest today, we'd like to get to know you better. Please fill out the card in front of your chair and drop it in the plate during the offering or give it to an usher.



Interested in connecting at Holy Cross? Want to learn more? Scan this QR code and let us know! We look forward to connecting with you.

Anglicans for Life believes that human beings are created in the image of God and that all stages of life are sacred. Our mission is to educate and empower church members to uphold the Sanctity of Life in our church and in our community. For more information go to anglicansforlife.org

Assisted Living Ministry: Holy Cross is now leading Healing Prayer and Communion services at The Retreat at Loganville twice a month. The next service is January 28 at 2 pm. Volunteers are needed to help lead services and spend time with residents. craig@hcan Anglican.org

New Spiritual Growth Classes:

- **When Helping Hurts: Poverty Alleviation and the Way of Jesus** – Jeremy Goebel in Room 203
- **The Life of Prayer & the Lord's Prayer** – Justin Clemente in Room 205
- **The War Room** – Intercessory prayer in the Chapel
- **Children's Classes** – Children's Wing
- **Youth Classes** – Strickland Student Center

The altar flowers today are given by Barb Wieder in honor of Norm's birthday.

Birthdays and Anniversaries for each month will now be published in the Friday E News

Volunteers Please remember that we need folks to step up and volunteer in almost every ministry. Flower Guild, Altar Guild, Ushers and Greeters, Front Desk Volunteers, Children and Youth helpers, as well as Nursery volunteers.

Ways to Give: Text "give" to 770-691-2909, follow the link on the QR Code, or go online to hcan Anglican.org/give



A Note to Parents: *Children are welcome to remain with you for the whole service, but we also have special opportunities for them. For children aged 0-3, the nursery is open. Children aged 4-11 can join in for a special program at the Sermon time and will return in time for Communion. The “Family Room” is open for mothers who need a quiet place to nurse their infants.*

PROCESSION

Your Grace Is Enough

THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: I will make you as a light for the nations,
People: **That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.**

Isaiah 49:6

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant and People together:

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.

SONGS OF PRAISE

***One Thing Remains
Jesus We Love You***

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR THE SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE

Celebrant: O God, who adorns creation with splendor and beauty and fashions human lives in your image and likeness, awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of human life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who sanctifies human life through taking it upon himself, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns on high, one God, forever.

People: **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

JEREMIAH 3:19 – 4:4

Pew Bible p.630

¹⁹ “I said,

How I would set you among my sons,
and give you a pleasant land,
a heritage most beautiful of all nations.

And I thought you would call me, My Father,
and would not turn from following me.

²⁰ Surely, as a treacherous wife leaves her husband,
so have you been treacherous to me, O house of Israel,
declares the LORD.”

²¹ A voice on the bare heights is heard,
the weeping and pleading of Israel's sons
because they have perverted their way;
they have forgotten the LORD their God.

²² “Return, O faithless sons;
I will heal your faithlessness.”

“Behold, we come to you,
for you are the LORD our God.

²³ Truly the hills are a delusion,
the orgies on the mountains.

Truly in the LORD our God
is the salvation of Israel.

²⁴ “But from our youth the shameful thing has devoured all for which our fathers labored, their flocks and their herds, their sons and their daughters. ²⁵ Let us lie down in our shame, and let our dishonor cover us. For we have sinned against the LORD our God, we and our fathers, from our youth even to this day, and we have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God.”

4 “If you return, O Israel,
declares the LORD,
to me you should return.
If you remove your detestable things from my presence,
and do not waver,
2 and if you swear, ‘As the LORD lives,’
in truth, in justice, and in righteousness,
then nations shall bless themselves in him,
and in him shall they glory.”

3 For thus says the LORD to the men of Judah and Jerusalem:

“Break up your fallow ground,
and sow not among thorns.
4 Circumcise yourselves to the LORD;
remove the foreskin of your hearts,
O men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem;
lest my wrath go forth like fire,
and burn with none to quench it,
because of the evil of your deeds.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 130

BCP p.446

Refrain:

*I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;
in his word is my trust.*

130 Out of the deep have I called unto you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice.

2 O let your ears consider well
the voice of my supplications.

3 If you, Lord, were to mark what is done amiss,
O Lord, who could abide it?

Refrain

4 For there is mercy with you;
therefore you shall be feared.

5 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;
in his word is my trust.

⁶ My soul waits for the Lord,
**more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen
for the morning.**

Refrain:

*I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;
in his word is my trust.*

⁷ O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy,
and with him is plenteous redemption;

⁸ And he shall redeem Israel
from all their sins.

Refrain

1 CORINTHIANS 7:17-24

Pew Bible p.955

¹⁷ Only let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him, and to which God has called him. This is my rule in all the churches. ¹⁸ Was anyone at the time of his call already circumcised? Let him not seek to remove the marks of circumcision. Was anyone at the time of his call uncircumcised? Let him not seek circumcision. ¹⁹ For neither circumcision counts for anything nor uncircumcision, but keeping the commandments of God. ²⁰ Each one should remain in the condition in which he was called. ²¹ Were you a bondservant when called? Do not be concerned about it. (But if you can gain your freedom, avail yourself of the opportunity.) ²² For he who was called in the Lord as a bondservant is a freedman of the Lord. Likewise he who was free when called is a bondservant of Christ. ²³ You were bought with a price; do not become bondservants of men. ²⁴ So, brothers, in whatever condition each was called, there let him remain with God.

