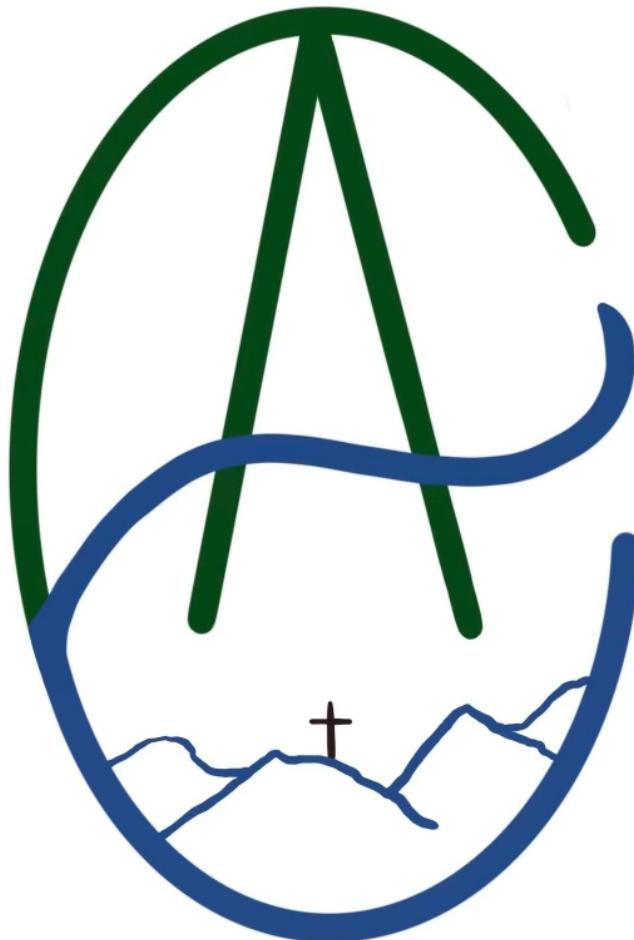


# CHRIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

*Cashiers, North Carolina*



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

18 JANUARY 2026 | 10:30 AM

# Welcome

We welcome all who are worshiping with Christ Anglican Church today. We are thankful for God's Spirit joining us together in corporate worship.

## Our Guests

We invite you to complete a Connect Card (located on the pew back) with your name and pertinent contact information and any needs you would like the CAC staff to address. Please tear the card in half and place the completed portion in the offering plate or give to the Rector as you leave today. You may wear a name tag so we can greet you by name. Please sign the guest book in the narthex.

## Name Badge

Everyone is encouraged to wear your name badge located in the Narthex. If you do not have one and would like one, please contact the church office and one will be created for you. You do not have to be a member of the church to receive a nametag.

## Prepare for Worship

It is essential for all in worship to enter the sanctuary in quiet reverence for the triune God and cultivate a posture and spirit of prayer. You are encouraged to take a few moments in silent meditation as you prepare for worship. You may read one of the prayers on page 676 of the Book of Common Prayer, read one of the hymn texts, read one of the Scriptures appointed for today, or pray your own prayers of thanksgiving and petitions as you ask the Lord to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

The Service begins on page 123 of the **Book of Common Prayer** (BCP) or you may follow along in the service sheet. Our hymns are found in the **Worship and Rejoice Hymnal** (WRH) and the Scripture Texts are in the **Pew Bible**. If you are new to the Anglican way of worship, you will find assistance in the "Worship Overview and Preparation" handout in the narthex or under "Anglican Helps for Worship" on our website.

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY *In Praise of God*

Gayden Sikes

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PEALING OF THE CHURCH BELLS

*The People are invited to stand and sing the processional hymn.*

THE PROCESSION *O Sing a Song of Bethlehem*

WRH 242

*The People remain standing.*

THE ACCLAMATION

BCP 105

Celebrant I will make you as a light for the nations,

People *That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.*

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 106

*The Celebrant and people 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 SUMMARY OF THE LAW

BCP 124

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. Matthew 22:37-40

THE KYRIE

BCP 124

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

People *Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 107

*Celebrant* The Lord be with You.*People:* ***And with your spirit.****Celebrant* Let us pray.

Eternal Father, at the baptism of Jesus you revealed him to be your Son, and your Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove: Grant that we, who are born again by water and the Spirit, may be faithful as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

*The People are seated.*

## THE BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

*The people remain seated for the reading of God's Word.*

## THE WORD OF GOD

## THE FIRST LESSON

***Exodus 12:21-28***

Bible 54

Then Moses called all the elders of Israel and said to them, “Go and select lambs for yourselves according to your clans, and kill the Passover lamb. <sup>22</sup>Take a bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and touch the lintel and the two doorposts with the blood that is in the basin. None of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning. <sup>23</sup>For the LORD will pass through to strike the Egyptians, and when he sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over the door and will not allow the destroyer to enter your houses to strike you. <sup>24</sup>You shall observe this rite as a statute for you and for your sons forever. <sup>25</sup>And when you come to the land that the LORD will give you, as he has promised, you shall keep this service. <sup>26</sup>And when your children say to you, ‘What do you mean by this service?’ <sup>27</sup>you shall say, ‘It is the sacrifice of the LORD’s Passover, for he passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt, when he struck the Egyptians but spared our houses.’” And the people bowed their heads and worshiped. <sup>28</sup>Then the people of Israel went and did so; as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so they did.

