



# The Liturgy of the Word

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 18, 2020 • 10:15 a.m.

**HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

*Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the glories of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.*

*The people's responses are in bold.*

*This type of note, offering directions about the service, is called a "rubric," which comes from the Latin word rubrica (red)—referring to a time when these instructional notes were always written in red.*

## THE ENTRANCE RITE

*When the service is accompanied by music, it often begins with an instrumental piece of music, during which the congregation can prepare for worship.*

### PRELUDE

*Melodia*

Bédard

*We begin our worship as a gathered community by praising God in song.*

### OPENING HYMN • #372

*Praise to the living God*

*Sung by all.*

Leoni

1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name  
2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;  
3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:  
4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was, and is, and is to be for aye the same.  
ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.  
in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.  
his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.



The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:  
 Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,  
 Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,  
 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name

the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!  
 and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.  
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.  
 who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*The Celebrant may say*

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 WORD OF GOD

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your

Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### THE FIRST READING: Exodus 33:12-23

*This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted.*

A Reading from the book of Exodus, chapter 33, verses 12 through 23.

<sup>12</sup>Moses said to the LORD, “See, you have said to me, ‘Bring up this people’; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.’ <sup>13</sup>Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” <sup>14</sup>He said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” <sup>15</sup>And he said to him, “If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. <sup>16</sup>For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.”

<sup>17</sup>The LORD said to Moses, “I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.” <sup>18</sup>Moses said, “Show me your glory, I pray.” <sup>19</sup>And he said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, ‘The LORD’; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. <sup>20</sup>But,” he said, “you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.” <sup>21</sup>And the LORD continued, “See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; <sup>22</sup>and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; <sup>23</sup>then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.”

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

### THE PSALM

*The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another.*

<i>Reader</i>	Our response to the first reading is Psalm 99. Please pray it with me.
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### PSALM: Psalm 99

<sup>1</sup>**The LORD is King;  
let the people tremble. \***  
**He is enthroned upon the cherubim;  
let the earth shake.**  
<sup>2</sup>**The LORD is great in Zion; \***  
**he is high above all peoples.**  
<sup>3</sup>**Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \***  
**he is the Holy One.**  
<sup>4</sup>**“O mighty King, lover of justice,  
you have established equity; \***  
**you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.”**  
<sup>5</sup>**Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
and fall down before his footstool; \***  
**he is the Holy One.**  
<sup>6</sup>**Moses and Aaron among his priests,  
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \***  
**they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.**

<sup>7</sup>He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*  
 they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.  
<sup>8</sup>O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; \*  
 you were a God who forgave them,  
 yet punished them for their evil deeds.  
<sup>9</sup>Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
 and worship him upon his holy hill; \*  
 for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

## THE SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

*This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.*

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Thessalonika, chapter 1, verses 1 through 10.

<sup>1</sup>Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,  
 To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:  
 Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup>We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly <sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. <sup>9</sup>For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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

## THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 22:15-22

*This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.*

*Deacon*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew, chapter 22,  
 verses 15 through 22.  
*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. <sup>16</sup>So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup>Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" <sup>21</sup>They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." <sup>22</sup>When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Deacon            The Gospel of the Lord.  
People            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **THE SERMON**

**The Rev. Gretchen Strohmaier**

*The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.*

## **THE NICENE CREED**

*The word “creed” comes from the Latin “credo” for “I believe.” First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: the Holy Trinity.*

**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

*We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the Universal Church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.*

*Deacon*        The Prayers of the People today are guided by Form 4, found on page 388 of the Book of Common Prayer and in the service leaflet. Please pray them with me.

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.

We pray especially for Michael Curry, our Presiding Bishop; Marty Stebbins, our Bishop; our priests and deacons at Holy Spirit; and all clergy throughout the Diocese.

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

O, lover of justice and equity, guide the leaders and 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.

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

Show us your ways for moving through this world and 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.

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

We are surrounded by your beloved. 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.

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

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.

May your presence give rest to those in prison and to the poor, the hungry, the homeless, the oppressed, the addicted, and the sick.

Today, we pray especially for:

Linda Roberts	Barb	Kinsley Don	Aone Wedel
Sue	Karina	Jeannie Warner	Dick Wedel
Don Russell	Carson Wood	Frank, Anthony, and Benjamin Horton	
Kenneth Perry	Linda	Christian	Olivia Lindsay Chamberlain
Karen Ashem	Jordan Alan	Benjamin and Steve Zeiler	
Tim Grogan	Amy Brox	Kathy Jacobson and the Jacobson family	
The Yanonne family	Graham	Paula Huston	Donna
Mason Tikka	The Carey Family		

We pray for the increasing number of people diagnosed with COVID-19, for those recovering, and for all caregivers.

We pray for all educators, students, and their families.

We pray for the children longing for safer, more playful days, and for less stress for their families.

