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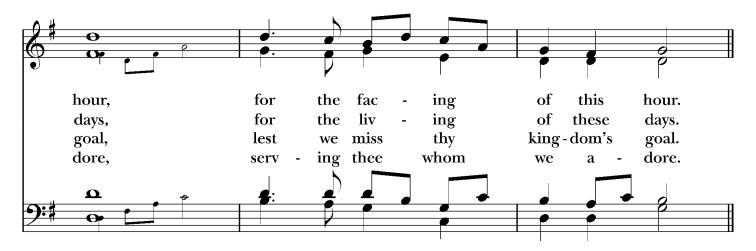


The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Homecoming Sunday
10:00 AM
September 7, 2025

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ENTRANCE HYMN Please stand as you are able. God of Grace and God of Glory (Cwm Rhondda) (H 594) 1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, thy peo - ple pour thy power; on Lo! the hosts round us scorn thy Christ, as of e sail his ways! vil 3 Cure thy chil-dren's war - ring mad-ness, bend our pride to con - trol; thy 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion the de - plore; to we crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud glo-rious flower. From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts faith and praise: shame our wan-ton, self - ish glad-ness, rich in things and poor in soul. sal - va - tion gift glo - ry the thy be our ev - er - more.

us wis - dom, of Grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing this grant of grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing these us wis - dom, miss thy king-dom's grant us cour - age, lest we us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv ing thee whom we



OPENING ACCLAMATION

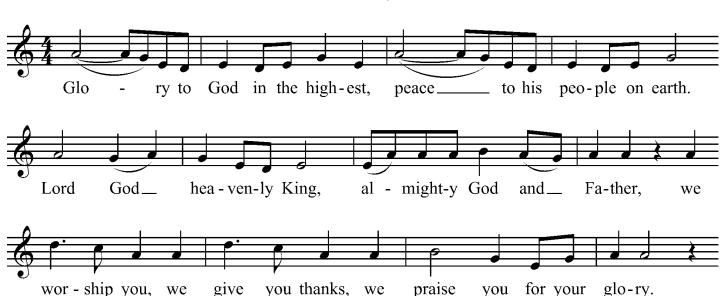
Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

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) (Dimmock)





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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Please be seated.

A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 90

The cantor will sing the refrain and the congregation repeats it. The cantor will sing the psalm verses, the people joining in the refrain where indicated.

Cantor In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

People In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Cantor You turn man back to dust, Saying "Return, O children of men." For a thousand years in your sight are as yesterday, now that it is past, Or as a watch of the night.

People In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Cantor You make an end of them in their sleep; The next morning they are like the changing grass, Which at dawn springs up anew, But by evening wilts and fades.

People In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Cantor Teach us to number our days aright, That we may gain wisdom of heart.

Return, O Lord! How long? Have pity on your servants!

People In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Cantor Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, That we may shout for joy and

gladness all our days. And may the gracious care of the Lord our God be

ours; Prosper the work of our hands for us! Prosper the work of our

hands!

People In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

SECOND READING: Philemon 1-21

A Reading from Paul's letter to Philemon.

¹Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ²to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

⁸For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

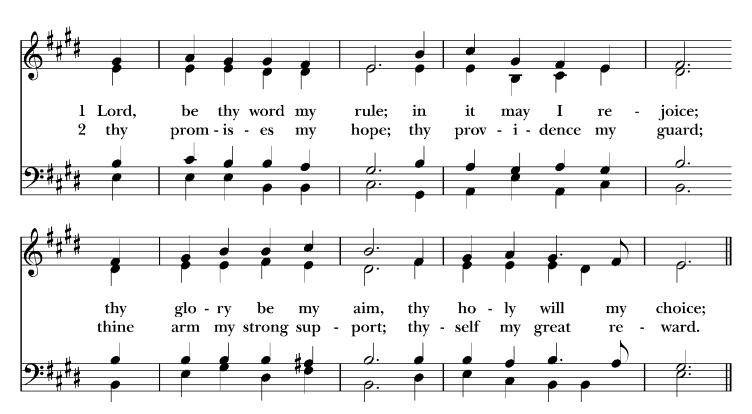
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Please stand as you are able.

Lord, Be Thy Word My Rule (Quam dilecta) (H 626)



GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶"Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Kevin Holland Sparrow

Please be seated.

A moment of quiet reflection is held after the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,

Please stand as you are able.

