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##### **TODAY**

##### **Preacher:**

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The Rev. Amanda March

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**Readers:** Burr Anderson,

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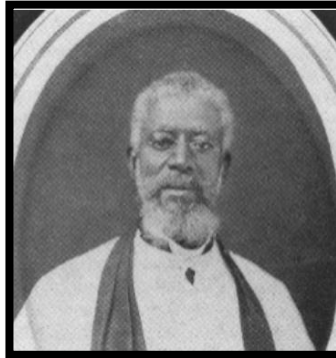
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# **Commemoration of the Feast of Alexander Crummell and UBE Sunday**

Holy Eucharist Rite II, Year C, Revised Common Lectionary  
Sunday, September 14, 2025, 10:30 AM



On the Sunday closest to September 10, The Episcopal Church celebrates the life and legacy of a notable saint: the Reverend Alexander Crummell. This day is also designated as Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE) Sunday to commemorate the racial justice ministry of this organization which was an outgrowth of Crummell's advocacy.

The Rev. Alexander Crummell was born March 3, 1819, in New York City to Charity Hicks, a free woman of color, and Boston Crummell, a former slave. Both parents were active abolitionists. The first African-American newspaper, *Freedom's Journal*, was published out of their home.

As a young man, Crummell was driven out of an academy in New Hampshire, dismissed as a candidate for Holy Orders in New York, and rejected for admittance to General Seminary because of his race. He was eventually ordained in 1844 as a priest in the Diocese of Massachusetts, but left for England after being excluded from diocesan convention.

Ever determined, Crummell studied at Queens' College, Cambridge and was the first officially black student recorded as graduating. Soon after, he traveled to Liberia as a missionary to convert native Africans to Christianity and educate them, as well as to persuade the American black community of their duty to go to Africa to spread Christianity across the continent. Crummell lived and worked for 20 years in Liberia. Finally, political opposition, lack of funding, and the potential for life-threatening violence forced him to return to the United States.

Upon return to the U.S., he was first called to St. Mary's Episcopal Mission in the Foggy Bottom area of Washington, DC. In 1875 he and his congregation founded St. Luke's Episcopal Church, the first independent black Episcopal church in the city. When in 1882 southern bishops proposed that a separate missionary district be created for black congregations, Crummell was a founding leader in establishing national black convocation to fight the proposal. That organization became known as Conference of Church Workers Among Colored People and is a predecessor body to Union of Black Episcopalians.

After retiring from St. Luke's in 1894, Crummell taught at Howard University until 1897. He died September 10, 1898, at the age of 79. Crummell was an important voice within the abolition movement and a leader of Pan-African ideology, influencing other black nationalists. In fact, W.E.B. Du Bois paid tribute to Crummell with a memorable essay entitled "Of Alexander Crummell" collected in his 1903 book, *The Souls of Black Folk*. His feast day in the Episcopal Church is September 10.

Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE) is a national faith-based advocacy organization whose goal is to address racial and social injustices and disparities within and outside our church. Visit UBE's website, [www.ube.org](http://www.ube.org), to support their ministry of justice and racial reconciliation.

## PRELUDE

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" African American Spiritual, ARR. ROY L. BELFIELD, JR.

## GREETINGS

*Please stand as you are able. All sing.*

**OPENING HYMN** "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" Words & Music: DORIS AKERS

There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I

know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; there are

sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I

know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.

*Refrain*

Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav-en - ly Dove, stay right here

WORDS and MUSIC: Doris Akers (1922-1995)

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*The hymn continues on page 3.*

with us, fill - ing us with your love; and for these bless - ings

we lift our hearts in praise; with - out a doubt we'll know that

we have been re - vived when we shall leave this place.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And Blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* 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.

*All* **Amen.**

# GLORIA IN EXCELSIS "Glory to God" (St. Luke Mass for Healing) CARL MAULTSBY

The Schola sings the Refrain. Then All sing the Refrain and Verses where indicated.

