

March 2, 2025

Last Sunday after Epiphany

10:30am

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Holy Eucharist, 10:30am Rite 11. Expansive language

Please note that in our liturgy when we refer to God we cannot adequately verbalize the magnitude and comprehensiveness of God's diversity and are always limited by our use of language. We acknowledge that although Jesus was born into history as a man, neither God the Father nor God the Holy Spirit were embodied with human sex. Although our language is often not all inclusive we believe God always is. God made human beings in God's own image with complexity and diversity. Thank you for sharing your diversity and complexity with us as we worship God together.

The Liturgy of the Word

When the Voluntary begins, please maintain prayerful silence.

Michael Burkhardt **Voluntary:** Prelude on *Salzburg*

Opening Hymn: Songs of Thankfulness and Praise H135

Tune: Salzburg

1. Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise, manifested by the star to the sages from afar; branch of royal David's stem in thy birth at Bethlehem; anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

2. Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme; and at Cana, wedding-guest, in thy Godhead manifest;

manifest in power divine, changing water into wine; anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

- 3. Manifest in making whole palsied limbs and fainting soul; manifest in valiant fight, quelling all the devil's might; manifest in gracious will, ever bringing good from ill; anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.
- 4. Manifest on mountain height, shining in resplendent light, where disciples filled with awe thy transfigured glory saw; When from there thou leddest them steadfast to Jerusalem; cross and Easter day attest God in man made manifest.

Welcome / Invitation to Sunday School

Opening Acclamation (The people standing)

Presider Blessed be God: most holy, glorious and undivided Trinity.

People And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

Song of Praise: Glory be to God the Father Tune: Regent Square

1 Glory be to God the Father, glory be to God the Son, glory be to God the Spirit: great Jehovah, Three in One! Glory, glory, glory, glory, while eternal ages run!

2 Glory be to him who loved us, washed us from each spot and stain; glory be to him who bought us, made us kings with him to reign! Glory, glory, glory, glory, to the Lamb that once was slain!

3 Glory to the King of angels, glory to the Church's King, glory to the King of nations; heav'n and earth your praises bring! Glory, glory, glory, to the King of glory sing!

4 Glory, blessing, praise eternal! thus the choir of angels sings; Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion! thus its praise creation brings. Glory, glory, glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!

The Collect for the Last Sunday after Epiphany

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

People sit for the reading of the lessons

A Reading from Exodus

34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two covenant tablets in his hand, Moses didn't

realize that the skin of his face shone brightly because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw the skin of Moses' face shining brightly, they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called them closer. So Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and Moses spoke with them. After that, all the Israelites came near as well, and Moses commanded them everything that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face. Whenever Moses went into the Lord's presence to speak with him, Moses would take the veil off until he came out again. When Moses came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see that the skin of Moses' face was shining brightly. So Moses would put the veil on his face again until the next time he went in to speak with the Lord.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Reader We will stand and sing the psalm.

The Psalm: 99 (metric text)

Tune: Mendon (H512)
(Come Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove)

- The Lord God reigns enthroned above
 The cherubim in glorious might;
 In Zion God is great; let all
 The nations tremble at the sight.
- You are the Holy One, O Lord;
 Your Name is great, let all confess:
 "Lover of justice, mighty one,
 You have established righteousness."
- 3. We will proclaim your majesty
 And worship you, the Holy Lord;
 For Moses, Aaron, Samuel, too,
 Once called on you and heard your word.
- 4. Out of the cloud you spoke to them; They kept your law and your decrees. O Lord, you answered and forgave, Yet punished all their evil deeds.

5. Proclaim God's greatness and bow down, And worship on God's holy hill; You are the Lord, our sovereign God, The Holy One, our Savior still.

The people sit.

A Reading from Second Corinthians

3:12-4:2

So, since we have such a hope, we act with great confidence. We aren't like Moses, who used to put a veil over his face so that the Israelites couldn't watch the end of what was fading away. But their minds were closed. Right up to the present day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. The veil is not removed because it is taken away by Christ. Even today, whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their hearts. But whenever someone turns back to the Lord, the veil is removed. The Lord is the Spirit, and where the Lord's Spirit is, there is freedom. All of us are looking with unveiled faces at the glory of the Lord as if we were looking in a mirror. We are being transformed into that same image from one degree of glory to the next degree of glory. This comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

This is why we don't get discouraged, given that we received this ministry in the same way that we received God's mercy. Instead, we reject secrecy and shameful actions. We don't use deception, and we don't tamper with God's word. Instead, we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God by the public announcement of the truth.

