

ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
NOVEMBER 15, 2026, AT 10:15 A.M.
THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — PROPER 28
HOLY EUCHARIST

Welcome to your Cathedral!

St. Stephen's Mission Statement:

We are a diverse community of Christians welcoming all into the Episcopal tradition, seeking and sharing God's grace with our lips and in our lives.

Prelude

(At the sound of the bell, please stand and turn to face the processional cross.)

Opening Hymn Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth **Hymnal 598**

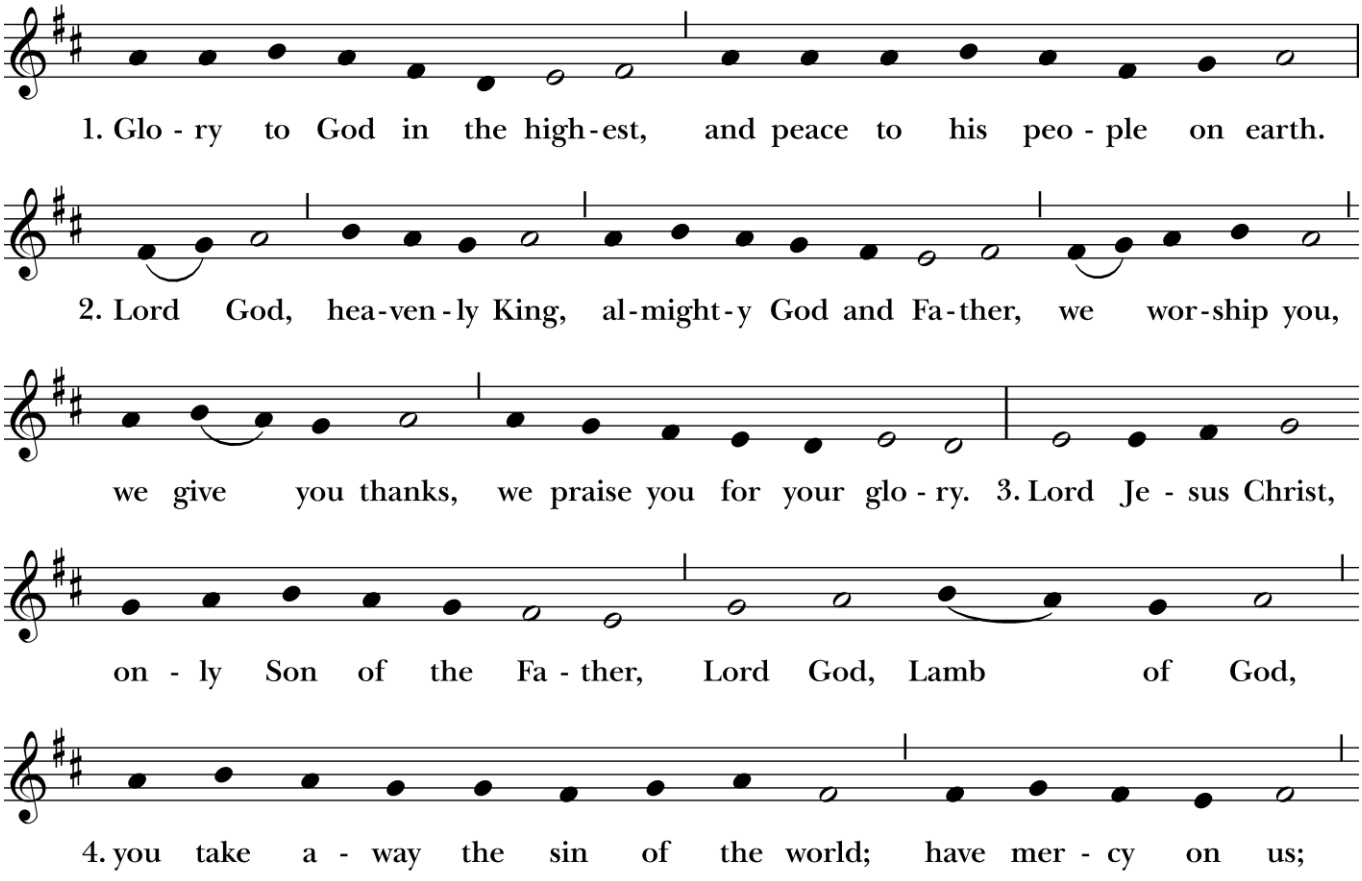
Opening Acclamation

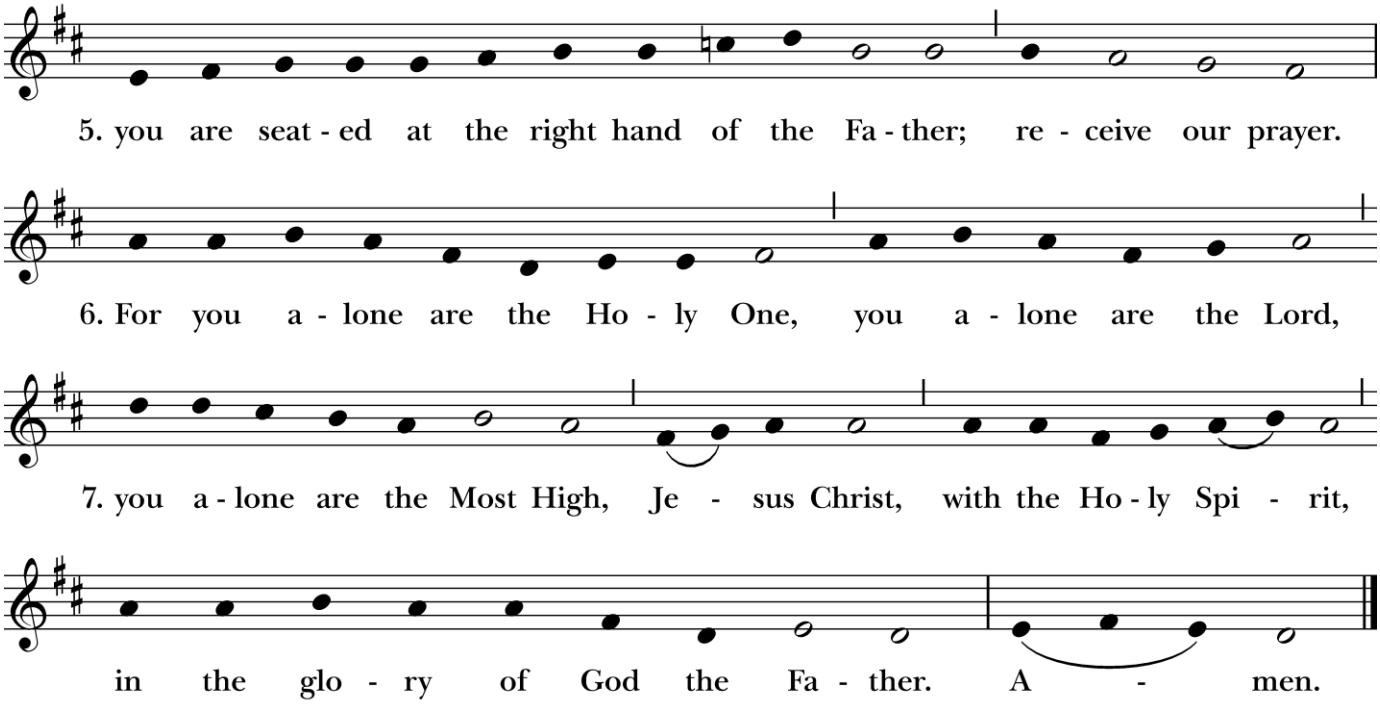
Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis **Hymnal S-277**





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Collect of the Day
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: 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 Word of God

Reader: The **First Reading** is from **the Book of Zephaniah** [1:7, 12-18].
Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of

trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn at the Psalm O God, our help in ages past **Hymnal 680**

The text written by Isaac Watts for Hymn 680, "O God, Our Help In Ages Past," is a paraphrase of Psalm 90:1-5, the appointed psalm reading for today.

Reader: The **Second Reading** is from the **First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians** [5:1-11].

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn *Go Preach My Gospel* **LEVAS 161**

Celebrant: The **Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ** according to **Matthew** [25:14-30].

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time

the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon **The Rev. Michael Nailor**

Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed **BCP 358**

Celebrant: Let us stand and profess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

All: 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 worshipped 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.

Prayers of the People

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *(Silence.)*

Leader: For all people in their daily life and work;
People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world; especially our president, our governor, and our mayor. We pray for all who serve in public trust and give thanks for leaders who pursue justice with courage and humility, and we ask your Spirit to move mightily wherever your people cry out for freedom. We pray for those serving our country: **Blythe, John, Tyler, and Kenny**. God, in your mercy,
People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;
People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

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.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the truth.

Leader: For Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey and Kevin, our Bishops; Josh, our Dean; Michael, our Deacon; High, our Seminarian; and for all bishops and other ministers. We pray for our companions in ministry — in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, Province of the Anglican Church of Chile; in the Diocese of the Susquehanna, St. Alban's (Sinking Spring), St. Andrew's (State College), and St. Alban's Learning Center; and in the Diocese of Kajo Keji, Jondale Parish and St. Peter Keriwa Parish — and for the families of our own parish, especially Linda Baird Jansen, Andrea Ebeling, Barbara and Deborah Blakistone, and Darlene Scovell.
People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader: For the students, teachers, staff, and families of St. Stephen's School, that in their learning and in their common life they may grow in wisdom, kindness, and courage;
People: For the bonds of friendship and common purpose between school and cathedral.