Allegro ♩ = 132

## REFRAIN

(1st x - CANTOR, 2nd x - Unison Choir, 3rd x - Choir in parts)

Glo - ry, Glo - ry Glo-ry to God in the high - est.

## VERSE 1

(Cantor or Congregation)

Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al-might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. earth.

## VERSE 2

(Cantor or Congregation)

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther. Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. Glo - ry, Glo - ry, Glo-ry to God in the high - est. Glo - ry, Glo - ry and

## VERSE 3

(Cantor or Congregation)

peace to God's peo - ple on earth. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry, Glo - ry, Glo-ry to God in the high - est. Glo - ry,

(Congregation)

Glo - ry! And peace to God's peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry! A-men, amen, a-men.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY FOR THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## COLLECT FOR THE FEAST OF ALEXANDER CRUMMELL (UBE SUNDAY)

*Celebrant* Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you for your servant Alexander Crummell, whom you called to preach the gospel to those who were far off and to those who were near: Raise up, in this and every land, evangelists and heralds of your kingdom, that your church may proclaim the unsearchable riches of our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

*The People sit.*

## THE FIRST READING Ecclesiasticus 39:6-11

*Reader* A reading from Ecclesiasticus.

If the great Lord is willing,  
he will be filled with the spirit of understanding;  
he will pour forth words of wisdom of his own  
and give thanks to the Lord in prayer.  
The Lord will direct his counsel and knowledge,  
as he meditates on his mysteries.  
He will show the wisdom of what he has learned,  
and will glory in the law of the Lord's covenant.  
Many will praise his understanding;  
it will never be blotted out.  
His memory will not disappear,  
and his name will live through all generations.  
Nations will speak of his wisdom,  
and the congregation will proclaim his praise.  
If he lives long, he will leave a name greater than a thousand,  
and if he goes to rest, it is enough for him.

*(Silence)*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

*The cantor sings the **REFRAIN**. All repeat the **REFRAIN**. Schola St. Richard's chants the **VERSES**.*

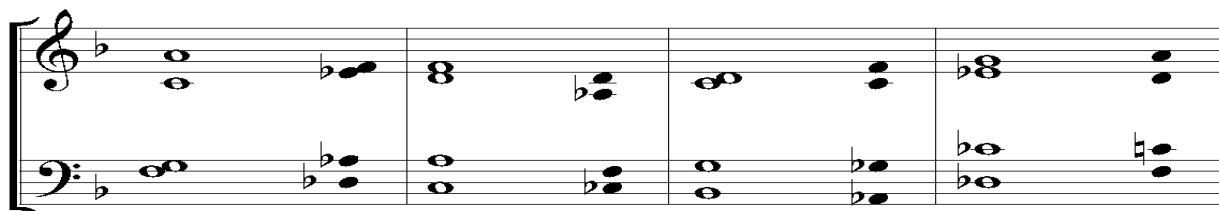
**REFRAIN** 1st X - Cantor



1. 2.

\_\_\_\_ Your word is a lamp to my feet, a lamp to brighten my path. \_\_\_\_ Your

**VERSES**



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**.  
8 The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the **heart**; \*  
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the **eyes**.  
**(REFRAIN)**

9 The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for **ever**; \*  
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous alto**gether**.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine **gold**,  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the **comb**.

11 By them also is your servant en-**lightened**, \*  
and in keeping them there is great re**ward**. (*REFRAIN, 2x*)

*Reader*      A reading from James.

My brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of any kind, consider it nothing but joy, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance; and let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking in nothing. If any of you is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given you.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN** "This Little Light of Mine" African American Spiritual, arr. CARL MAULTSBY

*All sing.*

1&4. This lit - tle light of mine, — I'm gon - na let it shine. —  
2. I'm gon - na let it shine. —  
3. I'm gon - na let it shine. —

This lit - tle light of mine, — I'm gon - na let it shine. —  
Ev - ry where I go, — I'm gon - na let it shine. —  
Je - sus gave it to me. — I'm gon - na let it shine. —

