

Episcopal Church of the Cross 9:30 AM; November 17, 2024 18101 W. Highway 71, Suite 120 Ecclaketravis.org 512-695-2803

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!

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Opening Song:

On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand: all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand: all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, his covenant, his blood, support me in the whelming flood; when all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand: all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found: dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand: all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand. Presider:Blessed be God! Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!People:And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever! Amen!Presider:Lord, have mercy;People:Christ, have mercy;Presider:Lord have mercy. The Lord be with you.People:And also with you.People:And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray: Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Reading: Daniel 12: 1-3

At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

Reader:	The word of the Lord.
People:	Thanks be to God.

Gradual:

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your Holy Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness, That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility; Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of your purity. Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see your majestic love and authority. Words of pow'r that can never fail—let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of your plans for us— Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on your promises, and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till your church is built and the earth is filled with your glory.

The Gospel: Mark 13:1-8

Reader:	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People:	Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.' When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

Reader:	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:In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;People:For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Prayer Leader:	For this community, the nation, and the world;
People:	For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
Prayer Leader:	For the just and proper use of your creation;
People:	For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.
Prayer Leader:	For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People:	For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
Prayer Leader:	For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People:	For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.
Prayer Leader:	For the bishops and people of this diocese;
People:	For all who serve God, in the Church and in the World.

Prayer Leader: Now, Loving God, we place before you what rests upon our hearts, either silently or aloud. An open space to offer our own petitions and thanksgivings... Hear us, Lord; People: For your mercy is great. **Prayer Leader:** We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life; and exalt you, O God our King; People: And praise your Name for ever and ever. Prayer Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; People: Who put their trust in you. **Prayer Leader:** We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. All: Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

My Shepherd will supply my need, Jehovah is his Name; In pastures fresh he makes me feed beside the living stream. He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways, And leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay;One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;And cup with blessings overflows, thy oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; Oh, may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

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. 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. 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.

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.

Songs During Communion: Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame but wholly trust in Jesus' name

> Christ alone, cornerstone Weak made strong in the Savior's love Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all

When darkness seems to hide his face I rest on his unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil

> Christ alone, cornerstone Weak made strong in the Savior's love Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all

When he shall come with trumpet sound oh, may I then in him be found Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless stand before the throne

Reckless Love

Before I spoke a word, you were singing over me You have been so, so good to me Before I took a breath, you breathed your life in me You have been so, so kind to me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still, you give yourself away Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God When I was your foe, still your love fought for me You have been so, so good to me When I felt no worth, you paid it all for me You have been so, so kind to me

And oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still, you give yourself away Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God

> There's no shadow you won't light up Mountain you won't climb up Coming after me There's no wall you won't kick down Lie you won't tear down Coming after me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine I couldn't earn it, I don't deserve it, still, you give yourself away Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God

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:

We're Marching in the Light of God

We're marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We're marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching; we are marching...ohh... We are marching; we are marching...ohh... We are marching; we are marching...ohh... We are marching in the light of God.

We're singing in the light of God, we are singing in the light of God.
We're singing in the light of God, we are singing in the light of God.
We are singing in the light of God.
We are singing; we are singing...ohh...
We are singing in the light of God.

We're praying in the light of God, we are praying in the light of God. We're praying in the light of God, we are praying in the light of God. We are praying; we are praying...ohh... We are praying in the light of God. We are praying; we are praying...ohh... We are praying in the light of God.

We're marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We're marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching; we are marching...ohh... We are marching; we are marching...ohh... We are marching; we are marching...ohh... We are marching in the light of God.

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