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We remember those who suffer and those in any kind of trouble. We pray for those who have asked for our prayers: **Jayne, Anthony, Lois, Sharon, Rick, Barbara, Deborah, Tessa, Susan, Camille, Crawford, Maydell, Nate, Ed, Glenn, Erica, Sharon, Rosanne, Gerry, Susan, Rob, Ann, Gwen, Tel, Lizzie, Judith, Roy, Susanne, Barry, Claire, Fred, Charles,**

Nelson, Stephanie, Chris, Sharyn, Rachel, Judith, Rich, Dolores, Lane, Mike, Cindy, Marty, Regis, Rosemary, Tom, and Dean. *(Silence.)*
Leader: Hear us, Lord;
People: For your mercy is great.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially for those who have given in support of our worship in this space. The Communion Elements are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the birthday of Kim Breach by Rick Breach. The Cathedral Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Lawrence and Emily Abrams, George and Helen Baker, and Hilary Baker Fix by Lawrence and Jayne Abrams, and in memory of their parents, Joseph Avery and Eleanor and James Lau, by Monte Avery and Robert Lau. We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
(Silence.)
Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;
People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader: We pray for all who have died, [especially…], that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *(Silence.)*
Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People: Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant: In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin
Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
(Silence may be kept.)
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.
Celebrant: 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 *(All stand.)*
Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.
(Then the Ministers and People may greet one another.)

Welcome and Announcements

Offertory
People: All that we are and all that we have comes from God. Let us offer our best to God in thanksgiving, remembering that God loves a cheerful giver. *(2 Cor. 9:7)*

