

**JANUARY 29, 2023**

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

# THE BEATITUDES WELCOME



*We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us today!*

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

### OPENING WORSHIP SONG

### ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. 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.**

### WORSHIP SONG

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Let us pray.

**Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## READING OF THE WORD

### MICAH 6:1-8

Listen to what the Lord says:

<sup>1</sup>“Stand up, plead my case before the mountains;  
let the hills hear what you have to say.

<sup>2</sup>“Hear, you mountains, the Lord’s accusation;  
listen, you everlasting foundations of the earth.  
For the Lord has a case against his people;  
he is lodging a charge against Israel.

<sup>3</sup>“My people, what have I done to you?  
How have I burdened you? Answer me.

<sup>4</sup> I brought you up out of Egypt  
and redeemed you from the land of slavery.  
I sent Moses to lead you,  
also Aaron and Miriam.

<sup>5</sup> My people, remember  
what Balak king of Moab plotted  
and what Balaam son of Beor answered.  
Remember your journey from Shittim to Gilgal,  
that you may know the righteous acts of the Lord.”

<sup>6</sup> With what shall I come before the Lord  
and bow down before the exalted God?  
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,  
with calves a year old?



**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**A LOVING COMMUNITY, INSPIRING OTHERS THROUGH WORSHIP AND SERVICE TO FOLLOW JESUS CHRIST**

<sup>7</sup>Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with ten thousand rivers of olive oil?

Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

<sup>8</sup>He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.

And what does the Lord require of you?

To act justly and to love mercy

and to walk humbly with your God.

## PSALM 15

<sup>1</sup> Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?  
**who may abide upon your holy hill?**

<sup>2</sup> Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right,  
**who speaks the truth from his heart.**

<sup>3</sup> There is no guile upon his tongue;  
he does no evil to his friend;  
**he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.**

<sup>4</sup> In his sight the wicked is rejected,  
**but he honors those who fear the Lord.**

<sup>5</sup> He has sworn to do no wrong  
**and does not take back his word.**

<sup>6</sup> He does not give his money in hope of gain,  
**nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.**

<sup>7</sup> Whoever does these things  
**shall never be overthrown.**

## 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-31

<sup>18</sup> For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

<sup>19</sup> For it is written:

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise;  
the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.”

<sup>20</sup> Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup> For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup> Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, <sup>23</sup> but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup> but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup> For the foolishness of God is wiser

than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

<sup>26</sup> Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup> But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. <sup>28</sup> God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, <sup>29</sup> so that no one may boast before him. <sup>30</sup> It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.

<sup>31</sup> Therefore, as it is written: “Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL SONG

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

### Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup> And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup> “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup> “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup> “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup> “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup> “Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup> “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup> “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup> “Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup> “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

<sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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

## SERMON

The Rev. Jonathan Percival

### 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

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For this city Osprey, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

*The People may add their own petitions.*

In the communion of all saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.  
**To thee, O Lord our God.**

### PRAYER FOR DISCERNMENT

Great God,

We thank You and praise You for the blessings and grace You have given Church of the Holy Spirit from the beginning. Father, use this season to be a time of healing, repentance, and surrender. Search our hearts and renew our minds to be open to hear Your voice and do Your will.

May we go with You God, as You take us places where we must trust You alone. May we be faithful in worship and in prayer as we deepen our own walk with You as Lord and Savior.

God give us Your wisdom and discernment as You reveal Your plans to us. Send us Your priest who will shepherd us in the journey to do Your will.

Our church will be a loving community, inspiring others through worship and service to follow Jesus Christ, if we participate with You.

We thank You Lord, for Your love and the plans You have for Church of the Holy Spirit.

In Jesus name, Amen

## CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence*

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.

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.

## SHARING PEACE

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

## OFFERTORY

## HOLY COMMUNION

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son 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:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior  
Christ has 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,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. 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.

### COMMUNION SONGS

### CLOSING PRAYER

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.

### COMMISSION OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BLESSING

### CLOSING WORSHIP SONG

### DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Thanks be to God.



## THE WEEK AHEAD JANUARY 29-FEBRUARY 4

<b>SUN</b>	<b>29</b>	Holy Eucharist   10:00 am   In Person & Online <b>No Coffee Hour</b> <b>Annual Meeting &amp; Lunch</b>   After Service, Fulton Hall
<b>WED</b>	<b>1</b>	Morning Prayer   10:00 am   In Person & Online
<b>THU</b>	<b>2</b>	Garden Team   9:00 am Reunion Group – Cursillo   5:30 pm Zoom Video Call
<b>FRI</b>	<b>3</b>	Group Prayer   10:00 am   Conference Call
<b>SAT</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>No Man Up</b> Night of Worship, Healing Prayer & Praise Night   6:00 pm   In Person & Online



## JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING

TODAY AFTER THE SERVICE

PLEASE MAKE EVERY ATTEMPT TO ATTEND THIS MEETING TO HEAR A REVIEW OF 2022 AND TO LOOK FORWARD TO THE PLANS FOR 2023. LUNCH PROVIDED.

