



# *The Holy Eucharist, Rite 2*



Jacob dreamed that there was a staircase set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. —*Gen 28:12*

**THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

**JANUARY 14, a.d. 2024 at 10:15 a.m.**



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# Welcome

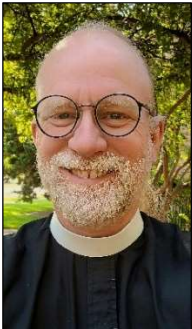
**Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church.** We are so delighted that you have chosen to worship in this place and in this community today. If you are new to Episcopal worship, this full-text bulletin has everything you need to participate.

**Welcome Card.** If you are new to Grace, we would love to have a record of your visit. There is a Welcome Card in the pew rack. Please fill out as much (or as little) information as you would like to share with us and place it in the offering plate when it comes by.

**A Word about Communion.** At the heart of our worship is Holy Communion, which we also call Holy Eucharist. We celebrate it every Sunday with bread and real wine. Please know that we practice an open table; all Christians (no matter what tradition you come from) are invited and encouraged to come forward and receive communion. On page 13, there are more details about how we practice communion at Grace.

Again, welcome! If you ever have any questions or thoughts feel free to call, text, or email me (620-314-7520; frted.grace@gmail.com).

Blessings,  
Father Ted Blakley, *Priest and Rector*



## PRELUDE

“Here I Am, Lord” arr by Mark Hayes • Played by Vonda McKenna  
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## WELCOME

### PROCESSION INTO WORSHIP *stand*

“Thou, Whose Almighty Word” • Hymnal 371  
Words: John Marriott, Music: Lowell Mason

**Thou, whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and, where the Gospel day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light!**

**Thou who didst come to bring  
on thy redeeming wing  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind,  
now to all humankind,  
let there be light!**

**Spirit of truth and love,  
lifegiving holy Dove,  
speed forth thy flight!  
Move on the waters' face  
bearing the gifts of grace,  
and, in earth's darkest place,  
let there be light!**

**Holy and blessed Three,  
glorious Trinity,  
wisdom, love, might;  
boundless as ocean's tide,  
rolling in fullest pride,  
through the world far and wide,  
let there be light!**

# *The Liturgy of the Word*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION *stand*

*The Book of Common Prayer 355*

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

*People:* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the  
right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer. For you alone are  
the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*A moment of silence is observed.*

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **THE FIRST LESSON** *sit*

1 Samuel 3:1-10

*A Reading from First Samuel*

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

- 1 **Lord, you have searched me out and known me; \***  
**you know my sitting down and my rising up;**  
**you discern my thoughts from afar.**
- 2 **You trace my journeys and my resting-places \***  
**and are acquainted with all my ways.**
- 3 **Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \***  
**but you, O Lord, know it altogether.**
- 4 **You press upon me behind and before \***  
**and lay your hand upon me.**
- 5 **Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \***  
**it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**
- 12 **For you yourself created my inmost parts; \***  
**you knit me together in my mother's womb.**
- 13 **I will thank you because I am marvelously made; \***  
**your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**
- 14 **My body was not hidden from you, \***  
**while I was being made in secret**  
**and woven in the depths of the earth.**
- 15 **Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;**  
**all of them were written in your book; \***  
**they were fashioned day by day,**  
**when as yet there was none of them.**
- 16 **How deep I find your thoughts, O God! \***  
**how great is the sum of them!**
- 17 **If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; \***  
**to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.**

## **THE SECOND LESSON**

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

*A Reading from First Corinthians*

“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,” and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, “The two shall be one flesh.” But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body

itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

## **GRADUAL HYMN** *stand*

“What Wondrous Love is This?” • Hymnal 439

Music: The Southern Harmony

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
to lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,  
to lay aside his crown for my soul.**

**To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,  
to God and to the Lamb I will sing.  
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM ,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
while millions join the theme I will sing!**

**And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.  
And when from death I'm free I'll sing and joyful be,  
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
and through eternity I'll sing on.**

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

John 1:43-51

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to John*

### **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

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

## THE SERMON

Fr. Ted Blakley

*A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.*

## THE NICENE CREED

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*The Deacon (or Celebrant) bids the people to proclaim their faith.*

*The Deacon begins the Creed and the people join in.*

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

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

**he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate  
from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

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

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.



The meaning and shape of our life together as a community of persons is grounded in the inner life of God, the Trinity, and has been revealed to us in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

*Michael Jinkins*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

In the world-wide Anglican Communion, we pray for The Church of the Province of South East Asia, and in the Diocese of Western Kansas, we pray for the clergy and people of the Church of the Upper Room in Lakin. For our Bishops, Michael, Mark, Mike, and Silvestre; for our parish clergy, Ted, Amy, Bill, Larry, Larry, Todd, and Shane. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for Joe our President, Laura our Governor, and for our representatives and judges.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

We pray for those who have died. Give to the departed eternal rest.

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy.