Offertory Anthem *I Will Arise and Go to Jesus* Alice Parker/Robert Shaw

Doxology **Hymnal 380, v.3**

The Holy Communion

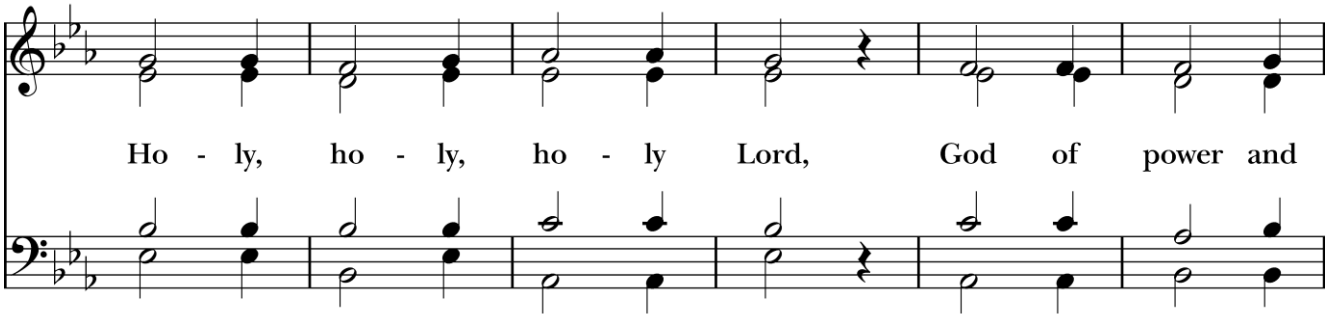
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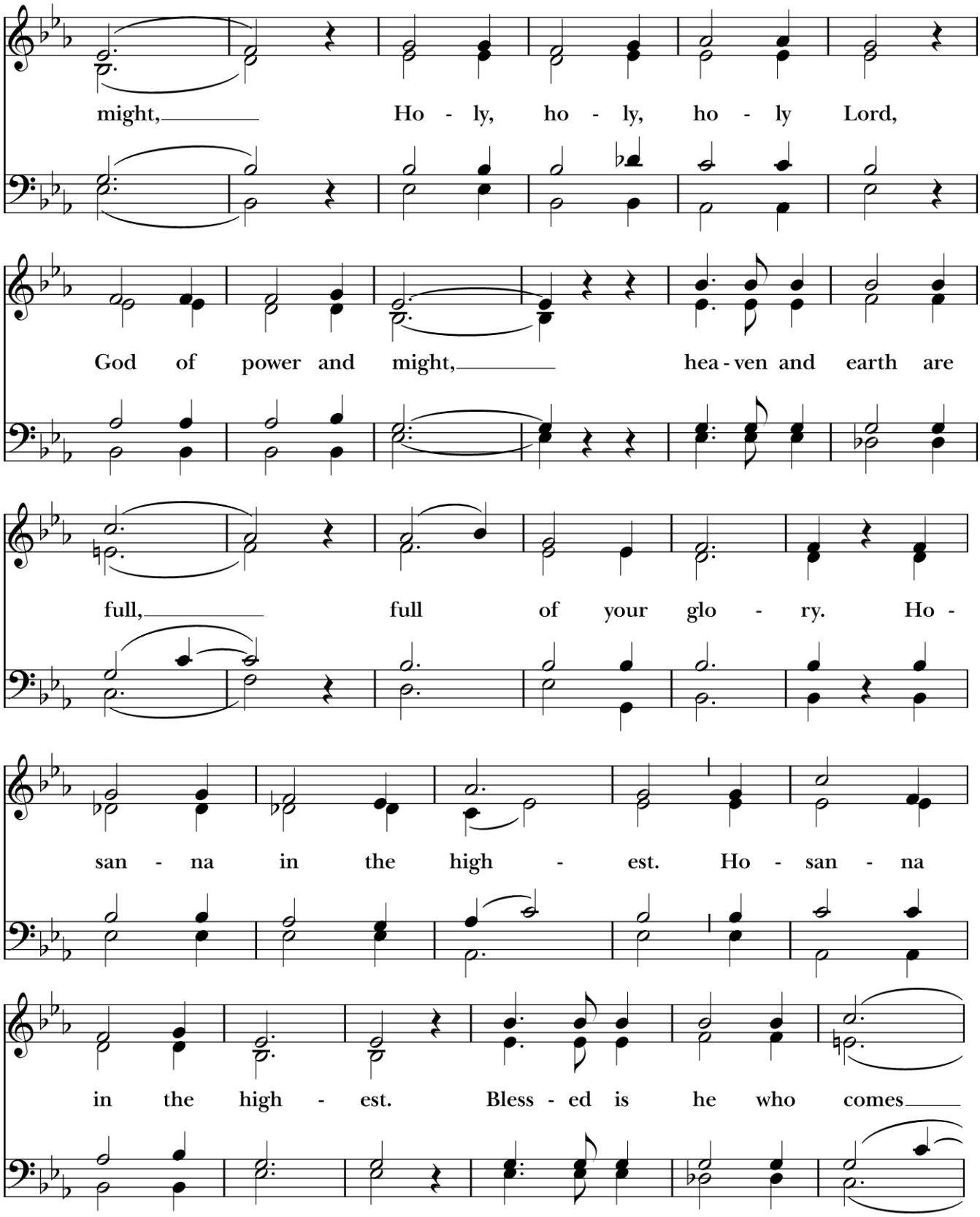
Eucharistic Prayer B
(The people remain standing.)
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.
Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

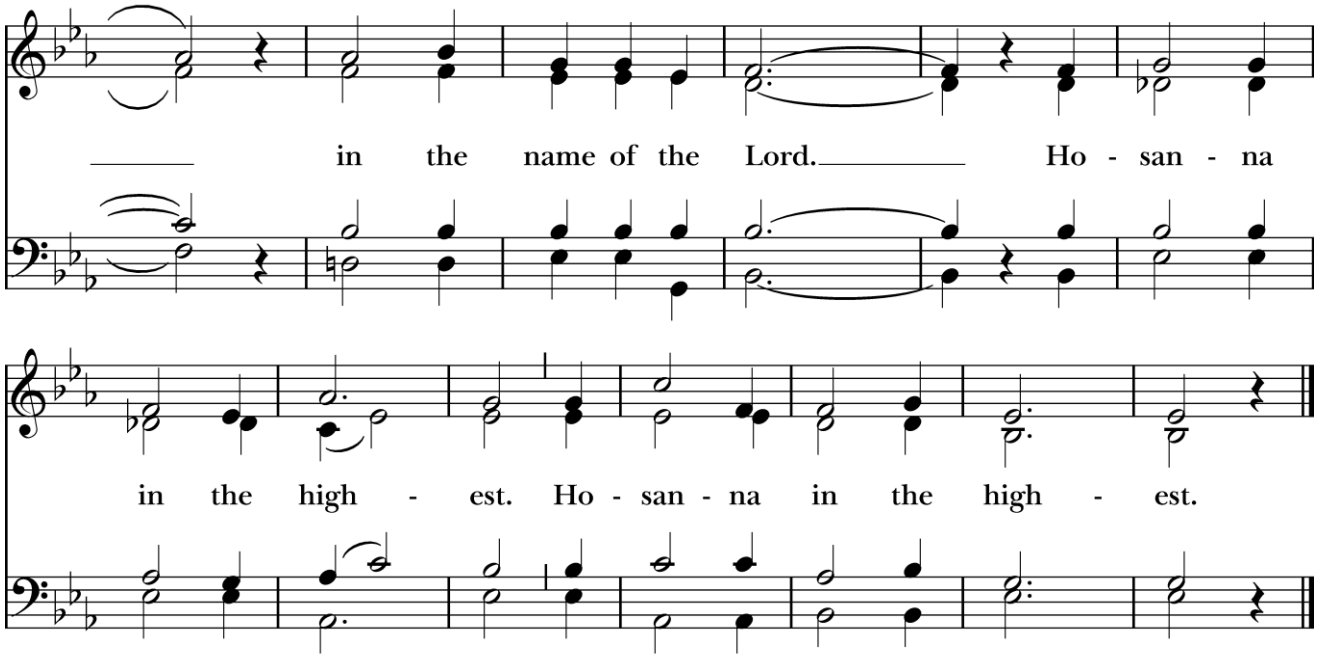
For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name;

