

CHILDREN'S SERVICE



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A parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts. The Episcopal Church in the Anglican Communion.

The Rev. Noble Scheepers, Interim Priest
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To the members of the parish

- The presence of children is a gift to the Church. They reveal God in unexpected ways to us, and they are a reminder that our parish is growing.
- Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

To the parents of our young children,

We invite you please to...

- Relax! God put the wiggle in young children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!
- Consider sitting towards the front, where it's easier for your little ones to see and hear what is going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of other's heads.
- Quietly explain the parts of the service, and the actions of the priest, acolytes and chalice bearers, choir, etc.

- Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you. If you must leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, “let the children come to me.” (Mark 10:14)
- Remember the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship. •

ST. CYPRIAN’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Celebrant – The Rev. Noble Scheepers

Organist – Brian Edwards

MC -- Charles Knight

Readers: Children

Eucharistic Minister:

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST PROPER 8

JUNE 30, 2024

10:30 AM Holy Communion

Opening Hymn: IT’S ME O LORD LEVAS 177

Opening prayer: Loving God, everything we have comes from you. Help us to share what we have been given so that everyone has enough. Amen.

ALL: Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart
and with all your soul and with all your strength.

These commandments that I give you today are to be
on your hearts.

Impress them on your children.

Talk about them when you sit at home
and when you walk along the road,
when you lie down and when you get up.

Invitation to repentance

God is good, steadfast in love and of infinite kindness,
Always welcoming sinner and inviting us to the Lord’s
table. Confident in God’s mercy, let us confess our sins.

[silence is kept]

The kingdom is yours, but we turn away from your just rule:

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The Power is yours, but we trust in our own power and strength:

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The glory is yours, but we fall short of the glory of God:

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May the Father forgive us through the cross of the Son,
And strengthen us to live in the power of the Holy Spirit
all our days. Amen.

Scripture Reading Old Testament – 2 Samuel 1:7-27

Sequence Hymn:

Give thanks: *Don Moen*

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"

Let the poor say, "I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us"

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"

Let the poor say, "I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us" Give thanks, give thanks...

Gospel Reading: Mark 5:21-43

Sermon

Creed: I believe

1. I believe that God appear in human form, a Child was born.

I believe that Jesus was the King of kings, with crown of thorns,

I believe the Lord of Live was crucified,

He gave His life, for me He died, On the cross, I BELIEVE.

2. I believe that Jesus Rose to conquer death, And lives today

I believe that Jesus is the King of kings, He is the way,

Every longing, every hope and secret prayer, are known to Him

Are in His care, I BELIEVE, I BELIEVE.

3. I believe that Jesus truly understands, This heart of mine,

All the fear and sorrow and the failures too, my heart entwine,

As I journey home the Father welcomes me

With open arms, so lovingly

And that is why I BELIEVE

Intercessions

1. God calls us to share what we have been given and so we pray together:

2. We pray for world leaders: that they may be inspired to make the world a fairer place, so that everyone has enough food, clean water and somewhere safe to live. Lord, in your mercy...

3. We pray for those who are hungry or homeless, those without clean water to drink: that they may receive their fair share of the gifts God gives for all of us. Lord, in your mercy...

celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free.
Defying death he rose again and is alive with you to plead
for us and all the world.

This is his story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts we may
feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire.

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

Our Father, who art in heaven....

WELCOME TO COMMUNION AND PRAYERS OF INSTITUTION

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

Therefore, let us keep the feast, Alleluia!

Communion Hymns: God is so good LEVAS 214

In my life Lord, Be glorified LEVAS 216

Post-communion Prayer:

**Dear God, thank you for Jesus and for his life that shows us how to love all of your
creation in the best ways. Thank you for sending Jesus to save us and for our children
Sunday celebration today. Help us celebrate him all year long by loving those around us.**

THE SENDING OUT AND BLESSING

(L) Go out to care for God's earth in all its varied and fragile beauty.

**(P) We go out with trust and courage to care for the earth,
our home and our children's home.**

(L) May God the Creator restore our hope and vision.

May the Christ who walked the earth go with us.

And may the Holy Spirit empower us,

To see the pattern of the universe, and the Blessing of God Almighty.....

Recessional Hymn: Soon and very soon LEVAS 14

(L)Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Alleluia! Alleluia!

In the name of Christ AMEN. Alleluia! Alleluia!