

The Holy Eucharist: Enriching Our Worship

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 12, 2025 • 10:15 a.m.

HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the glories of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.

The people's responses are in **bold**.

This type of note, offering directions about the service, is called a "rubric," which comes from the Latin word rubrica (red)—referring to a time when these instructional notes were always written in red.

The Word of God

THE ENTRANCE RITE

When the service is accompanied by music, it often begins with an instrumental piece of music, during which the congregation can prepare for worship.

PRELUDE

The Cuckoo and the Nightengale

G. F. Handel

We begin our worship as a gathered community by praising God in song. The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

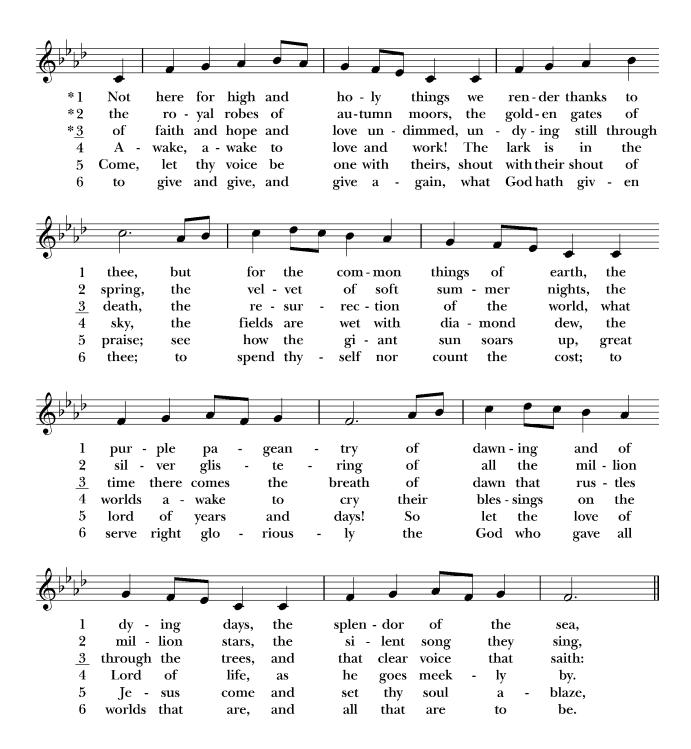
PROCESSIONAL HYMN • #9

Not here for high and holy things

Sung by all

Morning song

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN MAY BE FOUND ON THE NEXT PAGE.



WELCOME

We acknowledge that our worship is taking place in the aboriginal territories of the Salish and Kalispel people.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The People standing as able, the Presider says

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God, for ever and ever.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

This prayer was an English rendering of a Latin prayer that began the liturgy in the medieval church before the Reformation. It remains a distinctive part of Episcopal worship to this day.

The Presider may say

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*.

SONG OF PRAISE • S 278

Glory to God (Canticle 20)

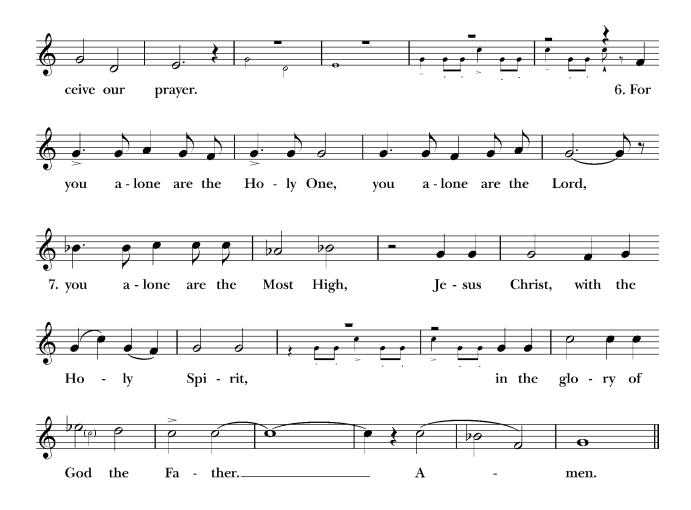
Sung by all.

William Mathias

The Gloria, or some other song of praise, centers the service on the God we gather to praise in our worship.

The following is sung, all standing as able





THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that "collects" or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The People are seated for the lessons, and when there is Children's Worship, the children leave for Children's Worship. The children will return for Holy Eucharist.

THE FIRST READING: Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

¹These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. ⁴Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

The People remain seated.

THE PSALM

The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another.