We pray for those living in fear for their lives, their homes, or their livelihoods.

We also pray, in silence or aloud, for others on our hearts today. (*brief silence*)

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

God of every yesterday, today, and tomorrow, 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. We remember especially this morning Barbara Cragg and William Derrick. In silence or aloud, we also remember to you our neighbors and loved ones who have gone before us. (*brief silence*)

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer.***

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

**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.**

*The Priest stands and says*

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

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*All are invited to make a gift to support Holy Spirit's ministry of sharing God's love with our community and the world by texting HOLYSPIRITGIVE to 77977 or by visiting <http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/>.*

## MUSIC AFTER THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Adagio from the Concerto in a-minor*

Vivaldi/arr. Bach

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray.*

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

**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,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

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

## CLOSING HYMN • #544

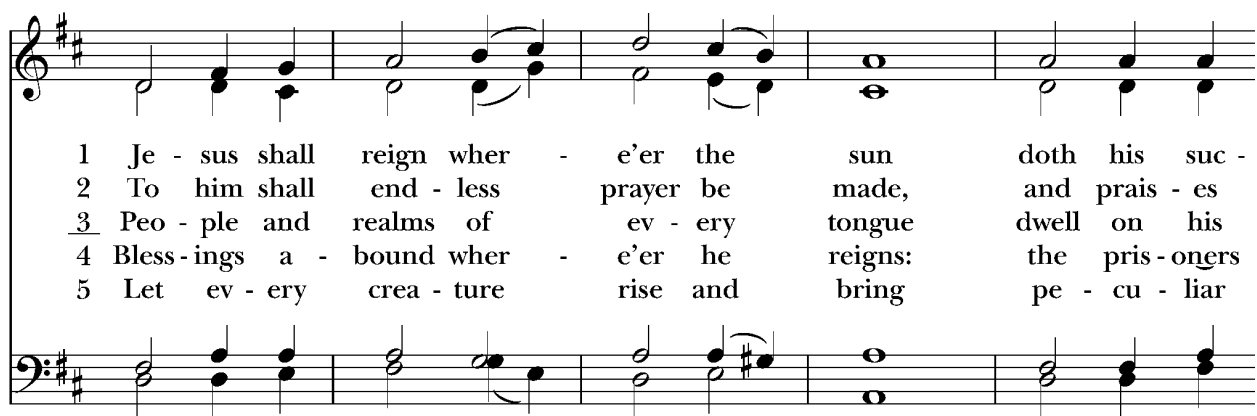
*Jesus shall reign where'er the sun*

*Sung by all.*

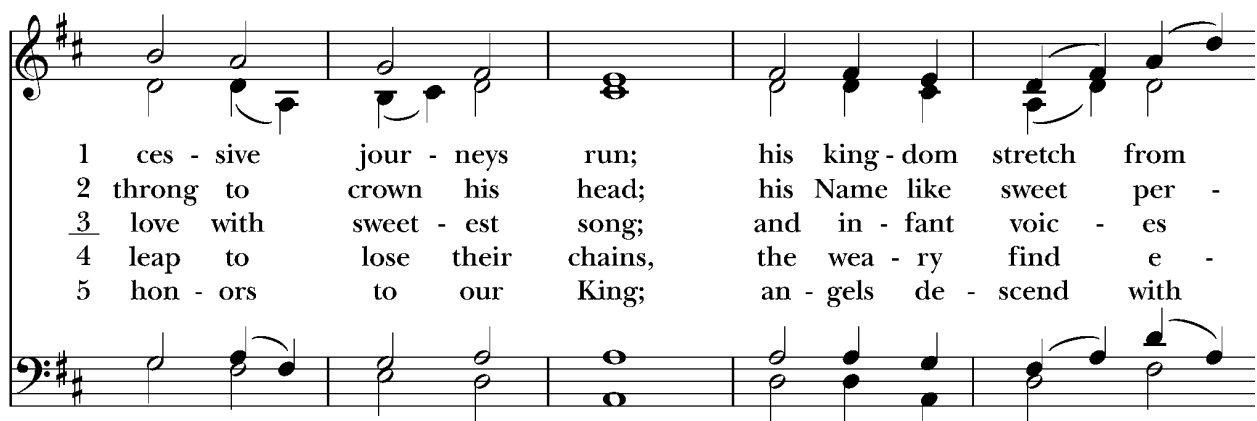
*Duke Street*

THE CLOSING HYMN MAY BE FOUND ON THE NEXT PAGE.





