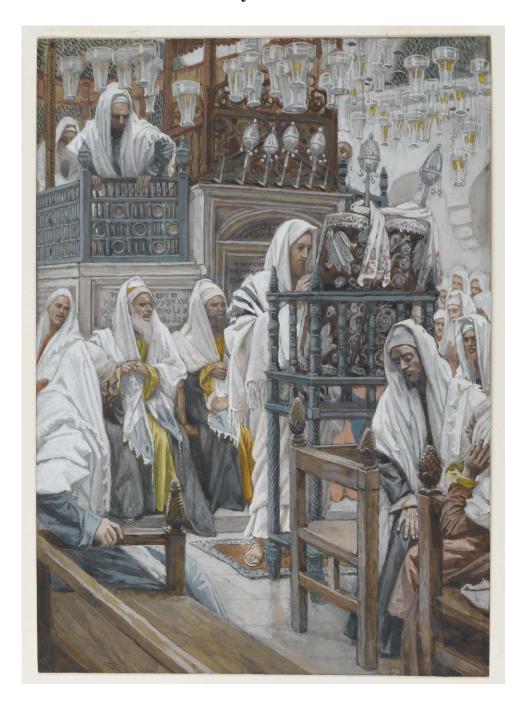
St. Columba's Episcopal Church

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The Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson, Rector
Brett Hanley, music director



The Third Sunday after the Epiphany January 26, 2025, 9:30 a.m.

From our Rector:

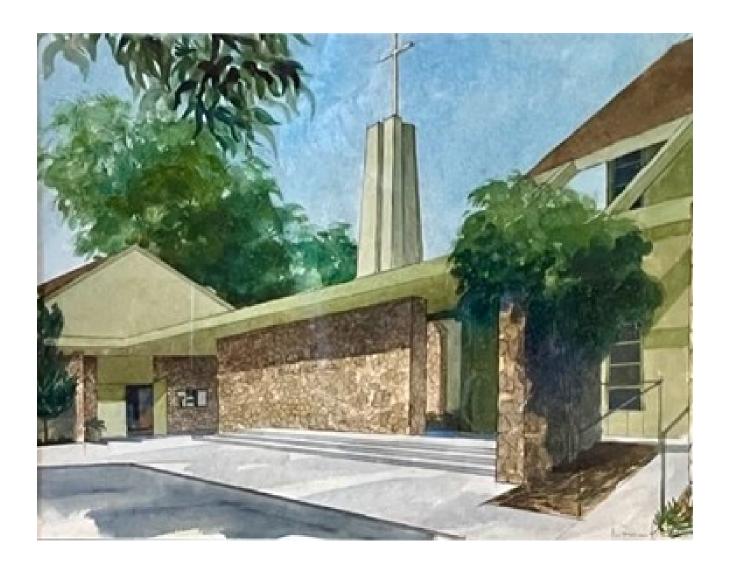
Welcome! I am very grateful that you are here. We would love to get to know you better, so please take a moment to fill out the Visitor Sign-In Sheet in the back corner of the narthex.

Epiphany is a sacred season in which we remember the visit of the magi and the manifestation of God's saving presence in the world. After the service, we invite you to join us in the parish hall for fellowship, coffee, and some small snacks.

As we prepare to worship together, I invite you to take a moment and center yourself on God's presence.

Worshipping, learning and giving together help us grow closer to who God created us to be, and you are part of that work. May God bless you today and every day. We hope to see you again very soon.

All the very best to you and your loved ones during this time, Michael



THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude - "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (J.B. Dykes) - Brett Hanley, organ

Welcome and Prayer – The Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson

Opening Hymn – # 480 – "When Jesus Left His Father's Throne"



- 1. When Je sus left his Fa ther's throne, he chose an hum ble birth;
- 2. Sweet were his words and kind his look, when mo-thers round him pressed;
- 3. When Je sus in to Zi on rode, the chil-dren sang a round;



like us, un - hon - ored and un - known, he came to dwell on earth. their in - fants in his arms he took, and on him bos - om blessed. for joy they plucked the palms and strowed their gar - ments on the ground.