Reader Our response to the first reading is a portion of Psalm 66 found in the service leaflet. Please pray it with me.

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PSALM: 66:1-11

¹Be joyful in God, all you lands; * sing the glory of his Name: sing the glory of his praise. ²Sav to God, "How awesome are your deeds! * because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you. 3All the earth bows down before you, * sings to you, sings out your Name." 4Come now and see the works of God, * how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people. ⁵He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, * and there we rejoiced in him. In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; * let no rebel rise up against him. ⁷Bless our God, you peoples; * make the voice of his praise to be heard; 8Who holds our souls in life, * and will not allow our feet to slip. ⁹For you, O God, have proved us; * you have tried us just as silver is tried. ¹⁰You brought us into the snare; * you laid heavy burdens upon our backs. ¹¹You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, * but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

THE SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's Second Letter to Timothy.

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

¹³if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

¹⁴Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

The People stand as able to sing the hymn.

SEQUENCE HYMN • #389

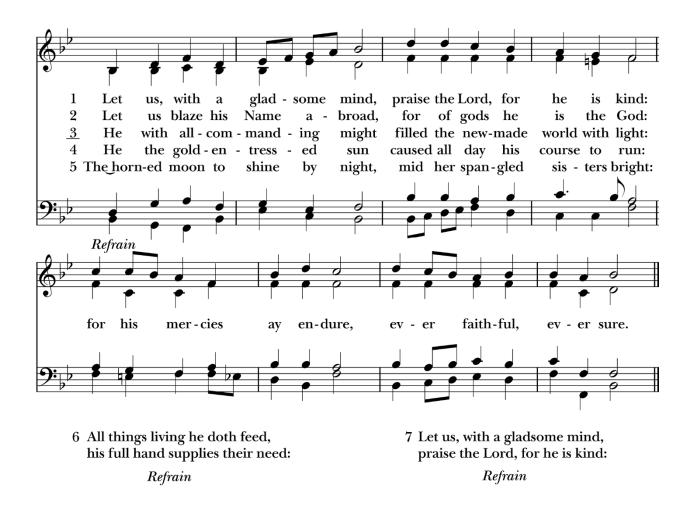
Let us, with a gladsome mind

Sung by all

Monkland

The sequence hymn moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means "good news"—specifically the "good news of Jesus."

THE SEQUENCE HYMN MAY BE FOUND ON THE NEXT PAGE.



Remain standing as able.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19

This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of our Savior.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON The Rev. Thomas Lee

The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

The People stand as able.

THE NICENE CREED

The word "creed" comes from the Latin "credo" for "I believe." First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: the Holy Trinity.

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

We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the Universal Church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.

The People stand, sit, or kneel as they are able.

Intercessor The Prayers of the People are guided by Form 3, found on page 387 of the

Book of Common Prayer and in the service leaflet. Please pray them with me.

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop; for Marty Stebbins, our Bishop; and for our priests, deacons, and lay leaders at Holy Spirit and across the Diocese.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Sustain the people of this congregation who desire or need your presence and help, especially those who we lift up to you now. We welcome your silent prayer for those in your heart and those on our prayer list.

Silence

Frank, Anthony, and Benjamin Horton Marleigh Flanigan Dan Jennifer, Mark and Jacob Bert and Nora Horton Sullivan **Bob Simons** Joan Chaussee Graham **Betty Rice** Robert Hadlow Peg **Dolores Criswell** Laura and Cannon Janel Lew and Robin Mueller Linda T. Paula Nancy Callen Christina Errebo Tim Kathy Adams Babara Behan Ray Paula and family Shannon Dan Michael Ayers and family Jeanne Greg Family and friends of the Ruybalid family Mari, Brian and baby Mary Doug Harris and family Jone and Jesse Moe Danielle Dimmock Peter and Malcolm Smith Sam Ben and Alexis Clark Tom Ard Wanda Margaret Francis Dylan Taylor

The staff and patients of Al-Ahli Hospital in Gaza City

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Holly Rollins and the Corrick family

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We pray especially for Gene C. Brewer and Roy A. Burcham, for those lost to disease, destruction, or violence, and for any others you may wish to remember, silently or aloud.

