

St. Philip's Episcopal Church

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



Holy Eucharist
Sunday, July 12, 2026
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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 Facebook Live or YouTube. 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 Word of God

Prelude

Recit de Cromhorne

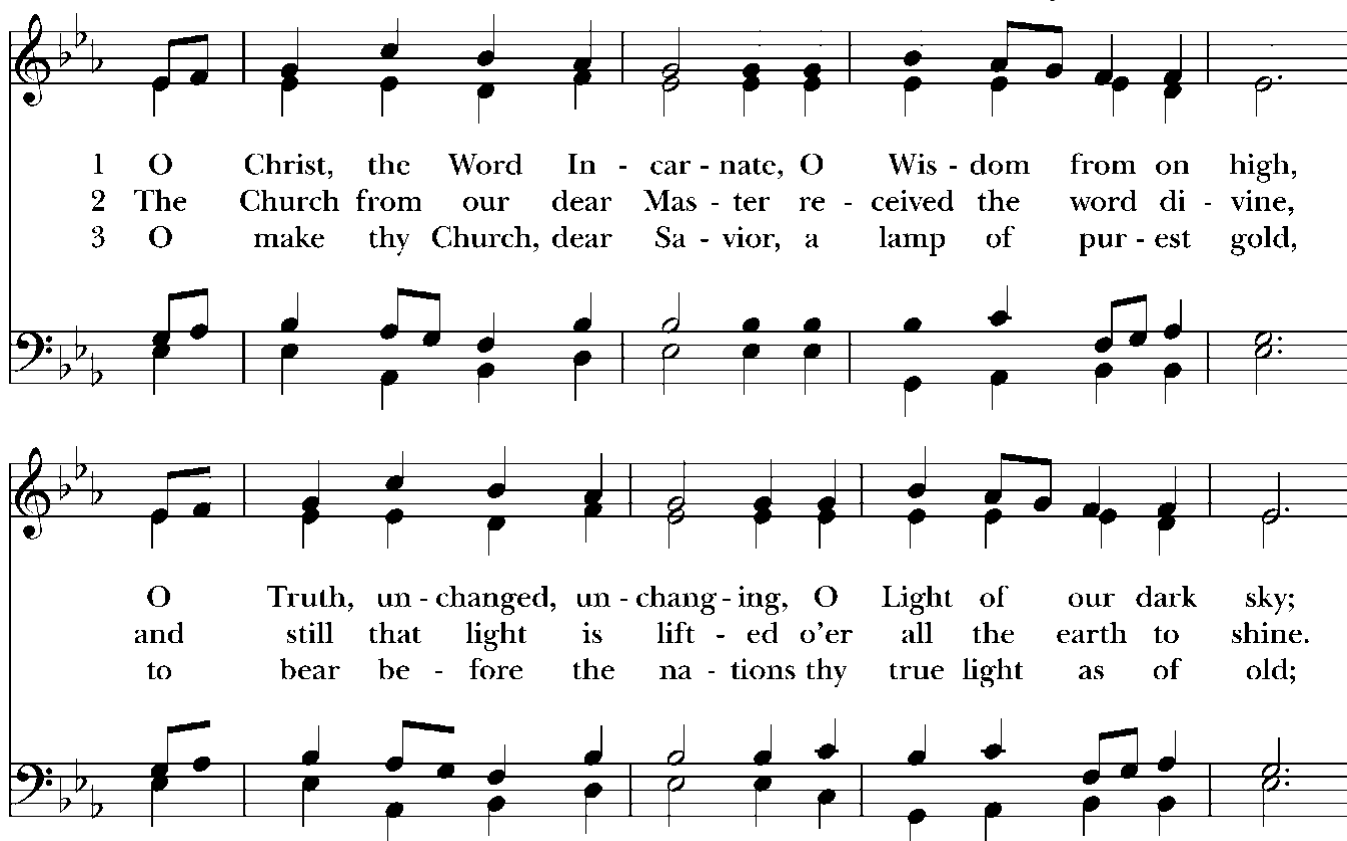
Francois Couperin

All stand as they are able.