Like him may we be found be - low in wis - dom's path of peace; Safe from the world's al - lur - ing harms, be - neath his watch - ful eye, Ho - san - na our glad voi - ces raise, ho - san - na to our King!



like him in grace and know-ledge grow as years and strength in - crease. thus in the cir - cle of his arms may we for ev - er lie. Should we for - get our Sa - vior's praise, the stones them-selves would sing.

Words: James Montgomery, 1771-1854.

Music: KINGSFOLD (CMD), English folk melody; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958.

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

- P: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
- **C**: Glory to God forever and ever.
- P: 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.
- C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise – # S236 – "Canticle 13: A Song of Praise" (Rutter)



Collect of the Day

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: 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.

C: Amen.

First Lesson – Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand, and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people, and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord, and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

- L: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.
- C: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 19

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, * and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- One day tells its tale to another, * and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, * and their voices are not heard,
- Their sound has gone out into all lands, * and their message to the ends of the world.
- In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
 it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
 it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; *
 nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; * the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; *
 the commandment of the Lord is clear
 and gives light to the eyes.
- The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; *
 the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
- More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, * sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- By them also is your servant enlightened, * and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? * cleanse me from my secret faults.
- Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; *
 then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, *

 O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

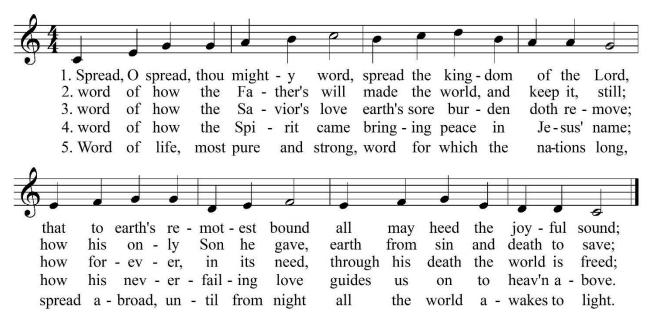
Second Lesson – 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many.

If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. 19 If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect, whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work powerful deeds? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

- L: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn – # 530 – "Spread, O Spread, Thou Mighty Word"



Words: Jonathan Friedrich Bahnmaier, 1774-1841; tr. Arthur William Farlander, 1898-1952 and Charles Winfred Douglas, 1867-1944; alt. St. 4, F. Bland Tucker, 1895-1984. Music: GOTT SEI DANK (77. 77), melody from *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal, 1793-1870.

Gospel - Luke 4:14-21

- P: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.
- C: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Then Jesus, in the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding region. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily - The Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson

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

LEM: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LEM: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LEM: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LEM: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us, especially Dana, Bruce, Chase, Betty, Susan, Millie, Justin, Jerry, Ann, Bruce, Keli, Jack, Chris, Gail, Cameron, Maggie, Eileen, Declan, John, Emily, Alison, Linda, Mary, Lisa, Ivan.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LEM: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LEM: We commend to your mercy all who have died that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom, especially Lynn Hyde-Harris.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Lord, as you have called us to share in your outreach of love to the world, fill us with the power of your Spirit, that, in your strength and by your guidance, we may lead others to be aware of you, and live to your praise and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

C: Amen.

(Our Prayers are from the Book of Common Prayer, Form IV and by David Adam, Glimpses of Glory: Prayers for the Church Year.)



Confession and Absolution

LEM: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Silence may be kept.

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.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

The Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

C: And also with you.

Announcements

Birthdays and Anniversaries

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your *servants* as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Offertory – "Here I Am, Lord" (D. Schutte) – Brett Hanley, organ

Presentation Hymn - # 686 - "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"



Words: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790, alt.

