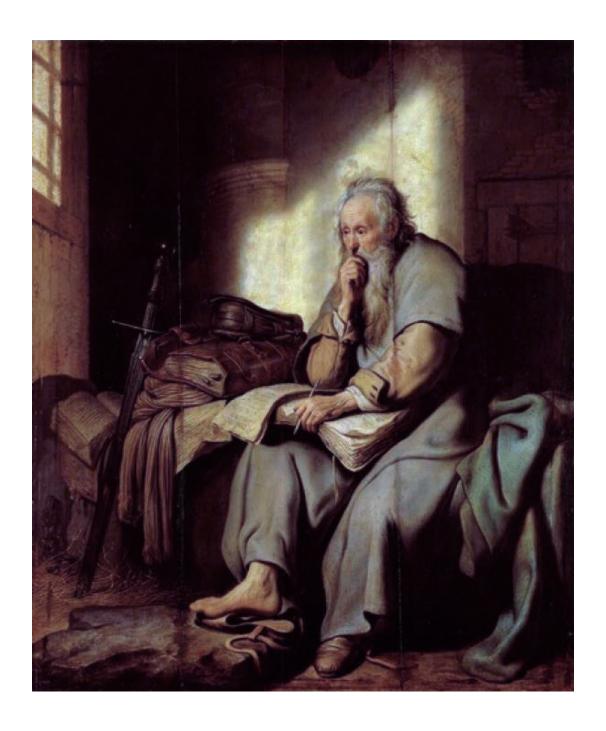
St. Philip's Episcopal Church

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost



Holy Eucharist Sunday, November 16, 2025 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. The first part of the service is **The Liturgy of the Word**. It is based on ancient Jewish worship in which we hear about God's work in the world.

Ordinary Time is the part of the liturgical year that falls outside the two great seasons of Christmas and Easter, and their preparatory seasons of Advent and Lent. It includes the Sundays after Epiphany and the long stretch between Pentecost and Advent. The liturgical color for this season is green, which is why it is sometimes called the "green season." The final Sunday of Ordinary Time is celebrated as the Feast of Christ the King.

The term ordinary comes not from "common," but from the *ordinal numbers* used to count the Sundays. For this reason, Ordinary Time is often also called the Season after Pentecost.

Welcome! We offer two services today: one at 8:00 a.m. and one at 10:30 a.m. The 10:30 a.m. service is broadcast on <u>Facebook Live</u> or <u>YouTube</u>. Livestreaming begins at 10:25 a.m. If you are visiting, please fill out a visitor card (located in the pew rack) and drop it in the offering plate or hand to an usher.

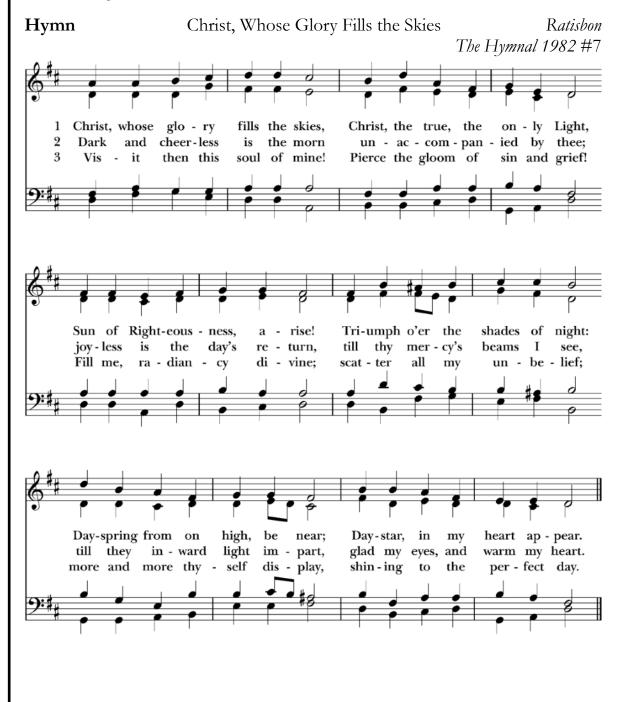
The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

O Mensch bewein dein Sünde gross

J.S. Bach

All stand as they are able.



