# ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY EPISCOPAL CHURCH



# CELEBRATION SERVICE THE HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 20, 2023 10:45 A.M.

You are welcomed whether you are a guest or a member, and we invite you to join us in our worship of God.

If you are worshiping with us for the first time, please introduce yourself to our clergy following the service. We also invite you to please take a moment to sign our Guest Book which can be found at the Welcome Center. This Service Bulletin contains all that you will need to worship with us this morning.

If you have a prayer request, please write it in the book that is located at the prayer desk just outside the back of the sanctuary.

Please note that this worship service will be recorded and live streamed.

If you wish, you may remain out of the camera's view by sitting in the Chapel (stained glass window area.)

We want to honor and respect your privacy.

## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

We are an enthusiastically welcoming and inviting Christian community committed to the unity of all people with God through Christ.

#### DECLARACIÓN DE NUESTRA MISIÓN

Somos una comunidad Cristiana que da la bienvenida con entusiasmo y acogedor, comprometida con la unidad de toda la gente con Dios a a través de Cristo.

Welcome to St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church!

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us during this Season after Pentecost.

For many Christians the weeks after Pentecost are called Ordinary Time, "ordinary" meaning in regular rows or ranks undistinguished from another. This is the character of Ordinary Time, the days after Pentecost, the largest part of the church year, and most of our life. It is not a time of celebration that draws into wonder nor a time of crisis that causes one to change. Ordinary Time is a time of being. However, it must be said that this time is not without character and color, for during this season of the year we explore what it means to live in the eternal day that is ours through baptism into Christ's eternal life. In this post Pentecostal season we explore what it means to be children of God, to be in Christ, and to be on fire with the Spirit.

Like all of God's creation, we are surrounded by the lush green that is present. It is a bountiful time of being. In these moments, we rest in the knowledge that we are transformed and empowered people experiencing the presence of the Spirit through the Word proclaimed and the Sacraments shared.

It is with that awareness we live lives in tune with the present and filled with God's love toward all around us. Only then will our lives take on the vibrant green of the season, of ordinary life and yet deeply alive!

If this is your first time in the Episcopal Church, everything you need to follow worship is in this Worship Guide. If you have any questions please to not hesitate to ask any member around you for help.

I hope to meet you before and/or after worship, but just in case I do not, please fill out the attendance sheet in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate so we can connect with you.

Again, welcome to you and your family.

Blessings,

Fr. Joseph C. Alsay + Rector

#### + THE GATHERING RITE +

Voluntary: "Nimrod from Enigma Variations"

Edward Elgar

#### Welcome & Announcements

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#### Sacred Silence

At this time you are invited to reflect, meditate, pray or engage in another silent activity.

At the sound of the bell, please stand and face the entrance.

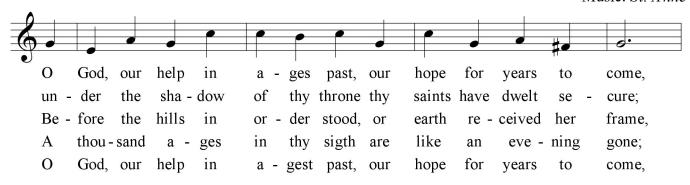
## **Opening Acclamation**

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

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

Gathering Hymn: "O God Our Help In Ages Past"

Text: Issac Watts Music: St. Anne





## Salutation and Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

### +THE LITURGY OF THE WORD +

Please be seated.

#### Children's Moment

After the Children's Moment, the children are invited to return to their families and be seated.

**The Lesson:** Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Lector A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Lector The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia"

Scott Chard





Please remain standing.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 15:10-20

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Gospel Response: Alleluia

Scott Chard





Please be seated **Homily** 

The Reverend Shelley Forrester

#### Sacred Silence

During this time we invite you to reflect, meditate pray or engage in another silent activity.

Please stand.
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.

Please remain standing.

Prayers of the People - Form VI

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; we pray for the ministries of those churches in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. John's, Tulsa, St. Simeon's Home, Tulsa, and for our companion Diocese of Uruguay. For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Poulson our Bishop; and for all bishops, for Father Joseph, Father Tony, Deacon Karen, and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions

For those with medical issues and other needs or concerns: Scott Mills, Todd Jackson, Judy Moon, Maxine Grayson, Collin Wilbur, Debra Greene Jolly, Erlinda Layman, Nahomi Gudino, John Wehr, Megan Posey, JonEvah Murray, Cornerstone Counseling and Consulting, Traci Eliot, Breanna Troutman, Shary Weis, Gale Wilkerson, Bill Landis, Reggie Egins, Kris Wade, Mahogany Brown, Leanne Hoffbeck, Lynn England, AimeeAnn, Jim Davidson, Anita Kirkpatrick, Angela & Ron Cochran, Judy Spencer, Ann Merritt, Sandy and Bill Hodges, David King, Evelyn Wehr, Bill Collins, Richard Stuhr, Jim Emig, Lee Johnson, Edith Kenney, Evelyn Thrower, Bill Kerr, Judy Reeder, Steve Bauer.