HYMN (10:30 a.m. only) O Christ, the Word Incarnate

Munich

The Hymnal 1982 #632



1 O Christ, the Word In - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
2 The Church from our dear Mas - ter re - ceived the word di - vine,
3 O make thy Church, dear Sa - vior, a lamp of pur - est gold,

O Truth, un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky;
and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.
to bear be - fore the na - tions thy true light as of old;

we praise thee for the ra - diance that from the scrip - ture's page,
 It is the chart and com - pass that o'er life's surg - ing sea,
 O teach thy wan - dering pil - grims by this their path to trace,

a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
 mid mists and rocks and quick - sands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.
 till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see thee face to face.

The Celebrant says to the People

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

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

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. only)

The following is said, all standing

**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.
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.

SONG OF PRAISE (10:30 a.m. only)

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn to Joy

The Hymnal 1982 #376 (st. 1)

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
 hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;

The musical score consists of three systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The first system contains the first line of lyrics. The second system contains the second line of lyrics. The third system contains the third line of lyrics. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines.



COLLECT OF THE DAY

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE **And also with you.**

CELEBRANT Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:10-13

All sit.

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

¹⁰As the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,

giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,

but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹²For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

READER The Word of the Lord.
PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 65:9-14

Te decet hymnus

The reader and the congregation read the psalm responsively by half verse.

⁹You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous; *
the river of God is full of water.

¹⁰You prepare the grain, *
for so you provide for the earth.

¹¹You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

¹²You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.

¹³May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.

¹⁴May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.

SECOND READING

Romans 8:1-11

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

¹There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.
²For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴so that the just requirement of

the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, ⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

READER The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as they are able.

(Hymn continues on the next page.)

HYMN (10:30 a.m. only) Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word

Liebster Jesu
The Hymnal 1982 #440

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to
2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness
3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -

hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred
shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night
ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,

now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings
with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to
help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy

pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.
God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.
Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

PRIEST The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
PEOPLE **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

¹Jesus went out and sat beside the sea. ²Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹Let anyone with ears listen!"

¹⁸"Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

PRIEST The Gospel of the Lord.
PEOPLE **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Elizabeth Roles

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

Planning for Rites and Rituals Year A

Sisters and brothers, you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. By that same Spirit let us pray, saying, “Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of our lips, *and teach us your judgments.*”

Great God, may the word of your kingdom find good soil in your Church.
Cause your word to grow in our hearts and bear an abundance of fruit.

LEADER Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of our lips,

PEOPLE **And teach us your judgments.**

God of our ancestors, we pray that divided nations be united and warring nations find peace. May we recognize that we are created by your will and are all members of one human family.

LEADER Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of our lips,

PEOPLE **And teach us your judgments.**

God of the harvest, bless the seeds and the soil of the world. Give us the wisdom to bring forth its yield wisely and according to your will, that all people may have enough to eat.

LEADER Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of our lips,

PEOPLE **And teach us your judgments.**

Caring God, our hearts are broken by the violence in our world. May our lives be turned to the Spirit of life and peace.

LEADER Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of our lips,

PEOPLE **And teach us your judgments.**

Healing God, preserve the lives of the suffering and sick, according to your word. Speak joy into the hearts of the sorrowful.

Christy Adams, Alston, Kathy Ambrose, Peggy Ayres, Barry, Bill, Dez Blue, Christopher Bolk, Leslie Brown, Charles, Holly Renee Copeland, Courtney, Jay Curwen, Carl Denny, Judy Caldwell Dexter, Lance Dickenson, Suzanne Dininny, Jan Dryselius, Dianne and Howard Dyer, Judith Egan, Ellen, Eugene, the Borgia family, Liz Ford, Ann Franklin, Colten Frey, Edie Gabcik, John Gannon, Jane Glenn, Elizabeth Harger, Tim Harris, Howard Jackson, Jada, Kay Jones, Lyn Kane, Roxann Kibbin, Michael Kirwen, Kurt, Ruth LePine, Tom Lewis, Elisabeth Marchant, Dottie Marcinko, Buddy Marines, Johnny Martinez, Larry Maupin, Mark and Leslie Montgomery, Veronica Morrow, Jenifer Morrow, Tom Murray, Nikarra, Pam, Pat, Nancy Patterson, Rebecca Peele, Judy Pierce, West Rial, Jim Rice, Hudson Rudisill, Gabrielle Ruge, Linda Schieve, Frank Shoemaker, Alice Silva, Isabella Smith, Ray Snellgrove, Barbara Staubs, Caroline Stein, Brenda Summers, Matthew Sundstrom, Sr., Marcia Thies, Mike Tiddy, Jim Tso, Jeremy Tuck,