Sanctus **Hymnal S-130**




might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



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(The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues…)
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.

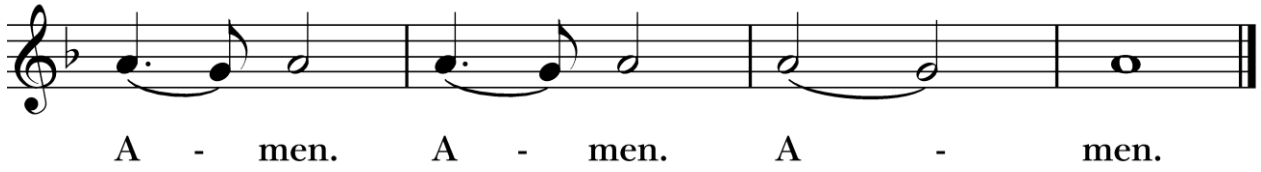
On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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,
All: We remember his death. We proclaim his resurrection. We await his coming in glory;

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 St. Stephen and 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.

The Great Amen **Hymnal S-147**

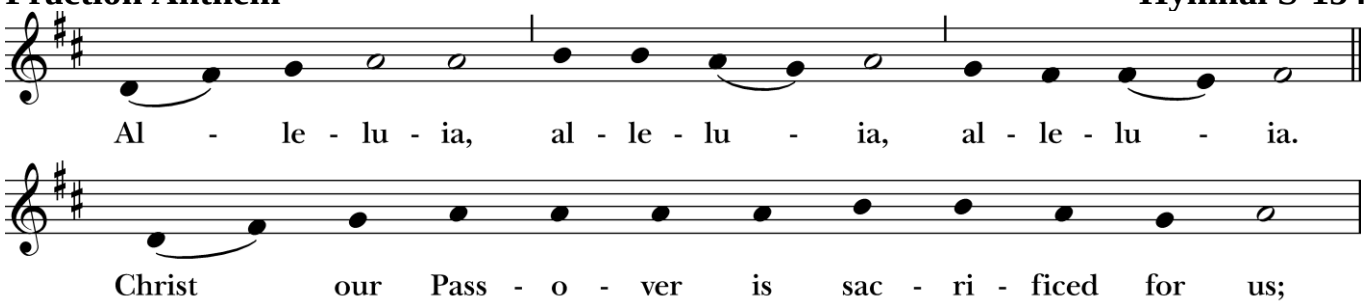


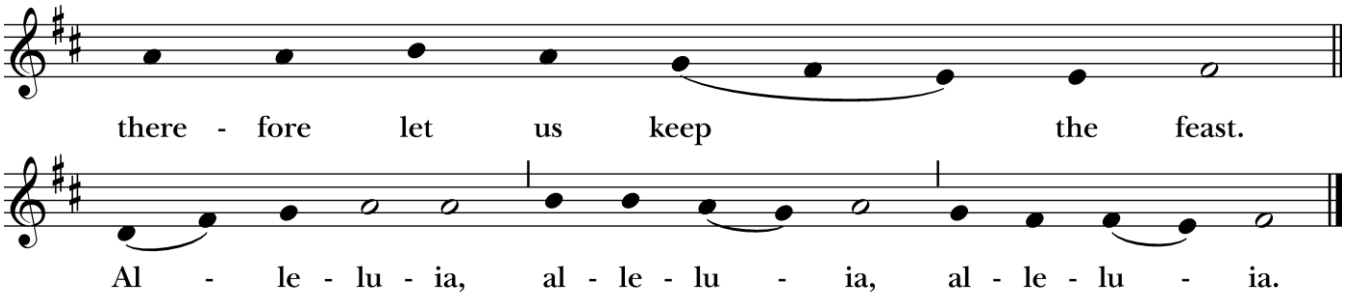
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And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses
As 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
(The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.)