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

God calls us today to be open to the word and to one another. Let us open ourselves to all the world in prayer saying, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the whole church we pray. That we may bring God's word of life to all who are in silence, darkness, or despair. We pray for *Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Ruth our Bishop, Kevin our priest, and Charlie our intern*. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for *Calvary Episcopal Church, Charleston, The Rev. Ricardo Bailey, Rector and The Rev. Marionette Bennett, Deacon*. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for *The Anglican Church of Southern Africa*.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the world we pray. That nations will come to cooperate for the health and well-being of all. We pray for *Donald, our President, Henry, our Governor, members of Congress, the Supreme Court and all those in public authority*

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the congregation we pray. That we may grow into the mystery of God's life among and in us. Sustain *Patrick*, who is preparing for Holy Baptism; *Cheryl*, who is preparing for Confirmation; and *Jim*, *Claire*, *Nate*, *and Jill* who are preparing for Reception into this Communion. Uphold them by your Spirit, nourish them in faith, and bring them with joy to the fullness of life in Christ.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For our community we pray. That it might be a place of health, well-being, and personal dignity.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For those suffering in any way we pray; especially for al who have asked for our prayers that they may know the healing power of God's love. We pray for *Chrystal*, *Dave*, *Don*, *Melissa-Ann*, *Keith*, *Maverick*, *Karen B*, *Jesse*, *Victor*, *Leslie*, *George*, *Bernadine*, *Steve*, *Lew*, *Claudia*, *Wendy*, *Millie*, *Ted*, *Amy*, *Ann and Mike*, *Ann*, *Betty*, *Bobby*, *Danielle and Rowan*, *Denise*, *Donna G.*, *Elizabeth*, *Jeff*, *Josie*, *Joyce*, *Laura*, *Linda*, *Mike*, *Paulette*, *Susan*, *Thom and Carol*, *and Trudy*.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For all mourners we pray. That all who grieve the coming of death may come to know life in the mercy of God. We pray for *Rev. Fielder Israel, William Emmitt Jones, Bob Brinson, Naresh Gupta, Mike Zupko, Ty Smithdeal, Jodi Ranney, Scott Nichols.*

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Priest

Almighty and ever-living God, whose love gathers us as one family in your holy Church: We give thanks for the gift of community and the bonds of fellowship that unite us. As we celebrate this Homecoming Sunday, may your Holy Spirit renew our commitment to each other and to the mission you have entrusted to us. Strengthen us to welcome all who seek your grace, and empower us to serve with love and joy, that we may grow together in faith, hope, and charity. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Together, let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A moment of silent reflection is held.

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*.

Priest

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

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Celebrant says

Present yourselves as living sacrifices to God, holy and acceptable, which is your spiritual worship.

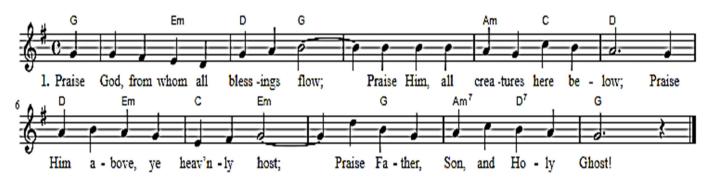
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Everything Good

Arr. Don Schlosser St. Anne's Chancel Choir

OFFERTORY PRESENTATION

Please stand as you are able.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you. Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

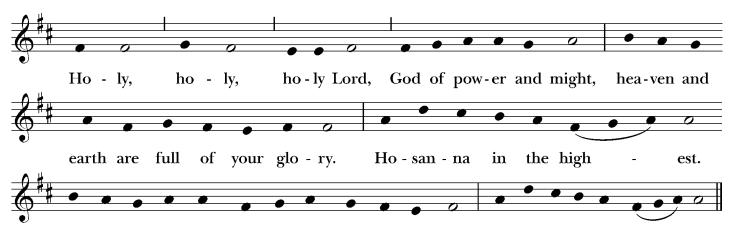
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

S 124 Holy, Holy, Holy (Hurd)



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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

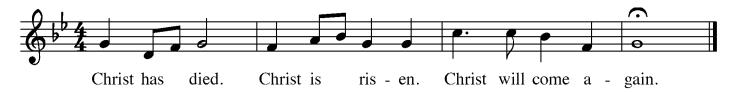
He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People