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

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

Collect for Purity

The Celebrant 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.**

Gloria in Excelsis (8:00 a.m.)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

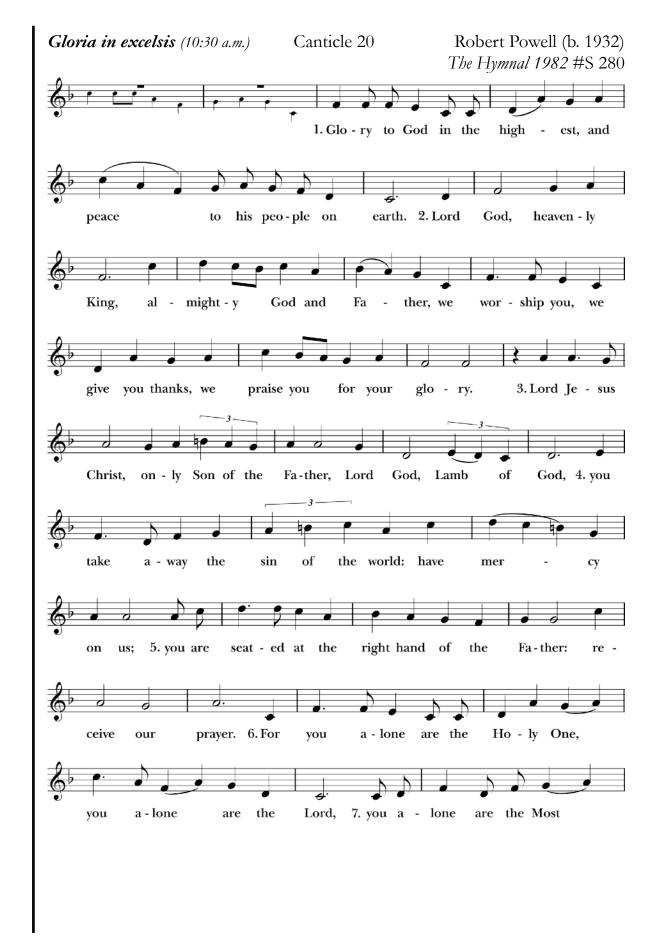
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

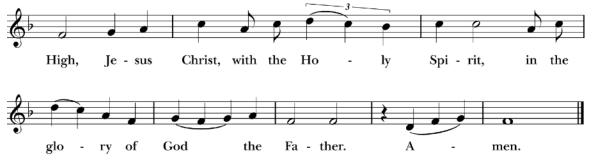
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect for Purity has ancient roots. Its earliest known form, in Latin, dates to the 10th century. An English version appeared in The Cloud of Unknowing (late 14th century), but Thomas Cranmer gave it a lasting place in Anglican worship by including his translation in the first Book of Common Prayer (1549). Since then, it has appeared in nearly every Anglican prayer book across the world.

The *Gloria in excelsis* is a short hymn of praise to the Trinity. Its opening verse is based on the song of the angels to the shepherds at the time of Jesus' birth as reported in Luke 2:14. The singing of the Gloria dates from the 4th century.





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Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading Malachi 4:1-2a

All sit.

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Malachi.

¹See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ^{2a}But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

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

A collect (pronounced "COLL-ect") is a prayer that collects the thoughts and prayers of all. The **Collect of the Day** is a prayer that ties together the themes of the assigned lectionary readings for the day.

The Lessons - We follow a three-year cycle of readings called a Lectionary. They include readings from the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament), the Psalms, the Epistles, and the Gospel - These are the lessons being heard in congregations of all types throughout the world on this day.

The **Psalm** is said at 8:00 a.m. and sung at the later service by the entire congregation. Singing the psalm dates back to the worship traditions of the covenant Hebrew people.

Psalm 98

Cantate Domino The Hymnal 1982 #S 409

8:00 a.m.: The reader and the congregation read the psalm responsively by half verse.

10:30 a.m.: The congregation chants the psalm with choir.

Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945)



- ¹Sing to the Lord a new | song, * for he has done marvelous | things.
- ²With his right hand and his holy | arm * has he won for himself the | victory.
- ³The Lord has made known his | victory; * his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the | nations.
- ⁴He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of | <u>Israel</u>, * and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our | God.
- ⁵Shout with joy to the Lord, all you | lands; * lift up your voice, rejoice, and | sing.
- ⁶Sing to the Lord with the | harp, * with the harp and the voice of | song.
- ⁷With trumpets and the sound of the | horn * shout with joy before the king, the | Lord.
- ⁸Let the sea make a noise and all that is | <u>in it</u>, * the lands and those who dwell there-| in.
- ⁹Let the rivers clap their | hands, * and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the | earth.
- ¹⁰In righteousness shall he judge the | world * and the peoples with | equity.

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

⁶Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. 7For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, 8 and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. 9This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. 11 For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. 12 Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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

All stand as they are able.

Hymn (10:30 a.m. only) Help Us, O Lord, to Learn St. Ethelwald The Hymnal 1982 #628 1 Help O Lord, to learn the truths your word parts: 2 Help us, O Lord, to live the faith which we pro claim, that O Lord, to teach the that 3 Help us, beau - ty of your ways, that your in - scribed up - on stu - dy, laws may be hearts. our thoughts and words and deeds may glo ri - fy your Name. yearn-ing souls find the Christ and praise.

We come to the concluding section of this letter - one which counsels against expecting Christ to come again soon. It seems that some in the community have ceased to work and to spread the word of God.

The Gospel - We stand as we are able to indicate the importance we place on Jesus' words and actions. The Gospel book comes into the midst of the people and all turn toward the reader indicating our desire to turn our lives to follow Jesus.

We come to the end of Jesus' teaching in the Temple. His prediction of its destruction came true about forty years later. Jesus uses this as an opportunity to tell his followers of the ordeals they will need to endure. Perseverance will be rewarded.

The **Sermon** is designed to help us make the Word a living and transforming reality in our lives.

The **Creed** - In the Episcopal Church, we use two ancient statements of faith: the **Apostles' Creed** and the **Nicene Creed**. The Apostles' Creed, older

Holy Gospel Luke 21:5-19

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶"As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

⁷They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" ⁸And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

⁹"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." ¹⁰Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹²"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls."

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

Sermon Brad Wilson

Nicene Creed All stand as they are able.

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.

Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, let us pray to Jesus our Lord, responding "hear our prayer."

Saviour of the world, be present in all places of suffering, violence and pain, and bring hope even in the darkest night. Inspire us to continue your work of reconciliation today.

Hear our prayer.

Lord of the Church, empower by your Spirit all Christian people, and the work of your Church in every land. Give us grace to proclaim the gospel joyfully in word and deed.

Hear our prayer.

and shorter, is said at Baptism and in daily prayers; the Nicene Creed, from the 4th century, is recited at the Eucharist. Rather than a detailed confession or a sworn "acceptance of Jesus into our hearts," liturgical Christians recite the Creeds as a sign of unity in worship. Though written long ago, they remain relevant today as we join the universal Church under the banner of Christ.

Prayers of the People

- An intercessor calls us to pray and leads us in prayer. We include prayers for others throughout the world and our diocese (regional body) on a rotating basis. We also offer prayers for those entrusted to us, asking God's healing for every kind of trouble. Our prayers this morning come from Common Worship, a family of volumes which, together with the Book of Common Prayer, make up the official liturgical resource of the Church of England.

Shepherd and Guardian of our souls, guide and enable all who lead and serve this community and those on whom we depend for our daily needs. Grant that we may seek the peace and welfare of this place.

Hear our prayer.

Great Physician, stretch out your hand to bring comfort, wholeness and peace to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit.

