

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 20

September 21, 2025

9:30 a.m.

Season of Creation

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church

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Welcome to St. Patrick's. If you are new to our parish or visiting with us, we are so glad you are here. Please sign our guest book in the narthex or fill out a pew card. Thank you for worshipping alongside us. *Questions? Email us at church@pats-dublin.org*

Children at St. Patrick's

We believe children point to the presence of the Holy Spirit during worship. Therefore, kids are welcome throughout the service. We have Children's Chapel for children ages 4 through 5th grade. For younger children, ages 0 to 3 years old, we have nursery available staffed with 2 professional caregivers during this service year around. Please ask the ushers if you need directions to the nursery.

Hearing & Vision Impaired Worshippers: Wireless hearing devices and large print materials are available. Please check with an usher for assistance in locating these if needed.

St. Patrick's Mission Statement: St. Patrick's joyfully welcomes and includes you in a journey of Christian faith through the grace of the Holy Spirit.

St. Patrick's Vision Statement: St. Patrick's continues to grow as a joyful community of faith. Through worship, friendship, education and outreach, we live a Christ-centered life, caring for each other and our neighbors as ourselves.

Opening Hymn 372 *Praise to the living God*

The people standing, the Presider says

Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

The Presider then says,

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.

Hymn of Praise 620, vs 1, 5 *Jerusalem, my happy home***The Collect of the Day**

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Grant us, Creator God, to put wealth to use in relieving the suffering of others; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from the book of Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: "Is the LORD not in Zion? Is her King not in her?" ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 79:1-9

1 O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance;
they have profaned your holy temple; *
they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.

- 2 They have given the bodies of your servants as food
for the birds of the air, *
and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.
- 3 They have shed their blood like water
on every side of Jerusalem,*
and there was no one to bury them.
- 4 We have become a reproach to our neighbors, *
an object of scorn and derision to those around us.
- 5 How long will you be angry, O LORD? *
will your fury blaze like fire for ever?
- 6 Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you *
and upon the kingdoms that have not
called upon your Name.
- 7 For they have devoured Jacob *
and made his dwelling a ruin.
- 8 Remember not our past sins;
let your compassion be swift to meet us; *
for we have been brought very low.
- 9 Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; *
deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake.

A reading from 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all -- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 601 *O day of God, draw nigh*

The Gospel Luke 16:1-13 *(All stand.)*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
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.**

Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church and in our diocesan cycle of prayer today we especially pray for St. Paul's, Logan.

That we all may be one.

Grant that all your creatures may thank and serve you;

Show your blessing on earth, O God.

Grant favorable weather, temperate rain, and fruitful seasons, providing food and drink for all your creatures;

Show your blessing on earth, O God.

Open our eyes to the joy and beauty of creation, that we may see your presence in all your works;

Show your blessing on earth, O God.

Look with favor upon all who care for the earth, the water, and the air,
that the riches of creation may abound for all your creatures;

Show your blessing on earth, O God.

Make us faithful stewards of creation, wisely caring for the earth, the
air, the seas, and all the life they bear;

Show your blessing on earth, O God.

Awaken us to our responsibility for the care of creation;

Show your blessing on earth, O God.

Forgive us our waste and pollution of creation
and strengthen us to heal wounds we have inflicted;

Show your blessing on earth, O God.

Remember all in captivity and those who are hunted, trapped, desert-
ed, or abused, that they may find safety in homes of loving care;

Show your blessing on earth, O God.

Do not forget those creatures who have died yet remain dear to us,
that they may rejoice in your new creation;

Show your blessing on earth, O God.

Give to all the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially...
who are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week.

Silence (during the silence the people may add their own petitions)

Presider

Holy God: No sparrow falls without your attention; nothing dies that
is lost to you; nothing comes into being without your love. Give us
just and compassionate hearts, that we may serve the earth and all its
creatures, holding fast to the vision of your peaceable reign in which
all will live with you eternally; through the Risen One, Christ our
Savior. ***Amen.***

Confession

Deacon or Presider

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider 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.