Reader: **The Word of the Lord.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

**** PARENTS: For those who wish to participate, children aged 4-11 are invited into the center aisle for the Gospel reading. They will then follow the Cross to their special program. They will return after the sermon and the prayers. ****

We Fall Down

We fall down
We lay our crowns
At the feet of Jesus
The greatness of mercy and love
At the feet of Jesus

And we cry holy holy holy
And we cry holy holy holy
And we cry holy holy holy is the Lamb

Chris Tomlin CCLI 2437367

MARK 1:14-20

Pew Bible p.836

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

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

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵ and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

¹⁶ Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” ¹⁸ And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹ And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰ And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

We Fall Down

And we cry holy holy holy
And we cry holy holy holy
And we cry holy holy holy is the Lamb

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THE SERMON

Michael Guernsey, *Dean*
“*Jesus Revealed as the Messiah to Follow*”

NICENE CREED

(Please stand)

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

(Please kneel)

Reader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. On this Sanctity of Life Sunday, that all people, especially the most vulnerable, will be protected and honored, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for immigrants, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For the end of legalized abortion and the protection of all unborn children from an untimely death, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For all counselors advising abortion and doctors performing them, that their hearts would be turned toward the children and their minds enlightened about the sanctity of all human life, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For pregnant mothers contemplating abortion, and for those who fear they have no other choice: provide for their needs; give them courage to choose life; surround them with your followers to show your love and compassion, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For fathers of unborn children to take responsibility to love and care for mothers and children; turn their hearts to choose and support life, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For all those who have had abortions, that their grief would be consoled, and their scars healed, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For Pregnancy Resource Centers around the world and others working to provide alternatives to abortion, that they would be strengthened in your service and bold in their witness, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For children in foster care and for their parents who are separated from them, and for those who serve as foster parents; bring healing to hurting families and restoration where possible, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For those at the end of life, that their dignity and value will be honored by all. For the salvation of those condemned to die by the criminal justice system, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, the maker and sustainer of all life, and the one who places the lonely in families, grant these prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Celebrant and People together:

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.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to 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.

People: **Amen.**

THE PEACE

(Please stand)

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

At this time, we remind each other of the peace we have with God because of what Jesus has done for us. Traditionally, it is also a time for reconciliation between fellow Christians prior to receiving communion together.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant: All things come from you, O Lord,

People: **And of your own have we given you.**

1 Chronicles 29:14

Here at Holy Cross all the loose cash given in the offering is always included in what we give away to mission and ministry outside of the congregation.

THE OFFERTORY

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

PRESENTATION HYMN

Doxology

(Please stand)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen!**

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

(ACNA Renewed Ancient Text, BCP p.132)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up 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, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took on our mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness and into his own glorious light.

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:

THE SANCTUS

**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;
Hosanna in the highest!**

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

(Please remain standing)

Celebrant:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke 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, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People together:

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, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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.

People: **Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has 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.**

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(Please be seated)

Invitation to Communion

This is the Lord's table. All Christians who put their faith in Jesus, have been baptized, are obediently following the Lord's way, and are in fellowship with their neighbor, are invited to receive the bread and wine.

To Receive Communion

*Place one hand on top of the other to receive bread. To receive a gluten-free wafer, place one hand on your shoulder and open your other hand. You may consume the bread and drink from the chalice or hold it and carefully dip the bread into the chalice. *If you are unable to go to the rail and need Communion brought to you, please alert an usher.*

To Receive a Blessing

If for any reason you wish not to receive Communion, or if you have not been baptized, you are welcome to receive a blessing. Simply cross your hands over your chest at the communion rail to receive a blessing in place of the communion elements.

Healing Prayer

Healing-prayer ministers will be available to pray and anoint with oil all who come with concerns during Communion. After you receive, please proceed to the back to the Gethsemane Prayer Chapel for prayer.

COMMUNION MUSIC

***Take My Life
Glory To You***

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

(Please stand)

All together:

Heavenly Father, 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.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: May Christ, the Son of God, the Light of the World, be revealed to you that you may know him as Lord, King, and Savior. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

People: **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL

Your Grace Is Enough

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**



JESUS THE MESSIAH – THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH

Clergy:

Bishop & Archbishop: The Most Rev. Dr. Foley Beach
Assisting Bishop: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Francis R. Lyons, III
Dean: The Very Rev. Michael Guernsey
Associate Pastor: The Rev. Justin Clemente
Associates for Pastoral Care: The Rev. John &
The Rev. Deacon Sue Tomlinson
Associate for Compassion Ministry: The Rev. Jeremy Goebel
Deacon: The Rev. Deacon Virginia Smith
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The Rev. Bill Sharp
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