Chuck Teague and family

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon or Presider says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you,

opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other,

in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,

that we may abide in your love

and serve only your will. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

THE PEACE

All stand. The Presider says to the people

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord and then are seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

THE OFFERTORY

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, confessed our sins, received forgiveness and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

All are invited to make a gift to support Holy Spirit's ministry of sharing God's love with our community and the world by texting HOLYSPIRITGIVE to (833) 714-3270 or by visiting http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/. You may also put your gift in the offering plate or by scanning the QR code below to give to the General Fund:



The altar is prepared for Holy Communion

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

The Apple Tree

arr. K. Lee Scott

Text of this morning's anthem:

The tree of life my soul hath seen, laden with fruit and always green:

The trees of nature fruitless be compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel: by faith I know, but ne'er can tell,

The glory which I now can see in Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought, and pleasure dearly I have bought:

I missed of all, but now I see 'tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil, here I will sit and rest a-while:

Under the shadow I will be of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, it keeps my dying faith alive;

Which makes my soul in haste to be with Jesus Christ the apple tree.

DOXOLOGY • #380, vs. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Hymnal 1982

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711) This selection is in the public domain.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

SURSUM CORDA

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life

and fountain of mercy.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

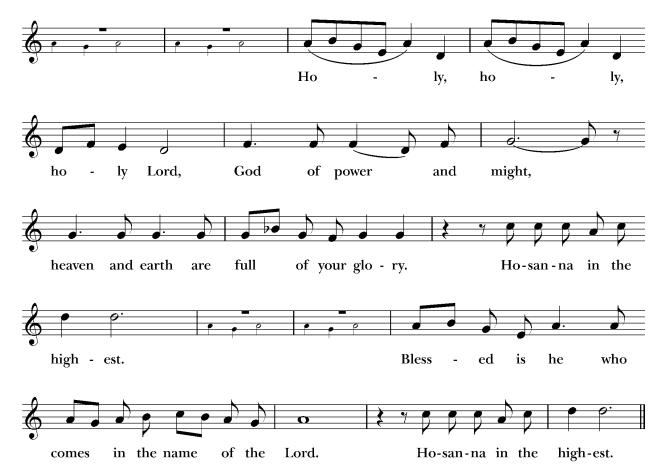
Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

William Mathias

SANCTUS • S 128

Holy, holy, holy Sung by all

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.



The People stand or kneel as able.

We recall God's acts of salvation history. The presider says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you.

This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it,

do this for the remembrance of me."
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [______ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

The Great Amen is when the congregation with a unified great voice concurs with all that the presider has prayed. It is the only "Amen" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the greatness of the congregation's response.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray.

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

People and Celebrant

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,

forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be said

FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

INVITATION

The Celebrant says

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and respond to receiving Communion by saying "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. Receiving the bread only is full participation in the Eucharist. Wine is also available, and you may drink from the common cup or dip your wafer in the intinction cup. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest. Those who wish to have Holy Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.

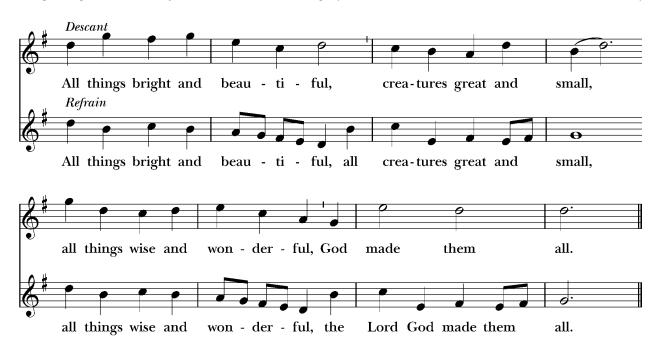
MUSIC AT COMMUNION

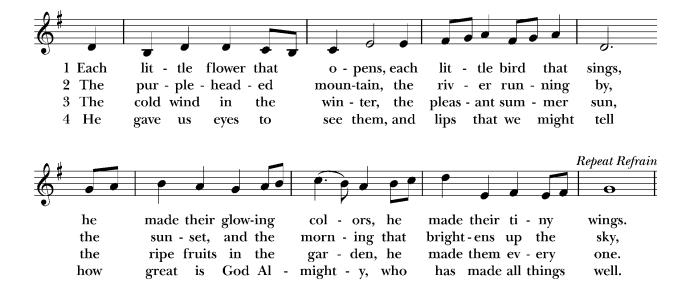
COMMUNION HYMN • #405

All things bright and beautiful

Sung by all.

Royal Oak





COMMUNION HYMN • #593

Lord, make us servants of your peace

Sung by all.