Emily Walthall, Will, Penny Williams, Eileen Gilson Williams, Ed Wiseman, Risdon Wood, Judy Yancey

LEADER Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of our lips,

PEOPLE **And teach us your judgments.**

Eternal God, you preserve all who are in Christ Jesus from condemnation. By the resurrection of your Son we trust, that in the fullness of time, you will give life to our mortal bodies through his Spirit that dwells in us.

LEADER Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of our lips,

PEOPLE **And teach us your judgments.**

We pray for those who have died, remembering Luke Kitahata.

We give thanks for the flowers at the altar, given to the glory of God and in memory of Heather Rowan by Rick and Jeanie Rowan.

We pray for those who are expecting childbirth, remembering Claire Sikes-Clark and Zif Clark.

In our diocese, we pray for St. Alban's, Hickory. In our Anglican Communion, we pray for The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

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,**

him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Book of Common Prayer
Eucharistic Prayer B

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 AND BENEDICTUS

Celebrant and People (8:00 a.m. only)

**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.**

(10:30 a.m. only)

Land of Rest - The Hymnal 1982 #304

Unison or harmony

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. _____
 2. Bles - sed _____ is He who comes

God of pow-er and might. _____ Heaven and earth _____ are
 in the name of the Lord. _____. Ho - san - na in _____ the

full of your glo - ry, Ho - sa. - na in _____ the high - est.
 high - est, , Ho - sa. - 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 Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior 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 Jesus 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;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 Philip and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, 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.**

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 VOLUNTARY Adagio Cantabile Ludwig van Beethoven

COMMUNION HYMN Spirit of the Living God
Words and Music by Daniel Iverson

CHORUS

♩ = 80

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me. Spir - it of the liv - ing God,

fall fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.

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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,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of 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 Savior. Amen.**

PRAYER FOR THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

After the prayer, the People respond

Amen.

BLESSING

HYMN

Blessed Assurance

Lift Every Voice and Sing #184

1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine!_____ O what a
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light,_____ Vi - sions of
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest,_____ I in my

1. fore-taste of glo - ry di - vine!_____ Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of
 2. rap - ture now burst on my sight;_____ An - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a -
 3. sav - ior am hap - py and blest;_____ Watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a -

1. God,_____ Born of His spir - it, washed in His blood._____
 2. bove_____ Ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love._____
 3. bove,_____ Filled with His good - ness, lost in His love._____

This is my sto - ry, this is my song,_____ Prais - ing my

sav - ior all the day long; — This is my sto - ry, this is my
 song, — Prais - ing my sav - ior all the day long. —

DISMISSAL

The priest or seminarian offers a dismissal, and the people respond

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Fugue sur la Trompette Francois Couperin



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.

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.

- **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.

LIVING FAITHFULLY IN THE AGE OF AI: A CONVERSATION WITH POPE LEO XIV

For most of the Modern Age, technology has seemed to move more quickly than the human capacity to adapt to its challenges. This is certainly the case with the advent of Artificial Intelligence (AI). Are we non-techies relegated to the sidelines as mere observers to the changes brought on by AI or, as people of faith, do we have an opportunity—even an obligation—to shape, as best we can, the contours of this technology? And if so, what does that look like?

Last month (15 May) Pope Leo XIV published an Encyclical Letter entitled Magnifica Humanitas in which he addresses the theological issues associated with AI. Using his Encyclical as a conversation partner, we will explore some of the ideas presented in this letter as we seek to live faithfully in the age of AI.

Our conversation, led by David Yeager, will begin 12 July and continue through 9 August on Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in Miller Hall, our large upstairs meeting room. These will be “drop-in” conversations, so attend as your schedule permits.

Supervised playground time will be open for children during the class.

GIVING IS A SPIRITUAL ACT!

