



THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost | Proper 8

8:30 and 10:30 am • June 28, 2026

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

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

516. Come Down O Love Divine

Down Ampney

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355 | GC 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, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE SONG OF PRAISE

8:30 Glory to God

BCP 356 | CG 5

10:30 S236. Gloria

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers

THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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Please, be seated.

THE CHILDREN'S HOMILY (10:30)

After the homily, the children are invited to process out with their formation teachers for some important time around our Let the Children Come grant. They will return at The Peace.

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 22:1-14

After these things God tested Abraham's faith. God said to him, "Abraham!"

And he answered, "Here I am."

Then God said, "Take your only son, Isaac, the son you love. Go to the land of Moriah. There kill him and offer him as a whole burnt offering. Do this on one of the mountains there. I will tell you which one."

Early in the morning Abraham got up and saddled his donkey. He took Isaac and two servants with him. He cut the wood for the sacrifice. Then they went to the place God had told them to go. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey. My son and I will go over there and worship. Then we will come back to you."

Abraham took the wood for the sacrifice and gave it to his son to carry. Abraham took the knife and the fire. So Abraham and his son went on together.

Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!"

Abraham answered, "Yes, my son."

Isaac said, "We have the fire and the wood. But where is the lamb we will burn as a sacrifice?"

Abraham answered, "God will give us the lamb for the sacrifice, my son."

So Abraham and his son went on together. They came to the place God had told him about. There, Abraham built an altar. He laid the wood on it. Then he tied up his son Isaac. And he laid Isaac on the wood on the altar. Then Abraham took his knife and was about to kill his son.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. The angel said, "Abraham! Abraham!"

Abraham answered, "Yes."

The angel said, "Don't kill your son or hurt him in any way. Now I can see that you respect God. I see that you have not kept your son, your only son, from me."

Then Abraham looked up and saw a male sheep. Its horns were caught in a bush. So Abraham went and took the sheep and killed it. He offered it as a whole burnt offering to God. Abraham's son was saved. So Abraham named that place The Lord Gives. Even today people say, "On the mountain of the Lord it will be given."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The text for the first lesson is drawn from The International Children's Bible.

PSALM 13

Usquequo, Domine?

We will recite the psalm antiphonally by whole verse, beginning with the Narthex side

Bow down your ear, O LORD, and answer me,
for I am poor and in misery.

Keep watch over my life, for I am faithful;
save your servant who puts his trust in you.

Be merciful to me, O LORD, for you are my God;
I call upon you all the day long.

Gladden the soul of your servant,
for to you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

For you, O LORD, are good and forgiving,
and great is your love toward all who call upon you.

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer,
and attend to the voice of my supplications.

In the time of my trouble I will call upon you,
for you will answer me.

Among the gods there is none like you, O LORD,
nor anything like your works.

All nations you have made will come and worship you, O LORD,
and glorify your Name.

For you are great;
you do wondrous things;
and you alone are God.

Turn to me and have mercy upon me;
give your strength to your servant;
and save the child of your handmaid.

Show me a sign of your favor,
so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed;
because you, O LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

652. Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Rest

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 10:40-42

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

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

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Marion Thullberg

Please stand, as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358 | CG 9

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

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.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Church of the Nativity, Raleigh, St. Ambrose, Raleigh, and St. Augustine's University Chapel, Raleigh.

In the Anglican Communion Cycle of prayer we pray for the The Anglican Church of Southern Africa.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Including Alice, Barry, Betty, Bill, Carl, Catherine, Chuck, David, Diane, Eva, Jan, Jane, Liz, Maxine, Nancy, Nancy, Remmy, Sandy, and Tom. And, for our families, friends, and neighbors, especially Andrea, Caline, Charlie, Clarence, Corbin, Danielle, David, Denise, Evonne, Gemma, Hannah, Heather, Jodi, Joelle, John, Joseph, Kate, Keili, Ken, Leeann, Lois, Lori, Margaret, Moira, Nathan, Patrick, Randy, Renee, Rick, Rosalie, Roy, Sandy, Sara, Shannon, Sharon, Stan, Stephanie, The Fish Family, The Martinez Family, The Sneed Family, Tom, and Wayne.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, especially Kathleen Smith, Adair Howard Cox, and Frances Griffin that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

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

Silence may be kept.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

694. God be in my head, and in my understanding

Lytlington

Please stand, as you are able.

THE DOXOLOGY

380. Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow (vs. 3)

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361 | CG 17

SANCTUS

8:30

BCP 362 | CG 19

10:30 S128

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts

THE LORD'S PRAYER: Traditional Version

BCP 364 | CG 22

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

BCP 364 | CG 23

THE COMMUNION HYMN

343. Shepherd of Souls

St. Agnes

Please stand, as you are able.

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

657. Love Divine All Loves Excelling

Hyferydol

THE DISMISSAL

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE POSTLUDE

We extend our thanks to Jason Pace for serving as our guest organist today.







CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY VESTRY 2026

WARDENS HANNAH HARRIS (SENIOR), RANDY R. SMITH (JUNIOR)
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We thank the following people for their service today

CELEBRANT & PREACHER	The Rev. Marion Thullbery
MUSICIAN (10:30)	Jason Pace
LECTORS (8:30)	Vicky Clay, Mary-Benton Gordon
(10:30)	Anne Ramirez, Emily Jividen, Ailsa Tessier
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (8:30)	Steve Dearth
(10:30)	Logan Lee, Helen Armstrong
TORCHES (10:30)	Ethan Phillips, Beatrice Tarry
CRUCIFER (10:30)	Marion Youngblood
ALTAR GUILD	Mary Hillmer, Catherine Maddox, Emily Phillips
ALTAR FLOWERS	Gail Till
LIVESTREAM TECHNICIAN (10:30)	Jesse Lee
VESTRY REPRESENTATIVE	Hannah Harris
FELLOWSHIP (10:30)	

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