Dickinson College

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PRAYER FOR SENDING FORTH EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

When this prayer is needed, the Celebrant and People say

In the name of Holy Spirit Episcopal Church we 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. We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, saying

The blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

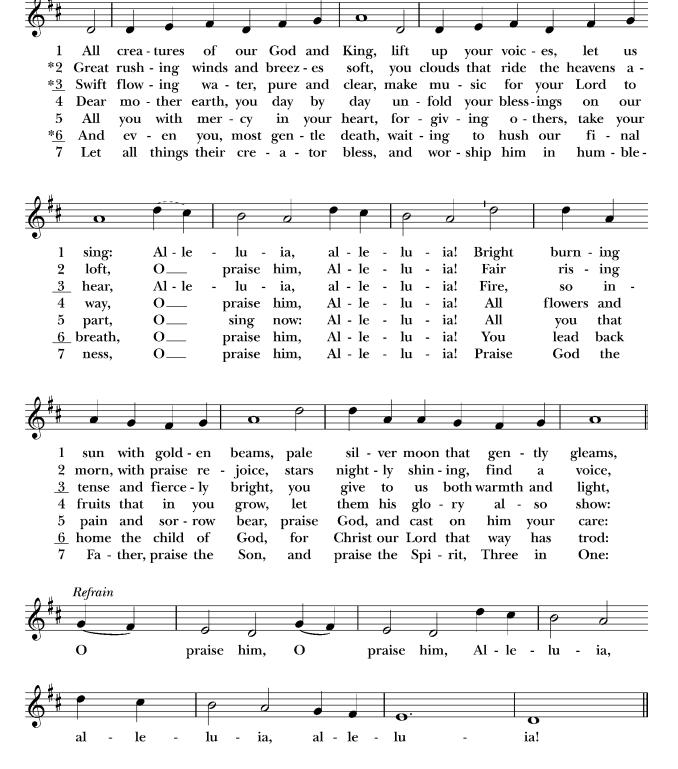
POST-COMMUNION HYMN • #400 (omit * vss.)

All creatures of our God and King

Sung by all

Lasst uns erfreuen

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The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

DISMISSAL

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people with these words

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

People Thanks be to God.

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THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God and in loving memory and gratitude for their fathers, Gene C. Brewer and Roy A. Burcham, by Bob and Lani Brewer.

Participants in the Service

Preacher and Celebrant The Rev. Tom Lee

Presider and Co-Celebrant The Rev. Terri Ann Grotzinger

Director of Music | Dr. Nancy Cooper

Crucifer | Jesse Jaeger

Children's Worship Storyteller and Doorkeeper | Kara Hanson, Molly Bowler

Lectors/Lay Eucharistic Ministers | Margaret Watson, Jim Wiley

Intercessor | Nancy Errebo

Ushers | Patrick King, Bill Towle

Altar Guild | Sharon Bingham, Lucy Deaton

Coffee Hour Hosts | Brenda Oreskovich, Barbara Morrison

Counters | Beverley Sherman, Blake Lineweaver

Videographer | PJ Willett

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Everything we do at Holy Spirit, including today's in-person and online services, is made possible because of people like you. We rely on your donations to make our mission and ministry possible. In these challenging times, your support is needed more than ever. If this service has been meaningful for you, we encourage you to give as you're able to help Holy Spirit continue to serve our community and the greater world. Visit http://holyspiritmissoula.org/give/ or give on our church app or text **HOLYSPIRITGIVE** to (833) 714-3270 to give on your smartphone. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

PHISHING ALERT: PLEASE BE CAUTIOUS

We've learned of a phishing attempt targeting our parish. Emails are being sent asking for a PDF of the Church Directory. These are fraudulent—please delete them and do not respond.

The Church Directory is for internal use only. Thank you for helping protect our community's privacy.

WE WELCOME THOSE NEW TO OUR WORSHIP!

Newcomers and guests are always welcome at Holy Spirit Episcopal Church. Our service today uses the service leaflet, and a service leaflet is also available online. The QR code to access the bulletin page of the website is available in the pews. Just scan it with the camera on your phone. We hope you will take a moment to complete the blue Visitor's Card found in the pew and place it in the offertory plate as it passes.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

This Sunday, we joyfully welcome Pastor Tom Lee to our worship services. We're grateful for his presence among us and deeply appreciate his willingness to serve our community during Rev. Terri's recovery. We also celebrate the return of Rev. Terri following her knee surgery. It's a blessing to have her back in worship with us!

TRYING SOMETHING NEW IN WORSHIP IN OCTOBER

For the month of October we will try two new practices in our worship, and we want your FEEDBACK. How do these practices change, enhance or inhibit your worship experience?