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

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand

Sequence Hymn O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

H137 vs. 1-3

Tune: Wareham

1. O wondrous type! O vision fair of glory that the church may share, which Christ upon the mountain shows, where brighter than the sun he glows!

- 2. With Moses and Elijah nigh the incarnate Lord holds converse high; and from the cloud, the Holy One bears record to the only Son.
- 3. With shining face and bright array, Christ deigns to manifest today what glory shall be theirs above who joy in God with perfect love.

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ

according to **Luke** 9:28-36, [37-43a]

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

About eight days after Jesus said these things, he took Peter, John, and James, and went up on a mountain to pray. As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed and his clothes flashed white like lightning. Two men, Moses and Elijah, were talking with him. They were clothed with heavenly splendor and spoke about Jesus' departure, which he would achieve in Jerusalem. Peter and those with him were almost overcome by sleep, but they managed to stay awake and saw his glory as well as the two men with him.

As the two men were about to leave Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it's good that we're here. We should construct three shrines: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—but he didn't know what he was saying. Peter was still speaking when a cloud overshadowed them. As they entered the cloud, they were overcome with awe.

Then a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, my chosen one. Listen to him!" Even as the voice spoke, Jesus was found alone. They were speechless and at the time told no one what they had seen.

[The next day, when Jesus, Peter, John, and James had come down from the mountain, a large crowd met Jesus. A man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to take a look at my son, my only child. Look, a spirit seizes him and, without any warning, he screams. It shakes him and causes him to foam at the mouth. It tortures him and rarely leaves him alone. I begged your disciples to throw it out, but they couldn't."

Jesus answered, "You faithless and crooked generation, how long will I be with you and put up with you? Bring your son here." While he was coming, the demon threw him down and shook him violently. Jesus spoke harshly to the unclean spirit, healed the child, and gave him back to his father. Everyone was overwhelmed by God's greatness.]

Presider The Gospel of our Savior.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Hymn O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

H137 vs. 4, 5 Tune: Wareham

4. And faithful hearts are raised on high by this great vision's mystery; for which in joyful strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

5. O Father, with the eternal Son, and Holy Spirit, ever One, vouchsafe to bring us by thy grace to see thy glory face to face.

The people sit

The Sermon

Rev. Vincent Black

The people stand

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

"The Creeds are statements of our basic beliefs about God" (BCP 851).

We say these words as a gathered community to affirm our belief in God as creator, redeemer, and sustainer of all creation, as the source of life and holiness. God has blessed humanity with relationships and community which are part of God's own essence as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We do not say these words as some sort of litmus test but as an invitation to wrestle with the mystery and complexity of God with generations of Christians who have gone before us and with generations who will come after us.

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: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. 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,
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, Form IV

BCP 388

Stand or kneel as the Holy Spirit leads.

The Leader and People pray.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

We pray especially for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Anne, our Bishop; Vincent, our rector; and Clarke, our seminarian.

In the Diocese of Ohio, we pray for St. Peter's Church, Lakewood, and for the Northeast Mission Area: St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula; St. Martin's Church, Chagrin Falls; St. Luke's Church, Chardon; Church of the Epiphany, Euclid; St. Christopher's by the River Church, Gates Mills; and Christ Church, Geneva.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

We pray especially for (... the names on the long-term prayer list are read).

The People may offer their own petitions, either silently or aloud.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

We pray especially for (...the names of the recently deceased are read).

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Presider says

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Confession of Sin

BCP 360

The Presider says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Presider 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 our Savior 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 Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

The Peace BCP 360

All stand

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People greet one another with a wave, bow, or appropriate gesture but keep social distance.

For those celebrating birthdays

Sarah Ciarniello Charlotte Sent Stephanie Gillies David Sent Cherie Paisley

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Announcements

The presider asks visitors to fill out the information at the bottom of page 2, then highlights the announcements.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Offertory: Ah, Jesus Lord, Thy Love to Me Tune: *Slumber* ed. David N. Johnson

Ah Jesus Lord, thy love to me No thought can reach, no tongue declare; Oh bind my thankful heart to Thee And reign without a rival there. Thine wholly, thine alone I live, Myself to thee entirely give.

O, grant that nothing in my soul May dwell but thy pure love alone; Ah, may thy love possess me whole, My joy, my treasure, and my crown. All coldness from my heart remove: May every act, word, thought, be love.

O Lord, how gracious is thy way! All fear before thy presence flies; Care, anguish, sorrow, melt away, Where'er thy healing hands arise. O Jesus, nothing may I see And nothing seek, desire, but thee.

All stand

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Offerings

The gifts of the people are presented at this time as the congregation sings.