For those in the military: Rick Narvaiz, Colby Gibson, J.R. Singleton, Bryce Singleton, Parker Singleton, Joshua Westmoreland, Megan Weimer, Ryan Natale, Rylee Natale, Brody Campbell, Justin Jones, Sam Carter, Christopher Rosentreter, Caleb Mitchell, Aaron Long, Terry Caraway, Reed Hall, Zach Renfroe, Rev. Octavia Lindsey, McKenna McCullough, Noel Puryear, Simon Liszeski, Keaton Latner, Kaleigh Hensch, Kayleigh Henson, Freddie Kegler, Jay Jordan, William VanSant, Nick Coleman, Rebecka Blaire, Stephen Liszeski, Ted Liszeski, Kyle Belt, Andrew Stiendl, James Roberts, John Andrews, Thomas Andrews, Chase Biel Weishaupt, Perry Harding, Nate Phillips, Ashley Adkins, Matt Lake, Derek Wolf, our troops at home and abroad and their families.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

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

The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We rejoice with those celebrating birthdays this week: *Tammy Feland, Eli Koon, Thomas Cowley, John Burgess, Joice Thompson, Ayla Yeakley, Sheri Crytzer, Shelly Paynter, Cesar Gudino, Amanda Heaney-Cajindos, Don Heath, Ava Willamson, Jahruba Lambeth, Lin Sanchez.* 

We rejoice with those celebrating anniversaries this week Michelle & Philip Lyne, Elizabeth & Jon Wallingford

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 might have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions.

We remember: Jill Khan, Marilyn Hogue, Bill Farr, Bill Moon

Lord let your loving-kindness be upon them

Who put their trust in you.

Please kneel.

**Confession of Sin** 

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.

#### **Absolution**

Almighty God have mercy upon 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.** 



Please stand.

#### **Peace**

Presider

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

# + THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARISTIC MEAL +

Please be seated.

## **Offertory Sentence**

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. – Ephesians 5:2

During the "Offering in Song," please sign the Canterbury Connection Cards in the service bulletin and kindly drop it in the wicker basket with your offering.

To submit your offerings electronically, text the amount you would like to give to 405-645-6608 or go to "bit.ly/GiveSAC" in your browser and follow the instructions. Thank You.

Offering in Song: "Total Praise"

Richard Smallwood

The congregation stands as the gifts are brought forward.

Presentation Song: "Praise God From Whom all Blessings Flow"

Old 100th









Please remain standing.

Eucharistic Prayer: Form F

Common Worship, Church of England

Presider The Lord be with you and also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give thanks and praise.

Presider You are worthy of our thanks and praise

Lord God of truth,

for by the breath of your mouth you have spoken your Word, and all things have come into being.

You fashioned us in your image and placed us in the garden of your delight. Though we chose the path of rebellion you would not abandon your own.

Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace. You gave your people the Law and taught us by your prophets to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace.

As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth, we echo the song of the angels in heaven, evermore praising you and saying:

Presider & Holy, holy, holy Lord, & People God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Presider Lord God, you are the most holy one,

enthroned in splendor and light,

yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ

you reveal the power of your love made perfect in our human weakness.

People Amen. Lord, we believe!

Presider Embracing our humanity,

Jesus showed us the way of salvation;

loving us to the end,

he gave himself to death for us;

dying for his own,

he set us free from the bonds of sin,

that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

People Amen. Lord, we believe!

Presider On the night he gave up himself for us all

he took bread and gave you thanks;

he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

People Amen. Lord, we believe!

Presider In the same way, after supper

he took the cup and gave you thanks;

he gave it to them, saying:

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.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

People Amen. Lord, we believe!

Presider Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross,

we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb,

and we long for his coming in glory.

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

Presider As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption,

Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

form us into the likeness of Christ

and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

People Amen. Come, Holy Spirit!

Presider Look with favor on your people

and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts.

Bless the earth, heal the sick,

let the oppressed go free

and fill your Church with power from on high.

People Amen. Come, Holy Spirit!

Presider Gather your people from the ends of the earth

to feast with (NN. and) all your saints

at the table in your kingdom,

where the new creation is brought to perfection

in Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom and with whom, and in whom,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all honor and glory be yours, almighty Father,

for ever and ever. Amen.

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

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art 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 our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo.

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.

Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.

No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal.

Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

## **Breaking of the Bread**

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,

and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### **Communion Distribution**

All Baptized are invited to receive the Holy Meal at the Lord's Table.