Christy Adams, Peggy Ayres, Dez Blue, Christopher Bolk, Leslie Brown, Jay Curwen, Carl Denny, Lance Dickenson, Nancy Dillard, Suzanne Dininny, Jan Dryselius, Dianne and Howard Dyer, Judith Egan, Annette Ellerton, Liz Ford, Edie Gabcik, John Gannon, Charlotte Gilmore, Kathy Haehnel, Tim Harris, Howard Jackson, Kay Jones, Lyn Kane, Michael Kirwen, Ruth LePine, Tom Lewis, Elisabeth Marchant, Dottie Marcinko, Johnny Martinez, Larry Maupin, Kathryn McKinley, Mark and Leslie Montgomery, Jenifer Morrow, Veronica Morrow, Francisco Leon Olea, Nancy Patterson, Judy Pierce, Debbie and John Poe, Bev and Milbrey Raney, Liam Rial, Jim Rice, Lisa Rodke, Mary Rose, Hudson Rudisill, Gabrielle Ruge, Roy Sanyer, Linda Schieve, Frank Shoemaker, Alice Silva, Isabella Smith, Ray Snellgrove, Brenda Summers, Arden Swift, Mike Tiddy, Jim Tso, Emily Walthall, Eileen Gilson Williams, Penny Williams, Ed Wiseman, Risdon Wood, Amber, Barry, Charles, Courtney and Nikarra, Dave, Ellen, Kurt, Mary, and Pat.

Fill us with compassion, that we may be channels of your healing love. **Hear our prayer.**

Conqueror of death, remember for good those whom we love but see no longer. Help us to live this day in the sure and certain hope of your eternal victory.

Hear our prayer.

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

To you, O Lord our God.

We give thanks for the birth of Enzo Joseph Patrizz, born to Amanda and RJ Patrizz and grandmother Rebecca Peele.

We give thanks for the flowers at the altar, given to the Glory of God and in memory of Gayle Webster.

In our diocese, we pray for the Spanish Speaking Congregations at Trinity, Spruce Pine; St. Mary's, Morganton; Grace, Waynesville; and Church of our Savior, Newland; and for Diocesan Spanish Speaking Missioners. In our Anglican Communion, we pray for The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria.

The priest concludes with this collect

Holy Spirit, giver of light and life, impart to us thoughts better than our own thoughts, and prayers better than our own prayers, and powers better than our own powers, that we may spend and be spent in the ways of love and goodness, after the perfect image of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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

Announcements

The Liturgy of the Table

The Liturgy of the Table is based on the Jewish fellowship meals, particularly the Passover observance.

In the **Offertory** we collect our financial gifts and bring them forward with the Reserved Sacrament bread as a visible reminder that our whole lives are offered to God in Thanksgiving for all we have and all that we are.

Offertory Anthem

It Is Well With My Soul

Music: Philip P. Bliss(1838-1876)

arr. Mack Wilberg

Text: Horatio G. Spafford (1828-1888)

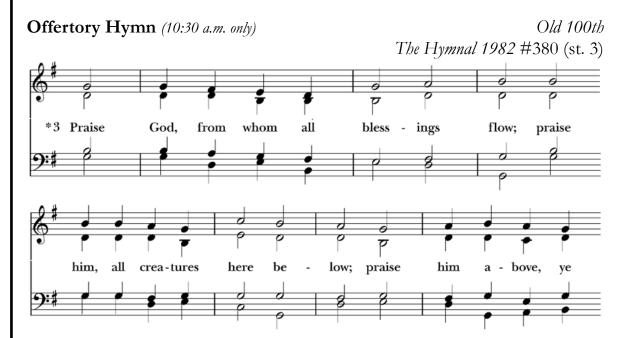
When peace like a river attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
'It is well, it is well with my soul.'
Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control:
That Christ as regarded my helpless estate,
And has shed his own blood for my soul.

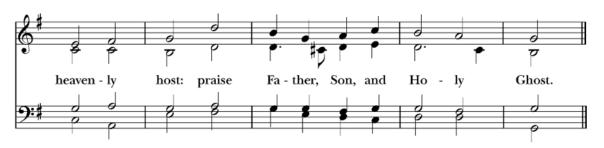
It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more; Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll; The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, Even so, it is well with my soul. It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.





Offertory Sentence

Priest All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship 1
Eucharistic Prayer 3

All stand as they are able.

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 God thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus and Benedictus (8:00 a.m.)