This lit - tle light of mine, — I'm gon - na let it shine. — Let it shine,  
Ev - ry where I go, — I'm gon - na let it shine. — Let it shine,  
Je - sus gave it to me. — I'm gon - na let it shine. — Let it shine,

1. — let it shine, — let it shine. — 2. Ev - ry where I go,  
— let it shine, — let it shine. —  
— let it shine, — let it shine. —

2. — 3. Je - sus gave it to me. —  
— — — —

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 4:21-25**

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the disciples, "Is a lamp brought in to be put under the bushel basket, or under the bed, and not on the lampstand? For there is nothing hidden, except to be disclosed; nor is anything secret, except to come to light. Let anyone with ears to hear listen!" And he said to them, "Pay attention to what you hear; the measure you give will be the measure you get, and still more will be given you. For to those who have, more will be given; and from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away."

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

*The People sit.*

## **SERMON**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **NICENE CREED**

*All* **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 People stand or kneel.*

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (UBE Liturgical Resources)**

*Celebrant* Gracious God, you fill us with faith and courage to confront the world's injustice and to carry your abundant love to all the world: Hear us as we pray, saying: We give thanks to God in prayer; fill us with your Spirit.



*Leader* Raise up evangelists and heralds of your kingdom, who will preach the Gospel to those who are far off and to those who are near, and bring the unsearchable riches of Christ to all people.

*People* We give thanks to God in prayer;  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader* Direct the counsel and knowledge of all leaders, Almighty One, that they may confront injustice and racism with words and acts of wisdom and compassion.

*People* We give thanks to God in prayer;  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader* Visit with your healing power all who live in places of thorns and threat, violence and racism, the rocky soil and scorched earth of poverty and injustice: Sow your seeds of love into the soil of good hearts, that the earth may bring forth an abundant harvest to justice and truth.

*People* We give thanks to God in prayer;  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader* Revive our souls, O Gracious One, and fill our communities with perseverance and enduring faith, that with warm, emotional and impulsive energy we may reclaim neighborhoods in kindness and in peace.

*People* We give thanks to God in prayer;  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader* We remember the leadership of the heads of the governments of this and other lands, standing with us in our sorrow and lending aid, guidance and actions to help us move forward.

*People* We give thanks to God in prayer;  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader* Into your abundant heart, O God, we offer the cares of our hearts as we pray in intercession, especially for Phil F., Bette, Julie, Stuart, Richard, Kathy F., Mary, Kathy, Seamone, and Priscilla. For our members who are unable to attend in-person worship: Faith, Hazel, Ruth, Val, Bill, Tom, Sandra, Tom, Serena, and Ruth C.

And family and friends, Rick, Rodney, Ann, Barry, John, Sarah, Russell, Becky, Krumwiede family, Patricia, Pete, Michael and Family, Lindquist Family, Kim, Kay, Michael, Sarah, Rachel, Emma, Lucian, Jeffrey, Melvis, Sara, Zaida, Mary Kathryn and Blake.

(The prayer list is edited the first Sunday of each month. Please let the church office know if you would like to add people to our Family and Friends list, [drucila@strichards.org](mailto:drucila@strichards.org)).

Hear our glad shouts of thanksgiving and praise as we bring to you the gratitude of our souls.

We entrust into your eternal love all who have died, especially Betty Fisher and Mable Butler.

*The people may add their own petitions.*

*People* We give thanks to God in prayer;  
**fill us with your Spirit.**

*Celebrant* Loving and gracious Father, you called your faithful servant Alexander Crummell to bring leadership and hope to your Church through the gifts and spirit of the African race: Fill us with your Spirit, that we may continue the work, building institutions and relationships of justice, truth, and reconciling peace, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## CONFESSION

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.**

## ABSOLUTION

*Celebrant* 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.

*All* **Amen.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## PEACE

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

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

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM "This Day" EDWIN HAWSINS

*Please stand as you are able.*

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

### SURSUM CORDA

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People*      **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant*      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*      **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*      It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all your saints, who have been the chosen vessels of your grace, and the lights of the world in their generations.

