



**Episcopal Church of the Cross**  
**9:30 AM; July 28, 2024**  
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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:**

**All Are Welcome**

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions.  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone  
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;  
let us bring an end to fear and danger.  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard  
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace,  
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter.  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

**Presider:** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!  
**People:** **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever! Amen!**  
**Presider:** Lord, have mercy.  
**People:** **Christ, have mercy.**  
**Presider:** Lord, have mercy. The Lord be with you.  
**People:** **And also with you.**  
**Presider:** Let us pray: O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**The First Reading: Psalm 14**

**Psalm Leader:** Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God." All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.

**People:** **The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, to see if there is any who is wise, to see if there is anyone who seeks after God.**

**Psalm Leader:** Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; there is none who does good; no, not one.

**People:** **Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?**

**Psalm Leader:** See how they tremble with fear, because God is in the company of the righteous.

**People:** **Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, but the Lord is their refuge.**

**Psalm Leader:** Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion!

**People:** **When the Lord restores the fortunes of this people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.**

**Gradual Song: All Who Hunger Gladly Gather**

All who hunger, gather gladly, holy manna is our bread  
Come from wilderness and wand'ring, here in truth we will be fed  
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food  
Taste and see the grace eternal; taste and see that God is good

All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest  
Come from restlessness and roaming here in joy we keep the feast  
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood  
Taste and see the grace eternal; taste and see that God is good

All who hunger, sing together, Jesus Christ is living bread  
Come from loneliness and longing; here in peace we have been fed  
Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude  
Taste and see the grace eternal; taste and see that God is good

**The Gospel: John 6:1-21**

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

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

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

**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 the Episcopal Diocese of Texas; for all the local congregations; for the children and staff of Gan Sabra and Dar-UI-Fazl, and those present among them. We pray for your holy and Universal Church;

**People**           **That we all may be one.**

**Prayer Leader:** Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

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

**Prayer Leader:** We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons.

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

**Prayer Leader:** We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world. We place before you the elected and appointed officials of this land, and all standing for public office. We pray for peace in Ukraine and the Middle East, and your mercy over all who live in places of violence and want.

**People:**           **That your justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.**

**Prayer Leader:** Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

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

**Prayer Leader:** Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

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

**Prayer Leader:** Give to all the departed eternal rest.

**People:**           **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

**Prayer Leader:** We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

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

**Prayer Leader:** And now, either silently or aloud, we place before you our own needs and concerns...

*An open space to offer our own petitions and thanksgivings.*

Hear us, Lord;

**People:**           **For your mercy is great.**

**Prayer Leader:** We pray to you for the forgiveness of our sins:

**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 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**

**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:**

### **Fairest Lord Jesus**

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son,  
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring:  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling starry host:  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Presider:** The Lord be with you.

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

**Presider:** Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

**Presider:** It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever offer this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**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 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,

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

**Presider:**       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.

**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:**                   **Our Great God**

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown  
Your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown  
Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne  
They raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone

Hallelujah, Glory be to our great God  
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Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm  
Surround us with your angels, fold us in your arms  
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm  
Rise up, oh Lord, and he will flee before our sovereign God

Hallelujah, Glory be to our great God  
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Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird  
Let every mountain, every field, and valley of the Earth  
Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe  
Sing praises to the living God who rules them by his word

Hallelujah, Glory be to our great God  
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### **Amazing Grace**

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a soul like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;  
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, his Word my hope secures;  
He will my Shield and Portion be, as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

### **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.**

### **The Blessing**

**Closing Song:**

**The River is Here**

Down the mountain, the river flows, and it brings refreshing wherever it goes  
Through the valleys and over the fields, the river is rushing and the river is here  
The river of God sets our feet to dancing  
The river of God fills our hearts with cheer  
The river of God fills our mouths with laughter  
And we rejoice for the river is here

The river of God is teeming with life, and all who touch it can be revived  
And those who linger on this river's shore will come back thirsting for more of the Lord  
The river of God sets our feet to dancing  
The river of God fills our hearts with cheer  
The river of God fills our mouths with laughter  
And we rejoice for the river is here

Up to the mountain, we love to go to find the presence of the Lord  
Along the banks of the river, we run. We dance with laughter giving praise to the Son  
The river of God sets our feet to dancing  
The river of God fills our hearts with cheer  
The river of God fills our mouths with laughter  
And we rejoice for the river is here

**The Dismissal:**

**Presider:** Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

**People:** **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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