Absolution

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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

Announcements

The Offertory Anthem *The Nightingale* Deborah Henson Conant
 Nancy Haney, harp & Maragaret Robinson, flute
*The people's gifts of bread and wine, along with the collection,
 are brought to the Altar. (Please stand.)*

Doxology



*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
 him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer with Creation I

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

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

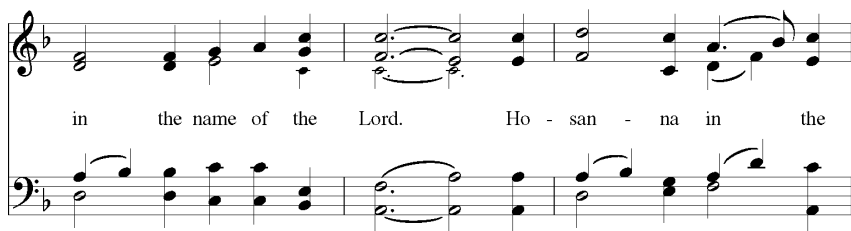
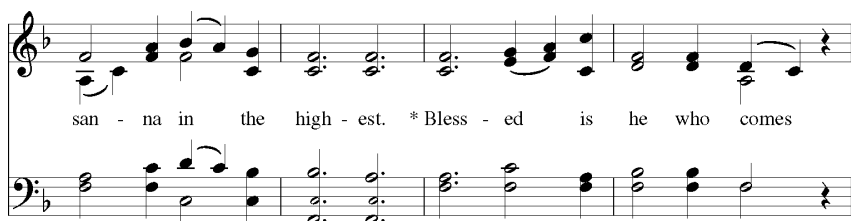
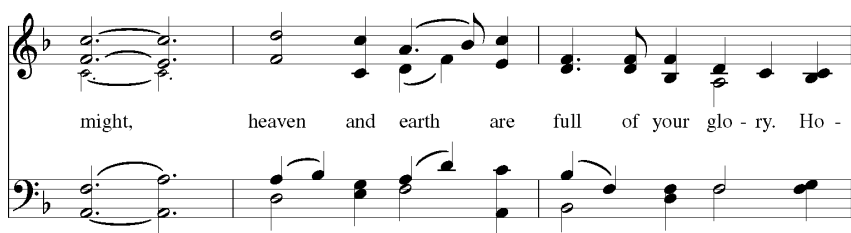
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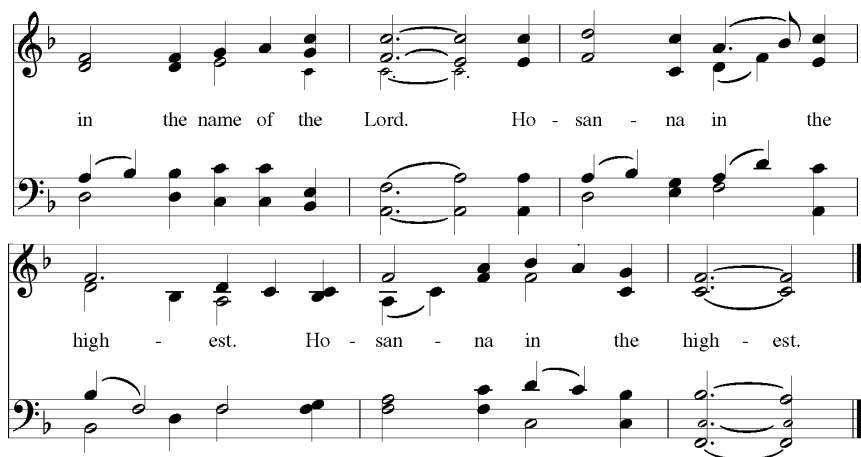
Praise and thanks are yours, our Creating God. From the dust of the earth you shaped human beings in your own image, and you filled the earth and seas and skies with a myriad of wonders. Yet we consistently turn your generosity into our scarcity, your elegance into our meanness, and your simplicity into our corruption. Though we poison and destroy your good Creation, you continue to offer us your abundance. In your mercy, you have redeemed us through your son, Jesus, transforming death into life.

