

The Twenty-first Sunday of Pentecost

Holy Eucharist, Rite II
October 18, 2026
8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

Good Morning!

Good Morning!
We're so glad you chose to be here at Resurrection today. Whether you're here for the first time or are a life-long member, Resurrection is a hopeful, healing, transformation-minded kind of place, a place where everyone is welcome and can grow their relationship with God and with one another.

If you are here for the first time (or if you just haven't gotten around to it yet), please fill out a pew card and put it in the offering plate to let us know you were here. To receive our weekly email bulletin, be sure to include your email address. Also, let us know if you would like to connect with our parish life and ministries; we're happy to help you find your spot.

Our services follow the *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), the red book in your pew rack. If you'd prefer to use the book to follow the service, BCP pages are noted. Unless otherwise noted, our hymns are from *The Hymnal 1982*, the blue book in the pew rack. Hymns marked "S-xxx" refer to Service music, found in the very front of the book. Service music precedes the regular congregational hymns. For example, S-280 (The Gloria) is found before Hymn #1.

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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Before the service, speak to God.
During the service, let God speak to you.
After the service, speak to one another.

Prelude

Hanff, Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott *(organ)*

Entrance Hymn

Immortal, invisible, God only wise **Hymnal 423**

The Word of God

All standing, the Celebrant says: **BCP 355**

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

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

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity.

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 Gloria *(Spoken at 8 / Sung at 10:30)* **Hymnal S-280**

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

We prepare for our time together.
We take our places and allow the peaceful quiet to center and calm us.

The 8 a.m. service is spoken, while the 10:30 a.m. service is choral.

The bold portions are the parts the congregation says together. Remember that *liturgy* means "worshiping together." It is important that we make our responses in a good, strong voice.

The first prayer, said by the celebrant, is the **Collect for Purity**. A collect is a particular form of prayer, which names some attribute of God or something God has done, asks for something specific, and then closes with praise to God.

The service continues now with a **Song of Praise.** This song centers the service on the God we are gathered to praise in our worship.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day is written to go along with both the seasons of the church year and the readings for the day. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the Scripture for the day.

The Collect of the Day BCP 234

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Lesson: Exodus 33:12-23

Lector A reading from Exodus

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for

no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 99 **BCP 728**

We respond to each reading: the **Psalm** is our response to the Old Testament, in the second service, the hymn is our sung response to the **Epistle** (the second reading), and the sermon and creed are our response to the **Gospel**.

Lector We will read the Psalm responsively by half verse.
1 The Lord is King; let the people tremble;
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.
2 The Lord is great in Zion;
he is high above all peoples.
3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome;
he is the Holy One.
4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and fall down before his footstool;
he is the Holy One.
6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name,
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.
7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept his testimonies and the decree
that he gave them.
8 O Lord our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and worship him upon his holy hill;
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

The Epistle: Thessalonians 1:1-10

Meaning literally "a letter," the name **Epistle** was given to the first of the two New Testament readings in the Eucharist. The majority of these passages are taken from

Lector A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering

the epistolary literature of the New Testament, such as the letters of Paul to communities of Christians in various places.

before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

We stand to indicate the importance we place of Jesus' words and actions. The **Gospel** book comes into the midst of the people and all turn toward the reader.

Sequence Hymn *Please stand as able.*

All my hope on God is founded (vv. 1-2) **Hymnal 665**

The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 22:15-22 *All stand.*

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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

Sequence Hymn
All my hope on God is founded (v. 5) **Hymnal 665**

Sermon **Rev. Canon Michael Spear-Jones**

A **Sermon** or a shorter teaching called a homily follows the Gospel. Since 1549, a sermon has been required at every Eucharist service. Originally the entire service was viewed as our confession of faith, but since the sixth century the church has recited the **Nicene Creed** at the Eucharist. The word *creed* comes from the Latin *credo* for "I believe."

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

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.

Our prayers change each week, along with the lectionary. Please feel free to add those on your heart, either silently or aloud, at the appropriate place.

The Prayers of the People Form VI BCP 392

Please assume a posture of prayer, whether standing, kneeling, or sitting.
The leader and people pray responsively.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world,
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; and Brian, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers.
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation,
We pray especially for Stella Fiebke; Jennifer & Paul;Ingrid & Emma C.; Bob & Jan; Jackie Buttinelli & family, as well as the ongoing work of our Rector Search Committee, & all who are in pain or distress. Gracious and loving God, give the members of our Search Committee wisdom and understanding as they strive to discern your will. Grant them most importantly openness to your Holy Spirit, the gift of honesty to speak the truth in love, the willingness to hear the ideas of others, and the ability to see your light shining on the path ahead through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The people may add their petitions or thanksgivings, silently or aloud.

Parish Announcements

This center section of your bulletin is for you to tear out & take home with you.
Keep the announcements, prayer lists, calendars, & Diocesan news on hand all week!

Plenty Good Room

2027 Stewardship Campaign Update

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you to everyone who helped make our "Gala" Stewardship Kickoff such a wonderful success! Our church hall was transformed into an Italian banquet, complete with soft music, candlelit tables, delicious food and beverages, and, most importantly, a wonderful spirit of fellowship and good cheer. We are grateful to all who contributed their time and talents to planning, organizing, preparing food, providing refreshments, and cleaning up afterward. Thank you for making the evening so special!

