

# HOLY EUCHARIST

Ordinary Time, Proper 22

Sunday, October 4, 2026

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### Entrance Rite

*At the sound of the bell, all stand for the Entrance of the Ministers into the church.*

**PROCESSION** *O love, how deep, how broad*  
*(vs 1-3)*

Hymnal 449

### Service Begins

**BCP p. 355**

Opening Anthem

S 280

### COLLECT OF THE DAY *All kneel.*

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### FIRST READING *All*

**Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20**

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God

has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin.”

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

## **The Psalm**

### **Psalm 19**

#### ***Caeli enarrant***

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, \*  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect  
and revives the soul; \*

the testimony of the LORD is sure  
and gives wisdom to the innocent.

8 The statutes of the LORD are just  
and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the LORD is clear  
and gives light to the eyes.

9 The fear of the LORD is clean  
and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the LORD are true  
and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey,  
than honey in the comb.

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound,  
and innocent of a great offense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my  
heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

## SECOND READING

## Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

*All stand.*

**HOLY GOSPEL**

**Matthew 21:33-46**

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:

‘The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone;

this was the Lord's doing,  
and it is amazing in our eyes'?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

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| <i>Priest</i> | The Gospel of the Lord.            |
| <i>People</i> | <i>Praise to you, Lord Christ.</i> |

## **SERMON**

**The Rev Keith Fallis**

*All stand.*

## **NICENE CREED**

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## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Dear Household of God, the law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul! So let us appeal to our Lord God, saying, "Let the words of our mouths and meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our strength and our redeemer."

Loving God, you command us to have no other gods before you: give your Church such singleness of mind that we might not be distracted by the rubbish of our lives but may strive to know Christ and the power of his resurrection.

Let the words of our mouths and meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight,

***O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.***

Loving God, you command us to bear not false witness against others: Help us to live in peace with one another. In a world of harmful rhetoric, may we use our words to encourage and love – especially those whom we consider different.

Let the words of our mouths and meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight,

***O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.***

Loving God, you command us to keep a holy Sabbath: make us generous stewards of this planet that it may be renewed and refreshed.

Let the words of our mouths and meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight,

***O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.***

Loving God, you command us to covet nothing that belongs to our neighbor: give us kind and generous hearts for those with whom we share our neighborhoods. May a loving spirit rule this region.

Let the words of our mouths and meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight,

***O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.***

Loving God, you desire that your people be not afraid: Pour on the sick, suffering, and struggling the abundance of your mercy. Bless them with goodness and healing through Jesus the Christ.

Let the words of our mouths and meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight,

***O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.***

Loving God, you have made us your own: may we, and those who have run the race of faith before us, attain the resurrection from the dead through the abundant mercy of your Son.

Let the words of our mouths and meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight,

***O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.***

*Invite the congregation to add their petitions and thanksgivings, followed by silence.*

**CONFESSION OF SIN**    *All kneel.*

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**PEACE**    *All stand.*

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

## **Announcements**

Mission:

Directing People to Jesus

Vision:

Inviting people into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ, growing in love of God and neighbor, and participating in God's work transforming the world.

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

*The Celebrant says*

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

**OFFERTORY HYMN** *Come, labor on* Hymnal 541

Old Hundredth, v 3 Hymnal 380

*Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.*

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B** BCP p. 367

**SANCTUS** S 114

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** BCP p. 364

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**COMMUNION HYMN** *And now, O Father, mindful of the love*  
Hymnal 337

**POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER** BCP p. 365

## **BLESSING**

**POSTCOMMUNION HYMN** *I'm pressing on the upward way*

LEVAS 165

1 I'm pressing on the upward way,  
New heights I'm gaining every day;  
Still praying as I'm onward bound,  
"Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."

*Refrain*

Lord, lift me up and let me stand,  
By faith, on Heaven's tableland,  
A higher plane than I have found;  
Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.

2 My heart has no desire to stay  
Where doubts arise and fears dismay;  
Though some may dwell where those abound,  
My prayer, my aim, is higher ground.