Music: NETTLETON (87. 87. D), melody from A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer (Prayer B from Book of Common Prayer, p. 367)

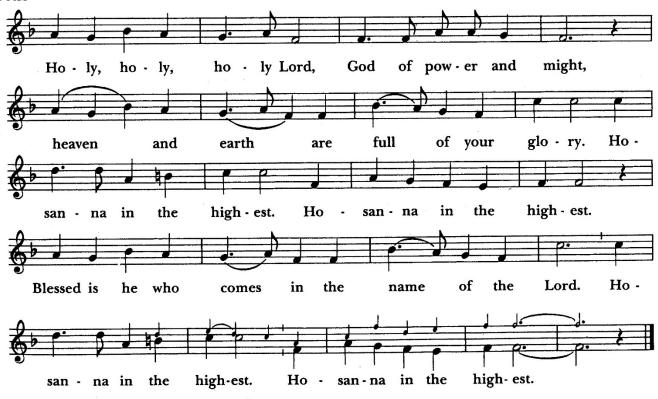
- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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

[Here a proper preface is sung or said.]

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:

Sanctus



Setting: From A Community Mass; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

The people stand or kneel.

P: 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.

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."

- P: Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
- C: We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;
- P: 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 [______ 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.

C: Amen.

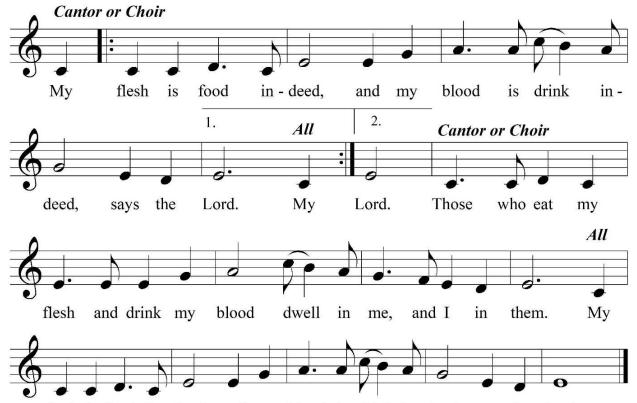
The Lord's Prayer

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

C: 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.



Fraction Anthem



flesh is food in-deed, and my blood is drink in-deed, says the Lord.

Setting: Ray W. Urwin (b. 1950).

The Invitation

P: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to come forward to the two stations for Communion at the direction of the ushers. Receive the wine by drinking from the chalice as it is offered to you, or by retaining the wafer, and a Lay Eucharistic Minister will dip it in the wine and place it back in your hand. If you are not receiving, you may cross your arms over your chest and receive a blessing. If you are unable to physically come to the rail, please indicate to an usher that you would like to receive Communion at your seat.

Post-Communion Prayer

C: Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn - # 344 - "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"



Words: Att. John Fawcett, 1739/40-1817.

Music: Sicilian Mariners, Sicilian melody (87. 87. 87.); first published

The European Magazine and London Review, 1792, alt.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude – "Shout with Joy" (Israeli folk song) – Brett Hanley, organ

Weekly Offerings* Mondays/Wednesdays, **Morning Prayer**, 9:00 a.m.

Thursday Mass, 10:00 a.m.

*All are occurring in the Mary Chapel (side chapel in the sanctuary)

Thank You!

We're glad you joined us today! We pray that you will experience God's Love and Presence in this place. You are most welcome to join us in our coffee hour after the service.

Featured Announcements:

Annual Meeting—St. Columba's Annual Meeting is today, Sunday, January 26, following our 9:30 a.m. worship. After worship, we'll gather in the parish hall for a potluck and meeting.

Lunch Bunch—Lunch Bunch is on Wednesday, January 29, at Noon. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex to attend this time of fellowship and food.

Pub Theology

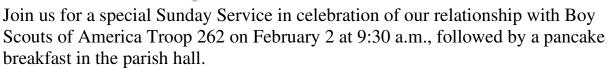
Beer, Conversation & God

Come Join us at Institution Ale Co. on

Tuesday, January 28, at 7:00 p.m.,

for a pint & discussion.

Scout Sunday





New Member Class

All are welcome.

Are you new? Newish? Just want to know more? Come find out more about our church next Sunday, February 2, after the pancake breakfast. Fill up your plate with pancakes and other "fixin's" and join Fr. Michael in the church office to hear more about the ministry at St. Columba's.