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Garden Team**  
**Thursdays at 9:00 am**  
 Join us as we tend to the landscaping needs of the church. No experience necessary! Contact Sandy Kreidler at 941-365-4246 if you are available to help.



**Reunion Group – Cursillo**  
**Thursdays at 5:30 pm, Zoom Video Call**  
 This group offers personal time for prayer and sharing of life's joys and sorrows, as well as accountability to Christ's call for study, piety and action. Contact Sally Allen at 413-822-1160 for details.



**Group Prayer**  
**Fridays at 10:00 am, Conference Call**  
**Dial 717-908-1923, Code 974309#**  
 Join us as we pray for the search of a new rector, personal needs, Ukraine, our country, and social issues of the day. Contact Joanne Bradshaw at 941-408-4856 for details.



**No Man Up in February**  
 We will let you now when this group will meet again.



**Night of Worship**  
**Healing Prayer & Praise Night**  
**Saturday, February 4 at 6:00 pm**  
**In Person & Facebook**  
 Come rest in God's presence; use the time to focus your prayers, seek healing for your life, and be freshly anointed by the Holy Spirit. Scott Gardner will be leading worship.

## UPCOMING EVENTS CONTINUED



**Women's Breakfast Club**  
**Monday, February 6 at 9:00 am**  
 Share prayers, fellowship and discussion on women's issues. Meet at Eggstraordinary Breakfast & Lunch Cafe, 2282 Tamiami Tr. North, Nokomis. Annabell Edwards will lead the discussion. Contact Sally Allen at 413-822-1160 for details.

## THE FATHER'S VALENTINE

A Day of Reflection at Lift Church  
**Saturday, February 11 • 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.**

**\$35 • Includes Continental Breakfast, Lunch and Signed Copy of the Book**

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## HOW ARE WE DOING FINANCIALLY?

	December 2022	Year-to-Date / Jan-Dec
Income:	\$ 20,799	\$ 192,840
Expenses:	\$ 14,189	\$ 174,136
Difference:	\$ + 6,610	\$ +18,704

### WAYS TO GIVE:

In Person • Online Via CHS Website • Mail

## THE CHURCH IN PRAYER

### PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAISE REPORTS

*If you have a prayer to be added to this list or you would like to be added to our email prayer chain, call the office or email [prayers@chsosprey.com](mailto:prayers@chsosprey.com).*

- Healing for Laura's sister-in-law, Shirley, from cancer and chemo treatments. Strength for Laura and Bill as they walk with her.
  - Safety and provision for those affected by the flooding and mudslides in California. Prayers for the families of people who died or were injured.
  - Prayers for Bob, Patty, and Kathy. "Fruits of the Spirit."
  - Full healing for Sandee Petway.
  - Recovery and healing for Chuck & Kathy.
  - Full healing for Vicki & Marilyn.
  - Total healing for Pam's brother, Rick, as he continues to heal.
  - Prayers for Marilyn that she may sleep at night.
  - Salvation for Deb's sister, Karen. Also, that she will find a house to buy.
  - Salvation and complete healing for Lee's friend, Julie. We bind up death and speak Holy Spirit Life into her entire being! Thank you Lord for the answer.
  - Comfort and provisions for those affected by the blizzards and snow storms.
  - For my fiancé and me to get married soon to honor God. Full recovery from surgery.
- Healing for Karen's brothers, Danny and Mitch.
  - Complete healing for Joanne. Thank you Jesus.
  - Healing for Donna and June.
  - Comfort for friends and family members of Paula. May she rest in peace.
  - Prayers for Marj's back. The doctors have tried everything and she is in a lot of pain. Please pray for her faith to be stirred up.
  - Healing prayers for Christine's sister, Mary Jane, dealing with breast cancer.
  - Healing mental illness.
  - Prayers for caregivers.
  - Comfort and peace for Andrea and her family as they care for her mother-in-law dealing with cancer.
  - Continue to pray for CHS and that we will be strong and faithful throughout this search process.
  - Continued healing for Sandy's friend, Kathy.
  - Prayers for The Reverend Dr. Douglas Scharf as he begins his calling to be the Sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Southwest Florida.
  - Continued prayers for an end to the Russia/Ukraine war.



*"But to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength."*

– 1 Corinthians 1:24-25



## CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Nancy Lihan, Music Worship Leader



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