*Refrain*

3 I want to live above the world,  
Though Satan's darts at me are hurled;  
For faith has caught the joyful sound,  
The song of saints on higher ground.

*Refrain*

4 I want to scale the utmost height  
And catch a gleam of glory bright;  
But still I'll pray till heav'n I've found,  
"Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."

*Refrain*

## DISMISSAL

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sun Oct 4 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** ( Rynd, Beth)

#### **Volunteers**

**Greeter:** Lisa Shaw

**Crucifier:** Brad Barr

**Torch Bearers:**

**Eucharistic:** Kari Barr

**Readers:** John Algeo, Alana Herron

**Psalms:** Gloria Wiley

**Oblationer:** Lisa Shaw

**Coffee Hour:**

8am Softly Spoken Holy Eucharist

9:15 Formation

10:30am Holy Eucharist

ECW Meeting

Men's Group Meeting

Bingo Gifts Due

4pm Blessing of the animals

Mon Oct 5 *Happy Birthday Diane Farmer*

*Happy Anniversary Ray & Mary Smith*

Tue Oct 6 *Happy Birthday Alana Herron*

Wed Oct 7 *Happy Anniversary Chris & Madelyn Weyermiller*

Sat Oct 10 10am Tai Chi

5pm Bingo/Chili/\$5

6pm Bingo/\$2 a card

*Happy Birthday Melissa "Sis" Siler*

**Sun Oct 11 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** ( Rynd, Beth)

#### **Volunteers**

**Greeter:** Dayvid Gourd

**Crucifier:** Liam Sullivan

**Torch Bearers:**

**Eucharistic:** Lesa Nelson

**Readers: Rynd Barnes, Richard Davidson**

**Psalms: Charles Betzler**

**Oblationer: Candy Naifeh**

**Coffee Hour**

8am Softy Spoken Holy Eucharist

9:15am Formation

10:30am Holy Eucharist

*Happy Birthday Jeremy Sullivan*

Mon Oct 12 Columbus Day

Office Closed

Wed Oct 15 *Happy Birthday Bruce Binion*

Sat Oct 17 10am Tai Chi

2pm Service for Robert Garvin

6pm Dinner at St Matthews

7pm Concert at St Matthews

**Sun Oct 18 21<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** ( Rynd, Beth)

**UNITY SUNDAY**

**Volunteers**

**Greeter: Jan Garvin**

**Crucifier: Jeremy Sullivan**

**Torch Bearers:**

**Eucharistic: Eric Goodwin**

**Readers: Lesa Nelson, Gloria Wiley**

**Psalms: Shawn Betzler**

**Oblationer: Liam Sullivan**

**Coffee Hour: **Spooky Eats****

9:15am Formation

10:30am Holy Eucharist

Tues 1pm Bunko

*Happy Birthday Jo Nell Enright*

Sat 10am Tai Chi

### **GIFTS AND MEMORIALS**

Altar flowers today are given by Ray & Mary Smith in honor of their anniversary and the anniversary of Chris & Madelyn Weyermiller.

Remember altar flowers are provided on Sundays only if they are given as a gift. Signup sheet is in the office hallway on bulletin board if you would like to “gift” a Sunday.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

**Stewardship begins!!!  
Start praying about your time, talents and money.**

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Start putting your change away for ingathering in  
November**

**Sunday, November 8, 2026  
Good Shepherd's 125<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

*A Reading from The Brothers Karamazov by Fyodor Dostoevsky*

Love all God's creation, the whole and every grain of sand in it.

Love every leaf, every ray of God's light.

Love the animals, love the plants, love everything.

If you love everything, you will perceive the divine mystery in things.

Once you perceive it, you will begin to comprehend it better every day. And you  
will come at last to love the whole world with an all-embracing love.

Love the animals: God has given them the rudiments of thought and joy  
untroubled.

Do not trouble it, don't harass them, don't deprive them of their happiness, don't  
work against God's intent.

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**Adult Formation:** Sunday, 9:15am

**Holy Eucharist:** Sunday, 8am and 10:30am

**Unity Sunday:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month