Through the Spirit you continue to call us into covenant with you—for the restoration of Creation and the reconciliation of all people.

And so we give you thanks, rejoicing with all of Creation, as we join the saints and angels in their unending hymn:

Sanctus





Presider

On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks to God. He broke the bread, gave it to his friends and said: "Take and eat, for this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

He took the wine, and gave thanks to God, Creator. He gave it to his friends saying: "This is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you and for all creation for the forgiveness of sins. Every time you drink of the wine, do this in remembrance of me."

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Presider

Merciful God, we come to this table seeking reconciliation: with you, with one another, and with all creation. Through these mysteries reconcile us to our world and empower us to restore your Creation and fulfill your will. Send your life-giving Spirit upon us, and upon this bread and wine. Stir in us the creative and redeem the destructive. Heal your stricken world, that the soil, the skies, and the seas may be filled with your life anew.

Fill every heart with the sure and certain hope that we shall enter into the fullness of your joy, when your whole Creation is justified by faith and sanctified by love, and you are all in all. Through

Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, everlasting God, now and forever.

Amen.

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

People and Presider

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence may be kept.

Fraction Hymn

As Christ breaks bread__ and bids us share,__ each
proud di - vi - sion ends.____ That love that made__ us
makes us one,__ and stran - gers now__ are friends.____

The Invitation

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All persons are invited to the Altar.

*If you choose to receive communion,
you may do so in one of the following ways:*

- *Consume the bread first and then sip from the cup.*

- *Intinction is strongly discouraged however if you choose to intinct, please simply leave the wafer in your hands.*
- *The chalice bearer will dip the wafer, then hand it back to you.*
- *Communion in one kind, or both, is acceptable.*
- *If you prefer to not receive the wine, you may proceed to your seat after receiving the bread.*
- *If you would like to receive a blessing only, please cross your hands over your chest as a signal to the ministers.*
- *If you want a gluten free wafer, please place your palms down when you approach the ministers.*

Communion Hymn LEVAS 203 *There is a balm in Gilead*

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Presider says

Let us pray.

Presider and People

**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.**

Eucharistic Visitor Sending *(If needed.)*

Presider

We send you out in the Name of God to those who can't be here today bearing the body of Christ so they may be the body of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 550 vs. 1, 3-5 *Jesus calls us o'er the tumult*

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Fantasia in f

Dietrich Buxtehude

*Thank you for joining with us in worship this morning!
We invite you to continue your Sunday morning experience,
with fellowship and refreshments in the Parish Hall.
All are welcome!*

Today's Ministry Team

Presider: The Rev. Catherine Duffy

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Jason Emerson

Music Director: Jennifer Bell

Streaming: Peter O'Neill

Lay Reader: Brenda Eddy

Lectors: Vicky Bratton & Susan Jones

Crucifer: Zachary Haney

Acolytes: Angel Cinco, Ayla Stains

Ushers: Tim & Jan Redman, Becky Stains, Tom Jones

Greeters: Heather Dudash, Jermaine Carew

Children's Chapel Helpers:

Coffee Hour: Kim & Nick Machesky, Cindy Doan

Lay Eucharistic Visitors (LEV): Susan Jones, Brenda Eddy

Altar Guild: Suzanne Holliday, Mary Horton

Counters: Doug Langenfeld, Jim Brown

Hospitality Table: Lissa & Roy Barker

About the Season of Creation

The Season of Creation, September 1st through October 4th, is celebrated by Christians around the world as a time for renewing, repairing and restoring our relationship to God, one another, and all of creation. The Episcopal Church joins this international effort for prayer and action for climate justice and an end to environmental racism and ecological destruction.

The 2025 theme is Peace with Creation. In celebrating the Season, we are invited to consider anew our ecological, economic, and political ways of living.