

ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY EPISCOPAL CHURCH



**CELEBRATION SERVICE
THE HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II
The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
&
The Reopening of the Church
September 6, 2020
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.*

This Service Bulletin contains all that you will need to worship with us this morning.

If you have a prayer request, please email them into the church.

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.

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.

Again, welcome to you and your family.

Blessings,

Fr. Joseph C. Alsay +
Rector

ST. AUGUSTINE'S WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

EfM OPPORTUNITY

The opportunity continuing education in ones' Christian Formation is realized via the theological education program by extension called Education for Ministry (EfM). This program is for lay persons and has been developed and is administered by the Episcopal School of Theology at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. The program is conducted at various locations in Oklahoma, one of which is out of Edmond, Oklahoma. Due to the Covid-19 challenges, meetings are currently conducted virtually via Zoom. The program is four (4) years in length, taken one year at a time.

Enrollment for the 2020-2021 school term is now open. If interested in more detailed information, contact the following: EfM.sewanee.edu or The Rev. Bill Hesse (hessewa@aol.com, (405)348-4167)

PIZZA WITH THE PRIEST ON ZOOM

The Clergy, Vestry and Staff of St. Augustine's cordially invite any new attenders to "Pizza with the Priest" on Sunday, September 20th at 12:30pm (following the close of our 10:45am worship service) virtually via Zoom. This event is an opportunity to find out more about St. Augustine's in an informal setting for newer attendees.

ST. AUGUSTINE 101

Join Fr. Tony Moon from 12:30p.m.-2:00p.m. on Sunday, September 27th VIRTUALLY via Zoom, for our quarterly St. Augustine 101 course. This class will offer those attending a chance to dig deeper into the history, theology, and vision of both St. Augustine of Canterbury Episcopal Church and the National (and worldwide) Episcopal Church. All are welcome, including established church members looking to learn more. To RSVP or for more information, contact the church office, or email memberengagement@sac-okc.org.

2020 MINISTRY FAIR

THEME: INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF ST. AUGUSTINE...INVEST IN YOURSELF! MATTHEW 20:1-16

This year, our annual Ministry Fair will be featured via a special video during the 10:45am service on September 20th. Members will be able to sign up for any ministry at St. Augustine, but that Sunday, ten specific ministries will be spotlighted by video. They'll include Altar Guild, Usher Team, Greeter Team, Intercessors/Lectors, Acolytes, Video/Tech Team, Eucharistic Visitors, Music Team, Outreach, and a new ministry - Here I Am, Send Me! Stay tuned to the announcements for more Ministry Fair details, or email memberengagement@sac-okc.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Service starts at 10:45 a.m. in person and on our [YouTube](#) channel.

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A special thanks to the Reopening Committee: Amy Smith; Chair, Renee Bauer, Lynn Knippers, Todd Branson, Jillian Hansen, Darin Herndon, Diana Lauffer, John Potter, Mark Williams, Fr. Joseph Alsay and Marian Moon.

The members of the Reopening Committee would like to thank those who helped with the video project. Whether in script, filming, editing, content, staging or other technical assistance, the committee thanks: Ryan Garrett, Ben Hardcastle, Dora Herndon, Owen Herndon, Sarah-Emily Steinhardt, and Darin Herndon.

+ THE GATHERING RITE +

Prelude: “Amazing Grace” for organ and piano

John A. Behnke

Welcome & Announcements

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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 través de Cristo.

Sacred Silence

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

Please stand at the sound of the bell and face the entrance doors.

Introit & Opening of the Doors

Presider This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter.

People **I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation.**

Presider This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

People **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; we bless you from the house of the Lord.**

Presider Behold I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord.

People **If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come into the house, and eat with you and you with me.**

Music at the Procession: “Fanfare”

Healey Willan

Opening Acclamation

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

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

Gathering Song: “Praise Him”

Words & Music: Lenny Leblanc, ©1991 LenSongs Publishing
Universal Music- Brentwood Publishing CCLI #11349900

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ 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

All children are invited to remain with their families

The Lesson: Romans 13:8-14

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

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation: "Guiltless"

Words: Brenton Prigge

Tune: *St. Magnus*

Please remain standing.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

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

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

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Gospel Response: "Zimbabwe Alleluia"

Please be seated.

Sermon

The Reverend Joseph Alsay

Sacred Silence

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

Please stand at the sound of the meditation bowl.

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: Holland Hall School, Tulsa, Casady School, Oklahoma City, Oak Hall School, Ardmore, and for our companion Diocese of Uruguay.
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop; Poulson our Bishop; and for all bishops, for Father Joseph, Father Tony, Deacon Robby, Deacon-Intern Todd, 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: *Ayla Yeakley, Emily Fields, Kyle Lawson, Dawn Toney, Cesar Gudino, Elveta Culton, Elizabeth Myers, Manny Hardy, Sammie Kenyon, John Myers, Judy Reeder, Jack Austerman, Austin Estes, Gayla Schwenke, Teaghan, Parker, Chandler, Maria & Lary Candido, Julio Bega Morua, Pat Current, Nancy Howard, Sharon Feland, Dick Hackley, Drue Eliot, Donny Trammell, Dicheal Talley, Anita Poole, Myrna Gray, Camilla Nicole Manning, Tom Current, Rick & Randy Pair, Ann Chambers, Nicole Pair, Franz Lauffer, Evelyn Thrower, Don Moon, Bill Kerr, Janice Wilson, Joice Thompson*

