The Church of the Holy Trinity Rittenhouse Square

Third Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II



June 9, 2024

What's Happening This Week:

Morning Prayer is held every weekday at 9:00 am on Facebook.

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sunday, June 9	9:30 am 11:00 am 4:30 pm	Adult Education Holy Eucharist – 3 rd Sunday after Pentecost Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Church Church Centennial Room
Monday, June 10	Front Doors Closed - Parish Office Open		
Tuesday, June 11	10:00-3:00 4:30 pm 6-9 pm	Front Doors Open Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing Event Rehearsal (closed to public)	Centennial Room Church
Wednesday, June 12	10:00-3:00 10:00 am	Front Doors Open Staff Meeting	Parish House
Thursday, June 13	10:00-3:00 12:15 pm 4-6 pm	Front Doors Open Healing Eucharist Event Rehearsal (closed to public)	Church Church
Saturday, June 15	12-3 pm 7:00 pm	Private Rental Miss Sobriety Pageant 2024	Church Church
Sunday, June 16	11:00 am 4:30 pm	Morning Prayer – 4 th Sunday after Pentecost Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Church Centennial Room

TODAY'S PARTICIPANTS

Andy Gutknecht & Brian Felty, Lectors
Thomas Lipscomb, Intercessor
Boyden Gardner, Streaming
Martha Lipscomb, Usher
Jeannie Welsh, Refreshments

Welcome! We are glad you are with us today.

Our Vivid Vision

This was created in 2022 in collaboration with the Rectors, Wardens & Vestry and is intended to describe where we will be in 3 years.

The church is bursting with life. Outside the building, people are talking, resting, and enjoying the weather. Inside, people are coming and going – staff and volunteers connecting and welcoming. Families, students, working professionals, retirees and neighbors mingle with each other, finding resources they need: safety and support, education, and creative outlets. Visitors and members alike find a place to make a difference and share their gifts with each other. The smell of delicious food wafts through the air as the chefs prepare the community meal for the day. Visitors from all over the world are marveling at the beautiful interior of the sanctuary. Worshippers are laughing, singing, praising, and just enjoying being together. The delicate sounds of violin mingle with the robust organ and the echoes of voices. We are more than just a place on the Square. We are an integral part of the neighborhood.

Core Values

Inclusion/Welcome

We believe that no one should feel left out or alone. We embrace our differences and respect each person within our community. This allows everyone to bring their unique and authentic gifts to further the mission of the church.

Innovation

We are not afraid of trying new things or changing when necessary. If things do not work out, we are open to re-evaluate, learn from our mistakes, and try again.

Collaboration

We listen to and support one another, working and evolving together. We build upon each other's strengths and lift up each other's gifts.

Community Mindedness

Church is not an individual endeavor, but a community experience. We believe that we cannot each succeed or be whole, unless everyone finds success and wholeness.

Culture

Joyful

We are hopeful, optimistic, and have fun together. Being part of this community gives us joy, and our joy spreads to others and makes us want to share joy with them.

Fearless

We are innovative, purposeful and adaptable. We believe that with God all things are possible and that with prayer and connection to God we will always have enough. We are not afraid of trying new things or of failing. We learn from our mistakes. We reach out to others drawing them in, not waiting for them to find us.

Embracing

We love others, because God loves us. This means that we are accepting, welcoming, open, genuine, and empathetic. We speak the truth in love.

Engaged

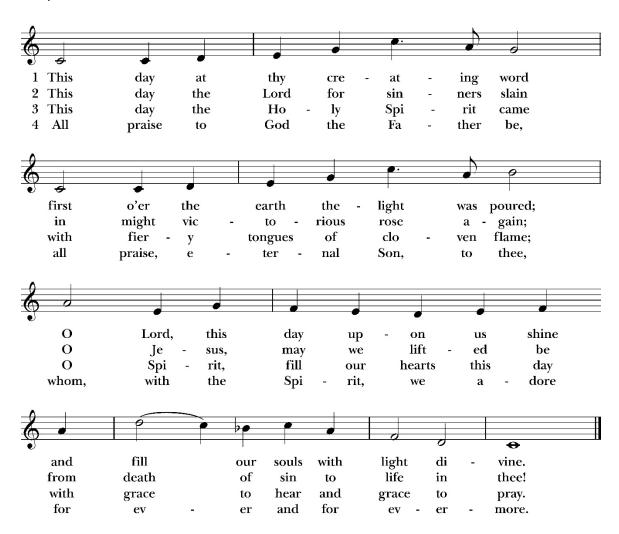
Our connection to this organization is full of energy. We give without expectation of return. We continuously learn about the community and our neighbors and adapt our connections as needed. We all contribute our time, money and skills to make our community better.

Welcome & Parish Notices

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Entrance Hymn 52

Rushford



Opening Acclamation

Presider

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

People 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.**



The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; 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.

THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson: 1 Samuel 8:4-20, 11:14-15

Andy Gutknecht

Reader A reading from the prophet Samuel:

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. He will take your male and female servants, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work.

