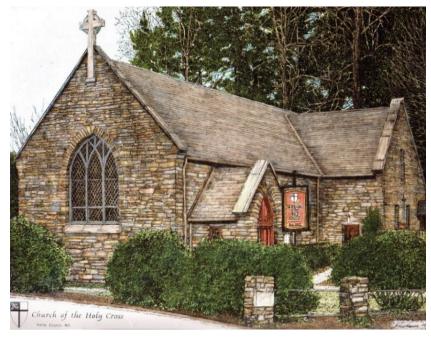
The Church of the Holy Cross Valle Crucis, North Carolina



The Episcopal Church in the Vale of the Cross Since 1842

The Third Sunday After the Epiphany January 22, 2023

Holy Eucharist, Rite II 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Masks are recommended for all attendees, especially if unvaccinated.

The Hymnody and Music noted in this leaflet is offered at the 11 AM service only.

Welcome Home to Holy Cross!

It is our privilege to worship with you this morning! Please know that all baptized Christians regardless of Church denomination, and all who seek a deeper knowledge and love of God in Christ are most welcome to receive the bread and wine of the Holy Eucharist.

Children are most welcome and encouraged to participate in all services at Holy Cross. Rocking chairs have been provided for caregivers with infants.

If this is your first time at Holy Cross, please complete a *Visitor Card* and let us know about your visit, especially if you have a specific need or prayer request. Visitor Cards are found in the pew racks. If you would like additional information about our many ministries and activities, speak to one of our Ushers or Greeters, or stop by Skiles Hall during the fellowship hour that follows each service. We would be happy to speak with you in person.

If you would like to make a financial offering or contribution, you can do so by scanning this QR Code or via our website at www.holycrossvallecrucis.net



For those visiting this morning please know that it is the custom in The Episcopal Church to prepare for worship by gathering in reverent silence and prayer, and during the worship service, stand for praise, sit for instruction, and, as you are able, kneel for prayer. Please respect the devotional needs of others by turning off cellular telephones and electronic devices, and by speaking with hushed voices.

Again, Welcome Home to Holy Cross! And may God's peace enfold you.

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Holy Eucharist, Rite II The Word of God

Prelude: Variations on "Land of Rest" Shearing/Cherwien

Greetings and Announcements

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Processional Hymn: #381 "Thy Strong Word Did Cleave the Darkness" Ton-y

Ton-y-Botel

Opening Acclamation:

BCP 355

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

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

The Collect for Purity:

BCP 355

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.

People: Amen.

The Gloria:

"A Song of Praise"

(Spoken at 8:30; Sung at 11:00 as #<u>S-236</u>)

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

The Collect of the Day:

The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

(All are <u>seated</u> for the readings from Scripture.)

The First Lesson: Isaiah 9:1-4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness--on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. *People:* Thanks be to God.

(Time for silent reflection follows the reading.)

The Response:

Psalm 27:1, 5-13

Dominus illuminatio

(Prayed responsively at 8:30 as noted in **bold** type; Sung at 11:00)



- The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I / fear? * the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be a-/fraid?
- One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I / seek; * that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my / life;

Continued...



- To behold the fair beauty of the / LORD * and to seek him in his / temple.
- For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his / shelter; * he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a / rock.
- Even now he lifts up my / head * above my enemies round a-/bout me.
- Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great / gladness; *
 I will sing and make music to the / LORD.
- Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I / call; * have mercy on me and / answer me.
- You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my / face." * Your face, LORD, / will I seek.
- Hide not your face / from me, * nor turn away your servant in dis-/pleasure.
- You have been my helper; cast me not a-/way; * do not forsake me, O God of my sal-/vation.

The Second Lesson:

I Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

> Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

(Time for silent reflection follows the reading.)

The Gradual Hymn: #490 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Houston

The Holy Gospel:

Matthew 4:12-23

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned."

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon:

A time of silence follows the Sermon. Please remain seated until the Altar Ministers stand.

The Rev. R. Allan McCaslin

The Nicene Creed: BCP 358

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.

All now kneel for the prayers as they are able.

The Prayers of the People:

Form VI

BCP 392

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

Silence is kept.

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 Joseph, our President; for Roy, our Governor; for all elected officials; 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: We pray for those who have asked for prayers, for those in harm's way, for the

unemployed, the lonely, for those who are sick, or in need, and those whom we

name aloud at this time: The people speak the names of those on their hearts.

The Leader concludes saying,

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: In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of North India (United).

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Chapel of Christ the King,

Craggy Correctional Center, Asheville; and all other prison ministries.

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 Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, José,

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 travel this week, especially Angela,

We pray for the grace to demonstrate in our words and deeds the Five Marks of Mission of the Anglican Communion, especially "To teach, baptize and nurture

new believers."

I invite your prayers of intercession either silently or aloud.

The People add their own petitions.

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We give thanks for Terry Jordan, John Persad, Jeff Williams, and all who celebrate birthdays this week; and for Gene & Bev Sulzberger, and all who celebrate wedding anniversaries.

