

The Episcopal Church of the Messiah

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II
26 July 2026 AD, 10:00 a.m.

The Rev. Roy Tripp, Celebrant



Welcome! We warmly welcome all who join us in worship and invite you to join us afterwards for refreshments & fellowship in the Church Center. If you need pastoral care, reach out to Fr. Roy at RoyTripp@mac.com. If you would like the Intercessory Prayer Team to lift up yourself, family, friends, or circumstances fill out a prayer request card available on the Welcome Table and place in the red box. All requests are confidential.

If this is your first visit, kindly complete a pew card, and drop it in the offering plate to stay connected with us.

NOTES: The Hymnal is in the "pew back" in front of you. Feel free to quietly ask a neighbor for guidance if you are "lost" at any point during worship. Gluten-free communion wafers are available. Let an usher or acolyte know prior to the start of worship if possible.



NOTES:

As Episcopalians, we are guided by the promises of the Baptismal Covenant. We promise to seek and serve Christ in all persons and to respect the dignity of every human being. Those promises call us not simply to tolerate one another, but to celebrate one another as beloved children of God.

In a time when our society is often marked by division, fear, and suspicion, the Church is called to be something different: a community where people encounter the reconciling love of God and discover that there is room for all of us at Christ's table.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ruth Woodliff-Stanley' with a stylized flourish at the end.

The Rt. Rev. Ruth Woodliff-Stanley
Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina

THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN *O worship the King, all glorious above (Hanover) (H 388)*

OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT OF PURITY

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

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

In unison: 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.*

SONG OF PRAISE *Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Hurd) (S 277)*



1. Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



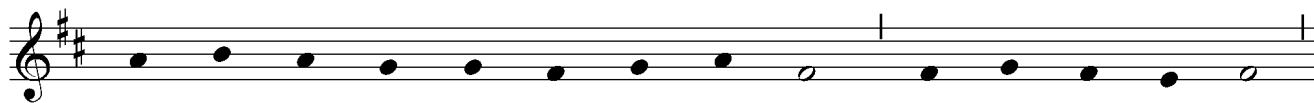
2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.

6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: God be with you.

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 3:5-12

A Reading from the First book of Kings.

⁵At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." ⁶And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your

servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

¹⁰It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 105:1-11, 45b (*simplified chant*)

- ¹ Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his | Name; *
make known his deeds among the | peoples.
- ² Sing to him, sing praises | to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous | works.
- ³ Glory in his holy | Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord re- | -joice.
- ⁴ Search for the Lord and his | strength; *
continually seek his | face.
- ⁵ Remember the marvels he has | done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his | mouth,
- ⁶ O offspring of Abraham his | servant, *
O children of Jacob his | chosen.
- ⁷ He is the Lord our | God; *
his judgments prevail in all the | world.
- ⁸ He has always been mindful of his | covenant, *
the promise he made for a thousand gene- | -rations:
- ⁹ The covenant he made with | Abraham, *
the oath that he swore to | Isaac,
- ¹⁰ Which he established as a statute for | Jacob, *
an everlasting covenant for | Israel,
- ¹¹ Saying, "To you will I give the land of | Canaan *
to be your allotted in- | -heritance."
- * Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his | Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples. Halle- | -lujah!

SECOND READING: Romans 8:26-39

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

²⁶The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE INTROIT *If thou but trust in God to guide thee*
(*Wer nur den lieben Gott*) (H 635)

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Clergy: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

³¹[Another parable Jesus put before the crowds:] "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;³²it is the smallest of all the

seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

³³He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

⁴⁴“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” ⁵²And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

THE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor: Just as the Spirit intercedes with deep sighs, let us turn our hearts to the will of God and offer prayers for all peoples.

For this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place; for Sarah our Archbishop of Canterbury; for Sean, our presiding Bishop; Ruth, our bishop; for Roy, George and Jim, our clergy; for Charlie, our postulant; for all bishops, priests, and deacons, and for all the baptized who minister in your Name.

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church of Tanzania.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Charleston; The Rev. Courtney Davis-Shoemaker, Priest-in-charge;
The Rev. Marionette Bennett, Deacon

In the Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for David Hardin.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: For all nations, peoples, tribes, households, and families.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: For mercy, justice and, peace in the world.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: For farmers and a good harvest, for travelers and those on vacation, and for safety from violent storms.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: For all those in danger and need: the sick and the dying, the poor and the oppressed, prisoners and captives, and for their families.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: For those who rest in Christ and for all the dead.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: For ourselves, our families, our companions, and all those we love.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Lifting our voices with all creation, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

People: **To you, O Christ.**

Intercessor: I invite any other prayers of thanksgiving or petition.

Silence

Celebrant: God of infinite wisdom, who searches the heart of every one, hear the prayers we offer you this day and gather us into the kingdom of heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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

In Unison:

**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.**

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. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O Taste and See *Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:
Blest is the man that trusteth in him.