Fraction Anthem **Hymnal S-154**





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Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Behold what you are.
People: May we become what we receive.
(The ministers receive the Sacrament.)

All baptized persons, including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. Wait for an usher to call your pew to come forward. Then you will have the choice of wine from a common cup or a personal chalice. Once at the rail you will be handed a wafer by a priest (gluten-free wafers are available) and then offered wine by a lay server. Receiving the bread alone is a valid way to share in the Eucharist. Parents may decide if their children receive the bread and/or wine or consecrated non-alcoholic wine. Anyone may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest by crossing their arms over their chest.

(The Bread and Cup are given to the communicants with these words…)
The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. Amen.

Communion Hymns Strengthen for service, Lord **Hymnal 312**
From glory to glory advancing **Hymnal 326**

(After Communion, the Celebrant says…)
Let us pray.
All: Eternal Giver of love and life: you have nourished us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and with one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and earth. Now send us into the world with the power of your Spirit, to preach your redeeming love, to do your justice, and to act with courage, in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn Stand up, stand up for Jesus **Hymnal 561**

Dismissal
Deacon: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the Spirit.
People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Lectors: Judy Clemmer, Scott Rauch
Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Barbara Blakistone, Helen Delano, Caroline Robelen
Acolyte: Caroline Robelen
Parking Attendant: Scott Monroe

Please take this bulletin with you and share it with your siblings-in-Christ.
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Please remember in your prayers those who have requested our intercession: Jayne Abrams, Anthony Alexander, Lois Anderson, Sharon Arnold, Barbara, Deborah Blakistone, Tessa Blenman, Rick Breach, Susan Brubaker, Camille, Crawford, Maydell DuBose, Nate Ebeling, Ed, Glenn Elliott, Erica, Sharon Farley, Gerry Fritz, Rosanne Fritz, Susan Garber, Rob Gardner, Ann Garst, Gwen Gilroy, Tel Gilroy, Lizzie Gutekunst, Judith Hoyt, Susanne Knupp, Barry Konkle, Claire Miggins, Fred Miller, Charles Montgomery, Nelson, Stephanie Pasenelli, Chris Penny, Sharyn Peterson, Rachel, Judith Rauch, Rich, Dolores Rizzuto, Lane Schultz, Mike Shaffer, Cindy Shortall, Marty Shortall, Regis Snyder, Rosemary Snyder, Tom, and Dean Wanderer.

Please remember those who are serving our country: Blythe, John, Tyler, and Kenny.

IT'S HAPPENING AT ST. STEPHEN'S

EVERY WEEK:

Saturdays
5 p.m. — Holy Eucharist (Nave)
Sundays
8 a.m. — Contemplative Eucharist (Nave)
9 a.m. — Adult Forum (Bishop's Parlor)
10:15 a.m. — Holy Eucharist (Nave and live on Facebook)
11:15 a.m. — Coffee Hour
1 p.m. — Warming/Cooling Shelter (Undercroft)
Sundays (second and fourth)
10:15 a.m. — Kids Sunday Formation (various classrooms)
Mondays-Saturdays
8:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer (live on Facebook)
Mondays-Fridays
9 p.m. — Compline (dial-in via Zoom)
Mondays
6:45 p.m. — Monday Bible Study (via Zoom)
Wednesdays
Noon — Noonday Prayer (Nave and live on Facebook)
12:30 p.m. — Lunch or Later Food Ministry (outside Cathedral)
7 p.m. — Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Thursdays
12:10 p.m. — Eucharist with Healing (Nave)
Thursdays (second and fourth)
7 p.m. — "Going Deeper" Book Study (Bamboo Room)

• **Morning Prayer** can be accessed via our Facebook page.
• **Compline (Ancient Night Prayer)** can be accessed by calling (301) 715-8592, tapping in Meeting ID 473-817-2249, and pressing the pound (#) sign.

THIS WEEK:

Sunday, Nov. 15
3 p.m. — "What Does It Mean?" Dramatic Reading (Nave)
Thursday, Nov. 19
6:30 p.m. — Vestry Meeting (Bamboo Room)
Saturday, Nov. 21
10 a.m. — Roy Knupp Memorial Service (Nave)

ATTEND 'WHAT DOES IT MEAN?' DRAMATIC READING: More than 50 people have been working on our play to make it a success. This afternoon, we will unveil scenery created by St. Stephen's Episcopal School students under the direction of their art teacher, Tammy Hatcher. No admission; free parking in the garage. Come join us **today** at 3 p.m. in the Nave!

