

# St Luke's Episcopal Church SEAFORD, DE

The Twenty-sixfth Sunday after Pentecost November 17, 2024

## You Are Welcome Here!

## You are welcome into this space to be met by a God...

Who knows you by name, who knows your heart and mind,
And who wants to have a relationship with YOU.
No matter where you come from or where you're going,
No matter what you believe or what you doubt...No matter whom you love...
No matter what you feel or just don't feel today, You Are Welcome Here!

Welcome! We come from many backgrounds, have varied points of view, and are in different places in our spiritual journey. We share a common Desire to enter more deeply into the life God has for us in Christ Jesus.

Thank you for worshipping here today. We invite you to share in the Bread and wine of communion with us at the Lord's Table. Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.

Please join us after the service for refreshments and fellowship in the Parish House.

#### **Visitors and Guests**

If you are joining us today for the first time, please sign the register in the Narthex or complete the visitor's card located in each pew.

## **Pentecost**

It begins on the Monday following The Day of Pentecost, and continues Through most of the summer and autumn. It may include as many as Twenty-eight Sundays, depending on the date of Easter. This includes Trinity Sunday which is the First Sunday after Pentecost. Prior to the 1979 BCP, Sundays in this long period of the church year were identified and counted in terms of the number of Sundays after Trinity Sunday instead of the number of Sundays after Pentecost. This

period is also understood by some as "ordinary time" a period of the church year not dedicated to a particular season or observance.

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## THE WORD OF GOD

**Prelude: Praise and Worship Hour** 

by Various Artists

**Announcements** 

**Entrance Hymn:** #410 "Praise my soul the King of heaven"

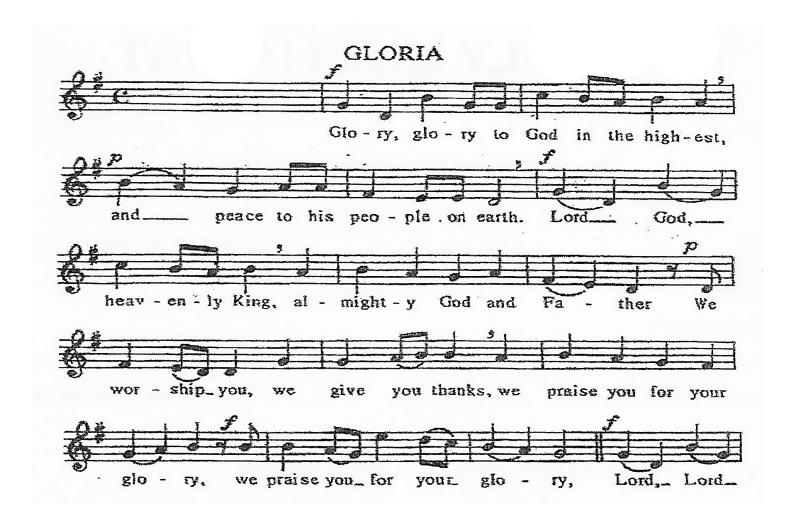
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

## Everyone in Unison remaining standing

Almighty God, to you all hears 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.

#### Gloria:



#### **GLORIA** Continued...



## The Collect In Unison (Contemporary)

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.e; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### The First Lesson

Old Testament

Before the lesson

Reader A Reading from the Book of **Daniel** 

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

#### Daniel 12:1-3

The Lord spoke to Daniel in a vision and said, "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

#### Psalm 16:

Conserva me, Domíne

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \* I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \* upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods \* shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, \* nor take the names of their gods upon my lips..

#### Psalm 16 (continued)

5 O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; \* it is you who uphold my lot.

6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \* indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; \* my heart teaches me, night after night.

8 I have set the Lord always before me; \* because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \* my body also shall rest in hope.

10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, \* nor let your holy one see the Pit.

11 You will show me the path of life; \* in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

#### The Second Lesson The Epistle

Before the lesson

Reader A Reading from the Book of **Hebrews**Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

## Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,"

#### Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25 (cont'd)

he also adds.

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

After the lesson

Reader The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Sequence Hymn** 

#411 "O bless the Lord my soul"

(See Page 8)



6 Then bless his holy Name,
whose grace hath made thee whole,
whose loving-kindness crowns thy days:
O bless the Lord, my soul!

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 103:1-5 Music: St. Thomas (Williams), melody Aaron Williams (1731-1776); harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

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## **The Gospel**All stand and face the Celebrant

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Mark**.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

#### Mark 13:1-8

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs."

After the Gospel, the Celebrant says

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Sermon

#### The Nicene Creed

All stand and say together

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 (Form IV-BCP 388)

All standing

The Leader and People (in bold) pray responsively.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

#### The Prayers of the People (continued)

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.* 

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.* 

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.* 

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.* 

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.* 

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

#### The Prayers of the People (continued)

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer.* 

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

Minister and People say 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.

