

"And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

Acts 2:42

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost September 18, 2022



Welcome to Church of Our Savior. We are a part of the Gulf Atlantic Diocese of the Anglican Church in North America. We proudly uphold the traditional faith and values of our Anglican heritage, while seeking new ways to reach people with the transformational love of Jesus Christ.

We believe that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior over heaven and earth and that He has called those who follow Him to be His witnesses in the world. Those who put their faith in Him have been transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit into a new life, a resurrection life. We believe that because Jesus rose from the dead all people can experience the promise of abundant life through a personal relationship with Him.

The great Christian thinker C.S. Lewis once described the transformational power of walking through life with Jesus when he wrote:

"I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else."

It is our hope and prayer that as you join us you will know for yourself the unconditional love and grace of Our Savior Jesus Christ, in your own life.

The Rev. David Ball

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Welcome

-The Congregation is invited to stand

Opening Hymn

Alleluia Sing To Jesus

Alleluia sing to Jesus
His the sceptre His the throne
Alleluia His the triumph
His the victory alone
Hark the songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood
Jesus out of every nation
Has redeemed us by His blood

Alleluia not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now
Alleluia He is near us
Faith believes nor questions how
Though the cloud from sight received Him
When the forty days were o'er
Shall our hearts forget His promise
I am with You evermore

Alleluia Bread of Heaven
Thou on earth our food our stay
Alleluia here the sinful
Flee to Thee from day to day
Intercessor Friend of sinners
Earth's Redeemer plead for me
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea

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The Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit *People:* And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever.

The Collect for Purity

-The Celebrant and the People pray together

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.

The Summary of the Law

-The Celebrant continues

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew* 22:37-40

The Kyrie

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Praise Song

What Love My God

What love my God would bring You down to earth What king would take a low and lonely birth Yet to this dark and broken place You came

To sleep beneath the stars that You had made What love my God would send the Way of Life To walk the road rejected and despised That You might know the weakness I possess And be my rock of strength and righteousness

O Your love my God like a flood As heaven opened up pouring out on us O praise the King who came to the world In His love like a mighty flood

What love my God could hold You to the tree To bear that overwhelming debt for me The Son of heaven leaves the Father's side The Healer bleeds the Life was made to die

O Your love my God like a flood As heaven opened up pouring out on us O praise the King who came to the world In His love like a mighty flood

What love my God so gracious and extreme Was strong enough to come and fight for me To go through hell and down into the grave And raise me up to see You face to face You raise me up to see You face to face

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

-The Celebrant prays the Collect of the Day

-The congregation may be seated

-9am Service: Children age 5 through 5th grade are invited to "Splash Kids".

The Lessons

A Reading from Acts 1:12-26

¹² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³ And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴ All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶ "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷ For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸ (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹ And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰ "For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it';

And

"Let another take his office."

²¹ So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²² beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³ And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴ And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵ to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

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

-All stand

The Gradual

Ancient Words

Holy words long preserved For our walk in this world They resound with God's own heart O let the ancient words impart

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Gospel Lesson from John 15:18-27

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

¹⁸ "If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. ¹⁹ If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. ²⁰ Remember the word that I said to you: 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you. If they kept my word, they will also keep yours. ²¹ But all these things they will do to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me. 22 If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have been guilty of sin, a but now they have no excuse for their sin. ²³Whoever hates me hates my Father also. ²⁴If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin, but now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. 25 But the word that is written in their Law must be fulfilled: 'They hated me without a cause.'

²⁶ "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. ²⁷ And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you Lord Christ.

The Gradual, continued

Ancient words, ever true Changing me, changing you We have come with open hearts O let the ancient words impart

-The Congregation may be seated

The Sermon

-All stand

The Nicene Creed

-Officiant and People together

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 Congregation is invited to sit, stand, or kneel

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: Let us pray for the Church and for the world,

saying, "hear our prayer."

The Reader Prays:

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For Foley, our Archbishop, and Alex, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our diocese and congregation.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others. We especially pray for the next generation of Christ followers. We ask you almighty God to use us as your faithful witnesses, as we seek to use the gifts you have given us to share with them your great love and mercy. Prepare our hearts and minds to welcome and love those you will bring into our congregation, that we may be to all people the sweet aroma of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

-The Congregation is invited to offer up their own prayers and petitions

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

-The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen*.

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

-All pray together

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.

-Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to 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*.

The Comfortable Words

-The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Celebrant: Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

-The Congregation is invited to stand

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.

-The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord

Announcements (page 21)

Offering

Ways to give on Sunday morning

- -Online at church-savior.org/give
- -Text offering amt to (904) 606-1165 & follow prompts
- -Place offering in the basket as it is passed

THE HOLY COMMUNION

- The offerings are collected and the holy table is prepared.

Offertory Music

Speak O Lord

Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us Lord full obedience Holy reverence true humility Test our thoughts and our attitudes In the radiance of Your purity Cause our faith to rise Cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority Words of power that can never fail Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak O Lord and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

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- All stand

The Doxology

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.

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The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift 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 Him thanks and praise.

⁻ The Celebrant continues.

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

-The Celebrant may pray the proper preface.

Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of Your Name:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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- The people are invited to stand, kneel or be seated.

The Prayer of Consecration

-The Celebrant begins

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus 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 forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

-Celebrant and People

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. And bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen*.

The Lord's Prayer

-The Celebrant then says

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

-Officiant and People

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.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been

sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.
The Ministration of Communion

-Facing the People, the Celebrant may say the following invitation

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.

- -The Celebrant will receive the Lord's Supper on behalf of those who are unable to receive themselves at this time.
- -The Lord's Supper will be distributed as congregants come forward by row, when released by the usher.
- -All who have made the decision to put their faith in Jesus Christ and have been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are invited to come and receive this Holy Communion.
- -Gluten Free wafers are available. Please ask the Celebrant.

Communion Hymn

There Is One Gospel

There is one Gospel on which I stand For all eternity It is my story my Father's plan The Son has rescued me Oh what a Gospel oh what a peace My highest joy and my deepest need Now and forever He is my light I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel to which I cling
All else I count as loss
For there where justice and mercy meet
He saved me on the cross
No more I boast in what I can bring
No more I carry the weight of sin
For He has brought me from death to life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel where hope is found The empty tomb still speaks For death could not keep my Saviour down He lives and I am free Now on my Saviour I fix my eyes My life is His and His hope is mine For he has promised I too will rise I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And in this Gospel the church is one We do not walk alone We have His Spirit as we press on To lead us safely home And when in glory still I will sing Of this old story that rescued me Praise to my Saviour the King of life I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And when in glory still I will sing
Of this old story that rescued me
Praise to my Saviour the King of life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ
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The Post Communion Prayer

-After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

-Celebrant and People together say the following

Heavenly Father,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious body and blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.
And now Father, send us out to do the work you have
given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses
of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

-The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives this or an alternate blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be

among you, and remain with you always. Amen

Closing Hymn

The Solid Rock

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' name

On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When He shall come with trumpet sound O may I then in Him be found Dressed in His righteousness alone Faultless to stand before the throne

On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

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Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Musical Postlude