



Episcopal Church of the Cross
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The mission of the Episcopal Church of the Cross is to love the Lord our God with all our heart, and soul, and strength, and mind, and our neighbors as ourselves. We are the ECC: Loving God and our Neighbors.

Welcome to Church of the Cross!

If you would like to learn more about the life and future of Church of the Cross, please scan the code below and we'll be in touch later this week. Thank you!



Opening Song:

See, What a Morning

See, what a morning, gloriously bright,
With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;
Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light,
As the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"
See God's salvation plan,
Wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,
Fulfilled in Christ, the man,
For he lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

See Mary weeping, "Where is he laid?"
As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;
Hears a voice speaking, calling her name;
It's the Master, the Lord raised to life again!
The voice that spans the years,
Speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,
Will sound till he appears,
For he lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of Days,
Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty.
Honor and blessing, glory and praise
To the King crowned with pow'r and authority!
And we are raised with him,
Death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered;
And we shall reign with him,
For he lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

People: **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever! Amen!**

Presider: Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One;

People: **Have mercy upon us.**

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray: O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading: Amos 7:7-15

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said, 'See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, "Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.'

Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Song: By All Your Saints Still Striving

By all your saints still striving, for all your saints at rest,
Your holy Name, O Jesus, forevermore be blessed.
You rose, our King victorious, that they might wear the crown
And ever shine in splendor reflected from your throne.

All praise for John the Baptist, forerunner of the Word,
Our true Elijah, making a highway for the Lord.
The last and greatest prophet, he saw the dawning ray
Of light that grows in splendor until the perfect day.

Then let us praise the Father and worship God the Son
And sing to God the Spirit, eternal Three in One,
Till all the ransomed number who stand before the throne
Ascribe all power and glory and praise to God alone.

The Gospel: Mark 6:14-29

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

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

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptizer.' Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Message

The Creed

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 Prayers of the Community

Prayer Leader: Good morning, Lord. We are your people, gathered in prayer; and we love you. We pray for your Church throughout the World. We pray for the people and purposes of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas; for all the local congregations; and for the ministries to which call each of us. We pray for those who can worship you this day only in secret, and those whose faith is known to you alone. We place before you the children and staff of Gan Sabra and Dar-UI-Fazl and those journeying to be with them.

People: **You hear us call; you hear us call; Lord, our God...**
 You hear us call; you hear us call; Lord, our God.

Prayer Leader: We pray for our nation, and all in authority; and for the nations of the world. We pray for our sisters and brothers in the Middle East and Ukraine, and all who live in places of violence and want. We pray for peace on earth. Look with compassion, we pray, on the whole human family. Grant us your freedom; break down the walls that separate us; and unite us in bonds of affection.

People: **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy...**
 Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy.

Prayer Leader: We pray for those in any need or trouble. We pray for those who are hungry, and those with no safe place to rest their head. We pray for the sick; the lonely; and the despondent. We pray for all prisoners, captives, and refugees. We place before you the recovery effort after hurricane Beryl; and we pray for those who grieve, and for all persons seeking healing and hope.

People: **You hear us call; you hear us call; Lord, our God...**
 You hear us call; you hear us call; Lord, our God.

Prayer Leader: We pray for those who have died, and who now rejoice at your heavenly banquet table. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

People: **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy...**
 Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy.

Prayer Leader: And now, Loving Lord, we present ourselves to you, and offer the prayers and thanksgivings that rest upon our hearts, either silently or aloud.

An open space to offer our own supplications and thanksgivings, silently or aloud.

People: **You hear us call; you hear us call; Lord, our God...**
 You hear us call; you hear us call; Lord, our God.
 Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy...
 Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy.

Prayer Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For**

the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Presider: Almighty God has mercy on you, forgives you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthens you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keeps you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's Peace...

The Offering:

Offerings made by check or in cash may be placed in the offering basket near the back of the worship service. Offerings can also be made by texting ECCLAKETRAVIS with your amount to 73256.

Song of Offering: My God, Thy Table Now is Spread

My God, thy table now is spread, thy cup with love doth overflow;
Be all thy children thither led, and let them thy sweet mercies know.

O let thy table honored be, and furnished well with joyful guests;
And may each soul salvation see, that here its sacred pledges tastes.

Drawn by thy quickening grace, O Lord, in countless numbers let them come
And gather from their Father's board the Bread that lives beyond the tomb.

Nor let thy spreading Gospel rest till through the world thy truth has run,
Till with this Bread shall all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider: We are your grateful people, Lord God, and it is right to give you thanks and praise at all times and in all places, and especially at this table; for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. With joyful hearts, we join the saints, and angels, and prophets, and martyrs in heaven proclaiming your glory as we say,

All: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider: We thank you for how you are always revealing yourself to all humanity: in the Created Order; in the Scriptures; in your People, gathered and sent; and fully in your Son Jesus, who in the cross makes us right with you, one another, and in our very selves; and who in being raised on the third day brings life and hope to all the world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Recalling now his suffering and death, and celebrating his resurrection and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Accept, O Lord, our sacrifice of praise, this memorial of our redemption.

Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts. Let them be for us the Body and Blood of your Son. And grant that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may be filled with your life and goodness.

By the grace of this table, we pray you to restore and strengthen us through the mercy of your Christ, and by your Spirit renew and equip us that we might love more fully both you and our neighbors.

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.

All: **AMEN!**

The Lord's Prayer:

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 Presider breaks the consecrated bread...

Presider: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

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

Presider: 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 come forward to receive communion as you are led to do so.

Songs During Communion: **I Shall Not Want**

From the love of my own comfort
From the fear of having nothing
From a life of worldly passions
Deliver me O God

From the need to be understood
And from a need to be accepted
From the fear of being lonely
Deliver me O God; deliver me O God

And I shall not want, no, I shall not want
When I taste your goodness, I shall not want
When I taste your goodness, I shall not want

From the fear of serving others
And from the fear of death or trial
And from the fear of humility
Deliver me O God; deliver me O God

And I shall not want, no, I shall not want
When I taste your goodness I shall not want
No, I shall not want, no, I shall not want
When I taste your goodness I shall not want
I shall not want
I shall not want

I've Got Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got love like a river,
I've got love like a river,
I've got love like a river in my soul.
I've got love like a river,
I've got love like a river,
I've got love like a river in my soul

I've got joy like a river,
I've got joy like a river,
I've got joy like a river in my soul.
I've got joy like a river,
I've got joy like a river,
I've got joy like a river in my soul.

Prayer of Sending:

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Closing Song:

Rejoice! The Lord is King!

Rejoice, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice!
Again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Savior, reigns, the God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice!
Again I say, rejoice!

His Kingdom cannot fail, he rules o'er earth and heav'n
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice!
Again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord and judge shall come
And take his servants up to their eternal home:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; Rejoice!
Again I say, rejoice!

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