

January 28, 2024 9am & 11am



Prelude

Welcome and Preparation for Worship

Processional Hymn



Call to Worship

Shout for joy to the Lord! Let us worship the Lord with gladness.

Let us come before Him with joyful songs. For He is good, and His love endures forever!

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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.

Come let us worship the Lord; Let His Name be praised among the people.

Song of Praise



Collect of the Day

The Lord be with You. **And Also with you.** Let us pray.

O God, you know that we are set in the midst of many grave dangers, and because of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant that your strength and protection may support us in all dangers and carry us through every temptation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

(please be seated)

Psalm Reading- Psalm 119: 9-18

⁹How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word. ¹⁰I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. ¹¹I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. ¹²Praise be to you, O Lord; teach me your decrees. ¹³With my lips I recount all the laws that come from your mouth. ¹⁴I rejoice in following your statutes as one rejoices in great riches. ¹⁵I meditate on your precepts and consider your ways. ¹⁶I delight in your decrees; I will not neglect your word. ¹⁷Do good to your servant, and I will live; I will obey your word. ¹⁸Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading - Acts 17:10-12

¹⁰As soon as it was night, the brothers sent Paul and Silas away to Berea. On arriving there, they went to the Jewish synagogue. ¹¹Now the Bereans were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true. ¹²Many of the Jews believed, as did also a number of prominent Greek women and many Greek men.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn (please stand)

"Speak O Lord"

Verse 1

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

Verse 2

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 power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Gospel Reading - Matthew 7:24-27

The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²⁴"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. ²⁶But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ²⁷The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

"Speak O Lord" (continued)

Verse 3

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

Sermon Acts 17:10-12

Rev. David Drake, Rector

The Apostle's Creed

(please stand)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(please sit or kneel)

Prayers of the People

Father, thank You for Your great love for us and for hearing Your people when we pray.

Please help every member of Your Church family to truly know and humbly serve You; **That Your Name may be known and glorified by all people.**

We pray for Archbishop Foley Beach, Bishop Chris Warner, and for all leaders and ministers in the Church; That we may be faithful ministers of the Gospel and humble servants of Your people.

We pray for Church of the Redeemer in Camden, NC; the Falls Church Anglican in Falls Church, VA; and ChurchOne in Towson, MD; **That You would guide, strengthen, and sustain the churches in our diocese and in Baltimore.**

We pray for the work of our ministry partners: Anglican Relief & Development; and BeTransformed House; That You would equip and bless them to fulfill their mission, serve Your people, and build Your kingdom.

We pray for our service men and women: That they may serve You with courage and be brought safely home.

Let us now pray for our own needs and those of others, and give thanks for the blessings of this life, either silently or aloud.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of Your people, and strengthen us to do Your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor, beginning with silent, personal confession.

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.

Absolution and Peace

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.**

(please stand)

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

Please greet one another with the peace of Christ.

Announcements

Offertory

Doxology (please stand)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

(please sit or kneel)

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer You these gifts. Sanctify them by Your Holy Spirit to be for Your people the Body and Blood of Your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life we have through faith in Him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve You in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all Your saints into the joy of Your eternal kingdom. 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 forever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, Alleluia!

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 be seated)

All who desire prayer for yourself or someone else are welcome to proceed around the back of the altar area to the chapel to pray with a trained prayer team during communion or after the service.

Communion Music



"Jesus Draw Me Close"

Jesus, draw me close, closer, Lord to You. Let the world around me fade away. Jesus, draw me close, closer Lord to You; For I desire to worship and obey.

"How Can I Keep From Singing"

Verse 1

My life flows on in endless song; Above earth's lamentation, I hear the sweet, though far-off hymn, That hails a new creation, Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing, It finds an echo in my soul, How can I keep from singing?

Verse 2

What though my joys and comforts die? I know my Savior liveth. What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth. No storm can shake my inmost calm, While to that refuge clinging, Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, How can I keep from singing?

Verse 3

I lift my eyes, the cloud grows thin, I see the blue above it, And day by day this pathway smooths, Since first I learned to love it, The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, A fountain ever springing, For all things are mine since I am his, How can I keep from singing?

"Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"

Verse 1

Holy Spirit living Breath of God
Breathe new life into my willing soul
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole
Cause Your word to come alive in me
Give me faith for what I cannot see
Give me passion for Your purity
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

Verse 2

Holy Spirit come abide within
May Your joy be seen in all I do
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin
In each thought and deed and attitude
Kindness to the greatest and the least
Gentleness that sows the path of peace
Turn my strivings into works of grace
Breath of God show Christ in all I do

Verse 3

Holy Spirit from creation's birth
Giving life to all that God has made
Show Your power once again on earth
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways
Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see

Post Communion Prayer & Blessing

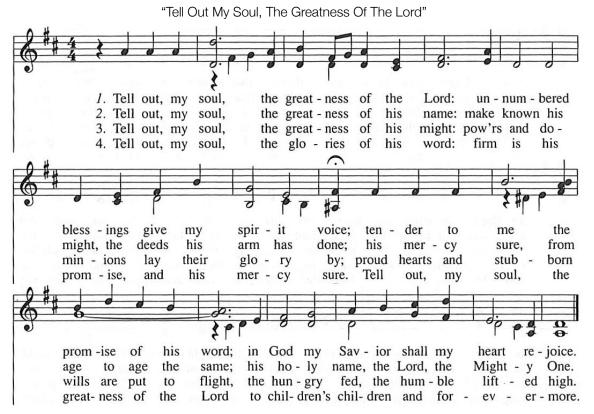
(please stand)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, You have graciously accepted us as living members of Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and You have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve You with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Now go forth into the world in peace. Be on your guard; hold fast to that which is good. Stand firm in the faith; Render no one evil for evil. Strengthen the weak, comfort the afflicted. Be courageous; Do everything in love. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Closing Hymn



Dismissal

Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Annemarie Dickerson Michael Sherman

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues 1/30: ResWomen Lunch Bunch, 11:30am Wed 1/31: HUM Dinner Service w/FaithWorks, 4:45pm

Wed 1/31: Worship Night, 7:00pm Sun 2/4: ResConnect, after both services Mon 2/5: Prayer Course, 7:00pm

Wed 2/7: ResWomen Duckpin Bowling, 4:45-6:00pm Tue 2/13: Pancake Day Celebration, 6:00-8:00pm Wed 2/14: Ash Wednesday Services, 12:00pm and 7:00pm More information and registrations at resbalt.org

FIRST COMMUNION (1st-6th Grades)

Classes Sundays, 12:30–2:30pm, 2/18, 2/25, and 3/3 First Communion Sunday March 24 Register at resbalt.org/firstcommunion

STUDENT CONFIRMATION (7th Grade and Above)

Classes Wednesday 2/7, 7pm-8pm and during Living Classrooms: 2/21 - 3/20 Confirmation Sunday April 28 Register at resbalt.org/confirmation

MINISTRY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT | BeTransformed House

BE Transformed is a home in the Belair-Edison community in Baltimore City that provides a safe place for children and their families to come learn about and experience the radical love of Jesus through play, art, Bible study, tutoring, and provision. Visit Michelle Chase, BeTransformed Director, at the Ministry Corner in the Commons following today's services and learn more at, www.betransformedbaltimore.com.

GIVING UPDATE:

December 2023

Income: \$245,805 | Expense: \$148,623 | Balance: \$97,182 operational surplus

Fiscal Year-To-Date (July 1-December 31)

Income: \$802,822| Expense: \$742,343 | Balance: \$60,479 operational surplus

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