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 ET BENEDICTUS**

“Holy, holy, holy Lord” (*St. Luke Mass for Healing*) CARL MAULTSBY *All sing.*

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff in 8/8 time, with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The tempo/mood is marked 'Piano'. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The score includes various musical notations such as eighth notes, quarter notes, and rests, with some lyrics spanning across multiple measures.

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*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION** “Jesus Christ Has Died” *All sing. (Tune of “We Shall Overcome”)*

Music: UBE Mass, ADAPT. CURTIS CISCO, ARR. CARL MAULTSBY

(Intro.) <sup>3</sup> (Congregation)

Jesus Christ has died, Je-sus Christ is ri - sen, Je-sus Christ will  
come a - gain. O, deep in my heart, I do be - lieve,  
Je - sus Christ will come a - gain.

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**Celebrant** We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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 for ever.

**GREAT AMEN** (UBE Mass) *All sing.* ARR. CARL MAULTSBY

A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men.

**Celebrant** As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*All*

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.

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People*

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## FRACTION ANTHEM "This is the true bread" (*St. Luke Mass for Healing*) CARL MAULTSBY

*1<sup>st</sup> time-Schola women, 2<sup>nd</sup> time-All.*

piano

This is the true bread which comes down from hea - ven.

Who eats this bread shall live for - ev - er.

1. 2.

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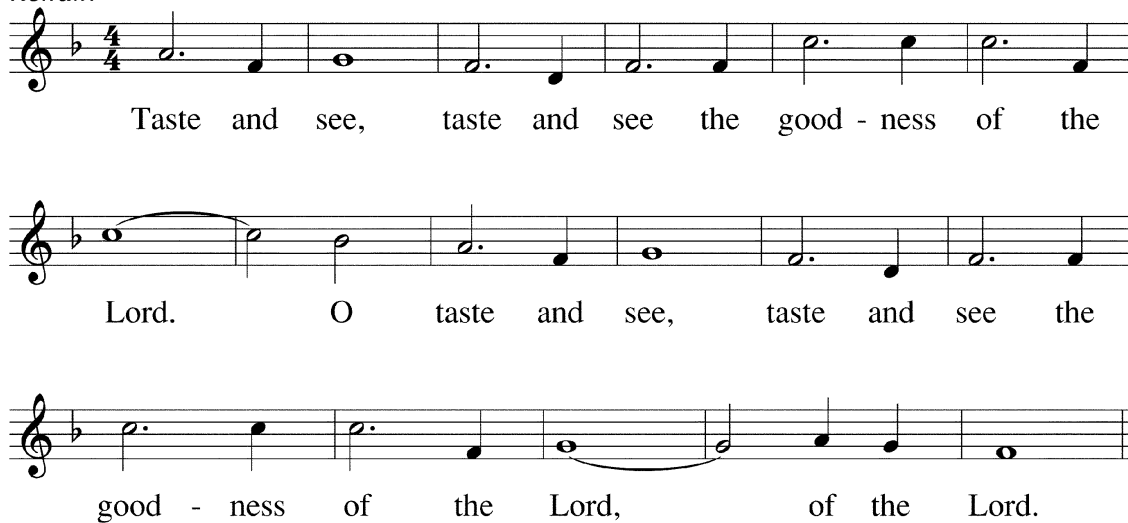
*Celebrant*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