Thank you for investing your treasure in the work and mission of St. Philip’s. Your gift supports our contributions to ministry partners and the Diocese of Western North Carolina, Sharing House, Camp Henry Scholarship Fund, and Habitat for Humanity, to name a few. Visit <https://www.stphilipsbrevardnc.org/donate> to explore donating. To make a gift now use Realm or text STP to 73256.

CORNERSTONE CENTENNIAL NUGGET: NEW RECTOR – ON WE GO!



The Rev. Merrill Miller arrived in Brevard from Charlotte in the spring of 1976. After almost a year with supply clergy, the parish was happy to have a full-time rector in place. A celebration of a New Ministry was held on June 6, 1976; it was a special time. Summer was spent getting to know one another. Plans were made for a fall Every Member Canvass. Focus was given to church Sunday school by increasing teachers and thus drawing more children to Sundays. It would help our parish continue to grow.

Janie Millner resigned in July 1976 as our organist but agreed to stay until we could find someone else. A committee was appointed to find an organist. They were charged with developing a job description, as well as recommending an appropriate salary.

The estate of Dorothy Silverstein Bjerg bequeathed approximately \$50,000 to St. Philip's. Dorothy was an accomplished organist. She performed in various recital halls in the southeast. Especially interesting is her performance on the newly installed pipe organ at Constitution Hall in Washington D.C. Dorothy, like the rest of her family, was very community oriented. They contributed generously to St. Philip's as well as to other Brevard civic organizations. Upon her death, the "Capt. & Mrs. T. A. Bjerg" window was designed and installed in late spring 1976 by Willett-Hauser Glass Co. The window depicts John the Baptist using a seashell to baptize Jesus, and triune fishes below. John's use of the shell speaks to Jesus's disciples being fishermen, and the triune fishes are an early Christian symbol. A window dedication liturgy was held during July 1976.

Money from Dorothy's estate was placed in a foundation (which later became known as The St. Philip's Foundation). There were many suggestions on how to use this foundation, from redecorating the parlor to providing enrichment activities and scholarships for deserving students. A separate board of trustees was set up to administer the foundation which still provides benefits to the church and community today.

In September of 1976, the General Convention of the Episcopal Church voted to ordain women as priests. This topic had been debated for several years and was met with mixed feelings from parishes around the country. Women were finally recognized, for example, the Rev. Elizabeth "Ibba" Tappe was the first woman to be ordained in the Diocese of Western North Carolina at St. John's Episcopal Church, Asheville, in 1978 by the Rt. Rev. William Weinbauer, Bishop of Western North Carolina. The Rev.



Sherry Matson served as the first woman rector of St. David's in Cullowhee, North Carolina.

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*)

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Birthdays

13 Jamin Manner

14 Brad Watson

17 Bruce Chadbourne

13 Nina Brown

14 Al Votaw

18 Bill Byers

Anniversaries

14 Andrew and Macon Warren

18 John and Anne Harris

16 Jon and Sarah Polk

18 Chip Smith and Mary Whitson

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Officiant..... The Rev. Elizabeth Roles
 Seminarian.....Brad Wilson
 Director of Music Ministry.....Dr. Brittnee Siemon
 Guest Organist..... Tim Shepard
 Altar Guild.....Jo Buescher
 Kathryn Polmanteer / Jan Sendzik

8:00 a.m.

Acolyte	Sallie Mullikin	Ushers	Betty Creese
Reader	deRo Myers		Kathryn Polmanteer
Creed/Prayers	Felicity Myers	Liturgical Coordinator	
LEM	Holly Votaw		Ed Nezelek

10:30 a.m.

Acolytes	Nancy Harger	Ushers	Denis Bolena
	Lena Polk		Jan Bolena
Reader 1	Wayne Eberhardt	Offering Counters	
Reader 2	Chris Whatley		Daphne Chalaron
Reader 3	Christie Eberhardt		Jeff Ambrose
LEM	Ellen Davis	Liturgical Coordinator	
	Kathryn Polmanteer		Peggy Bridges
	Bob Wesneski		

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OUR MISSION: *Guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit, and informed by Scripture, tradition and reason, we will:*

- *Learn and teach by word and example how God continues to be at work in the world and in our lives;*
- *Love and serve all people as Christ loves us;*
- *Grow in faithful stewardship of the resources God has given us; and*
- *Celebrate joyfully this faith in our life, worship, prayer, and service.*



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