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

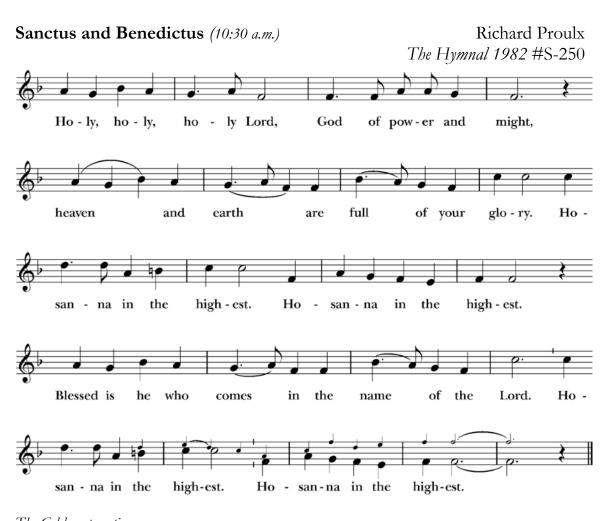
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Eucharistic **Prayers** come from *The* Book of Common Prayer and from authorized supplemental resources. Today we use *Eucharistic* Prayer 3 from Enriching Our Worship 1, which offers fresh images of God, expansive language, and continuity with our Anglican tradition. All **Eucharistic Prayers** share the same pattern: we are invited into prayer, give thanks for creation and God's revelation, praise God for salvation in Christ, and hear again Jesus' words over the bread and wine.

The Sanctus and Benedictus (Holy, holy, holy) are from Isaiah, overwhelmed by the presence of God in the sanctuary. They were sung by the people as Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday.



The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As we repeat the words and actions of Jesus' last meal with his disciples, we join the story and make it our own.

The bread and wine become outward signs of inward grace. That grace, or gift from God, is Jesus' real presence in the Eucharist through the power of the Holy Spirit. And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Celebrant and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Celebrant continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Philip, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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.

The **Lord's Prayer** is Jesus' own prayer given to the disciples as a model. It is for us an ancient link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist. In the Lord's Prayer, we ask for daily bread, meaning the things we need to get through each day. Likewise, the bread symbolizes God's presence, which is also essential to our getting through the day.

The **Fraction**, also called the Breaking of the Bread, recalls Jesus breaking bread at the Last Supper. It also reminds us that Jesus' body was broken on the cross for us.

Breaking of the Bread and Fraction Anthem

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. Alleluia!

The Communion of the People

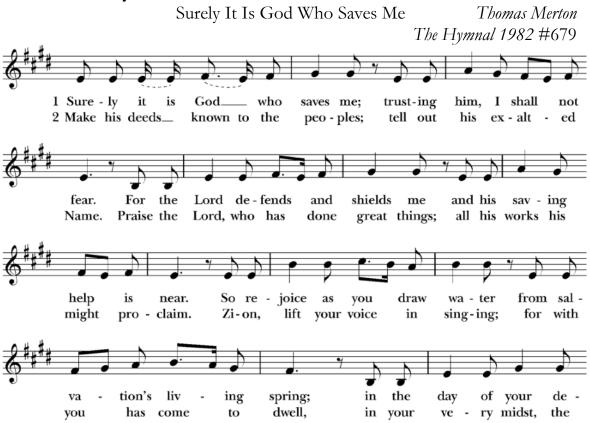
All who seek Christ are invited to receive the bread and wine standing or kneeling at the altar rail. If you choose not to receive the wine, let the server know that you want only the bread by placing one hand over your heart (receiving only the bread is full communion). If you prefer not to take communion, you may come forward for a blessing, crossing your arms over your chest, or not come forward at all; no one will judge you.

To receive the wine by intinction, please come to the altar rail. Extend your hands, palms flat, and the bread will be placed there for you to dip the bread into the wine.

To receive the wine by sipping from the chalice, please also come to the altar rail, consume the bread, then please help the Lay Eucharistic Minister guide the chalice to your lips to sip.

Please wait for an usher to release you from your pew to come forward. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Communion Hymn





Prayer for Spiritual Communion

This prayer takes the place of the Postcommunion Prayer for those worshiping at home.

Gracious God, since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

The people stand as they are able.

Postcommunion Prayer

Let us pray.

Celebrant 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.

