



THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

Proper 14 | Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 and 10:30 am • August 10, 2025

ABBREVIATIONS: **BCP** Book of Common Prayer | **CG** A Child's Guide to the Holy Eucharist | **LEVAS II** Lift Every Voice and Sing II | **WLP** Wonder, Love and Praise

THE PRELUDE

Arioso in G Major

Johann Sebastian Bach

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

680. O God, our help in ages past

St. Anne

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355 | CG 3

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

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 SONG OF PRAISE:

8:30 Glory to God

BCP 356 | CG 5

10:30 S280. Gloria

Robert Powell

THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE CHILDREN'S HOMILY (10:30)

After the homily, the children aged 3–11 are invited to process out for Christian Formation time in Curry Hall, Room 201. They will return at the Peace.

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 15:1-6

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 33:12-22

Exultate, justi

8:30 *The psalm will be read antiphonally by whole verse by side of church, beginning with the narthex side.*

10:30 *Cantor sings antiphon*

Cantor & congregation sing antiphon

Cantor sings verses

Cantor & congregation sing antiphon after verses 14, 17, 20, and 22

The musical notation consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the words "The lov - ing - kind - ness of the". The second staff contains the melody for the words "Lord fills the whole earth." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#).

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! *
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

13 The Lord looks down from heaven, *
and beholds all the people in the world.

14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze *
on all who dwell on the earth. (*antiphon*)

15 He fashions all the hearts of them *
and understands all their works.

16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; *
a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.

17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; *
for all its strength it cannot save. (*antiphon*)

18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, *
on those who wait upon his love,

19 To pluck their lives from death, *
and to feed them in time of famine.

20 Our soul waits for the Lord; *
he is our help and our shield. (*antiphon*)

21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, *
for in his holy Name we put our trust.

22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, *
as we have put our trust in you. (*antiphon*)

THE SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered himself faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without

having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN:

LEVAS 115. Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God

(Sing twice)

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me,

The first system of musical notation for the hymn. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in 4/4 time. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me.

The second system of musical notation, identical to the first. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in 4/4 time. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.

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Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me.

The fourth system of musical notation, identical to the second. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in 4/4 time. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Grey Maggiano

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358 | CG 9

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Sam and Jennifer our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For immigrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and all those fleeing persecution.

For students and teachers returning back to school,

For those seeking new employment, new opportunities, or new relationships,

For those on our parish prayer list, especially Alice, Betty, Betty, Bill, Carl, Cathy, Diane, Eva, Jan, Jane, Lori, Margaret, Marion, Maxine, Morgan, Nancy, Pam, Peggy, Remmy, Sherry, and Steve.

For our families, friends, and neighbors, especially Bill, Bob, Caline, Danielle, Evonne, Fitzroy, Frank, Gemma, Gregory, James, Jeanette, Jenny, Jim, John, John, Judy, Kate, Keili, Lori, Michael, Randy, Renee, Roy, Sandy, Sandy, Sara, Sarah, Steffen, Stephanie, Steve, Terry, and Tim.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord;

For all the blessings of this life.

For those seeking to bring light to the world,

For volunteers in our community and here in Raleigh that seek and serve others,

For Peace builders around the world, especially in Israel and Palestine, Ukraine, and anywhere where violence needs interrupting,

For all those expecting a child, especially Abby and Ty. And for those recently born especially Daniel Allen, child of Juliana and Jonathan.

For all those preparing for marriage, especially George and Lindsey, Susan and Gregory, Noah and Isabelle, and Tom and Gwynnie.

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died;
That they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

We remember especially Pete Crow, Karen Cariss, and Kay Repenning.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

The People may add their own petitions.

Deacon We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP 360 | CG 13

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY SOLO:
Summer Meditation

Gerald Furi

THE OFFERTORY HYMN:

209. We walk by faith

St. Botolph

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367 | CG 29

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.**

SANCTUS

8:30

BCP 362 | CG 29

10:30 S125 (Sanctus)

Richard Proulx

THE LORD'S PRAYER: Traditional Version

BCP 364 | CG 33

THE FRACTION

BCP 364 | CG 23

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast.**
Alleluia.

THE COMMUNION HYMN 1:

488. Be thou my vision

Slane

THE COMMUNION HYMN 2:

652. Dear Lord and father of mankind

Rest

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365 | CG 25

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.

THE SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant 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.

People **We who are many are one body,
because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

THE FINAL HYMN:

637. How firm a foundation

Lyons

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon or Celebrant dismisses the People, and the People respond:

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE POSTLUDE

The Power and The Glory

Lani Smith



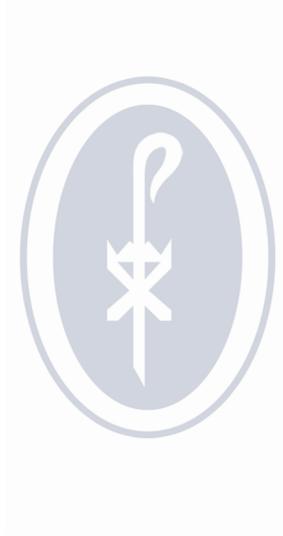
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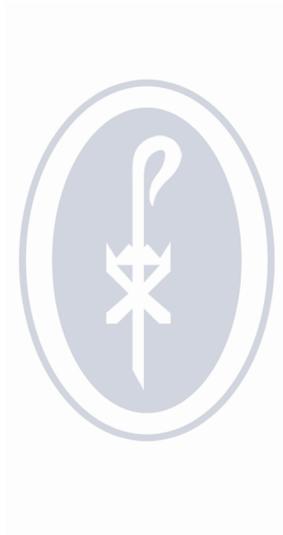
Wardens Sarah O'Connor (Senior) and Dave McKinnon (Junior)

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Morghan Bosch and Hannah Harris (Co-registrars)









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We thank the following people for their service today:

CELEBRANT	The Rev. Grey Maggiano
PREACHER	The Rev. Grey Maggiano
MUSICIANS (10:30)	Christian Schoen
LECTORS (8:30)	Cindy Schreiner, Helen Armstrong
(10:30)	Marcia Perry, Becky Christian, Lloyd Childers
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (8:30)	Vicky Clay
(10:30)	Kate Krouse, Rick Burts
CRUCIFER (10:30)	Marshall Taylor
Torches (10:30)	Raylan Neece, Harper Belk
ALTAR GUILD	Susan Jordan, Paula Valeri, Brian Fentress
ALTAR FLOWERS	Emily Phillips
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