- 1. Rather than read the names during the Prayers of the People we will allow a time of silence for the congregation to pray for those on the list on their own.
- 2. **And** we will not have verbal announcements, highlighting events that are already listed in the bulletin. We will have special speakers during announcements (like Alms Sunday speakers or Stewardship speakers) but no announcements to draw attention to those events that are already printed.

So....come experience some changes in October and then let us know how it feels. How does it shape your worship experience? You can share your feedback at the door as you leave or send us an email: gretchen@holyspiritmissoula.org.

THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

The music today is a belated celebration of the Feast Day of St. Francis (October 4).

JOIN US FOR GODLY PLAY: WHERE KIDS MEET SACRED STORIES

Godly Play has us exploring the life of Jesus and the mothers and fathers of our faith. Each Sunday is a kid-friendly mix of prayer, song, story, snack, and connecting - come explore with us! Contact Deacon Dorcie to register and learn more.

WHAT IS BEING REVEALED - STEWARDSHIP 2026

Even now, God is preparing us and this place to welcome a new rector. This year, as we look forward, your gifts to support our church life at Holy Spirit are more important than ever. We invite you to join in with a new gift or an increased gift on **Stewardship Sunday, November 2**.

It's great to hear from Holy Spirit people during our Stewardship Season. This week we welcome Myra Schults. Myra practiced law for many years and is a longtime member of Holy Spirit. For those who don't know, she is a committed "8-o'clocker." Thank you, Myra, for speaking today.

NEW TO HOLY SPIRIT—OR JUST LOOKING TO CONNECT? YOUR'RE STILL WELCOME TO JOIN US THIS OCTOBER

If you are new to Holy Spirit Parish, or to The Episcopal Church, I invite you to join me for what I call Inquirers Gatherings on the four Tuesday evenings of October (7, 14, 21& 28) from 6:00pm - 7:30pm in the Guild Room of the Parish Hall.

Whether you're a longtime Episcopalian or just beginning to explore, these gatherings offer a chance to ask questions, learn about our branch of the Jesus Movement, and connect with others on a shared journey of faith. Even if you missed the first session, it's not too late to join in!

Please sign up by calling or emailing the Parish Office (406-542-2167 or office@holyspiritmissoula.org). There's always something new to discover—and something we share in common. Come be part of the conversation.

- Rev. Terri

WANTED: RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS FOR THE HOLIDAY MARKET!

Holy Spirit's 2025 Raffle & Silent Auction is just around the corner—and we need your help to make it a success!

Ticket sales begin Sunday, October 26

Donation basket available in the Parish Hall

All items needed by Sunday, October 19

Drawing will be held Sunday, November 9

Raffle Basket Themes

We're building themed baskets and would love your help filling them:

- Death by Chocolate Basket: Premium chocolates of all kinds
- Wine Basket & Manhattan Basket: Wine, whiskey, vermouth, and cocktail goodies
- Children's Basket: Toys, games, puzzles, crafts—something special for little ones
- Flavored Oil & Vinegar Basket: Gourmet olive oils and vinegars

Gift Certificate Donations for the Raffle

We're also seeking gift certificates for local experiences and services—think soup kitchen, cinema, massage, and more. These make wonderful raffle items and help showcase the generosity of our community.

Silent Auction Donations

Have a unique item that might delight others? We welcome contributions such as:

- Art
- Jewelry
- Handmade crafts
- Anything beautiful, useful, or intriguing!

Questions or ideas? Want to help? Please contact Diane Rasmuson at 406-493-9313.

Thank you for your generosity and creativity!

LEND A HAND, FILL A HEART

Fundraising Envelope Assembly for the Missoula Food Bank

PBreak Espresso, 432 North Higgins Avenue | U Tuesday, October 14 at 5:00 PM

Parish Hall | Tuesday, October 21 at 5:00 PM

Join us for a simple, hands-on way to support our local food bank's vital work. We have learned that volunteer letter stuffing can really help the Food Bank save money. So we will have regular opportunities to gather to fold, stuff and seal a variety of different mailings for them. Join others for this fun and easy volunteer event.

We'll gather at Break Espresso, 432 N. Higgins Ave. on Tuesday, October 14, and in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, October 21 to fill fundraising envelopes that will be mailed to donors—helping ensure no one in our community goes hungry this season.

Whether you come for one evening or both, your time makes a difference. Bring a friend, share a laugh, and be part of something meaningful.