Prayer for the Eucharistic Visitors After the prayer, the People respond

Amen.

Blessing

(Hymn continues on the next page.)

The **Blessing** is given as a pronouncement of God's favor, not because of how perfect we are but how good God is!

At the 10:30 a.m. service the cross leads the procession out into the world. As the cross passes by your pew, turn toward the door to signify your calling to live your faith in the world.





Dismissal

The priest offers a dismissal, and the people respond

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Antiphon 5: How Fair and Pleasant art Thou Marcel Dupré

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The final act of our common worship is the **Dismissal**. It is not an afterthought, but an integral part of the service. The word "Mass" comes from the Latin word *mittere*, "to send." It was a part of the dismissal in the medieval Latin Mass: "Ite, missa est" - "Go, it is finished." Jesus' final action on earth was to send his followers into the world to make disciples, baptizing and teaching them to obey all that he commanded. This is what we are all called to do as Christians.



Hearing Loop assistance is available inside this building. Set hearing aid on "T" (telecoil) setting. Headsets are also available in both the narthex and Miller Hall that will allow access to the Hearing Loop. Please see an usher for help.

WE WELCOME CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

We welcome children of all ages in all our worship services. In the narthex, you can find worship bags with quiet activities for children. Nursery for children Kindergarten age and younger is available today beginning at 10:15 a.m. for our 10:30 a.m. service. An usher can direct you to our nursery located on the lower level of our parish building.

HEARING THE WORD NOVEMBER 16

On Sunday, November 16, 2025, we welcome Brad Wilson to preach at our morning services. Brad is studying for the priesthood at General Theological Seminary in New York City and currently serves at St. Philip's. Please join us in giving him a warm welcome!

THIS SUNDAY AT ST. PHILIP'S

- Sunday at 8:00 a.m. During this season, we enjoy sharing the same Holy Eucharist, Rite II liturgy in our Sunday morning 8:00 a.m. spoken service as the 10:30 a.m. service.
- Adult Forum at 9:15 a.m. Everyone needs forgiveness, but some people and actions test the limits of our ability and willingness to forgive. If you've ever struggled with whether or how to forgive someone or something, come join us in exploring myths and misconceptions about forgiveness, barriers to forgiveness, what it means to forgive "from the heart," and steps in the journey to forgiveness. In Session 3, participants will examine distinctions in the two types of forgiveness, explore ways to assess readiness to forgive, and consider how principles of forgiveness may be applied in real-life situations. The facilitator will provide handouts that will serve as a basis for discussion and activities. Adult Forum takes place in the YAC (our large downstairs meeting room) at 9:15 a.m.
- Coffee & Conversation at 9:15 a.m. Holy Encounters: Exploring Jesus' Way of Being in the World. This autumn the Coffee and Conversation team is facilitating conversation around Jesus' way of being in the world as we explore the Sermon on the Mount together. Join us as we look to cultivate holy moments of encounter as individuals, in community, and in the world around us. Coffee & Conversation meets in Miller Hall, our large upstairs meeting room.
- Youth Sunday School at 9:15 a.m. Middle and high school youth are invited to join us for Sunday School. We are using short videos from <u>bibleproject.com</u> to jump start our discussions; this fully-animated series traces key biblical themes from their first appearance through the entire narrative of the Bible. We meet in the youth classroom located downstairs in the Education wing.
- Godly Play at 9:15 a.m. Children ages 4 through 5th grade will be engaged in Godly Play. The Godly Play approach helps them to explore their faith through story, to gain religious language and to enhance their spiritual experience through wonder and play. Godly Play meets in the Education wing downstairs.

- Nursery at 9:15 a.m. Nursery for children Kindergarten age and younger is available today beginning at 9:15 a.m.
- Children's Church at 10:30 a.m. On Sunday all children (K-5th grade) are invited to Children's Church during the Liturgy of the Word in the 10:30 a.m. service. Children may be brought to the Sunday School room across from the Godly Play room (the youth classroom) before parents/grandparents go to church. Children will be taken to the church during the Peace and should join their family for communion.
- Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Join us for Holy Eucharist, Rite II (with music) at our 10:30 a.m. service.
- Coffee Hour after the 10:30 a.m. service All are invited and always welcome to join us in Miller Hall (our large upstairs meeting room) after the 10:30 a.m. service for juice or coffee and fellowship. This is a great chance to mingle, meet new people, or just relax with friends.