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

*The reader and people read responsively by half-verse.*

THE PSALTER VERSES

*Psalm 40:1-11*

BCP 319

**1 I waited patiently for the LORD, \***  
**and he inclined to me, and heard my call.**

**2 He brought me out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay; \***  
**he set my feet upon the rock, and secured my footing.**

**3 He has put a new song in my mouth, \***  
**a song of thanksgiving unto our God.**

**4 Many shall see and fear, \***  
**and shall put their trust in the LORD.**

**5 Blessed is the man who has set his hope in the LORD, \***  
**and has not turned to the proud, or to those who go about lying.**

**6 O LORD my God, great are the wondrous works which you have done, and also your thoughts toward us; \***

**there is none who can be compared with you.**

**7 If I should declare them and speak of them, \***  
**they would be more than I am able to express.**

**8 Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, \***  
**but my ears you have opened.**

**9 Burnt offerings and sin offerings you have not required, \***  
**and so I said, "Behold, I come;**

**10 In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I delight to do your will, O my God; \***  
**indeed, your law is within my heart."**

**11 I have declared your righteousness in the great congregation; \***  
**behold, I will not restrain my lips, O LORD, and that you know.**

THE SECOND LESSON

*1 Corinthians 1:1-9*

Bible 952

Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes,

**2 To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: 3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, 5 that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— 6 even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— 7 so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord**

Jesus Christ,<sup>8</sup>who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

*The People stand to sing the Sequence Hymn and remain standing for the Gospel Lesson.*

**THE SEQUENCE HYMN    *Wonderful Words of Life* (Stanzas 1&2)    WRH 668**

*Deacon* The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.  
*People* ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

THE GOSPEL LESSON *John 1:29-42* Bible 886

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." <sup>32</sup>And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup>And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God." <sup>35</sup>The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, "What are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" <sup>39</sup>He said to them, "Come and you will see." So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. <sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). <sup>42</sup>He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John. You shall be called Cephas" (which means Peter).

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

## THE SEQUENCE HYMN    *Wonderful Words of Life* (Stanza 3)

WRH 668

## THE SERMON

The Rev'd Marc Robertson

### THE NICENE CREED

BCP 127

*All Standing, Celebrant and People say*

***We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.***

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

BCP 110

*All Kneeling*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Almighty and ever living God, we are taught by your holy Word to offer prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all people. We humbly ask you mercifully to receive our prayers. Inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your Holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. *Silence*

*Reader*      Lord, in your mercy:

*People*      ***Hear our prayer.***

We pray that you will lead the nations of the world in the way of righteousness; and so guide and direct their leaders, especially Donald, our President, and Josh, our Governor, that your people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may impartially administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain wickedness and vice, and protect true religion and virtue. *Silence*

*Reader*    Lord, in your mercy:

*People*    ***Hear our prayer.***

Give grace, heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and especially to your servant, Steve, to Julian, our Provincial Dean, to Foley and Frank, our Bishops, to Marc, our Interim Priest-in-Charge and to Nick, our Assistant Priest that by their life and teaching, they may proclaim your true and life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments. And to all your people give your heavenly grace, especially to this Congregation and to St. Peter's Anglican Church in Frankfort, Kentucky that with reverent and obedient hearts we may hear and receive your holy Word, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives. *Silence*

*Reader*    Lord, in your mercy:

*People*    ***Hear our prayer.***

Prosper, we pray, all those who proclaim the Gospel of your kingdom, throughout the world, and strengthen us to fulfill your great commission, making disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all that you have commanded. *Silence*

*Reader*    Lord, in your mercy:

*People*    ***Hear our prayer.***

We ask you in your goodness, O Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity especially persecuted Christians in North Korea, Somalia, Yemen, Libya and all those on our parish prayer list. *Silence*

*Reader*    Lord, in your mercy:

*People*    ***Hear our prayer.***

We remember before you all your servants, who have departed this life in your faith and fear, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we ask you to give us grace to follow the good examples of all your saints, that we may share with them in your heavenly kingdom. *Silence*

*Reader*    Lord, in your mercy:

*People*    ***Hear our prayer.***

*The Celebrant Concludes with this Collect.*

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ***Amen.***

## THE CONFESsION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

*The Deacon says*

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.   *Silence*

*All remain kneeling and say*

***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 Celebrant says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

## THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

*The Celebrant says*

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.   Matt.11:28

BCP 130

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2.