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. For Rachel, Valarie, Abigail, Carson, Elise, Steve, Becki, Ed, Bob, James, Wright, Dallas, Makayla, Ann, Lily, Jennifer, Jackie, Kris, Kent, Beth, Heather, Laural, Teresa, Rosalie, Trent, Daryl, Ame, Cody, Max, Wyatt, Josie, Darien, Christine, JD, Leanne, Roger, Ann, and Kelby. Are there others?

Let us pray for those confined to home or care center especially Mary, Nathalee, Julie, Ken, Fifi, Clarice, Jane, and Virginia.



For those prayers and thanksgivings received online: \_\_\_\_\_.

*Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**



**CONFESSION OF SIN** *kneel as you are able*

BCP 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept*

*Minister and 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.**

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

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. **Amen.**

**THE PEACE** *stand*

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

**I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?**

*Here I am Lord, Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.*

**I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people’s pain.  
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak My word to them. Whom shall I send?**

*Refrain*

**I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them, Whom shall I send?**

*Refrain*

## *The Liturgy of the Table*

### **GATHERING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*In gratitude for who God is and what God does, we give back to God a portion of what God has given to us so that God’s mission through this place and this people might flourish. What you give today represents your life and your labors, your loves and loyalties, your joys and thanksgivings, and God receives it with gladness.*



### **DIGITAL OFFERING PLATE: THREE SIMPLE WAYS TO GIVE**

- ✓ Go to [www.tinyurl.com/Giving2Grace](http://www.tinyurl.com/Giving2Grace)
- ✓ Scan the **QR Code** on the right.
- ✓ Text **GIVE** to **620-542-8024**.

## THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS *stand*

Hymnal 380 (v. 3)

**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.**

*Celebrant:* All things come of Thee, O Lord.

*People:* **And of Thine own have we given Thee.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 367

**Sursum Corda** (*"Lift up your hearts..."*) *stand*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

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

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hymnal S-128

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

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,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death; We proclaim his resurrection; We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to 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 to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER** *kneel*

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

**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** *kneel*

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*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept, in reverent thanksgiving for what Jesus has done for us.*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

## FRACTION ANTHEM

“O Lamb of God” • Hymnal S-158

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

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

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

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

## JESUS' INVITATION

This is the Banquet of the Lamb.

It is made ready for those who love God,

And for those who want to love God more.

So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little,

You who have been here often, and you who have not been here long,

You who have tried to follow, and you who have failed.

Come because it is the Lord who invites you.

It is Christ's will that those who want him should meet him here.

## ONLINE: THE PRAYER OF ST. ALPHONSUS DE LIGUORI (1696–1787)

*A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Communion.*

**My Jesus,**

**I believe that you are truly present**

**in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.**

**I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul.**

**Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,**

**come at least spiritually into my heart.**

**As though you have already come,**

**I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you;**

**never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

## IN-PERSON: HOLY COMMUNION IN ONE OR BOTH KINDS

*At this time, an usher will come forward and invite each row to go forward for communion. **Bread.** When it is your turn to receive communion simply extend your cupped hands forward, and a priest will place the wafer of bread in your hands. **Gluten Free.** If you would prefer a gluten-free wafer, extend your hands palms down. **Real Wine.** If you wish to receive the wine, you may drink from the chalice or you may dip the wafer into the chalice. **Two Stations.** You may choose to receive communion at the altar rail or at the station on the right side in front of the pulpit.*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

**Will you come and follow me if i but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,  
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?**

**Will you leave yourself behind if i but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?**

**Will you let the blinded see if i but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,  
And admit to what i mean in you and you in me?**

**Will you love the 'you' you hide if i but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,  
Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?**

**Christ, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company i'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus i'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.**

**POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER** *kneel as able*

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*Celebrant and People*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## BLESSING

### PROCESSION INTO THE WORLD *stand* “Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim” • Hymnal 535

Words: Charles Wesley, Music: Sydney Hugo Nicholson

**Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad his wonderful Name;  
the Name all-victorious of Jesus extol:  
his kingdom is glorious; he rules over all.**

**God ruleth on high, almighty to save;  
and still he is nigh: his presence we have.  
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,  
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.**

**Salvation to God who sits on the throne!  
Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son.  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.**

**Then let us adore, and give him his right:  
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
all honor and blessing, with angels above,  
and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.**

### SENDING FORTH INTO GOD’S MISSION FIELD

*The Deacon bids the people to go forth into the world in mission, using the following or some other dismissal.*

*Deacon:* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**



### ALTAR FLOWERS

Today, the altar flowers are given by  
Tess and Brian Egbert in memory of loved ones.



## **OFFICE CLOSED**

*Monday January 15, 2024*

The office will be closed this Monday in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. There will be No Centering Prayer, and No Compline Online at Nine.

## **YOUTH GROUP DINNERS**

*Sign Up in the Narthex*

Sign up to bring dinner for our youth groups. Meals can be simple. Drinks and desserts are appreciated, but not required. We eat at 6:30 pm, and we invite those who prepare the meal to join us for dinner. It is a great way to get to know our youth!



