

The Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost October 12, 2025

Welcome to St. Catherine's

We are glad that you have joined us for worship. If you are visiting with us, we invite you to fill out a visitor card, which can be found on the back of the chair in front of you. Completed cards may be given to a greeter or placed in the collection plate.

"BCP" before a page number refers to the Book of Common Prayer in the pew racks. "H" before a page number refers to the blue hymnal. Both are in the pew.

You are very welcome to receive Holy Communion if you have been baptized in any Christian Church. Those who wish not to receive Holy Communion may come to the altar rail, fold their arms across their chests, and receive a blessing from the priest.

Serving Today

The Rev. Dillon Green, Celebrant and Preacher Michelle Caiola, Vestry Person of the Day

Chris Stricklin, LEM/Crucifer Gracie Dominguez & James Johnson, Torchbearers Michelle Caiola, Lector Brent McLarty, Intercessor Michelle Caiola & Terri Stricklin,

Counters

Wanda Wheeler, Altar Guild

Scott Reimer, Technology

Terri Stricklin, Greeter

Prelude

Entrance Hymn 493

O for a thousand tongues to sing

THE WORD OF GOD

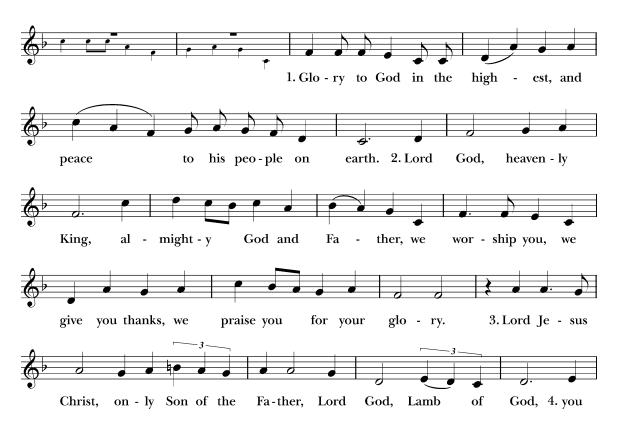
Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

The Collect for Purity

BCP 355

The Gloria





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The Collect of the Day

BCP 233

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

First Reading

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Reader A Reading from the Second Book of Kings.

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

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

Psalm 111

The Psalm will be read responsively by half verse.

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, * in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

- 2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! * they are studied by all who delight in them.
- 3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, * and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; * the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 He gives food to those who fear him; * he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He has shown his people the power of his works * in giving them the lands of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; * all his commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, * because they are done in truth and equity.

- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; * holy and awesome is his Name.
- 10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; * those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Reader A Reading from the Second Letter to Timothy.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore 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. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful-for he cannot deny himself.

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

All stand as are able.

Cantor sings Alleluias, then all repeat; Cantor sings verse; All repeat Alleluias.



Cantor: Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your son.

The Gospel Luke 17:11-19

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

A period of silence follows the sermon.

The Nicene Creed, please stand as able.

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People, Form III BCP 387

Concluding Collect

The Confession and Absolution BCP 360

The Peace BCP 360

The Announcements

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymn 397

Now thank we all our God

As the offerings are brought to the altar, standing as you are able, the following is sung

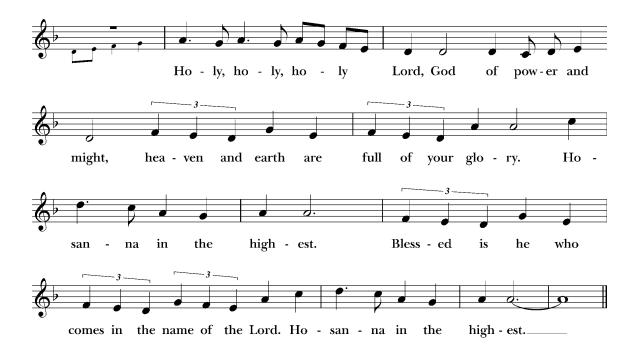
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

BCP 367

Sanctus



The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

The Fraction Anthem



Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

The Invitation BCP 364

Communion Hymn 597

Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365

The Blessing

Post-Communion Hymn 390

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Dismissal

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Postlude

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NOTES

We pray for our Companion Diocese of Honduras and their bishop, Lloyd. We pray for Family Promise (Interfaith Hospitality Network; for homeless shelters and agencies that assist the poor and homeless; for St. Luke's, Birmingham; for St. Luke's, Jacksonville; and for St. Luke's, Scottsboro.

We pray for those on our parish prayer list: Clydene, Steven, Heather, Wendy, Angel, Marti, Joseph, Tracy, John, Sue, Addie, Wanda, Bill, Alice, Claire, Amy and Sasha, Elizabeth, and for Brian Cruz and his family.

We pray those who serve in the military, especially John Morris and Bradley Pridgen.

We give thanks for all who celebrated birthdays this week, especially Teresa McLarty. May they grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives.

SAVE THE DATES and NOTICES

Saturday, October 18th—Monster Mash!

We still need donations for individually wrapped candy without nuts!

Sunday, October 19th—Pet Blessing!

ECW Pecan Fundraiser!

Orders are due to Denise Armstrong by October 25th. Orders are \$10 and pickup is on November 3rd.

Our Mission

To seek, love, and serve God through worship, education, and service and to share the redeeming love of Christ with the world.

Our Vision

St. Catherine's, the Episcopal Church in Chelsea, is a welcoming and inclusive family called by Christ to receive and share God's love.

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