& Text or call Rosemary at 406-570-7074 to sign up or add your name to the sheet in the Parish Hall. Let's turn envelopes into impact—together.

JUST ONE NIGHT LEFT! DON'T MISS THE GRAND FINALE OF "A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC" Presented by the Wholly Fun Committee & Dr. Nancy Cooper

Come celebrate our beautiful new Steinway piano in the Parish Hall with the final evening of *A Little Night Music*—a candlelit, cabaret-style musicale featuring Holy Spirit's own pianists and special guests from the wider Missoula music community.

Wednesday, October 15

Amingling & Munchies at 7:00 PM

Music Begins at 7:30 PM

Homeward by 8:00 PM

This closing night offers 30 minutes of music inspired by autumn and evening moods—ragtime, classical gems, and vintage favorites from the 1930s. Performers include Nancy Cooper, Steven Hesla, Margery Whatley, Barbara Blegen, Phil Youngholm, and more.

Enjoy light sweets, bring your own beverage, and settle in at a candlelit table for four. If the weather's kind, we'll open the windows to let the night breeze join the music.

Short, sweet, and utterly delightful. Free and open to all. Don't miss this final chance to be part of the magic!

JOIN OUR WOMEN'S GROUP: LIVING OUR FAITH TOGETHER

Looking for a welcoming space to grow in your faith alongside other women? Join our **Practicalities of Faith** group, where meaningful conversation and genuine community await you. All women are invited—bring a friend and experience support and inspiration together.

The group, led by Julie Benson, will meet on the following dates in the Guild Room from 1-2:30 p.m.:

October 15

November 12 and 19

December 3 and 17

Please come to any or all sessions as you are available! Registration is not required.

WE ARE RAISING FUNDS FOR TRAFFIC EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS WITH OUR HELLGATE ALMS SUNDAY ON OCTOBER 19TH

Our Traffic Education Scholarships for Hellgate students in need are about more than helping them learn how to drive. These students are helping their families with the burdens of day-to-day life, and without family funds for training to be able to drive legally, being pulled into the legal system creates long-lasting consequences for them all. A scholarship fund was created by former parishioner Jari Davis and friends, and now a handful of scholarship applications come to us each year, all guided by Hellgate's Family Resource Center (FRC) team. A full scholarship is \$355.

These Traffic Ed Scholarships will be the focus of our next Hellgate FRC Alms Sunday on October 19. Join us to learn more about them as well as the many ways we lend a hand for our Hellgate student neighbors. Connect with Hellgate Ministry Coordinator A'Lisa Scott to be a part of it.

LET'S GET CRAFTY!

Join the Holy Spirit Crafters on Tuesdays from 10 am - 12 pm upstairs in the Parish Hall continuing through October 28th. Come any Tuesday and stay as long as your schedule allows. Step by step instructions on making holiday decorations and ornaments are provided. No experience is necessary. This is a great way to meet other parishioners. For more information about the Craft Group, contact Sue Lowery at 406-546-8401 or slower 14@ gmail.com.

PUMPKIN CARVING AND HALLOWEEN POTLUCK!

Hear ye; hear ye, all HSP parishioners. Get out your carving knives and let your jack-o'-lantern visions run wild. Then head to the church for a pumpkin creation party and Halloween potluck, Sunday, October 26, at 4 pm, in the Parish Hall. Holy Spirit will provide the pumpkins; you provide your carving tools and a dish to

share at the 5:30 potluck. There will be awesome prizes for the best pumpkins, as selected by the Wholly Fun Committee. Bring your children or grandchildren. Costumes are welcome but not required.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS PRESENTATION: CYBERSECURITY & YOU Wednesday, October 29 | 6:30 PM Parish Hall

Have you ever received a suspicious email, a strange phone call, or an offer that felt just a little too good to be true? You're not alone—and you're not to blame. Scams are designed to trick caring, trusting people.

Join us for a vital Community Concerns presentation on *personal cybersecurity*, led by experts from **LMG Security**, a nationally recognized Missoula-based organization. Presenter **Matt** brings deep knowledge and a lively, engaging style that promises to make this an enlightening and empowering evening.

Learn how to spot scams, protect your personal information, and secure your digital life. Whether you've been one click away from a costly mistake or simply want to stay ahead of the curve, this session is for you.

Bring your phone or laptop for hands-on tips and tools to help safeguard your cyber world.

"It's not a question of if—but when—you'll be targeted. Let's be ready."

All are welcome. No shame, no judgment—just practical help and community support. Please join us!

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