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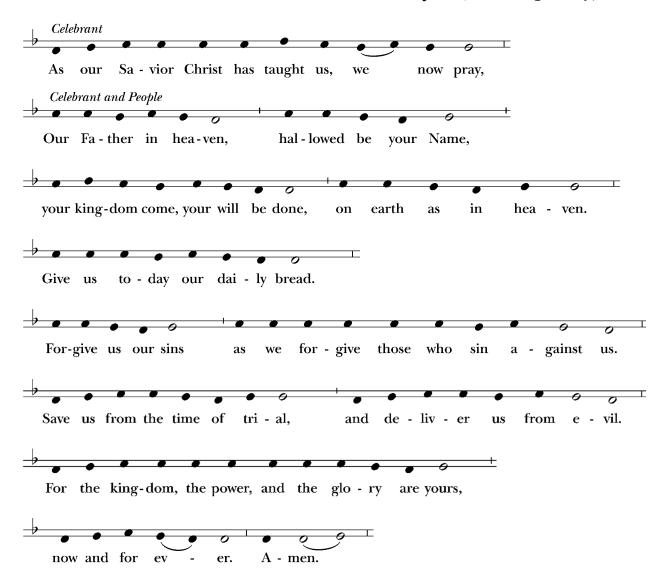
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

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

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

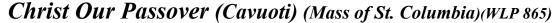
THE LORD'S PRAYER

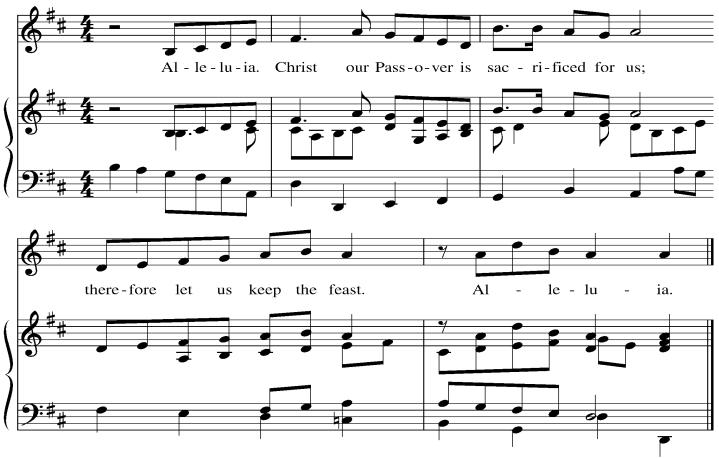
S 148 The Lord's Prayer (Contemporary) (Chant/Martens)



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept after the breaking of the bread.





INVITATION

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Behold what you are.

People May we become what we receive.

All baptized Christians, from any tradition or denomination, are warmly invited to share in Holy Communion at Saint Anne's.

The ushers will guide you when it is time to come forward. To receive the bread, simply hold out your hands. You may then either:

- Drink from the chalice by gently guiding it to your lips, or
- Dip (intinct) the bread into the chalice yourself.

Please know that receiving only the bread or only the wine is a full participation in Communion. Gluten-free hosts are available—just let the minister know.

If you would prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest, and the priest will be honored to offer a blessing.

If you are interested in learning more about Baptism, Fr. Kevin would be delighted to talk with you.

Wherever you are on your journey with God—or toward God—you have a place here, and you are most welcome.

DISTRIBUTION



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

SENDING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Priest Rebecca, in the name of Saint Anne's, I send you forth bearing these

holy gifts to Ann, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are

one body.

People Because we all share in one bread, one cup.

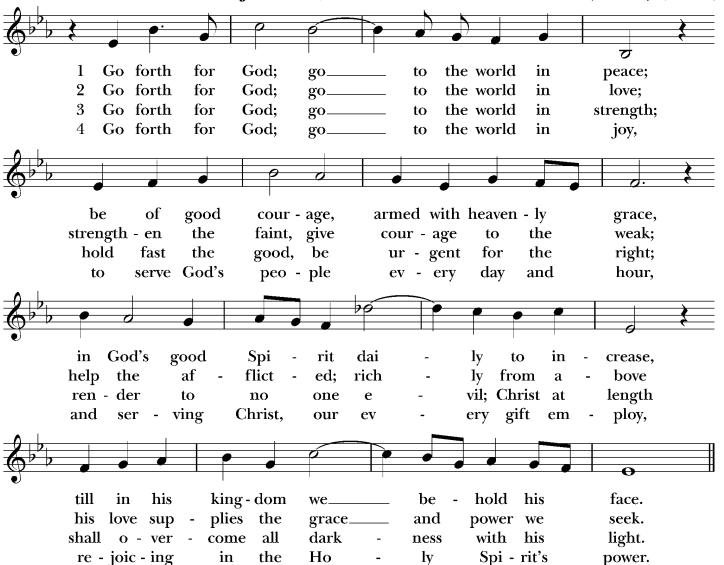
BLESSING

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind.

And the blessing of God Almighty, who Creates, Redeems, and Sustains us, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

FINAL HYMN

Go Forth for God; Go to the World in Peace (Litton) (H 347)



DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

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Lector		Mike Roberts
Prayers of the People		Mary Jo Roberts
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