Presentation Hymn: Now the Silence

H333 Tune: Now

Now the peace Now the empty hands uplifted Now the kneeling

Now the plea

Now the silence

Now the Father's arms in welcome

Now the hearing

Now the power

Now the vessel brimmed for pouring

Now the Body

Now the Blood

Now the joyful celebration

Now the wedding

Now the songs

Now the heart forgiven leaping

Now the Spirit's visitation

Now the Son's epiphany

Now the Father's blessing

Now

Now

Now

The people remain standing

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Presider May 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.

The Presider proceeds

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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Sanctus and Benedictus

W858

Presider and People

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 people stand or kneel and the Presider continues

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 Jesus 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People (spoken)

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. 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. **AMEN**.

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

The Lord's Prayer (spoken)

BCP 364

People and Presider

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

A period of silence is kept

Fraction Anthem

S155

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us, Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Invitation to Communion

BCP 364

Presider says

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.

All people are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Children of all ages are included in this invitation.

The presider invites those not receiving the sacrament to make a spiritual communion, led by the reader.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

from the Prayer Book for the Armed Services

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Communion Hymn: Lead Me, Guide Me L194
Doris Akers

Refrain:

Lead me, guide me along the way; For if you lead me, I cannot stray; Lord, let me walk each day with Thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1 I am weak, and I need thy strength and power To help me over my weakest hour; Let me through the darkness thy face to see, Lead me, O Lord, lead me. [Refrain]

2 Help me tread in the paths of righteousness; Be my aid when satan and sin oppress. I am putting all my trust in thee, Lead me, O Lord, lead me. [Refrain] 3 I am lost, if you take your hand from me; I am blind, without Thy Light to see; Lord, just always let me thy servant be, Lead me, O Lord, lead me. [Refrain]

After Communion, the Presider says Let us pray.

Postcommunion Prayer (said by all, standing)

BCP 366

Almighty and everliving God, 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 Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing Irish Blessing

Budge Walen

May the road rise to meet you.

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine upon your face
and rains fall softly on your fields.

May the road rise to meet you.

May the wind be always at your back.

And until we meet again may God hold you,
may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

May the road rise to meet you And God hold you, hold you, in the palm of his hand. Amen, Amen, Amen.

Presider And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you this day, and remain with you forever more. **Amen**.

Tune: Lasst uns erfreuen

1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Alleluia! Cry out, dominions, princedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs, [Refrain]

Refrain:

Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! Alleluia! alleluia!

2 O higher than the cherubim, more glorious than the seraphim, lead their praises, Alleluia! Thou bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord, [Refrain]

3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest, ye patriarchs and prophets blest, Alleluia, alleluia! Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumphant raise the song, [Refrain]

4 O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, Alleluia, alleluia! To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, [Refrain]

Presider Let us pray.

Good and gracious God,
we pray for all who have yet to know of your love and mercy.
May the Church of the Ascension
be so inspired by your Holy Spirit
that it may serve as a beacon of hope
and a witness to the gospel for all people.

Grant that we may continually grow in our own knowledge and love of you as we strive to use all that we have, and all that we are to follow and imitate your beloved son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary: Postlude on *Lasst uns erfreuen* W. Lawrence Curry

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We hope you will join us in Ascension Hall for some refreshments and conversation. Ascension Hall is located on this level through the chapel and at the end of the hallway.

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Ash Wednesday, March 5th:

7:30pm Ashes and Holy Communion

Invitation to a Holy Lent

Dear People of God: The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have, to renew their repentance and faith.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word.

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The Ministers of the Liturgy

Presider: Rev. Vincent Black Music Director & Organist: Jon Peterson Choir Director: Margie Hildebrandt

Acolytes: Derek Lewallen, Terrie Schade & Maizie Gillies

Readers: Joe Crichton and Julie Exline Spiritual Communion Reader: Joe Crichton

Chalice Bearers: Derek Lewallen and Terrie Schade

Ushers: Bob Hankey and Keira Dodd Sunday School: Jenny Christ Videographer: Dave Campion Graphics & Post-production: Bill Rice

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Please keep these people in your prayers today and all week long:

Our Spiritual Leaders:

+ Sean -our Presiding Bishop; +Anne -our Bishop; Vincent+ -our Rector; Clarke -our seminarian

Those for whom prayers have been requested:

Autumn and Family Boots Johnston Mickey Black Joyce Knapp Teddi Black Lois Leete Rehtaeh Brady June Madden Richard Mannella **Shirley Campion** Robert Dibb John Mohlar Josie Dodd Gil Newlands Kaisu Donovan Ray and Family Sandy Reagan Doug Damron Dolly Doyle Kaliegh Roe Barbara Faux Patricia Sayler Spencer Faux Wendy Semple

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Pamela Jackson

Those We Know in the Military

Trey Brower Sydney Kline
Wiley Goins Burton McCarthy
Lauren Hober Iason Strater

The Departed

Laura Egeland Bruce Ford Kathy Fousek Henry Hando Jonathon Newlands Dave Rozell

The Weekly Prayer List

The weekly prayer list is used for those who need extra prayers due to illness or a particular challenge or hardship.