SUPPORT ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL: SSES is once again sponsoring a poinsettia and wreath sale in conjunction with Stauffer's of Kissel Hill. Order forms are available in the back of the Nave. Please return forms and payment to the school (make checks out to "St. Stephen's Episcopal School") by **Tuesday, Nov. 17**. Purchases will be ready to pick up on **Thursday, Dec. 10**. For more information, contact Ruth Graffius at rgraffius@sseschool.org.

DOCTRINE OF DISCOVERY SERIES ANNOUNCED: The Diocese of the Susquehanna Indigenous Justice Ministry Team is launching a series of educational webinars and workshops designed to deepen participants' understanding of the Doctrine of Discovery and its ongoing impact on the Episcopal Church and our communities.
The first webinar, "From Doctrine to Dignity: Moving Toward Right Relationship with Indigenous Peoples through a Process of Truth-Telling and Repair," will be held **Tuesday, Nov. 17**, at 6:30 p.m. Register at https://diosusquehanna.org/event/from-doctrine-to-dignity/.

JOIN US FOR 'LOOKING FOR LIGHT: PSALMS AND PRAYERS FOR THE ADVENT SEASON': Deacon Michael and Brother Clayton will lead a four-week Advent formation series exploring the Psalms and collects appointed for the Sundays of Advent. Together, we will reflect on how these prayers of the Church give voice to our longing, hope, and anticipation as we prepare for the coming of Christ. Gatherings will take place at 9 a.m. beginning **Sunday, Nov. 29** (location to be announced).

VOLUNTEER AT FOOD BANK: Hunger continues to be a serious concern in our community. We have an opportunity to help by packing emergency food boxes for the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank on **Friday, Dec. 4**, from 1 to 3 p.m. If you have the time and would like to volunteer, please contact Greg Penny at pennyhouse@msn.com or (717) 657-3872.

'MUSIC BY THE RIVER' KICKING OFF NEW SEASON: St. Stephen's annual concert series premieres **Saturday, Dec. 5**, at 7:30 p.m. with a free and festive performance by Voices of the Valley. For more information about the entire 2026-27 lineup and how you can become a sponsor, visit www.musicbytheriver.org.

ALL INVITED TO MONDAY ONLINE PRAYERS: The Episcopal Church Center invites all to join an online service each Monday at 11:45 a.m. focusing on the prayers released weekly by the church's Office of Government Relations. The 15-minute service is led by members of the Community of Francis and Clare, a contemporary vowed community of religious siblings within The Episcopal Church and its communion partners, as well as the Anglican Communion. Participants may add intercessions in the chat. Join the meeting via Zoom at: https://zoom.us/j/91927421793?pwd=iLmJlBNIaj8MgPEXsoHcsIdlZ6W3XC.1.

THANK YOU, ST. STEPHEN'S: Church World Service Harrisburg has thanked St. Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral for the bags of lentil beans and rice that we have donated. Since last November, we gave more than 700 bags to stock their food pantry for our immigrant neighbors. Please continue to place bags in the white basket located inside the Cloister door.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR WOMEN'S AND NONBINARY PERSONS' SUNDAY SHELTER: Community Connections needs new socks, gloves, and scarves for our guests. Place donations in the marked basket located by the Cloister door entrance.

BICENTENNIAL: 1826-2026
DEEP ROOTS, STRONG FUTURE

REFLECTIONS ON ST. STEPHEN'S HISTORY

This is the final installment of this series, which was created by Debbie Rohelen, Cathedral Archivist & Bicentennial Committee Member.

Church of England: Harrisburg's Earliest Worshipers

On Tuesday, May 11, 1915, a "Festal Corporate Communion Service" was held at St. Stephen's Church by the Rt. Rev. James Henry Darlington, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Harrisburg. The communion service celebrated both the 10th anniversary of Bishop Darlington's consecration and the formation of the Episcopal Diocese of Harrisburg. Included in the celebration was a pilgrimage, by special cars, to the "Coxestown Shrine."