# COMMUNION HYMNS *All sing.*

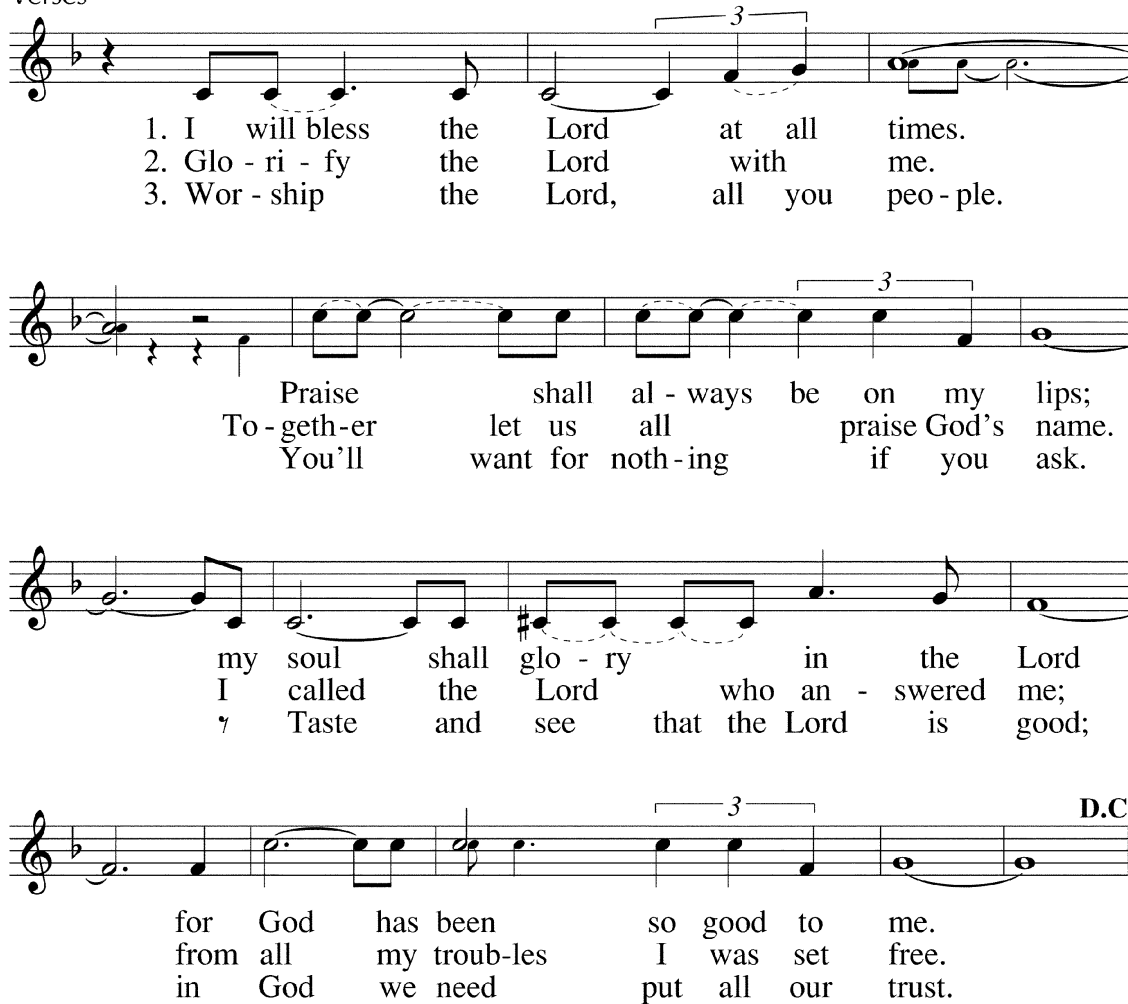
"Taste and See" Music: JAMES MOORE

Refrain



Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the  
 Lord. O taste and see, taste and see the  
 good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Verses



1. I will bless the Lord at all times.  
 2. Glo - ri - fy the Lord with me.  
 3. Wor - ship the Lord, all you peo - ple.

Praise shall al - ways be on my lips;  
 To - geth - er let us all praise God's name.  
 You'll want for noth - ing if you ask.

my soul shall glo - ry in the Lord  
 I called the Lord who an - swered me;  
 Taste and see that the Lord is good;

for God has been so good to me.  
 from all my troub - les I was set free.  
 in God we need put all our trust.

D.C.