Pledges and offerings to the Church.

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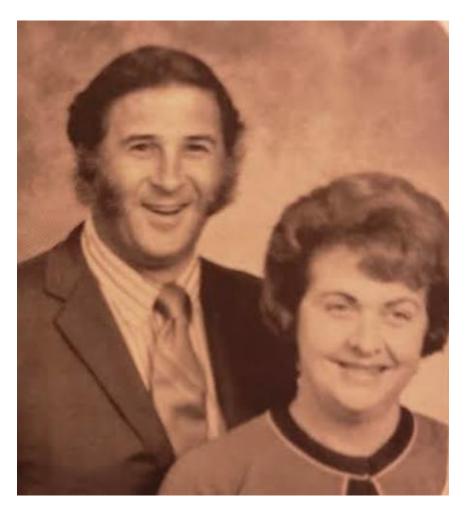
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Foster Fludine (1922-2008) and Barbara E. Fludine (1923-2015)

Barbara Elaine Colley, daughter of Dorothy and Russell Colley, was born on January 7, 1923. After graduating from Kent State, Barbara married Foster Joseph Fludine, on May 21, 1945. He was a graduate of Case Western Reserve and a veteran of WWII. He served in the army in Europe from 1943 until 1946. As a newlywed couple, they lived in Canton, Ohio, where Foster was an attorney for the local courthouse.

They moved to Lakewood, Ohio in the 1950's and joined Church of the Ascension. On December 15, 1957, Barbara and Foster Fludine were confirmed by Bishop Burroughs and presented by Dr. Stuart Cole. In 1959, Foster Fludine became a member of the vestry and was a greeter and usher. Barbara was an active member of ECW (Episcopal Church Women) and the altar guild. Together they had two sons: John Martin and Robert Alan. Their sons were confirmed at Ascension on December 20, 1964. They were confirmed by Beverly Tucker, Retired Bishop of Ohio and presented by Dr. Cole. Barbara Fludine made history at Church of the Ascension in 1969 when she became the very first woman to serve on vestry. After ninety-four years of only men being on the vestry, Barbara changed the standard making it much easier for others to follow. Only five years later a woman served as senior warden. Her leadership skills were utilized again, when in 1974, Barbara Fludine was chosen as the president of the ECW, which represented 62 parishes from northern and central Ohio.

After spending over thirty years in Lakewood, Barbara and Foster moved to Pinehurst, North Carolina in 1986. Here they became active in another Episcopal church- Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Southern Pines, NC. Barbara Colley Fludine passed away on August 20, 2015 in Pinehurst, North Carolina. She and her husband are together in the Columbarium of Emmanuel Episcopal Church.

Submitted by Gregory Sent, Archivist

Centering Prayer

We meet every Thursday from noon to 12:45 in Ascension Hall. For more information ask Father Vincent or call Jim in the office.

Sunday Bible Study

Through March 23rd, in between services, Keira Dodd will lead a Bible Study of three Wisdom Books: *Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, and Psalms*. Learn how these books are different from the rest of the Bible and explore how God's wisdom applies to our lives today!

Go Deeper in Your Faith!

Father Vincent and Aaron Beatty are leading a book study of "Inwardly Digest" by Derek Olsen from **6:30-8pm for 9 weeks** on **Wednesdays beginning February 5 and ending April 16**. We will not meet on Ash Wednesday (3/5) or when the president of historical society is presenting (3/26).

We will discuss a chapter a week, except on 2/12 we will discuss chapters 2, 3, 4.

Sign up and books for sale in the office.

Please beware of scammers.

Do not pay for church events or sign up for them via email. Please be careful and check that all events for 2025 are listed on the save the date bookmarks or on the webpage http://www.150years.org
If you are not sure call Jim in the office 216-521-8727.