1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun doth his suc -  
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his  
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners  
 5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



1 ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 2 thron'g to crown his head; his Name like sweet per -  
 3 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
 4 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -  
 5 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with



1 shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 2 fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 3 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his Name.  
 4 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
 5 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Fugue in d-minor*

Boehm



### *Participants in the Service*

<i>Presider and Preacher</i>	<i>The Rev. Gretchen Strohmaier</i>
<i>Deacon</i>	<i>The Ven. Dorcie Dvarishkis</i>
<i>Organist</i>	<i>Dr. Nancy Cooper</i>
<i>Guest Musician</i>	<i>Julie Vasquez, flute</i>
<i>Readers</i>	<i>Pat King, Keith Kuhn</i>
<i>Intercessor</i>	<i>Nancy Errebo</i>
<i>Stewardship Speakers</i>	<i>Molly Bowler, Warren Gartner</i>
<i>Film Editor</i>	<i>James Gartner</i>

### **MUSIC THIS MORNING**

The prelude features flutist Julie Vasquez and is taken from Nancy Cooper's 2004 faculty recital at Holy Spirit.

### **VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR AT AN EARLIER TIME!**

We invite you to join us on Sunday for a virtual Congregation Coffee Hour. The Zoom link is for the first 100 congregation members who log on (due to meeting size restrictions). Make sure you have your coffee and tea mugs ready to make a toast to Jesus and to one another! Join us at 11:15 am online. Simply click the link, and you will be directed to the Zoom meeting. To receive the link, please email the church office at [office@holyspiritmissoula.org](mailto:office@holyspiritmissoula.org).

### **GROW WITH US**

Everything we do at Holy Spirit, including today's online service, is made possible because of people like you. We rely on your donations to make our mission and ministry possible. In these challenging times, your support is needed more than ever. If this service has been meaningful for you, we encourage you to give as you're able to help Holy Spirit continue to serve our community and the greater world. Visit <http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/> or give on our church app or text **HOLYSPIRITGIVE** to **77977** to give on your smartphone. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

### **STEWARDSHIP 2021**

Our Stewardship appeal for 2021 is now underway, and we ask you to please give your pledge prayerful consideration. Our Ingathering Sunday will be November 1. Please turn in your pledge card by that Sunday. Watch your mail this week for the Stewardship mailing with the pledge card. You may also make your pledge online at <http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/pledge/>.

### **WEDNESDAY NOON GATHERINGS**

Our gatherings under the big Spruce tree in the church courtyard have been a great success! As a result, **we are going to expand this effort to every Wednesday at 12 noon for as long as weather and smoke permit.** Gathering under the big Spruce provides plenty of shade and the ease of having many small groups that can change halfway through the time. It's a great way to catch up, meet new friends, and share some prayer too. Bring a chair if you can, and lunch if you like. Come join us!

### **PRAYER FOR OUR COMMON GOOD**

Join members of the Missoula community as together we pray for the common good. There are so many concerns before us to lift up, from the ongoing pandemic, to systemic racism, division, hurricanes, fires, and upcoming elections. We will begin to open the church building for prayer and reflection on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 6 pm and Thursdays from noon to 1 pm. Come spend some quiet time in the pews. Seek God's wisdom and solace in the beauty of this place, and hold our community, country, and world in prayer as together we seek the common good.

When you come to church, please wear a mask, and know that the host will help seat you appropriately distanced from others. We ask that you use the provided wipes to clean the pew as you leave.

If you're praying from home, consider using *Prayers for National Life* in the Book of Common Prayer, starting on page 820.

Dates: Tuesdays 3:30 – 6 pm, October 20, 27, November 3, 10. Thursdays 12—1 pm, October 22, 29, November 5, 12.

## **GOD GOES WITH US: CHURCH SCHOOL 2020**

What can you expect this fall? As we wait and learn how this virus will respond to schools opening, we will continue to offer online options for children and families. As long as the building remains closed, we will offer a mix of inter-generational worship experiences along with some children's messages, designed just for kids. We anticipate offering inter-generational worship the first Sunday of the month and then offering children's messages on the other Sundays. Please reach out and let us know what is most helpful to you and your family at this time.

## **BE AWARE OF SCAMS DURING THIS PANDEMIC**

In the midst of this pandemic, there are people who are attempting to prey on churches. They do this by researching individual churches and then send out texts and/or e-mails that appear to come from the clergy or lay leaders. **If you receive a text or e-mail asking for funds or gift cards or asking you for a favor, do not reply back.** Rev. Terri or Rev. Gretchen will not ask for funds via text or email, so please do not respond to those communications. Please let the church office know if you receive a communication of this kind (406-542-2167).

## **CONNECT WITH US**

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## **GET THE HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH APP**

Stay connected with the Holy Spirit App! Keep up to date on upcoming events, see the latest bulletin, submit a prayer request – all that and so much more! Get a link to download the app to your smartphone by texting **HOLYSPIRITAPP** to **77977**.

## **SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST**

Make a prayer request online at <http://holyspiritmissoula.org/pastoral-care/> or on our church app.

## **SIGN UP FOR OUR ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER**

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