Text: Psalm 34; James E. Moore, Jr., b.1951  
 Tune: James E. Moore, Jr., b.1951  
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"I Know It Was the Blood" African American Traditional, ARR. EVELYN SIMPSON-CURETON

1. I know it was the blood,  
 2. They whipped him all the day long,  
 3. They pierced him in his side,  
 4. He nev-er said a mum - blin' word,  
 5. He hung his head and died,  
 6. He's com - ing back a - gain,

I  
 They  
 They  
 He nev-er  
 He  
 He's

know it was the blood,  
 whipped him all the day long,  
 pierced him in his side,  
 said a mum - blin' word,  
 hung his head and died,  
 com - ing back a - gain,

I  
 They  
 They  
 He nev-er  
 He  
 He's

know it was the blood for me.  
 whipped him all the day long for me.  
 pierced him in his side for me.  
 said a mum - blin' word for me.  
 hung his head and died for me.  
 com - ing back a - gain for me.

One day when I was lost He died up-on the cross.

I know it was the blood for me.

Text: African American traditional  
 Tune: IT WAS THE BLOOD, 66 8 with refrain; African American traditional; arr. by Evelyn Simpson-Curenton, b.1953, © 2000, GIA Publications, Inc.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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.

## ORISON

### BLESSING

*Celebrant* The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

*All* Amen.

*Please stand as you are able.*

**CLOSING HYMN 529** "In Christ There Is No East or West," (McKee) *All sing.*

*Unison or harmony*

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in  
2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -  
3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in

him no South or North, but one great fel - low -  
e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther  
him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
as his child is sure - ly kin to me.  
one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.



## DISMISSAL

Deacon  
People

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

## POSTLUDE “Jubilate” FELA SOWANDE

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The next opportunity to share your time, treasure, or talent will be November 2 - 9. A call for volunteers will go out in October. If you have questions or would like more information about this program, please contact Debbie Sponsler at 407-491-5958 or sponslerdel@gmail.com.



### HANDBELLS

No Music Experience Needed

If you are interested in offering beautiful handbell music to the glory of God, join other bell ringers in the church office this Sunday after the 10:30 service. We will try to find a rehearsal time which fits everyone's schedule. Ringing in a bell choir is easier than you may think. Join us on Sunday!

Do you have a chili recipe that you think could be an award winner? Maybe you have a chili recipe that you want to share. If so then you need to join us at

### TACA's Chili Smackdown on Saturday, October 18th.

Bring your best pot of chili to the parish hall at St. Richard's Episcopal Church, 5151 Lake Howell Road. We'll be there from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. We'll have electrical outlets available so you can keep your chili nice and hot.

You don't have to bring chili to join us. If you like trying different chilis then just bring your appetite. The whole neighborhood is invited!

Prizes include: \$50 for first place, \$30 for second and \$20 for third.

TACA will provide drinks, crackers, ice cream, bowls, utensils and napkins. For more information you can call or text 407-733-8997.

The Lord himself goes  
before you and will be with  
you; he will never leave you  
nor forsake you. Do not be  
afraid; do not be discouraged.

DEUTERONOMY 31:8-9

Southern Living



## Christian Education

### Sunday Adult Education

Sunday Mornings at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall.

### NEW! Love God, Love God's World: Creation Care - 6 week series

Jennifer Dasher, Amanda March - facilitators

9/14 Week 2: Living in Right Relationship with the Land  
Leslie Poole on Native Plants

9/21 Week 3: Communal Accountability and Healing  
Your brain on nature - restoration through Creation.

9/28 Week 4: Organizing for Change - impact at the parish level  
Linda Jakubisin on Community Gardening

10/5 Week 5: Daily Practice: Living into what we are learning  
Deb Sponsler on waste mitigation - the "three R's" Reduce, Re-use, Recycle

10/12 Week 6: Growing into our "Right relationship with Creation"  
Connections between our faith and care of Creation

### Tuesday Night Bible Study, 6:30 pm

"The Little Letters." We will cover Galatians, 1 and 2 Thessalonians, 1 and 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, 1, 2, 3 John, and Jude. We meet in person at the church office and online via Zoom. Meeting ID 987 9473 5512 Passcode: 031992

### Wednesday Morning Bible Classes

Wednesday Morning Bible Class!

10 AM in the Conference Room

Taught by Rev. Dr. Dale Truscott, Adjunct Professor of World Religion, Philosophy and Ethics, Valencia College and assisting clergy at St. Richard's since 2011.

