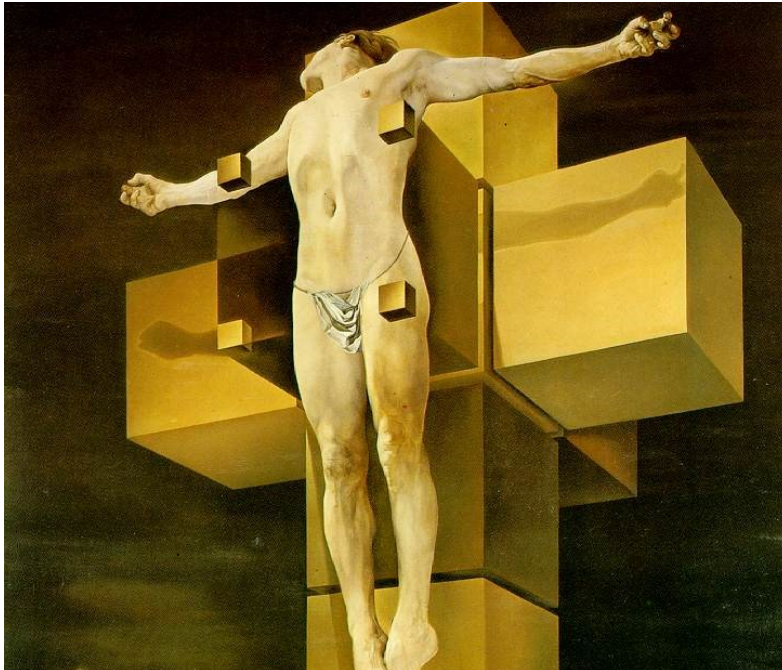


ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY EPISCOPAL CHURCH



**TRADITIONAL SERVICE
HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE I
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 3, 2023
8:30 A.M.**

We welcome you if you are joining us as a guest or member, and invite you to join us as an active participant in the worship of God.

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, following the service, please introduce yourself to our clergy.

Please remember to sign our Guest Book located at the front doors following worship.

For ease of use, this service leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy.

A book to write your prayer requests in is located on the prayer desk in the Narthex.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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

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 do 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: "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent"

Alec Rowell

Welcome & Announcements

See Insert

Please stand at the sound of the bell.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: "Glory to God"

David Hurd

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,

we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,

on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.

6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Presider Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

+ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD +

Please be seated.

First Lesson: Exodus 3:1-15

Lector A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever,
and this my title for all generations.

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



Psalmody: Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 **Sing to him, sing praises to him,
and speak of all his marvelous works.**
- 3 Glory in his holy Name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
- 4 **Search for the LORD and his strength;
continually seek his face.**
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done,
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
- 6 **O offspring of Abraham his servant,
O children of Jacob his chosen.**
- 23 Israel came into Egypt,
and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.
- 24 **The LORD made his people exceedingly fruitful;
he made them stronger than their enemies;**
- 25 Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people,
and dealt unjustly with his servants.
- 26 **He sent Moses his servant,
and Aaron whom he had chosen.**
- 45 Hallelujah!

Second Lesson: Romans 12:9-21

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

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

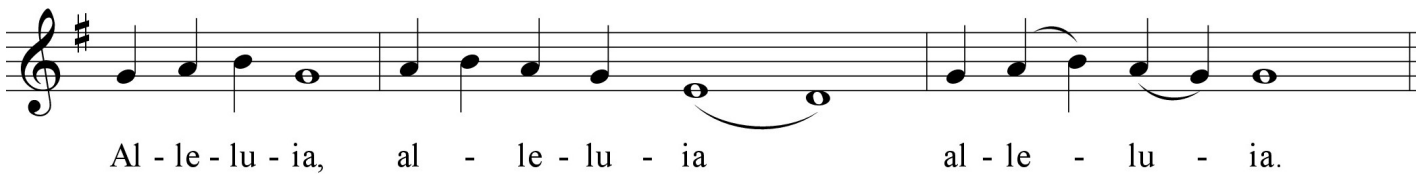
Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**



Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia"

Plainsong



Please remain standing.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 16:21-28

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

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

Please be seated.

Homily

The Reverend Joseph Alsay

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.**

Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and ever living God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Daniel, Bishop of Uruguay; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; and the clergy and people of the diocese of Oklahoma and our companion diocese of Uruguay, including those churches in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Patrick's, Broken Arrow and the Anglican Center for Solidarity and Assistance (CASA) Job Training Ministry, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially for Joe, our President; Kevin, our Governor; and David, our Mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

For those with medical issues or other concerns: *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, Robby Housh, Wyatt Didamo, Barbara Traylor-Lane, Valerie Lewis, Camilla Manning, Philip Worrell, Bill Johnson.*

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, Christopher Rosentreter, Sam Carter, 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 Stienl, 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.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

We rejoice with those celebrating birthdays this week: *Angela Chard, Sara-Emily Steinhardt, Daphne Muran, John Guinn, Molly York, Peyton York, David York, Ray Lauffer, Dustin Pierce, Sam Chard, Stuart Hazelton, Jolie Yeakley, Georgina Caldera, JW Guinn, Lyla Rousseau, James Menzer*.