He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his servants. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day."

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles."

Samuel said to the people, "Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship." So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the Lord in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the Lord, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 138 Confitebor tibi

Each side of the congregation takes a verse, starting with house right.

- Right ¹ I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; * before the gods I will sing your praise.
- Left ² I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, * because of your love and faithfulness;
- Right ³ For you have glorified your Name * and your word above all things.
- Left ⁴ When I called, you answered me; * you increased my strength within me.
- Right ⁵ All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, * when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- Left ⁶ They will sing of the ways of the Lord, * that great is the glory of the Lord.
- Right ⁷ Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; * he perceives the haughty from afar.
- Left ⁸ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; * you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

Right ⁹ The Lord will make good his purpose for me; *
O Lord, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Brian Felty

Reader A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians:

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

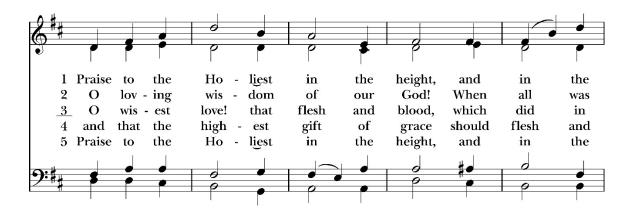
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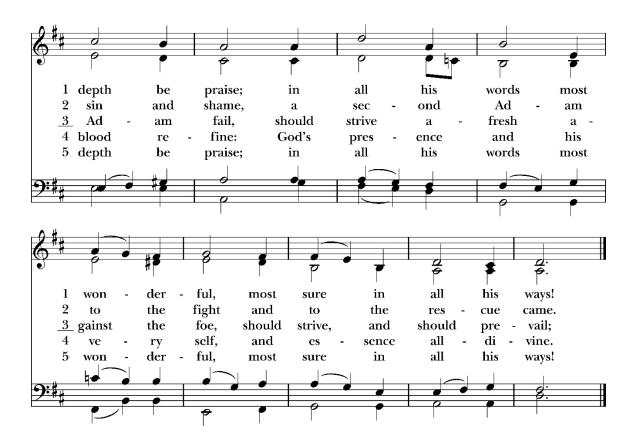
Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

Sequence Hymn 446

Newman





The Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

Celebrant

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Celebrant

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Rachel Wenner Gardner

Following the sermon, the People stand to confess the Creed.

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 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 People, Form IV

Thomas Lipscomb

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

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;

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 Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Daniel, our Bishop; and for all bishops

and other ministers;

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray for those who

have asked for our prayers, especially Kathy, Sam, Peter, Barbara, Linda, Don, John, Marie, Catherine, Julia, Matthew, Jamie, Diana, Steve, David, Doris, Judy, Alex & Nolan, Brian, Paula, Jon, Bob, Ramona, Jim & Joann, The Harty Family,

Gwynette, and those we now wish to add...

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. For all who are celebrating

birthdays and anniversaries this week. For those who are graduating. For our

family and friends. For all the people we love.

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, that they may have a place in your eternal

kingdom.

Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

Presider: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

a brief moment of silence is observed

Confession of Sin

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.

Absolution

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.

A Note about the Peace:

All are invited to connect with their neighbors to share the Peace of Christ with them, which is reconciliation at its most intimate and reflects of Jesus' gift to us at Easter. There are many ways for us to reach out to each other - shake hands, offer fist or elbow bumps, wave or flash the peace sign to each other, smile, nod or bow – check your neighbor's comfort. It's not about how we connect. It's about taking the time to reach out to the people around us and making a connection.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Presider

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. 2 Cor 4:16

O How Amiable

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Anthem

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: Even thy altars O Lord of hosts, my king and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: They will be always praising thee.

The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us. O prosper thou our handy work.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

The People stand at the invitation of the Celebrant.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C

Celebrant May God 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 One who created us.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant God of all power, Sustainer of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you forever and ever.

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space,

galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island

home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us

with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant

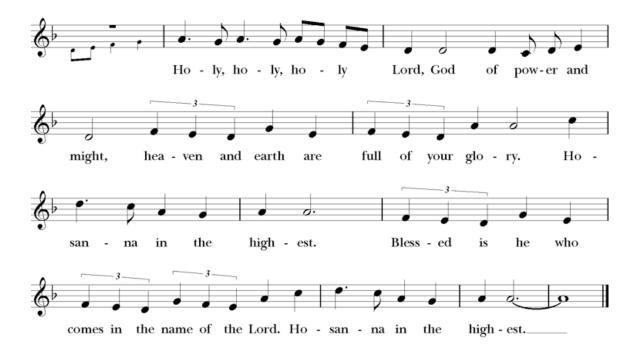
Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of Mary his mother, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus S-129



Celebrant

And so, Most Gracious God, we who have been redeemed by Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, our Savior. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant God of our kindred and their generation: God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; Sarah, Rebecca, Hannah and Deborah; God and Father of our Savior Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let this grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in your Son's name.

People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, O God, Most Merciful, though Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

All AMEN.