For those with other needs or concerns: *Chelsea Williams, John Vanek, Pete Shipman, Kelly Smith, Family of Austin Estes, Mark Mintor, Chelsea Hurt, Domenica Lovera & Family, Willa Mae Rowley, Andrew Sterling, Debbie Sterling, Russell Paine, Brandon Riggs, Valerie Lewis, Cornerstone Counseling, Jada Miles Smiley, Travis, Kristen, Lee, Evin Cole, Matthew Trammell, Tony Harris, Aimee Ann, Dennis, Jason & Traci Eliot, Aimeeann Vanek, those needing the services of the Guild of St. George, St. Francis Community Services, the Infant Crisis Services, residents of the Jess Dunn, Joseph Harp and Davis correctional facilities; the Lionwood Senior Living Center, the Harbor and Gatewood Homes for the mentally impaired, the Jesus House, and for all people of the world in these times of worry and illness.*

For those in the military: *J.R. Singleton, Bryce Singleton, Derek Gabelsberg, Cody Branson, Ryan Natale, Rylee Natale, Brody Campbell, Justin Jones, Christopher Rosentreter, Sam Carter, Caleb Mitchell, Aaron Long, Terry Caraway, Reed Hall, Zach Renfro, Rev. Octavia Lindsey, McKenna McCullough, Noel Puryear, Keaton Latner, Kaleigh Hensch, Andrew Long, Kayleigh Henson, Freddie Kegler, Jay Jordan, William VanSant, Nick Coleman, Rebecka Blaire, 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.

Birthdays this week: *Dustin Pierce, Sam Chard, Stuart Hazleton, Georgina Caldera, Lyla Rousseau, Mike Johnston, Maridale Vanek, Joshua Harlow and Evelyn Thrower.*

Anniversaries: *Bob and Cathy Hume.*

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.

Deaths: *Todd Jones, Chad Williams and The Rev. Deborah Jennings*

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

Confession of Sin

Let us most humbly confess our sins unto the Almighty God.

**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 on 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 congregation is invited to follow the ancient tradition of honoring one another with a solemn bow.

+ THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARISTIC MEAL +

Please be seated.

Offertory Sentence

If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. – *Matthew 5:23–24*

During the “Offering in Song”, please feel free to place your offering in one of the four receptacles placed around the Nave.

Offering in Song: “Welcome Back”

Music: *John Sebastian* ©1976 John Sebastian Music

Words: *Scott Chard*

Please stand.

Eucharistic Prayer *Common Worship, Church of England*

Presider The Lord is here.

People **His Spirit is with us.**

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 It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.

People **You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

Presider In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

People **He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

Presider On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

People **Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his body is the bread of life.**

Presider At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

People **Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his blood is shed for all.**

Presider As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

People **As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

Presider With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, 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.

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.

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 are welcome to receive the Holy Meal at the Lord's Table.

For Communion, please remain at your pew and the Presider will come and commune you.

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

To receive bread, hold your palms upward, remove your mask, consume the bread, then replace the mask around your nose and mouth.

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

Communion Meditation: “Change my Heart O God” Words and Music by Eddie Espinosa
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“You are Near” Words and Music by Daniel L. Schutte
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+ THE SENDING RITE +

Please stand.

Post-Communion Prayer

Common Worship, Church of England

Presider Let us pray.

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary: “Psalm 19”

Benedetto Marcello

The congregation will be directed by the ushers to exit the Nave, via the side chapel door.

We ask that you please keep your masks on, until you are outside.

Thank you for your cooperation.

+ MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY +

Today, Sunday, September 6, 2020, 10:45 A.M. - The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Presider: The Reverend Canon Tony Moon

Preacher: The Reverend Joseph Alsay

Deacon: The Reverend Robby Trammell

Crucifer: Zoe Alsay

Lector: Todd Branson

Staff Musicians: Scott Chard, Guy Nembhard, Karena Van Horn

Organist: John Stephen Potter

Greeters: Sarah Stuhr and Janet Mills

Ushers: Mark Williams, Marc Dillard, Ricky Womack and Jessiah Shaw

Cameras: Chris O’Leary & Josh Elliot

+ OUR STORY +

St. Augustine’s focuses our attention on Christ’s presence. The major focus of Christ’s presence is Christ’s body and blood in the consecrated bread and wine reserved in the ambry - the small chest in the wall on the left side of the nave. The lit candle in the red sanctuary lamp reminds us of the presence of Christ’s sacramental body and blood. To honor this “presence”, many parishioners perform a genuflection or a deep bow (where their knees could be touched with their outstretched hands) upon entering or leaving their pew. A genuflection is accomplished by touching the ground with the right knee at the place where the right foot was and rising upright at once while simultaneously making the sign of the cross. Usually the only time the reserved sacrament is not present is when it is ceremoniously processed to the Altar of Repose following Maundy Thursday’s stripping of the altar. The lit sanctuary lamp is also placed on this altar to signify the presence of the reserved sacrament. Tradition suggests that if the reserved sacrament is not present, a simple bow to the cross and altar (which also represent Christ) is appropriate. A simple bow is performed by slightly bending the head.

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. Please note whether we can credit you as the source of the question.

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