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

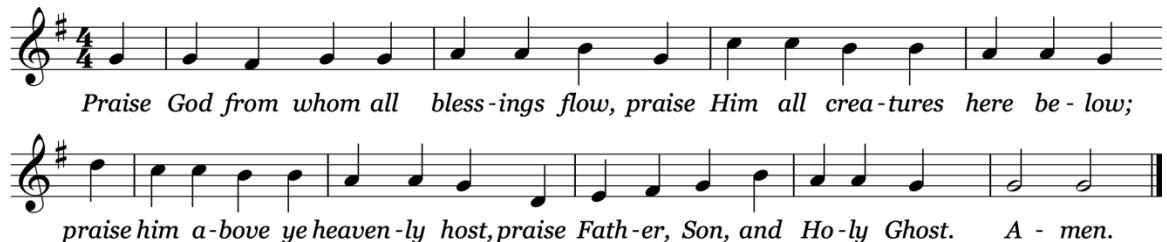
*People* ***And with your spirit.***

## THE OFFERTORY

*All stand and sing*

## THE DOXOLOGY

TALLIS' CANON



4/4 time, key of G major. The music consists of two staves of four-line staff notation. The lyrics are as follows:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below;  
praise him a-bove ye heaven-ly host, praise Fath-er, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men.

*Celebrant* Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

*People* ***And of your own have we given you.***

*All Remain Standing*

## HOLY COMMUNION

### THE SURSUM CORDA

BCP 132

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*          *And with your spirit.*  
*Celebrant*      Lift up your hearts.  
*People*          *We lift them up to the Lord.*  
*Celebrant*      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*          *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

*The Celebrant continues*

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took on our mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness and into his own glorious light. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### THE SANCTUS

WRH 738

*Celebrant and People Sing*

***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.***

### THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

*The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

***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, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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 forever. ***Amen.***

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 134

*The Celebrant then says*

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

*Celebrant and People together pray*

***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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.***

## THE FRACTION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
People *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 135

*We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

## THE AGNUS DEI

BCP 136

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
People *have mercy on us.*  
Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
People *have mercy on us.*  
Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
People *grant us your peace.*

## THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

*All Christians who have turned in faith to Jesus Christ and have been baptized are invited to come forward for communion. Those who are not baptized or do not wish to receive Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. You may stand or kneel at the altar. To receive communion in the traditional manner you may consume the bread and drink from the chalice or you may dip the bread in the wine. If you desire gluten free bread, please tell the server. If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and Communion will be brought to you.*

*All are encouraged to sing the hymn.*

## THE COMMUNION HYMN

*Lamb of God*

WRH 281

*The People stand.*

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 137

*Heavenly Father, 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 forever. Amen.*

THE BLESSING

THE RETIRING PROCESSION *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

WRH 419

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE CLOSING VOLUNTARY

**SERVING IN WORSHIP**

The Rev'd Nick McGee  
*Celebrant*

The Rev'd Dr. Marc Robertson  
*Preacher*

Bill Kamerer  
*Acolyte and Old Testament Lector*

Wendy Carson  
*Usher and Greeter*

Betty Morris  
*New Testament Lector*

Beth Acker & Deneece Harrell  
*Altar Guild & Flowers*

Dana McKee & Dahila McGee  
*Children's Chapel*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NEW MEMBER CLASS:** A new member class will be held in two sessions following worship on Sunday February 1 and Sunday February 8. If you are interested in attending these sessions, please contact Father Nick or you may contact the parish office. Lunch will be provided on both days.

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GATHERING:** There will be a men's fellowship on January 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Allen Newton. All men are invited.

**UPHOLDING THE SANCTITY OF LIFE AS TECHNOLOGY COLLIDES WITH ETHICS:** How do we think clearly and biblically about the sanctity of human life amid all the complicated bioethical issues of our times? To help us, Anglicans for Life is presenting "**Thinking Biblically about Bioethics**", a free, timely, informative online Life Forum on **January 22-23**. Leading bioethicists will offer a biblical perspective on the ethical considerations inherent in genetic engineering, in-vitro fertilization, reproductive technologies, euthanasia and assisted suicide, decisions about aging and dying, the Church's role in bioethics, and more. These discussions will help us deal confidently with these crucial matters ourselves, and will equip us to help others do the same. For more information and to register, please visit: [AnglicansforLife.org/LifeForum](http://AnglicansforLife.org/LifeForum).

## WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

**Sundays 9:00 AM** – Coffee and Donuts and Fellowship! Enjoy fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ before Christian Formation time.

**Sundays 9:15 AM** – Adult Christian Formation.

**Sundays 10:30 AM** – Holy Eucharist

**Fridays 9:45 AM** – Moms in Prayer Contact: Lisa Fore [lisafore21@gmail.com](mailto:lisafore21@gmail.com)

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