

March 2, 2025

LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

WELCOME

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

## PRELUDE

## OPENING WELCOME

Pastor Gerry Gardner

*Our service begins on p. 355 of the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP)*

## WORSHIP SONGS

## ACCLAMATION

BCP p. 355

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## COLLECT PRAYER

BCP p. 357

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

### EXODUS 34:29-35

Pew Bible p. 142

When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the Lord. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the Lord had given him on Mount Sinai.

When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face. But whenever he entered the Lord's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the Lord.

## PSALM 99

BCP p. 728

*Recited Responsively*

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

### 2 CORINTHIANS 3:12-4:2

Pew Bible p. 1797

Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold. We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to prevent the Israelites from seeing the end of what was passing away. But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL SONG**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

### **LUKE 9:28-43**

Pew Bible p. 1609

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking about his exodus, which he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep, but as they awoke they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah," not realizing what he was saying. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"

When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and put up with you? Bring your son here." While he was being brought forward, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

This is Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **SERMON**

Pastor Gerry Gardner

## **THE NICENE CREED**

BCP p. 358

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Form III, BCP p. 387

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

BCP p. 359

## **SHARING PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## **OFFERTORY SONG**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## **FINAL BLESSING**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **CLOSING WORSHIP SONGS**

## **DISMISSAL**

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**



## Want Healing Prayer?

A Prayer Team is available During the Prayers of the People

### Garden Team - Tuesdays 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 Tuesdays, 5:30 pm,

**Zoom 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.

### End-of-Life Directives

Church of the Holy Spirit can assist with your end-of-life decisions. There are some decisions you and God can make before God calls you home. This includes the Church service and the songs and many other things you may not have thought about. If you'd like to make these decisions, The Rev. Deacon Linda Morlock can help you. Then the information will be filed at the CHS office. It will be retrieved as necessary. We can set up an appointment and meet either at the Church or in your home. Please call: The Rev. L. Morlock at 941-306-7995 and we can make arrangements.

## The Week Ahead | March 2 - March 9

- Sunday 2** Liturgy of the Word | 10:00am | In Person & Online | Potluck Lunch
- Monday 3** Women's Breakfast | 9:00am | EGGS-Traordinary Breakfast & Lunch Cafe
- Tuesday 4** Garden Group | 9:00am | Outside  
Reunion Group - Cursillo | 5:30pm | Zoom
- Wednesday 5** Ash Wednesday - Ashes To Go | 9:00am | Parking Lot  
Stations of the Cross | 10:00am | In Person & Online  
Healing Prayer | 11:00am | In Person & Online
- Friday 7** Night of Worship | 7:00pm | In Person & Online
- Saturday 8** Man Up Men's Group | 8:00am | Fulton Hall
- Sunday 9** Holy Eucharist | 10:00am | In Person & Online



*Women's Breakfast Club*  
Monday, March 31 9:00am

Share prayers, fellowship and discussion on women's issues.  
Meet at EGGS-Traordinary Breakfast & Lunch Cafe, 2282 Tamiami Tr. North, Nokomis.  
Contact Sandy Joseph at 941-544-5379 for details.

**Night OF Worship**

In Person & Live on 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.

**Healing Prayer & Praise Night**  
Friday, March 7 - 7:00 pm

## ASHES TO GO

*March fifth*  
9:00AM - 4:00PM

*"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."*



## MAN UP MEN'S GROUP

**Saturday, March 8 at 8:00 am**  
in Fulton Hall

Gather with fellow brothers in Christ for biblical devotion and fellowship. Doughnuts and coffee will be served.



## The Church in Prayer – Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

*If you have a prayer to be added to this list, visit the website under the Need Prayer tab, call the office, or email [admin@chsosprey.com](mailto:admin@chsosprey.com).*

- Prayers for Karen and Family in the loss of her brother, Mitch.
- Prayer for God's provision for CHS.
- Pray for a good outcome to Suzanne's surgery and healing and peace for Danny.
- Pray for Kathy to find peace with her family.
- Prayers for several friends that are having serious medical concerns: Todd, Owen, Gene, Haven, Bob, LouAnn & Gus.
- Prayer for Darlene Nelson; travel mercy.
- Pray for Graciela as she heals from a serious fall and goes to MD Anderson for cancer treatment.
- Prayers for a speedy recovery for Deb.
- Prayers for our good friend Ron who is having serious health issues.
- Prayers for my friend facing illness while caregiving for their spouse.
- Salvation for my sister.
- Prayers for my friend in TX as she tries to find a place to live after being evicted.
- Prayers for my neighbors granddaughter as she undergoes surgery for cancer.
- Prayers for a smooth transition of government.
- Prayers for Jay's sense of taste to return.
- Prayers for my Grandson as he struggles with depression.
- Prayers for balance in my life.
- Prayers for the safety of President Trump and his family.
- Prayers for my son who is struggling with work and finances.
- Healing for a dear friend who was just diagnosed with cancer.
- Prayers for the growth of CHS.
- Prayers for our nation.
- All the victims of the recent hurricanes and fires.
- Prayers for grandchildren who have drifted away from going to church.
- Prayers for Linda.
- Prayers for Isabel as she grieves the loss of her husband.
- Prayers for the nation of Israel.
- Prayers for Robin's mother in law, Judy.
- Prayers for my daughter's health.
- Prayers for a men's retreat.
- Prayers for Pam's brother, Rick.
- Prayers for Joanne.
- Prayers for healing for Tom.
- Peace and salvation for niece, Amy.
- Reconciliation of family members.
- Continued Prayers for Peggy and her family.
- A miracle for Julie and each member of her family.
- Healing for Deb, Audrey, Sue, Joni, Karen's brothers, Maureen, Tara, Bob, Betty, Erin, Daniel, Lisa, Jerry, Aaron, Matthew, Evelyn Art, Al and Donna.



## CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

**Pastor Gerry Gardner, Lay Pastor**

**Assisting Clergy: The Rev. Andy MacBeth and The Rev. Jonathan Percival**

**The Rev. Linda Morlock, Deacon**

**Nancy Lihan and Scott Gardner, Music Leaders**

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