For Communion, come forward as the ushers release you from your seat.

If you wish to receive the bread dipped in wine, please receive a napkin from an usher.

The bread will be dipped in the wine for you by one of the clergy, then placed on the napkin.

After consuming the bread, please place the napkin in one of the wicker receptacles.

If you wish to drink from the cup, please proceed to one of the two chalice bearers to the far ends.

Continue down the outside aisle to return to your seat.

Please note that gluten-free bread is available for those who request it.

Kindly let the usher know if you need the clergy to bring the bread to you.

If you wish to only receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.

# **Altar Prayer**

After receiving Communion, please feel free to kneel at the Altar Rail and take time for personal prayer and reflection.

#### **Candle Lighting**

After receiving communion, the congregation is invited to say a prayer for yourself or other needs you may have; light a candle, and then place it in the sand containers on either side of the front of the church.

Communion Meditation: "Through It All"

Andre Crouch

#### + THE SENDING RITE +

Please stand or kneel.

# **Post-Communion Prayer**

Presider 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.

Please stand.

**Blessing** 

Presider The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and

remain with you forever.

People Amen.

**Dismissal** 

Presider Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary: "Rondeau from Sinfonies de Fanfares"

Jean-Joseph Mouret

We invite those who are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries, or have other special needs, to gather in the side chapel after the service where prayers and blessings will be given.

You are cordially invited to the Commons Area for refreshments following the service, so that we may get to know one another.

## **Birthday and Anniversary Blessing**

DOK Let us pray.

People O God, our days are in your hand: Look with favor we pray, on those who begin another

year. Grant that your wisdom, grace, love, and strength may continue to be with them all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



### + MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY +

## Today, Sunday August 20, 2023, 10:45 A.M. – The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Presider and Preacher: The Reverend Shelley Forrester

Lector: Valerie Hall Crucifer: Zachary Rosa-Berrios

Eucharistic Assistants: Claudia Rios-Estrada, David Krausse, Jay Welch

Staff Musicians: Scott Chard and Guy Nembhard

**Organist:** Patrick Hays

Oblation Bearers: The Rosa-Berrios Family Greeters: Jeanne Lowrey and Lauri Reeg Ushers: Mike Hall and Marcy Taber Altar Guild: Gil Haas and Jan Pope Camera Crew: Josh Eliot and Bri McGhee

**Sound:** Eric Brinley

#### + THIS IS OUR STORY +

Ordination is the process by which individuals are consecrated, that is set apart and elevated from the laity to the clergy and are thus authorized to perform various religious rites and ceremonies. One who is in preparation for ordination is called an ordinand. Consecration is an act by which a person or thing are separated from everyday use and dedicated permanently to the sacred by prayer and ceremonies which can neither be revoked nor repeated. There are three degrees of ordination: deacon, presbyter, and bishop. Both bishops and presbyters are priests and have authority to celebrate the Eucharist. However, in common use, the term "priest" usually refers to presbyters. Apostolic succession is an essential and necessary concept for ordination, with the belief that all ordained clergy are ordained by bishops who were ordained by other bishops tracing back to the bishops ordained by the Apostles who were ordained by Christ, who conferred his priesthood upon his Apostles. Ordination of a bishop is performed by several bishops, while ordination of a priest or deacon is usually performed by a single bishop. Only priests and bishops may bless persons or objects and administer the sacraments of confession, unction (anointing the sick), and Eucharist.

If you have a liturgical question or an inquiry about anything that transpires during or around our worship service, please forward the question you would like researched to: gghaas@aol.com, or drop the question in the offering basin. Please note whether we can credit you as the source of the question.

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## **SERVICE TIMES**

**Sunday** – Holy Eucharist – 8:30 A.M. & 10:45 A.M. **Wednesday** – Holy Eucharist – 12 Noon

#### **STAFF**

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Deacon: The Reverend Karen Hansen

Administrative Assistant/Member Engagement Coordinator: Sarah-Emily Steinhardt

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#### **VESTRY**

Sr. Warden: James Reeg Sr. Warden Elect: Michael Johnston Jr. Warden: Jon Wallingford Jr. Warden Elect: William "Bill" Kenney

Treasurer: Marian Moon

Other Members: Brad Davidson, John Fink, Jay Kyte, Valerie Hall, Rick Inselman,

Valerie Lewis, Scott Myers, & Jason Seabolt

Clerk: Renee Lewis

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

To offer our staff a Sabbath, the St. Augustine business offices are closed on Mondays, with staff available remotely for urgent matters. Ministry Leaders are welcome to access the building independently with their key, as needed.

Father Joseph Alsay, Rector T Sarah-Emily Steinhardt, Admin Assistant

Tuesday -Thursday 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M Tuesday -Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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