### **Upcoming Dates Available:**

- January 31st





## **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING & BRUNCH**

*Sunday, January 28, starting at 9:30 am*

On Sunday, January 28 we will gather as a whole parish for our Annual Parish Meeting. We will begin with combined worship service at 9:30 am. Afterwards, we will move into parish hall where we will share brunch and participate in our Annual Meeting.



## **Annual Church ELECTION**

We will be electing members to Vestry,  
and delegates to Diocesan Convention.



Our Annual Meeting Brunch is a community  
affair. We are looking for parishioners to  
bring casseroles, coffee cakes, and muffins.

We are also looking for people to  
help set up and clean up.

*Sign Up in the Narthex Today!*

# WHO IS THE VESTRY?

## *What Is the Vestry's Role?*

The vestry is the body within a congregation that, with the clergy, leads the parish. The vestry...

- helps to discern the vision toward which God is drawing that particular community;
- articulates and communicates the vision;
- holds the community accountable for its realization of that vision; and
- keeps the mission of the Church and that of the individual congregation clearly before the parish community.



God creates the Church and invites us to participate in the process. A congregation's leaders are the stewards of that creation and hold it in trust. The congregation has been given the resources needed to do the job God has called it to do. Leaders identify and allocate those resources enabling the Church to carry out its mission. They also lead the congregation in celebrating and giving thanks for these resources.

## *Meetings of the Vestry*

**Vestry Night.** On the first Monday of each month, the Vestry meets at the church from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. On Vestry Nights, we focus on the adaptive work of discerning and clarifying the mission of the church. We begin our evenings with a catered meal. We devote our time to the work of building community, developing our leadership capacity, learning new perspectives and skills, and finding ways to carry out God's mission in practical ways.

**Vestry Zoom.** On the third Monday of a month, the Vestry meets online from 6:30 to 7:00 pm via Zoom. At this meeting, we focus on the more technical work of finances, stewardship, building and grounds.

## *Who Can Serve on Vestry?*

Nominees for Vestry must be baptized and confirmed, attend worship at Grace regularly, and contribute financially to the mission and ministry of Grace. Nominees will fill out a questionnaire that will be distributed to the congregation the week before the Annual Meeting.

**Looking for 5 Nominations.** This year, we have three off-going Vestry members—*Mitch Hixson, Kathy Moll, and Brooklyn Walker*—and two other partial terms that need to be completed. So we are looking for at least **5** nominations: **3** persons to serve three-year terms; **1** to serve a two-year term; and **1** to serve a one-year term. You may nominate yourself, or you may nominate someone else, if you have their permission to do so. Signup sheets are in the Narthex or nominations may be given to Angie in the church office ([grace.hutch@sbcglobal.net](mailto:grace.hutch@sbcglobal.net); 662-8024).



**Annual Church  
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# HUTCHINSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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SHIFTING THE CULTURAL CLIMATE THROUGH  
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## Our National Holiday



Sunday - January 14, 2024  
2:00 PM

Stringer Fine Arts Center  
*Reception immediately following  
in the Gallery Theatre*

Monday - January 15, 2024  
9:00 AM

Stringer Fine Arts Center  
*Meet at Stringer at 9:00 am for breakfast and then  
spend time volunteering in the community*

*Performances by:  
Hutchinson Community College Badinage,  
Buhler High School Varsity Choir and Buhler Singers,  
Hutchinson High School Choir*



# GRACE EPISCOPAL

Serving Christ by Ministering to the Needs of the Community & the Parish



**Mondays thru Thursdays**  
9:00 am to 1:00 pm



## ONLINE PRAYER

- 9:00 pm • Every Night ..... Compline Online at Nine (FB LIVE)
- 12:30 pm • Mondays & Wednesdays ..... Centering Prayer (FB LIVE)

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

- 8:00 am ..... The Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 • Spoken
- 9:15 am ..... Sunday School
- 10:15 am ..... The Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 • Music
- After 10:15 am Service ..... Fellowship Hour

## MONDAY, JANUARY 15 – OFFICE CLOSED

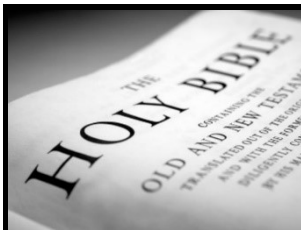
- 6:30 pm ..... Vestry Night
- 7:00 pm ..... Al-Anon

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

- 9:30 am ..... The Holy Eucharist, Rite 1
- 10:00 am ..... Adult Bible Study
- 6:30 pm ..... MS-HS and Elementary Youth Groups

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

- 8:00 am ..... The Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 • Spoken
- 9:15 am ..... Sunday School
- 10:15 am ..... The Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 • Music



## SCRIPTURES FOR NEXT SUNDAY • EPIPHANY 3

- Jonah 3:1-5, 10
- Psalm 62:6-14
- 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
- Mark 1:14-20



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