- Psalm 34:8

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

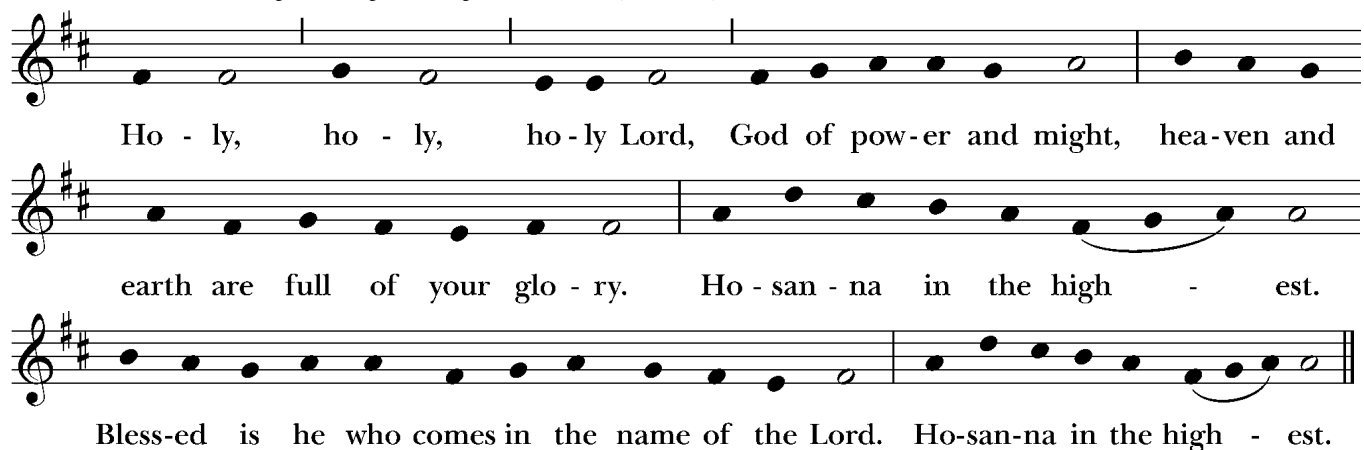
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

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.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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 *Holy, holy, holy* (Hurd) (S 124)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word

spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People:

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray,

Celebrant and People:

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.

FRACTION ANTHEM *Lamb of God (Hurd)* (S 161)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The Presider says the following invitation:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION

The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven. The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation.

[Amen.]

COMMUNION HYMN *I come with joy to meet my Lord (Land of Rest)* (H 304)

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

TAIZE - *In the Lord* (sung three times)

♩ = 69

Dm C F B♭ C Dm C F

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -

C B♭ A 3 Dm C

joice! Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your

F B♭ C Am Dm B♭ C F *fine* Dm C

voic - es, the Lord is near; lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near. In the

fine *fine*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

People: Eternal Giver of love and life: you have nourished us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and with one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and earth. Now send us into the world with the power of your Spirit, to preach your redeeming love, to do your justice, and to act with courage, in the risen life of Christ our Savior.
Amen.

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN *Spread, O spread, thou mighty word (Gott sei Dank) (H 530)*

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*All are warmly invited to join us after worship
in our Church Center for fellowship and refreshments.*



W H O W E A R E

Vision Statement

The Church of the Messiah is an intentionally inclusive community called to love the Lord and to serve God's world in a spirit of reconciliation, hope, and healing.

Mission Statement

The Church of the Messiah follows Jesus through our liturgy and music while sharing the love of Jesus by serving the Myrtle Beach community.

The People of God are the ministers of this Church and are served by
The Bishop of South Carolina, the Right Rev. Ruth Woodliff-Stanley,
and the Rev. Roy Tripp, Vicar.

They are also served by the Rev. George H. Welles, Jr.
and the Rev. James O. Craig III, Associates.

Our Vestry

Richard B. Stall, Sr. Warden
Monica Orosz, Jr. Warden
Kristi Burch, Member
Eileen Fairchild, Member
Chrissy Oppegaard, Member
Pat Patterson, Member
Charles Jordan, Legal Advisor to the Vestry
Peggy Kovacs, Treasurer

The Music Ministry is served by Dr. Charles Jones Evans.

The People of Messiah are also served by
Patty Tate, **Parish Secretary** & Chelsea Lesko, **Children's Leader**.

Love. Serve. Share.

THIS WEEK. . .

Today, Worship in the church at 10:00 a.m. Child Care & Children's Program in the Church Center at 10:00 a.m.

Following worship, join us upstairs for refreshments and fellowship.

~~**Sunday, July 26th**, Gathering with Ann Fleming following worship~~

CANCELED. WILL BE RESCHEDULED IN THE FALL.

Tuesday, 6:00 p.m., Jordan's Tuesday Evening

Rev. Roy's Open Office Hours canceled through September 1.

LOOKING AHEAD. . .

Monday, August 17, 5:00 p.m., Vestry Meeting

THOSE WHO SERVE. . .

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
Vestry of the Day	Chrissy Oppegaard	Monica Orosz
Altar Guild	Donna Wiggin	David Hardin
Greeter	Ann Charles Jordan	Dee Heckert
Readers	Chrissy Oppegaard Ann Driscoll	Larry Sultze Peggy Schauer
Intercessor	Peggy Schauer	Ann Driscoll
Acolyte	David Hardin Deb Whitaker	David Hardin Deb Whitaker
Chalice Bearer	Deb Whitaker Pat Patterson	Deb Whitaker Monica Orosz
Flower Guild	Ann Charles Jordan	Tracy Cobb
Refreshments	Tracy Cobb	Cindy Craig
Live Stream	Karen Spink	Monica Orosz

VICAR ON VACATION

Fr. Roy will be away for the month of August and will be back beginning on September 6th. While he's away, Fr. Jim Craig will be available for pastoral care needs. He will also be the celebrant for worship on August 2, 16, 23 & 30. Fr. John Sorensen will return to be our celebrant for one day, August 9.

Rick Stall (Sr. Warden), Monica Orosz (Jr. Warden), and Patty Tate (Parish Secretary) can be reached for any assistance other than pastoral care.

FORWARD DAY BY DAY

Booklets for August, September & October are in the back of the church and in the Church Center. Available in pocket-size or large-print.

Also available online at <https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/fdd>. Or listen to the podcast – <https://forwardmovement.org/our-podcasts/>; includes each day's scripture passage, reflection, and closing prayer. An excellent 5-minute start to your day! Find the podcast wherever you get your podcasts.

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