Celebrant 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.** 

## The Peace All stand

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

## Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

Offertory: "Tears will never stain the streets of that cityr" by The Rambos (Rich Boyd, solo)

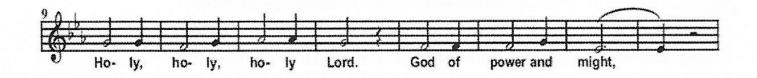
**Doxology** Sung

# Eucharistic Prayer C (cont'd)

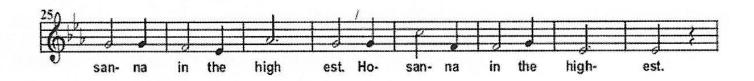
And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

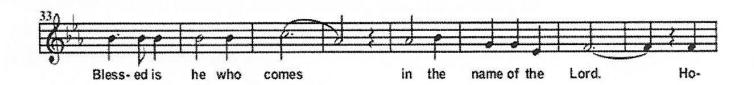














#### The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new People by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify Them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, 'Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this Sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection,
As we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see you hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the prsumption of coming to this Table for solace only and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name. *Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.* 

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, And worship, from generation to generation.



Celebrant: 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 by 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 this is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever, and ever.
Amen.

### The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; honor, glory;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei (Jesus, Lamb of God) Celebrant and people singing



Facing the people, the Celebrant days the following invitation The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hears by faith, with thanksgiving.

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

In the Episcopal Church we believe that all baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion at the Lord's Table. Please come forward as you are able or ask an usher for Communion at your seat.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

Celebrant The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

People Amen.

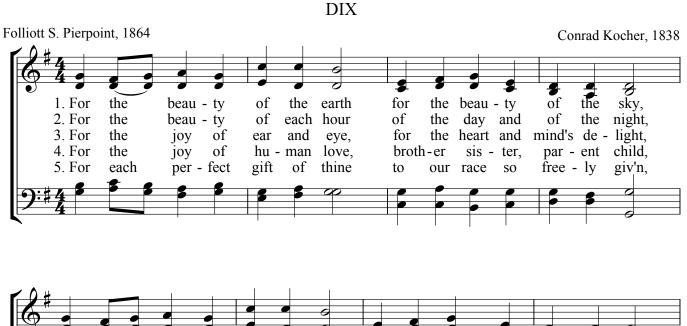
Eucharistic Minister The Blood of Christ, the cup of Salvation.

People Amen.

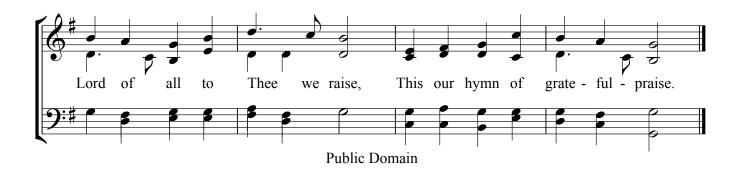
Post Communion Hymn: (See Insert) "For the beauty of the earth"



# For the Beauty of the Earth







#### **After Communion**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People say together

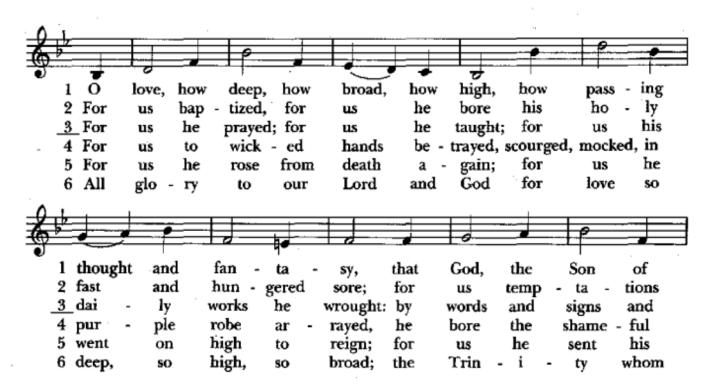
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with the spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### The Blessing of the Congregation

The Celebrant blesses the people with these or other suitable words, the people respond with "Amen".

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, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always, **Amen**.

**Retiring Hymn:** #448 "O love how deep how broad how high" Continue on p.20



Celebrant Let us go forth into the world Rejoicing in the power of the Spirit

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Jubilate" by Babbie Mason



The Altar Flowers are given and The Aumbry Light burns
In the Presence of His Son our Savior Jesus Christ

#### PARISH INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST

Our Armed Forces throughout the World, and First Responders

NOV. 19th: ECW meeting - 11:00 a.m. in the Parish House

NOV. 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>: 240th Annual Diocesan Convention; Atlantic Sands Hotel & Conference Center 1 Baltimore Avenue Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

#### Nov 24th: SAMARITAN'S PURSE Deadline

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes are in the Narthex. Pack a Shoebox brochures and Adhesive Labels are available.

**December 15<sup>th</sup>: BISHOP'S VISITATION.**Lunch in the Parish House following the service.

December 22th: Coffee (December Birthdays) Hour

December 24th at 4:00 p.m.: CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

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"To Know Christ and make Him known"