

CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 26th, 2025

10:30 am

We welcome ALL:
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Families and Children
Young and Old
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HOLY EUCHARIST

PRELUDE

Please stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 506

Praise the Spirit in creation

FINNIAN

SALUTATION

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

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

The Celebrant then continues

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A READING FROM JOEL

Joel 2:23-32

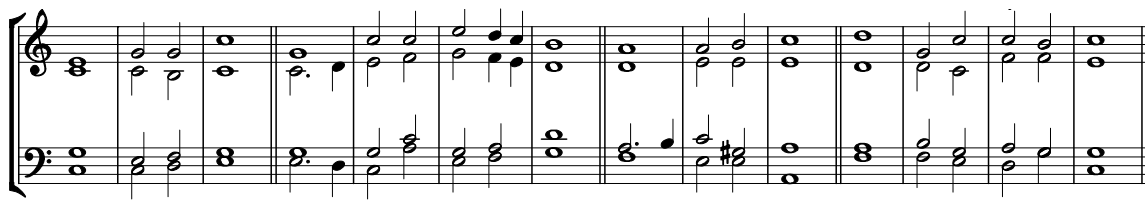
Please be seated.

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



- 1 You are to be praised, O | God, in | Zion:
To you shall | vows • be per- | formed in • Je- | rusalem.
- 2 To you that hear prayer shall | all flesh | come:
be | cause of | their trans | gressions.
- 3 Our sins are | stronger • than | we are:
but | you will | blot them | out.
- 4 Happy are they whom you chose, and draw to your | courts to | dwell there!
They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the
| holi • ness | of your | temple.
- 5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness * O God of | our sal- | vation:
O Hope of all the ends of the earth * and of the | seas • that are | far a- | way.
- 6 You make fast the | mountains • by your | power;
They are | girded • a- | bout with | might.
- 7 You still the | roaring • of the | seas,
The roaring of their waves, and the | clamor | of the | peoples.
- 8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your | marvel • ous | signs:
You make the dawn and the | dusk to | sing for | joy.
- 9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it | very | plenteous;
The river of God is | full of | water.
- 10 You pre- | pare the | grain,
For | so • you pro- | vide • for the | earth.
- 11 You drench the furrows and smooth | out the | ridges;
With heavy rain you soften the | ground and | bless its | increase.
- 12 You crown the | year • with your | goodness,
And your paths | over- | flow with | plenty .
- 13 May the fields of they wilderness be | rich for | grazing,
And the | hills be | clothed with | joy.
- 14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
And the valleys cloak them- | selves with | grain;
Let them | shout for | joy and | sing.

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN 398

I sing the almighty power of God

FOREST GREEN

THE GOSPEL

LUKE 18:9-14

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE SERMON *Please be seated*

The Very Rev. Dr. Lee F. Shafer

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Then the candidates are presented individually by their Parents and Godparents, as follows

Parents and Godparents

I present Cora Mae Hendon to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented the Celebrant asks the parents and godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in their life in Christ?

People ***We will.***

The Celebrant then says these or similar words

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People	<i>I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.</i>
Celebrant	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?
People	<i>I will, with God's help.</i>
Celebrant	Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People	<i>I will, with God's help.</i>
Celebrant	Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People	<i>I will, with God's help.</i>
Celebrant	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People	<i>I will, with God's help.</i>
Celebrant	Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People	<i>I will, with God's help.</i>

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for Cora Mae who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader	Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Open her heart to your grace and truth.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Send her into the world in witness to your love.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the

power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BAPTISM

Each candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

Cora Mae, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

When this action has been completed for all candidates, the Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.

Then the Bishop or Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying to each one

Cora Mae, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. Amen.

Or this action may be done immediately after the administration of the water and before the preceding prayer.

When all have been baptized, the Celebrant says
Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

THE PEACE *Please stand*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Please be seated*

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Come Worship the Lord

J. S. BACH

Come worship the Lord with heart and voice Let all creation sing, Sing Alleluia to the Lord,
With heart and voice, Give thanks, rejoice, For God is good, and worthy of our praise.

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

The Pharisee and the Publican

H. SCHÜTZ

Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican.
The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself,
God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.
I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.
And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven,
but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.
I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other:
for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

THE DOXOLOGY *Please stand*

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heaven-ly host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *Please remain standing*

This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is God's desire that you will meet God here.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people remain standing. The Celebrant continues

	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	<i>And also with you.</i>
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	<i>We lift them to the Lord.</i>
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	<i>It is right to give our thanks and praise.</i>
Celebrant	It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

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:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS S-129

The people stand or kneel

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

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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.

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 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. 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 all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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.*

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-155

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there-fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM

O Lord, increase our faith

H. LOOSEMORE

O Lord, increase our faith,
strengthen us and confirm us in thy true faith;
endue us with wisdom, charity, chastity and patience,
in all our adversity.
Sweet Jesu, say Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN 641

Lord Jesus, think on me

SOUTHWELL

Please stand or kneel

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty and everliving God,
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 for ever. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 411

O bless the Lord, my soul!

ST. THOMAS

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ROOM IN THE INN – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Room in the Inn (RITI) partners with community partners and local congregations to provide overnight shelter, meals, and fellowship for our unhoused neighbors during January and February. This season, two host sites are available: Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral (for women and children) and Grace Emmanuel United Church of Christ (for men). Each night, volunteers are needed to serve as hosts, share a meal, and offer hospitality to about 20 guests. If you'd like to learn more or sign up to help in January or February, please contact Emily Young at emandfritzyoung@gmail.com or 270-217-4748.

THE GREAT TURKEY GIVEAWAY

Each November, Central Louisville Community Ministries gives away 300 turkeys and hams to our downtown neighbors so that they can enjoy a holiday meal. We're looking for donations to help make this happen this year, too. You can sponsor a turkey for \$25 by donating online to CLCM <https://www.centrallouisvillecm.org/donate> or by mailing a check to 809 S 4th St, Lou, KY 40203. You can also donate items that complete a holiday meal: canned veggies, bags of stuffing mix, etc. The Calvary Food Pantry can accept your food donations on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays between 9:30 am and noon.

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