We give thanks for those who serve on the *Finance Committee*, and for all the ministries and activities of this parish, and pray God's continued blessing on all who partake of, or serve in them.

I invite your prayers of thanksgiving either silently or aloud.

The People add their own thanksgivings.

Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader: We pray for ______, (and) 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.

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

The Confession of Sin: (Prayed by all present)

BCP 393

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Absolution:

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.

People: Amen.

All stand.

The Peace:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Please greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

The Birthday and Anniversary Prayer:

BCP 830

Watch over your child(ren) O Lord, as their days increase. Bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand. Comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful. Raise them up if they fall. And in *their* heart(s) may your peace which passes understanding, abide with them all the days of their

lives; through Jesus Christ, Our Lord,

Concerning The Holy Communion

Instructions on receiving Communion are now presented.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem:

Amen.

"A Winter Carol"

Austin C. Lovelace

At the conclusion of the Offertory Anthem, the Ushers bring forward and present the offerings of God's people as all stand and sing,

Presentation Hymn: #119 "As With Gladness Men of Old"

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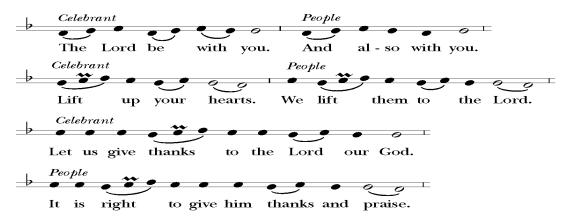
(Stanzas 1 & 3 only)

- 1. As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold; As with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright; So, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.
- As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare; So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy, All our costliest treasures bring, Christ! to thee, our heavenly King.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

The Sursum Corda:



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:

The Sanctus: #<u>S-125</u>

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

(All <u>remain standing</u>.)

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.

(All now kneel as they are able.)

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,

Priest and People: 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary, Brother Skiles, 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.

People: Amen.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer:

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread: (The Fraction)

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The Fraction Anthem:

#<u>S-155</u>

The Priest invites the people to Communion saying,

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 come to the Altar to receive Communion. At the Altar Rail move toward either wall so that those in the center will kneel last. Please wait to be dismissed; those in the center depart first.

Hymns during the Communion:

#304 "I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord" #126 "The People Who in Darkness Walked"

An extended time for silent prayer and reflection precedes and follows each communion hymn.

When all have communed, the following hymn is sung.

Kneeling Hymn: #499 "Lord God, You Now Have Set Your Servant Free" Song 1

An additional time for silent prayer and reflection precedes the following prayer.

The Post-communion Prayer:

BCP 365

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.

All Stand.

The Blessing for Epiphany:

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world;

And the blessing (†) of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

The Dismissal:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Processional Hymn: #530 "Spread, O Spread, Thou Mighty Word" Gott sei Dank

Postlude: "Thy Strong Word" Aaron David Miller

We thank those who served this morning

0.50 am	8:30 am	11:00 am
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Greeters/Oblationers:Stuart TugmanJim & Darby LoganUshers:Stuart TugmanJim & Darby LoganLector:Sis KinneyAndrea McDonough

Prayers of the People: Sis Kinney Kim Gauss

Chalice: Edie Tugman Rebecca Alford & Kim Gauss

Acolytes: Edie Tugman Kim Gauss

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY, SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2023 The Third Sunday After the Epiphany

8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at Holy Cross (quiet service with no music)

9:30 am Fellowship time in Skiles Hall

11:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at Holy Cross (with music and hymnody)

(This service is Live-Streamed via our YouTube Channel)

12:00 pm Fellowship time in Skiles Hall

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2023 The Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at Holy Cross (quiet service with no music)

9:30 am Fellowship time in Skiles Hall

9:45 am Christian Education Class (Upper Skiles Hall)

11:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at Holy Cross (with music and hymnody)

(This service is Live-Streamed via our YouTube Channel)

12:00 pm Fellowship time in Skiles Hall

The Parish Prayer List: January 22, 2023

Please keep the following in your prayers this week:

For Healing: Our injured and disabled military personnel, our veterans, all civilians harmed in conflict, and for Jett T., Stuart T., Philip A., Dayton C., Lindsay W., Keely S., Smut S., Laura B., Wendell S., Ted N., Brianna M., Gretchen M., Noyes L., Marilyn W., Pam C., Gerry P., Shirley N., Kathryn M., Rebecca M., Barbara L., Sam Y., Al & Susan T., Emily B., Bill B., Roberta T., Rossi T., Elizabeth B., Claire M., Fred K., Mason S., Gail T., Carrington T., Shelly T., Elizabeth Y., Tom & Jenise S., Ben C., Walt B., Doris B., Elizabeth L., Dakota, Julia M., Jan S., Scott G., Suzie L., Cathy C., Charlie S., John B., Jim S., Bonnie R., Dennis B., Scott H., Branch A., Anna Jane R., Bob G., ________.

For those in Harm's Way: All who serve with the armed forces at home & abroad, all who serve in the Peace Corps, for Ruslan and Galena, and all health & relief workers throughout the world.

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