We rejoice with those celebrating anniversaries this week: *Kathy & Kevin Koon, Mark & Jennifer Egbert*.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Please kneel.

Confession of Sin

Let us most humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

Absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand.

Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

+ THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARISTIC MEAL +

Offertory Sentence

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. – *Psalm 50:14*

Please be seated.

Offertory Voluntary: “Humbly We Adore You”

Everett Titcomb

Please stand.

Presentation Hymn: “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

Old 100th

Musical score for the hymn "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow". The score is written in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and 4/4 time. It consists of three staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above the heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."

Please remain standing.

Great Thanksgiving

Musical score for the Great Thanksgiving. It features four staves of music, alternating between the Celebrant and the People. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up unto the Lord. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. It is meet and right so to do."

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus: “Holy, Holy, Holy Lord”

James McGregor

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and
earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo-ry be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please kneel or stand..

Eucharistic Prayer II

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, 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.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with they Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.



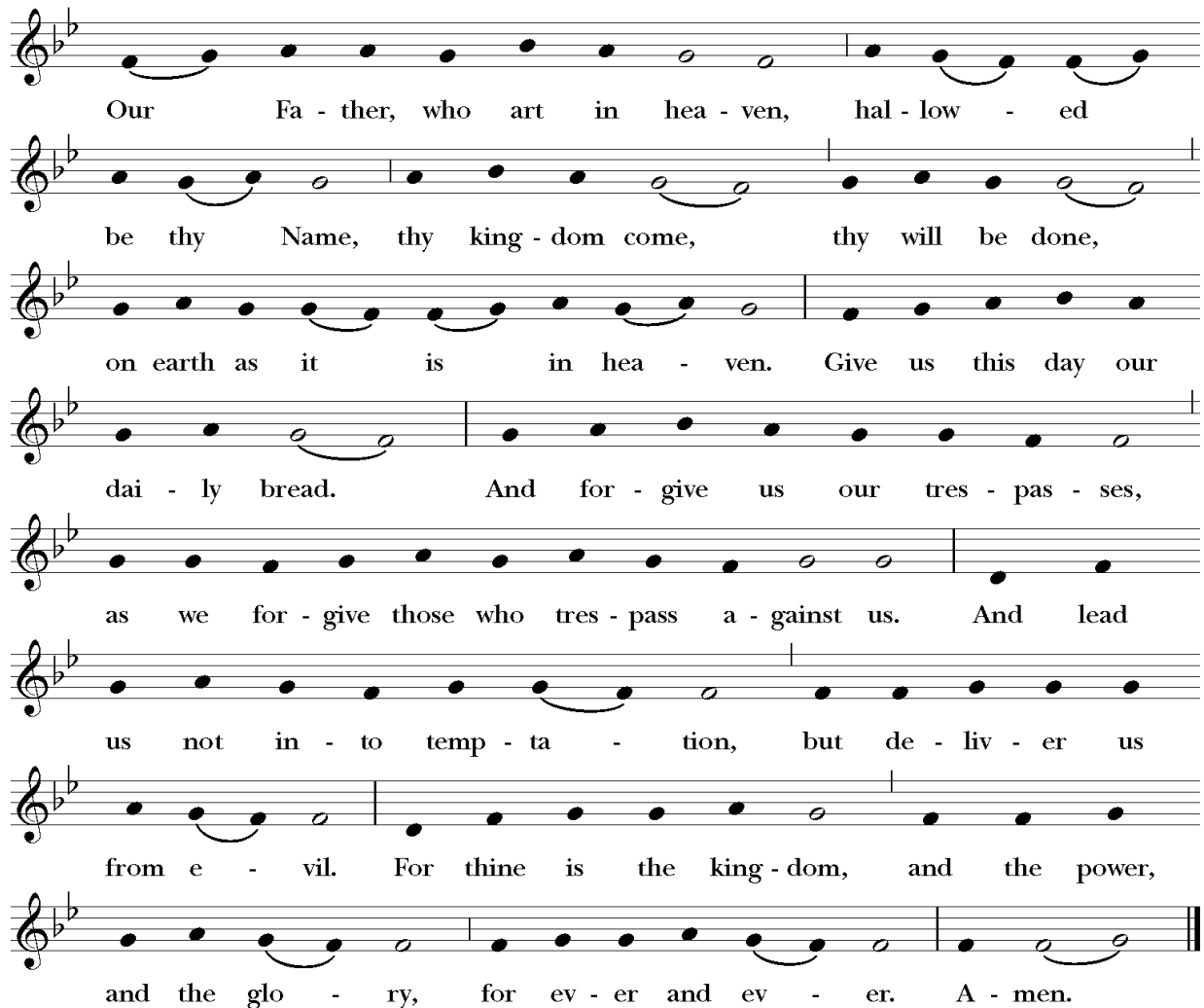
And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

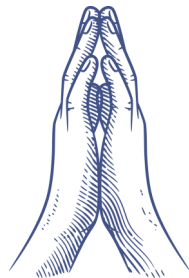
The Presider then continues.

