



The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 4, 2024
10:30 am

church of reconciliation

Welcome to Church of Reconciliation! We are happy you are here to worship with us. If you want to know more about the Church of Reconciliation, please email info@cor-satx.org to receive our weekly e-mail.
Assisted listening devices and large-print bulletins are available in the church narthexes.

Opening Hymn

**I Am the Bread of Life
Hymnal 1982 #335**

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect of Purity

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Celebrant: 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.**

The Gloria

S-280 Hymnal 1982

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's 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 of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Lector: A Reading from Exodus.

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

Read by Bob Russo

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51

***Refrain:* Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

Have mercy on me God in your kindness
In your compassion let out my offense
Oh wash me more and more
From my guilt and my sorrow
And cleanse me from all of my sin

Refrain

My offenses, truly I know them,
and my sins are always before me
Against you alone have I sinned,
O Lord what is evil in your sight I have done.

Refrain

Create in me a clean heart O God
Put a steadfast spirit in my soul

Cast me not away from your presence O
Lord and take not your Spirit from me.

Refrain

Give back to me the joy of your salvation
let your willing spirit bare me up
and I shall teach your way to the ones who
have wondered
And bring them all home to your side

Refrain

The Second Lesson

Lector: A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

Ephesians 4:1-16
Read by Sidney Burnette

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;
he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.

We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence Hymn

**Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humble in your name two or three are met together,
you are in the midst of them, Alleluia, alleluia! Touch we now your garment's hem.**

The Gospel

John 6:24-35

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?"

Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?"

Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent."

So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’”

Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Reagan Gonzalez

The Nicene Creed

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

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

Intercessor:

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Sean, our Presiding Bishop-elect, David our Bishop, Reagan, our priest, Jennifer, our seminarian, and all other ministers of the church;

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for creation. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, so that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those from our parish family: Kimberly, Garnet, Kes, John, Carolyn, Kevin, Marilyn, Audie, Emmet, David, Richard, Mary, Lauren, Rick, Jean, Peter, Pat, Kathy, Dylan, George, and Michael, and those we name either silently or aloud _____ (silence is then kept for a time) _____; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially those we name either silently or aloud _____ (silence is then kept for a time) _____; that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant prays the concluding Collect.

The Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

**All: God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

The 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.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

(The people exchange greetings)

The Gathering Hymn

**Here in this place a new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

Gather Us In

Announcements and Blessings

Birthdays

Elim Pritchett	8/6
Jeanette Burney Sullivan	8/10
Violet George	8/10

Milestones

Sarah Fawcett-Teahl celebrated 23 years of sobriety on July 21.
Rick and Lauren Cate celebrated their 41st wedding anniversary on August 2nd.
Randy Fitschen celebrates the 67th anniversary of his enlistment with the US Coast Guard on August 5th. The US Coast Guard turns 234 years old today, August 4th.

*If you would like your birthday, anniversary, or other milestone mentioned here,
please email erica@cor-satx.org.*

The Liturgy of the Table

The Offertory

The Offertory Anthem Bread of Heaven, on Thee We Feed *Pie Jesu* from Requiem by Gabriel Faure

The Doxology

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from who whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Oh Praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

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 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.

Here a proper preface is said.

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:

Celebrant and People (sung)

S130 (Schubert)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the Highest, Hosanna in the highest.**

The people stand or kneel.

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.

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 all 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;

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 children; 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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer (*sung*)

Our Father, which are 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, as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil,

for Thine is the kingdom the power and glory forevermore. Amen.

The Breaking of Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

The people respond: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Invitation

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God, holy gifts for holy people. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymns

**My God, thy table now is spread
Hymnal #321**

All are welcome at the table of the Lord for Holy Communion.

Gluten-free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available upon request.

If you would prefer to receive Communion at your seat instead of at the rail, please let an usher know.

The Greeting at the Rail

At the rail, pass the following greeting to your neighbor.

Greeting:

The KIN-dom of God is yours today.

Response:

And yours also.

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors

If Eucharistic Visitors are to be sent forth, they are commissioned with the following form:

***Celebrant and People:* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, 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, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**God of abundance, you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Closing Hymn

**Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken
Hymnal #522**

The Dismissal

The Priest dismisses the people.

The People Respond:

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Today's altar flowers are given by Rev. Reagan Gonzalez in honor of the 6th anniversary of her priesthood on August 10th and the birthdays of her children, James on August 9th and Cora on August 19th.