WE NEED FLUFFERS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23!

Join us in the church after the 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday, November 23, and help the Altar Guild "fluff" the Advent garland. The work is easy, and the fellowship is grand!

JOIN US FOR THANKSGIVING WORSHIP NOVEMBER 26

The collect for Thanksgiving Day gives thanks to God the Father for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. It asks that we may be faithful stewards of God's great bounty, providing for our own necessities and the relief of all who are in need (BCP, p. 246). We will gather for a celebration of Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m. at St. Philip's on Wednesday, November 26, 2025. Please join us!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed after 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 26, and on Thursday and Friday, November 27-28, 2025, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Birthdays

16 Nancy Nahon19 Sandy Briggs22 Jo Ann Moore17 Penny Williams19 Wayne Eberhardt22 Gwen Smith

17 Susan Olson 19 Joe Driver 18 Lena Polk 21 Gena Hawk

Anniversaries

17 Jim and Christine Wright

OUR 2026 GIVING CAMPAIGN CONTINUES!

Our 2026 Giving Campaign continues. Please prayerfully consider your annual pledge in *Moving FORWARD! with Grace and Generosity*. Click here to view our Giving 2026 brochure, which shows how your generosity sustains our mission and ministry. If you need a pledge card, you can <u>print one here</u> or pick one up in the narthex, Miller Hall foyer, or Parish Office. Every pledge—large or

small—makes a difference and helps our church plan faithfully for the year ahead. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to the life of St. Philip's!

Giving 2026	Last Year	This Year
	Status to Date	Status to Date
Number of Pledges	125	140
Total Dollars	\$518,379	\$516,700
	End of Pledge Drive	End of Pledge Drive
Number of Pledges	180	
Total Dollars	\$637,712	

GIVING IS A SPIRITUAL ACT!

Thank you for investing your treasure in the work and mission of St. Philip's. Your gift helps us continue your legacy at St. Philip's for the future through the St. Philip's Foundation and Planned Giving. Visit https://www.stphilipsbrevardnc.org/donate to learn about legacy planning and explore donating.

THE SEASON AFTER PENTECOST

The Season after Pentecost is the sixth and final season of the church year. This season, sometimes referred to as "ordinary time," is the longest of the Church year, lasting through summer and well into late autumn, ending with the coming of Advent. During the Season after Pentecost we recount the stories of Jesus' ministry, read and study passages from the Old Testament, and discuss letters written by disciples for members of the early church. The color for the Season after Pentecost is green, appropriate for the season of growth.

WEEKLY SERVICES AT ST. PHILIP'S

Join us each week at our services of Holy Eucharist!

- · Sundays, 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (spoken)
- · Sundays, 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (with music)
- Tuesdays, 2:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II (College Walk Senior Living Community Chapel)
- Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing (Chapel)

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Officiant	The Rev. Elizabeth Roles
Seminarian	Brad Wilson
Director of Music Ministry	Dr. Brittnee Siemon
Organist	
Altar Guild	
	Beverly Yeager

8:00 a.m.

Acolyte	Betty Creese	Ushers	Mac Morrow
Reader 1	Gena Hawk		Craig Roth
Reader 2	Jean Woods	Liturgical C	oordinator
Reader 3	Jim Tyson		Nancy Harger
LEM	Bob Wesneski		

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	Acolytes	Nancy Harger			
		Nathaniel Slaughter	LEMs	Billie Begg	
	Reader 1	Billie Begg		Daphne Chalaron	
	Reader 2	Daphne Chalaron		Christie Eberhardt	
	Reader 3	Kiran Mehta	Welcomer	Jennifer Lacefield	
Ushers Pat Dunham		Pat Dunham	Offering Counters		
		David Yeager		Daphne Chalaron	
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OUR VISION: Rooted in God's word and guided by Christ's example, St. Philip's Episcopal Church will be a loving, inclusive community committed to living out Christ's commandments.

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