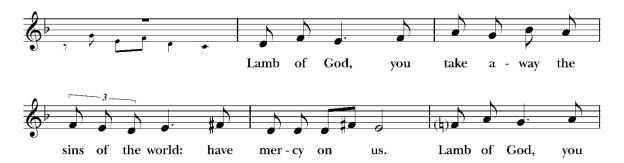
The Lord's Prayer

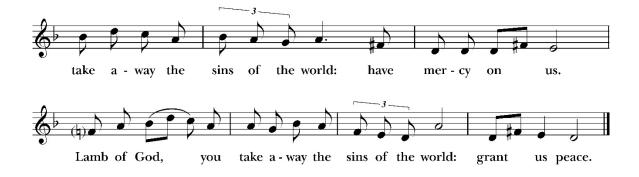
Celebrant And now, as our Savior Jesus Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei S-163





Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God - Holy Food for Holy People.

Please be seated.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

The following prayer may be prayed silently by those not receiving communion or those who are at home.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

Distribution of Communion

If you wish to receive communion, please follow the directions of the ushers and form two lines in the center aisle. There will be two stations for bread and wine in front of the altar rail. We will bring communion to those who are more comfortable staying in their pew (please alert an usher). If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing, please let the priest know.

Communion Motet

O Taste and See

Vaughan Williams

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

Communion Hymn 383

St. Elizabeth





Following the hymn, all stand as able.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

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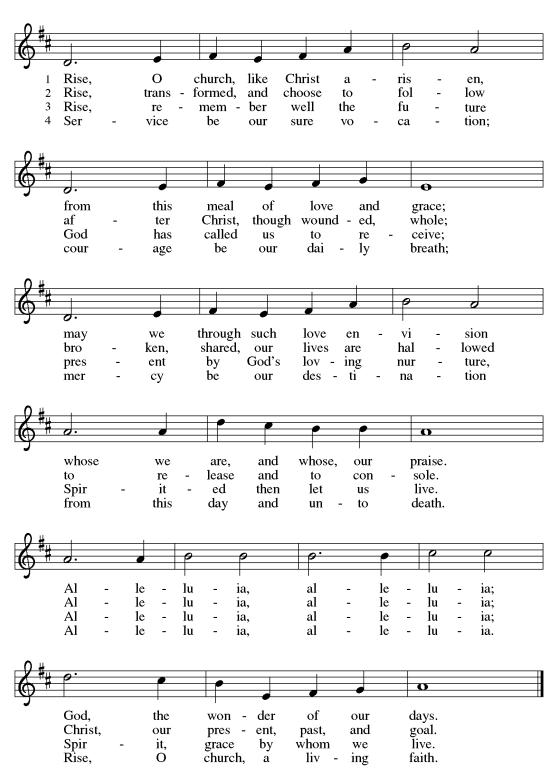
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness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

The Blessing

Celebrant The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal Hymn continues on the following page.

Dismissal Hymn Surge Ecclesia



The Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Healing Prayer – all who wish to receive prayers for healing for themselves, a loved one or even the world, are invited to john a member of the clergy and/or the healing team in the Prayer Corner (to the right of the altar area) after the service.

About this service...

Service: Everything you need for the service is in this bulletin. If you have questions or need assistance, please ask one of the ushers (who handed you this bulletin) or a neighbor in your pew.

Children are always welcome in our worship service and we love to hear their joyful sounds and see their wiggly ways! We have books for all ages and activity bags in the back for children who wish to stay with their families during the service. We also have the "Pew Pen" in the front of the church for those we need a little more space to move around.

Restrooms are located at the front of the church. Walk down the left aisle toward the door with the EXIT sign. Go through the door and turn left. Men's room is straight ahead, women's to the right. If you prefer a gender-neutral bathroom, please ask our ushers to show you where this is.

Offering: The offerings we give help to support to work this church does, the people who work here, and our programs for the neighborhood. If you wish to help support our amazing programs, you can put something in the plate, text CHT DONATE to 73256 or using the QR code to the right. You can also sign up to give weekly with REALM (www.htrit.org/give).



Communion: All who are baptized in any Christian tradition are welcome to join us for communion (all ages are welcome). If you prefer a blessing, please let one of the clergy know. We will share the bread and wine at the altar rail at the front of the church. Gluten free wafers are available. If you are unable to come to the front, or prefer to stay in your pew we will bring communion to you.

Adult Education

Join us each week at 9:30 am in the back of the church.

June 16 - no class

June 23 - July 28 contemplative prayer through the Psalms

Volunteer Opportunities



Open Hearts Café, our weekly meal and clothing service for our neighbors, is always open for volunteers and donations. Gently used clothing, especially coats, jeans, and shoes, and new socks, underwear and under garments are always needed!

Sign up to volunteer: https://tinyurl.com/OpenHeartsCafeSignUp



JOIN THE

An anonymous donor has challenged the community to raise match their donation of \$5,000 for Open Hearts Café. Scan the QR Code to join the challenge!

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