**Serving and Ministering This Sunday
August 4, 2024**

8:00 am

Verger: Erica Valle

Lector: Susan Ennis

Prayers of the People: Susan Ennis

Chalice: Rusty Wilson

Intincter:

Altar Guild: Team I (Margaret Lewis Team)

Usher: Robert Carington

10:30 am

Verger: Erica Valle

Livestream: Christie Smith

Lectors: Bob Russo, Sidney Burnette

Prayers of the People: Pat Patterson

Intincter: April Toman

Chalice: Mark Mangus

Acolytes: Elim Pritchett, Kathryn Daniels

Altar Guild: Team I (Margaret Lewis Team)

Ushers: Suzanne Scott (lead), Bill Schiller, Eddie Cox

Greeters: Pat Patterson (lead), Bryna Nation

Coffee Hour: Cynthia Murray, Judy Timmons

Sunday Formation Offering – FINAL Session!
July 14 - August 4 9:15-10:15am in Brown Hall
Join Rev. Reagan for this intergenerational offering where we will explore sacred stories from scripture, our own lives, and our Reconciliation family. Small breakfast items will be served.

Meet with Rev. Reagan+

Rev. Reagan is available to meet for casual get togethers, pastoral concerns, idea sharing, or whatever is on your heart. You can call the office, email her, or put yourself on her calendar through Calendly.

Use this link or the QR code to make an appointment.



Reagan's email: rector@cor-satx.org

Children, Youth, and Families

SAVE THE DATE: Back-to-School/Blessing of the backpacks is August 9 from 6-8. RSVP or sign up to volunteer online.

- Middle School/High School meets at 11:45 to 12:45 in the Youth Rec Room. See you then!
- Youth Group meeting on AUG 4 2024: JOIN US FOR LUNCH DURING YOUTH GROUP STARTING AT 11:45 IN THE YOUTH REC ROOM.

ES. Godly Play is held during the 10:30 Service.

Upcoming Baptism Dates

Baptism is the full initiation by water and the Holy Spirit into Christ's Body the Church, and the bond God establishes in Baptism is indissoluble. All who have been baptized by water in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, regardless of denomination, are able to fully participate in the life of the parish. If you or your children have not been baptized, come and talk with Rev. Reagan! We would love to talk about the next steps in your walk with God, and in the life of the parish. Baptism is available for all ages.

2024 Baptism dates: September 22nd, October 13th (Bishop Read's Visitation), November 3rd (All Saints' Sunday), December 15th.

Journey In Faith Discussion Group

Join us in the Library at 9:15am-10:15am as we discuss a new Thomas Merton "Bridges to Contemplative Living" book. All are welcome; we will have copies of the book available.

Acolyte Training

Today August 4th, 9:30am-10:00am and Sunday, August 25th at 9:30am-10:00am
Please join us today or join us Sunday, August 25th at 9:30am-10:00am.

Acolytes carry out a number of duties, including carrying the cross and gospel book, lighting the candles, and assisting the priest during the service. Adults can serve as acolytes too! Email or contact Erica at erica@cor-satx.org or (805) 276-1502 for more info.

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER EVENT

JOIN US ON Sat., August 17 at 8am at CHRIST EPISCOPAL for its weekly Sidewalk Saturday event. Please RSVP online or email Jude at jude@cor-satx.org.

Sidewalk Saturday is based at Christ Episcopal Church at the Outreach Pavilion and provides neighbors in need with a faith community, food, clothes, household items, support, and referrals to other resources as needed.

Formation: Women in the Bible
Sundays, Aug. 11-Sept. 1

9:15am-10:15am in Alban Classroom

Join Rev. Reagan for this four week class as we explore a variety of women characters from the Bible. Some women you have probably heard of, like Mary and Martha, some may be new to you, like Shiphrah and Puah, the Hebrew midwives from the story of Moses. Who are these women who often work behind the scenes to help God's people follow God's ways? I wonder why some are named and get speaking roles and why some do not? How can these women help us grow as disciples today? Find out more Sunday mornings at 9:15am in Alban.

Save The Date For Rev. Reagan's Installation!

Please make plans to join us on Thursday, **August 22nd at 6pm** in the sanctuary, where we will formally celebrate Rev. Reagan's installation as rector. Watch this space for more info.

Today at Reconciliation

Formation

- 4yrs-4th Grade: Godly Play during the 10:30am service
- 5th-12th Grade: Youth Group 11:45am-12:45pm
- Adults: Journey In Faith Group, 9:15-10:15am in the Library
- All ages: Summer of Sacred Stories class, 9:15-10:15am in Brown Hall

Coffee Hour

- Join us in Brown Hall after the 10:30am service for fellowship!
- Service: Pack backpacks for IWC in Brown Hall after the 10:30 service.

Use this QR code to make a donation to Rec via PayPal.



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SUNDAY SERVICES

8:00am – Holy Eucharist (*no music*)

10:30am – Holy Eucharist (*livestreamed, with music*)

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