Lenten Calendar

Ash Wednesday, March 5:

7:30pm Ashes and Holy Communion

Wednesdays, March 12-April 16:

6pm Stations of the Cross

Palm Sunday, April 13:

No 8:00am service 10:30am Holy Eucharist

Maundy Thursday, April 17:

7:30pm Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar 9pm to midnight, night watch

Good Friday, April 18:

7:30pm Solemn Liturgy with Holy Communion

Easter Sunday, April 20:

No 8:00am service 10:30am Holy Eucharist

Anniversary Events in March

Wednesday, March 26:

6:30pm Dinner and Speaker with Dr. Robert Shrimp (Director of the Lakewood Historical Society)

Sunday, March 30:

12:00pm Lunch and Lecture with Dr. Brian Wilbert (Diocesan archivist)

Chosen, Thursdays 6-8pm

Season 4: March, April, and May

Mar 6th: 1 Mar 20th: 3 Apr 3rd: 5 Apr 24th: 7 Mar 13th: 2 Mar 27th: 4 Apr 10th: 6 May 1st: 8

Afternoon Guild Wednesday, March, 12th at 12:30pm

The Afternoon Guild will be going out to lunch.

Location to be verified.

Please RSVP if you are planning on attending. Email or text Margie at bach2schol@hotmail.com or 440-476-8450!

Ascension Night Out

Join us as we usher Winter out and Spring in on Wednesday, March 19th, 6:00 PM, at Stella Mia Ristorante, 28751 Center Ridge Rd, Westlake.

You can take a look at their menu at Stella Mia Ristorante - Food Menu

Please RSVP to Jim in the office by Sunday, **March 16th**, by either calling the office at 216-521-8727 or emailing <u>Jim.Weiss@Ascension-Lakewood.org</u>.

Breathe Yoga Ministry Restorative Yoga with Meditation Starting Sunday, March 23rd, at 12:45pm

A serene practice designed to foster connection with your mind, body, and the Holy Spirit. This restorative yoga class gently guides participants through calming postures and meditative moments, allowing for deep relaxation and spiritual renewal. It offers a sacred space to release tension, quiet the mind, and experience the divine presence within. Ideal for those seeking peace, healing, and a deeper spiritual connection.

Organizing Meeting Sunday, March 2nd, at 12:45pm

Organizing meeting to go over the class and answer any questions.



SAY GRACE FISH FRY

ADULT DINNERS:

\$20: Fried Perch: 3 pieces of fish, bread, two sides, drink & dessert.

\$20: Fried Catfish: 3 pieces of fish, bread, two sides, drink & dessert.

\$20: Baked Fish: Tilapia or Salmon, bread, two sides, drink & dessert.

\$15: Mac & Cheese: Pasta dish, bread, two sides, drink & dessert.

KIDS MEALS:

\$10: Mac & Cheese: Includes bread, drink, brookie & one side.

\$10: Chicken Nuggets: Includes 8 nuggets, drink, brookie & one side.

\$10: Grilled Cheese: Includes drink, brookie & one side.

SIDE CHOICES:

Coleslaw, Green Beans, Fried Potatoes & Onions, or French Fries. (Or, add \$3 for Mac & Cheese!)

BREAD OPTIONS: White Bread, Rolls, Hushpuppies

DRINK OPTIONS: Water, Lemonade, Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite

DESSERT OPTIONS: Apple Cobbler & Banana Pudding

Thank you for supporting **Say Grace's** Fish Fry Meal Service!

After you complete this <u>order form</u>, we will email you a payment link via PayPal.

Order Deadline ~ Wednesday, March 5 at noon.

Pickup Window ~ Devan will coordinate a pick-up time with you for Friday, March 7 at 6pm or later, from Lakewood's Church of the Ascension 13216 Detroit Ave, Lakewood



For More information: Click this link or scan the QR code.

Questions? Email devan@saygraceservices.com or text/call 216.200.6929.

Collecting Clothes for St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Box is outside the office.

Please only clean and lightly worn clothing. Highly needed are seasonal men's and children's items.

Noonday prayer Tuesdays at 12:12pm via conference call

We will start prayer promptly at 12:12, and end just before 1pm. Please do not call in before 12:05pm.

You can call in for all or part of the time.

Dial-in number: (425) 436-6300

Access code: 593523#

Use *6 to mute and un-mute yourself when trying to talk.

We will use the Book of Common Prayer pp. 103-107.

Information for live streamed worship.

The service is streamed live each Sunday at 10:30am on The Church of the Ascension website:

https://ascension-lakewood.org/

and on YouTube: https://tinyurl.com/4rs872e2.

Previous services and featured choir videos on YouTube

at: https://tinyurl.com/3c336j6n.

Office Hours

Office Hours are: 9am - 1:30pm, Tuesday - Thursday

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