Wildfire Response Fund—Episcopal Relief & Development is offering technical support to partners in California that are being affected by the devastating and fast-growing Palisades, Woodley, Eaton and Hurst fires. Emergency responders are currently working to contain the 100 mph wind-fueled fires that are consuming the dry land. At least five people have died and around 130,000 people have had to evacuate their homes. Places of worship, businesses and other buildings have been heavily damaged. There are widespread power outages impacting hundreds of thousands of people. Please pray for the people affected by the wildfires. Supporting the Wildfire Response Fund will help communities around the world respond to the impact of fires. You can donate here: https://bit.ly/ERDWildfireResponseJan2025.



Youth Group News—Calling all Middle School and High School Students!

Sunday, February 23, is the first Youth Group meeting. Meet in the parish hall at 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. for lunch, games, and Bible Study. Francina Anderson and Eleanor Tyas are looking forward to leading this group and are eager to support the young people of the congregation. Email Francina for more info: francina.anderson@stcolumbaca.com.

Health Ministries Corner:

Dear St. Columba's Family!

Good wishes for a healthful 2025. We want to remind you that we're here for YOU! Centering on achieving wellness and unity in Mind, Body and spirit, we aim to be available to listen to you. We can offer encouragement, prayer, resources, education and referrals. We hope you are reading the Health Ministry updates in the Celtic Courier and enjoying the displays on the bulletin board in the parish hall, as well as attending the learning events at the Sunday morning forums. We look forward to seeing you at the wellness celebration events being planned for the upcoming year!

Food Ministry Needs:

For our feeding ministry, we need the following items: cereal, oatmeal, pasta sauce, pasta, canned soup, mac & cheese, canned tuna, canned chicken, fresh bread, toilet paper, paper towels, and Kleenex. If you would like to donate any of these items, you can bring them on Sunday or drop them off at the parish hall during the week.

Alternatively, you can donate to our Food ministry fund, by indicating "Food Ministry" in the memo of your check. Your support is so appreciated by our food clients who truly need our help!

Children and Youth Ministry 2025

For Sunday worship, students will start in the nave with the parish and then walk together to our new class space in the Children's Learning Center. They will join back at the peace to share in communion with their church family.

Be on watch for a family area with activities in the church for those who want to have their children with them during the service and need a little more space to stretch out.

See the announcement above about our first Youth Group meeting.

For any questions, see Francina Anderson.

Ministers serving today:

Presider: The Rev. Dr. Michael P. Anderson

Altar Guild: Beverly Pearson and Frances Cogswell

Ushers: Gene Doswell and Tim Brown

Lector: Diane Off

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Nancy Miller and Paul Amendt

Livestream Technicians: Tim Helton, Nancy Miller, Vinita Bhushan, Richard Stone, Carlos Barraza, Bill

Hillbrant

Sound Engineer: Tim Brown

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IN OUR PRAYERS

We pray for

those with immediate needs:

Dana Stone, Bruce Keller, Chase Thorne, Betty Anear, Rev. Susan Klein, Millie Shutt, Justin Sandoval, Jerry Gillespie, Ann Daniel, Bruce Anderson, Keli, Jack Shutt, Chris Russell, Gail Morrissette, Cameron Harrison, Maggie Lunsky, Eileen Ely, Declan, John Fredrick, Emily Bianco, Alison Hillbrant, Linda Lowe, Mary Vasi, Lisa, Ivan

and those who need our continuing prayers:

Gail Amendt, Richard Lappine

For the repose of the soul of: Lynn Hyde-Harris and for her family and friends

We pray for all those serving at home and abroad:

• **Jesse** Meyer, **Liam** O'Brien, **Matthew** Bamberger, **Matt** Zelinskas, **Jonah** Hershman, and **Chris** Heney.

The flowers on the High Altar are given to the glory of God in memory of Lois Barcroft by her family and friends.



To make changes to the prayer list for St. Columba's, please contact the church office (office.manager@stcolumbaca.com) or 805-482-8831.

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