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

The Lord's Prayer



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.



Breaking of the Bread: “Agnus Dei”



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the
sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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 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 receive bread only or wine from the common cup, do not receive a napkin, but approach the priest with cupped hands.

*To drink from the cup, please consume the bread and help the chalice bearer guide the cup to your lips.
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.*

+ THE SENDING RITE +

Please stand or kneel.

Post-Communion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Please be seated.

We invite those who are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries to come forward and gather around the Altar when called.

Birthday & Anniversary Blessing

Presider Let us pray.

People **Watch over thy children, O Lord as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus 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 for ever.

People **Amen.**

Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary: “Grand Jeu”

J.S. Bach

You are cordially invited to gather in the Commons Area for refreshments so we can get to know one another better.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, September 3

- 8:30AM Traditional Service
- 10:45AM Celebration Service

Monday, September 4 – Labor Day

- Church Offices Closed

Tuesday, September 5

- 6:30PM Cub Scouts

Wednesday, September 6

- 12PM Eucharist

Sunday, September 10

- 8:30AM Traditional Service
- 9:35AM Confirmation Class
- 10:45AM Celebration Service

Monday, September 11

- Church Offices Closed

Tuesday, September 12

- 6:30PM Cub Scouts

Wednesday, September 13

- 12PM Eucharist
- 7PM Confirmation Class

CONFIRMATION CLASSES STARTING

As we prepare for the 40th Anniversary Celebration of St. Augustine, and the Episcopal visitation of Bishop Poulson on October 22nd, we are inviting any youth and adults interested in the being confirmed to join us for a three-week late Summer Intensive Confirmation program. Each week, duplicate one-hour Confirmation classes will be offered on Sunday at 9:35 a.m. OR Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. beginning, September 10th through 27th. Please RSVP by contacting Fr. Joseph josephalsay@gmail.com or (405) 365-3226.

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE

I - "I Praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made."
Psalm 139:14

All are encouraged to participate (young and old, family, friends). We will post the verses on the Family and Youth bulletin board in the education hall. Once a verse is successfully recited to a parent or other friend, the parents can help keep track by placing a sticker on the chart on the Family and Youth bulletin board. When 6 verses are memorized, a small reward can be earned. When all 26 verses are learned there will be a prize. See Renee Lewis for details.

CUB SCOUTS MEET EACH TUESDAY AT 6:30PM

St. Augustine's own Cub Scout Pack 101 meets in the Parish Hall each Tuesday at 6:30pm. Cub Scouts is open to ALL children, male and female, grades K-5. Contact Rick Inselman sfhobo@yahoo.com and come join the fun!

SISU YOUTH OUTREACH

Sisu Youth Services, which provides support to homeless teens in the OKC area, needs donations of poptarts, chewy granola bars, fruit cups, ramen, mini muffins, chef Boyardee and small denomination gift cards to Walmart and other restaurants and retailers. Feel free to donate any of the following at the SISU table in the Commons

BLESSING BOX FOR SEPTEMBER

Peanut butter, Jelly, Vienna Sausages, Canned/pouch protein items such as chicken and can openers are the most needed items for our Blessing Box. Donations can be placed in the large wicker basket in the Commons. Thanks for your continued support of this ministry!

COFFEE HOUR SPONSERSHIPS AVAILABLE

Are you enjoying the treats? Then be a Coffee Sponsor! As our membership has grown, so has the need for more volunteers for Coffee Hour. After you help yourself to refreshments today, sign up to help out and be a Coffee Sponsor in the future.

+ MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY +

Today, Sunday, September 3, 2023, 8:30 A.M.
The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Presider and Preacher: The Reverend Joseph C. Alsay

Eucharistic Minister: Art Rousseu

Lector: Averil Steedman

Organist: David Conley

Cantor: Sarah Hunsucker

Ushers: George Lauffer and Bud Johnson

Greeter: Gayle Anne Roberts

Altar Guild: Lyla Rosseu and Scott Myers

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+ THIS IS OUR STORY +

The Book of Occasional Services is a wonderful depository of services for a wide variety of situations not mentioned in the Book of Common Prayer. One of these is for the “Celebration for a Home”. For this service a priest assembles with the members of the household and their friends in the living room of the home to be blessed. The service’s beginning can be elaborate (with Bible readings) or extremely simple. After the opening ceremony, the group (with one of the household members carrying a candle) move from room to room in the home - concluding in the living room. In each room, the priest reads an antiphon followed by a short prayer followed by a blessing and sprinkling of the room with Holy Water. There are specific prayers for a child’s room, a guest room, a bathroom, a workroom, a kitchen, a dining room, a terrace or garden, and a living room or family room. When the group has returned to the living room, a final prayer and blessing are given. Afterwards the people greet one another in the name of the Lord, Eucharist may be celebrated, and a dismissal is given. Convivial festivity follows.

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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Sunday – Holy Eucharist – 8:30 A.M. & 10:45 A.M.

Wednesday – Holy Eucharist – 12 Noon

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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.

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