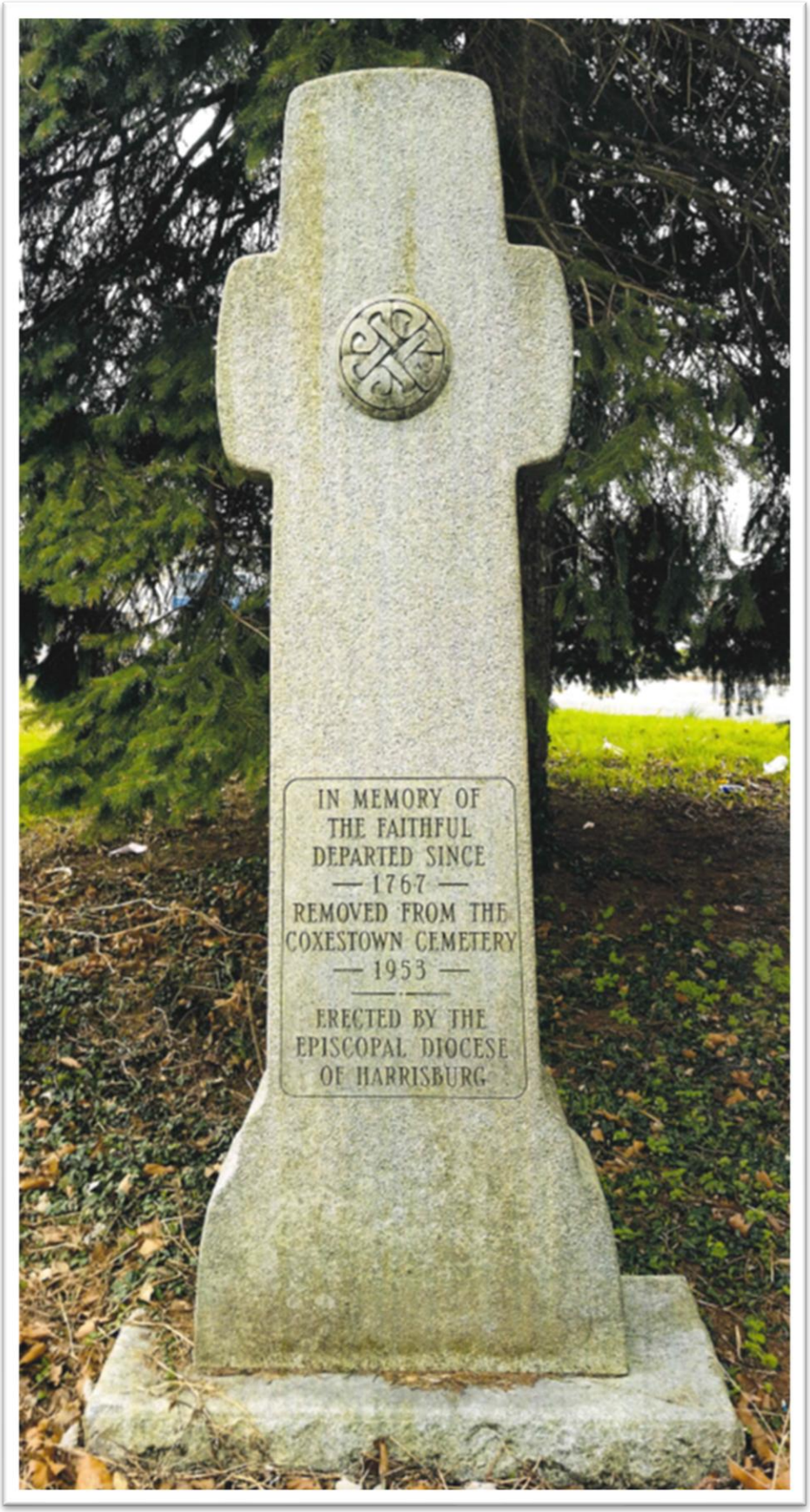
The Coxestown Shrine referred to a large plot of land located just north of Harrisburg. In 1767, John and Esther Cox gave a parcel of land to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. The land was dedicated "for a site for a church and burial ground for a religious society in communion with the established Church of England forever." A log chapel was built and a burial ground was established.

In 1928, Bishop Darlington requested and received the official 1767 Coxestown property deeds from the Church of England. Over time, the log chapel had disappeared and the cemetery suffered from years of abandonment and neglect.

In 1953, the state court approved leveling the site for the construction of the George Wade Bridge and its connecting cloverleaf. The Rt. Rev. John Thomas Heistand, Bishop of Harrisburg, personally supervised local Episcopal clergy in the disinterment of the early worshippers' remains. The names and dates of the deceased were carefully listed by various clergy who painstakingly recorded the information found upon the ancient grave markers. Names included Cox, Bitting, Foulke, Berryhill, Kelker, Shaeffer, Sloane, Welker, Updegrove, Bell, Olewine, Winfield, and many others.

On July 1, 1953, a service was held in the East Harrisburg Cemetery to dedicate a new burial plot. A 7-foot granite cross, visible from the road at 2260 Herr Street, Harrisburg, watches over the sacred remains of those early settlers. The following inscription appears on the official cross of the Church of England:

In Memory of the Faithful Departed Since 1767
Removed from Coxestown Cemetery – 1953
Erected by the Episcopal Diocese of Harrisburg


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