**WWW.ZOOM.US Meeting ID: 815 7637 3662**  
**Passcode: 567266**

### Sacred Time, Contemplative Prayer

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. in the Lady Chapel at St. Richard's. An hour of contemplative prayer practice and silence.

Delight yourself  
in the Lord,  
and he will give  
you the desires  
of your heart.

- PSALM 37:4 -

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)  
9:00 AM Childcare available in the Nursery  
9:30 AM Children's Bible Class (Godly Play Room)  
9:30 AM Adult Education in the Parish Hall  
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church/Online)  
5:00 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Facebook Live)  
9:30 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)  
10:00 AM Staff Meeting

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Facebook Live)  
9:30 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)  
10:30 AM Sacred Time (Lady Chapel)  
6:30 PM Tuesday Night Bible Study In-Person and on Zoom

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Facebook Live)  
9-11:00 AM Food Pantry Open  
10:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (Conf. Rm.)  
11:00 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)  
11:00 AM Pastoral Counseling By Appointment  
11:30 AM ACA (St. Richard's Rm)  
3:00 PM Violin Lessons (Conf. Rm.)

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2025

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Facebook Live)  
10:00 AM Tai Chi (Parish Hall)  
11:00 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)  
12:00 PM AA (St. Richard's Rm)  
2:00 PM Organist in the Church  
6:00 PM Scouts (Conf. Rm.)

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2025

9:00 AM Morning Prayer (Facebook Live)  
11:00 AM Orlando Bridge Club - Private (Parish Hall)

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2025

9:00 AM Altar Guild (Church)  
9:00 AM OA (St. Richard's Rm)  
10:00 AM Eating Disorder Anonymous (St. Richard's Rm)  
12:00 PM ACoA (St. Richard's Rm)  
2:00 PM Organist in the Church

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (Church)  
9:00 AM Childcare available in the Nursery  
9:30 AM Children's Bible Class (Godly Play Room)  
9:30 AM Adult Education in the Parish Hall  
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church/Online)  
12:00 PM Vestry Meeting  
5:00 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Church)

## TAI CHI, COMMUNITY, WELLNESS, AND GENTLE MOVEMENTS

Join us for an enriching experience at St. Richard's as we invite you to our Tai Chi class every Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in the welcoming Parish Hall. This gentle movement class, led by the talented Carol Alves, is designed for individuals of all backgrounds and fitness levels.



## FOR RENT



Are you or someone you know looking for work space, studio space, or office space? St Richard's has space for you. Call for more information 407-671-4211

## MEMBER MINISTRIES

[STRICHARDS.ORG](http://STRICHARDS.ORG)

### For Seasons Ministries

"Our mission is to serve the community in Jesus' name through a community food pantry and other community outreach efforts." Open Wednesdays, 9 AM – 11 AM [www.forseasonsministries.org](http://www.forseasonsministries.org)

### Music Lessons with Willie Rast

For information on percussion lessons at St. Richard's, contact J. Willis Music, Willie Rast, Owner, [willie.rast@gmail.com](mailto:willie.rast@gmail.com), or call 407-928-1270.

### Children's Violin Studio with Andrea Williams

407-670-4557

### The Orlando Bridge Club

offers ACBL Sanctioned games everyday, Monday through Friday at 12:00 noon. Please come and learn or play this fun and mentally stimulating game and bring a friend. We also offer beginner bridge lessons.

### Pet Academy Training & Behavior Modification

Lisa Lovell 321-396-7900 | [email@petacademyllc.com](mailto:email@petacademyllc.com)

### Artist: Drucila Mundo Ferrer

Access Dru's online store to see and buy her paintings. A limited number of her paintings are available at the Church office.  
[mundoavantgarde.com](http://mundoavantgarde.com) Instagram/Facebook: @mundoavantgarde

### Artist and Iconographer: Sayaka Kamakari

Talented icon writer and professional artist. You can see many of her gorgeous icons around St. Richard's. A limited number of her paintings and prints are for sale in St. Richard's church office. Available for commissions.  
Website: [sayacons.com](http://sayacons.com) Instagram: [www.instagram.com/sayakareyes](http://www.instagram.com/sayakareyes)  
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### Bulletin Announcement Reminder

Please submit all announcements for the bulletin to [drucila@strichards.org](mailto:drucila@strichards.org) no later than Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m.





