

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit

1305 Thomas Dr, Bellevue, NE 68005



January 1, 2023

9:30 am

Holy Name Sunday

Rite I

WELCOME EVERYONE

If you are our guest today, or are a member who has been away for a while, we are glad you joined us for worship today. Please let us know you are joining us online by leaving a comment, or by emailing us so that we can say thank you.

God Bless
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The Holy Eucharist Rite I

Opening Hymn

O for a Thousand Tongues

Hymnal 493

Welcome

Peace

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

People: **And blessed be his Kingdom, now and for ever.**

Celebrant and People

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.

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Celebrant: Lord, have Mercy

People: **Christ, have mercy**

Celebrant: Lord, have Mercy

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People : **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Lesson: Numbers 6:22-27

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them,

The LORD bless you and keep you;

the LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;

the LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 8

1 O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

2 Out of the mouths of infants and children *
your majesty is praised above the heavens.

3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the avenger.

4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?

- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; *
 you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *
 you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, *
 even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
 and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O LORD our Governor, *
 how exalted is your Name in all the world!

The Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death -- even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Sequence Hymn

To the Name of Our Salvation

Hymnal 248 (v1-2)

The Gospel: Luke 2:15-21

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

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

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Message

Fr Tom

The Nicene Creed *[Please stand]*

Celebrant: Please stand as we confess our faith in the words of the Nicene 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.**

Prayers of the People *[Please kneel or be seated]*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's church and the world.

Almighty and ever living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Justin, the Arch Bishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Scott, our Bishop; Tom, our Priest; Terri, our aspirant for the diaconate, that they may inspire and equip us to plan and work and pray for the growth of the Church. Grant that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially: President Joe Biden, the Governor of the State, Pete Ricketts; and the elected officials of our individual communities that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor those who are ill, shut-in, hospitalized or recovering; especially ____ are there others?

And those with special concerns; especially ____, are there others? and all those who, in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

We ask that you be with the poor and oppressed, the unemployed and destitute, especially those who are hungry, cold, and in need of our help; those imprisoned or held captive, especially those who struggle to survive; and all those who in this life face danger, violence, oppression, or degradation of any kind.

We ask you to watch over all the members of our armed forces, especially those who are deployed, ____: are there any? and all their families, until they are once again reunited in peace. We also ask that you protect all those who are traveling and cannot be with us today, especially; _____ are there others?

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, pray for ____; in the Diocese cycle of prayer, pray for _____, in the DR for _____. In the Parish Cycle of pray the _____ for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

We give thanks for those who are celebrating birthdays this week, especially; ____ are there others? those who are celebrating wedding anniversaries this week, especially _____ are there others? and for those people and occasions that you name at this time:

We also bless thy Holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially _____ are there others? beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints that with them, we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Let us humbly confess our sin unto Almighty God.

Minister and People

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:**

**We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.**

**We do earnestly repent,
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,
the burden of them is intolerable.**

**Have mercy upon us,
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter
serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Minister may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

Almighty God, whose will it is to hold heaven and earth in the peace of your kingdom, give peace to your church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. **Amen**

Offertory Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Hymnal 450

Doxology

Hymnal 380v3

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus

Hymnal S129

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might:

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest

The people kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

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

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, the power and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **There for let us keep the feast. Alleluia,**

Celebrant and People

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Facing the people, the Celebrant offers the following invitation:

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.

Communion

BCP 337

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People may join in saying this prayer

Almighty and ever-living God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

The Blessing

Announcements

Birthday & Anniversary Prayers

Going forth Hymn

Go Tell it On the Mountain

Hymnal 99

The Dismissal

BCP 340

WEEKLY MINISTRY TEAMS			
Ministries		Jan 1	Jan 8
VPOD		Cindy P	Judy D
Hospitality		Team 2	Team 3
Altar Guild		Team 1	Team 2
Altar Bread		Leslie N	Leslie N
LEMs	5:00 pm	Alberta Y	Alberta Y
	8:00 am	Ken G	Doug A
	9:30 am	Michele H Terri S	Lori E Vince C
Recycle		Jan S	Marcia A
Acolytes 9:30 am	C T T	LEM	Anika S Vincent C Evelynn C

Birthday/Anniversary Prayers

Birthday Prayer: O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on *this* your servant, as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness, all the days of *their* life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversary Prayer: O gracious and ever living God, look mercifully on these who have been joined together. Grant them your blessing, and assist them with your grace, that with fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep their promises and vows; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Birthdays:

Karen G
Monika M
Kayla B
Akoi M
Leland H
Patrick H
Mawut M

Anniversaries:



This Week's Highlights

Office Closed: The office will be closed on Mon (2 Jan) to give our staff a short holiday break.

Mid-Week Eucharist: There will be no Wednesday morning in-person Eucharist on 4 Jan. Fr. Tom invites you to join him for Morning Prayer live on Facebook at 9:30am instead.

Journeys & Sunday School Break: Our Journeys youth group will resume meeting on Wed (4 Jan). Our Sunday school will resume on Sun (8 Jan).

2022 Giving: To allow for closure of 2022 financials, any checks received after Mon (9 Jan) will be entered as 2023 giving regardless of check date.

End of year reports: Ministry Team leaders are asked to begin finalizing your end of year ministry reports for inclusion in the parish annual report. All reports should be submitted to the office by Sun (15 Jan). Any questions, please contact the church office.

Suicide Prevention: Our Journeys ministry invites anyone who wishes to attend to join us on Wed (18 Jan) beginning at 6:30pm. Following dinner, at 7pm, Jennifer Moffett will lead our youth in a discussion on warning signs and what we can do for ourselves, or for others who may be struggling. Please sign-up at the Spirit Hub to let us know you are coming so we can plan accordingly.

Youth Group Bingo: Youth 10-18 are invited to join our Journeys youth on Wed (25 Jan) for a night of fun, food, and prizes. Please sign up at the Spirit Hub to let us know you are coming so we can plan accordingly.

Valentine's Extravaganza: Tickets go on sale Sun (22 Jan) for our 10 Feb adults only event. Enjoy dinner, bingo, and more during this festive event. Cost per person is \$12.50. For tickets, or more information, please see Sharon Jones during coffee hour.

2023 Directory: Please stop by the Spirit Hub to verify your directory information. Initial when checked and update as needed. If you wish to update your family picture, please let Fr. Tom know.