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**9:00 am - 4:00 pm**

## Prayer REQUEST

— we want to stand with you —

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation: We pray for Irv Lipscomb, Phil Fox, Bette Weaver, Julie Earls, Stuart Lilie, Richard Wilson, Kathy F., Mary, Kathy, Seamone, and Priscilla.

For our members who are unable to attend in-person worship: Faith, Hazel, Ruth, Val, Bill, Tom, Sandra, Tom, Serena, and Ruth C.

*And family and friends, Rick Greenleaf, Deborah, Greg, Kevin, Haley, Ashley, Penny, Barry and John, Sarah, Rachel, Emma, Lucian, Zaida, Mary Kathryn and Blake.*

**Birthdays:** The Rev. Dr. Harry S. Coverston 9/1, Michael Poole 9/1, Carol Alves 9/6, Samantha Woodward 9/12, Alyssa Griffith 9/15, Juliet Dunsworth 9/17, Griffith 9/20, Elenita Eckberg Brodie 9/21, Anne Chinoda 9/21, Joe Obrochta 9/22, Alan Oakes 9/26, Brian Guerrero 9/28, Valeria Suarez 9/28, Jill Edwards 9/30

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

**Anniversaries:** Bruce and Ruth Wiley 9/12, Ron & Susan Brown 9/18, Dr. Seth Robert & Janice Elsheimer 9/26, The Rev. Dr. A Dale Truscott & Kin Xuxa 9/21, The Rev. Timothy Hoppe & Warren Carlson 9/27

## Pastoral Care Counseling Office

Gail Hencken, RN, LMHC, will be in the Pastoral Care Counseling Office from 11:00 am- 3:00 pm on Wednesdays to provide consultation for individuals, couples, families or groups of any age/ stage of life, by appointment only. For further information please contact Gail directly.

phone/text 407-718-9128 email wehgh44@yahoo.com



## Flower Dedications

For just \$75, you can dedicate stunning flowers that will not only brighten our worship space but also carry a heartfelt message of love and remembrance. Each dedication will be printed in our weekly Bulletin and will receive a special mention during our Online Sunday worship service.

Making a flower dedication is easy! You can simply visit our website and click on the Give Online button to submit your dedication and payment securely. Alternatively, you are welcome to mail a check along with your dedication or drop it off at the church office.

## We offer Sunday 5:00 p.m.

### First Sunday of the Month:

Holy Eucharist, the Rev. Gerad Flynn

### Second Sunday of the Month:

Contemplative Eucharist in the Celtic Tradition, the Rev. Timothy Hoppe.

### Third Sunday of the Month:

Holy Eucharist.

### Fourth Sunday of the Month:

Taizé, the Rev. Dr. Harry Coverston.  
Taize is a contemplative service with prayers & chanting.

## JULY FINANCE REPORT

Plate and Pledge in July \$23,807  
Total Revenues for the month \$50,322\*  
Total Expenses for July \$48,810 (approx. \$1,574/day)  
Ending July Cash Flow \$ 1,512  
Year-to-date Cash Flow (\$783)

\*includes \$5,000 transfer from savings as of June 30, we pulled \$33,800 from our savings to cover monthly expenses. Because of our current monthly shortfall, and following discussions with the Finance Commission, the Rector and Vestry, weekly work hours were reduced for the administrator and sexton positions in order to resolve the \$5,000 monthly shortfall we have had for the last several months.

## Vestry Members:

Warren Carlson, Senior Warden  
Michael Dey, Junior Warden  
Pam Eastburn, Treasurer  
Brenda Lutter, Clerk  
Justin Graham, Linda Jakubisin, John King,  
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"...for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

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