Our 2027 Stewardship Campaign is now in full swing. As we look ahead to the coming year, we invite each of you to prayerfully consider your pledge in support of the life and ministry of Church of the Resurrection. Although the campaign formally concludes in mid-November, we would **greatly appreciate receiving your pledge card by the end of this month** to help us plan for the year ahead.

Pledge cards may be placed in the collection baskets during Sunday worship, mailed to the parish office, or delivered there in person. We have received approximately 20 percent of our anticipated pledge cards so far, and we are encouraged by the positive response to our 2027 Capital Campaign, as well. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and support of both efforts.

Our parish is strengthened by the gifts each of us shares—our time, our talents, and our treasure. Together, these gifts sustain our worship, nurture our fellowship, and enable us to carry out our ministry in the wider community. We are grateful for all you contribute and feel blessed to be part of the Church of the Resurrection family.

With gratitude,
The Stewardship Committee

Prayers & Thanksgivings

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

Stella Fiebke; Jennifer & Paul; Ingrid & Emma C.; Bob & Jan; Jackie Buttinelli & family

CONTINUED PRAYER LIST

Pam & Dave; Jim N.; Brian E.; Daphne; Rosemary O.; the Hentchel family; Pat; Claire; Sandy; Rob; Sherry; Jim; Mel; Wayne; Diana N.; Ashley; Kim E.; Joe; Beverly; Virginia; Grace; & Johnny.

PRAYERS FOR OUR VESTRY & SEARCH COMMITTEE

Vestry Class of 2026: Alice Anderson, Jenny Lucas, Dianna Stimpson
Vestry Class of 2027: Beverly Baumgardner, Karen Blakley, Mark Hennes,
Vestry Class of 2028: Holly Pate, Bonnie Smith, Tom Russell
Search Committee: Alice Anderson, Steve Botica, Rosemary Kitts, Sally Leonhard, Andrew Wilkinson, and Ben Williams

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Bob Cantine	October 2
Marc Strong	October 3
Jack Lefler	October 9
Nancy Heathcote	October 10
Ann Murphy	October 12
Jackie Buttinelli	October 18
Cath Wilkinson	October 24
Stephanie Fiebke	October 27
Betsy Schwindt	October 29
Bev Baumgardner	October 30
Sophie Fiebke	October 31

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Cal & Diane Van Koughnett	October 15
Alice Anderson	October 25
Rodney & Cindy Hentchel	October 25

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For **urgent after-hours pastoral needs**, please call **865.242.9240.** The chairs of the Pastoral Care Committee can be reached at this number and are able to connect you with pertinent resources.

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Office Hours

Tuesdays & Fridays	10 am – 2 pm
Wednesdays	12 pm – 4 pm
Mondays & Thursdays	closed

For your Calendars

THIS WEEK

October 18	8:00	10:30 a.m.	Flower Guild	Betty Martin
Acolyte	Andrew Wilkinson	Monty Ross	Altar Guild	Jenny Lucas &
Euch. Minister	Holly Pate	Drew Hawley		Dianna Stimpson
Lector	Alice Anderson	Bonnie Smith	Organist	Jedediah Dahl
Ushers	Jen Hennes	Keytha Graves & Art Stewart	Preacher & Celebrant	Michael Spear-Jones
			Video	Bob Cantine
Coffee Hour	Peggy Rogers	Jenny Lucas	Offering Counters	Alice Anderson
Chancellor	Holly Pate	David Baumgardner		& Ginny Tolbert

NEXT WEEK

Oct. 25	8:00	10:30 a.m.		
Acolyte	Andrew Wilkinson	Ben Williams	Altar Guild	Donna Bye
Euch. Minister	Judy Hadjian	Bonnie Smith	Flower Guild	Dianna Stimpson
Lector	Peggy Rogers	Liz Berg	Preacher & Celebrant	Mary Davis
Ushers	Jerry Ploeger	David Baumgardner & Monty Ross	Organist	Jedediah Dahl
			Video	Mark Blakley
Coffee Hour	Jen Hennes	Ginny Tolbert	Offering Counters	Alice Anderson
Chancellor	Holly Pate	Jenny Lucas		Jean Cardwell

This Week at Resurrection

Monday, October 19

AA will meet in the undercroft at 7 pm.

Wednesday, October 21

The Vestry will meet downstairs in the Parish Hall at 1 p.m.

ECW will meet for bow tying in the Parish Hall at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 22

The hike at Indian Boundary Lake in Tellico will begin at 10 a.m. To carpool, meet at Food Lion at Hwys. 72 & 444 in Tellico Village at 8:30 a.m.

EfM will meet in the undercroft at 6 p.m.

Friday, October 23

Saints & Sinners' Halloween Party will be in the Parish Hall at 5 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 24

DOK will meet downstairs in the Parish Hall at 9 a.m.

Coming Soon at Resurrection

Sunday, October 25

The Rev. Mary Davis will be preaching and celebrating at both services.

Tuesday, October 26

AA will meet in the undercroft at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, October 28

ECW will meet downstairs in the Parish Hall for bow tying at 1:30 p.m.

Friday & Saturday, October 30-31

Our fall work days include Flower Bed Friday and Spic 'n' Span Saturday, from 8:30 a.m. to noon both days.

Sunday, Nov. 1

Rev. Mary Davis will be preaching and celebrating at both services on All Saints Sunday. Please send the names of loved ones who have passed in the past year.

Thursday, November 12

The ECW Luncheon & genealogy program will be in the Parish Hall from noon to 2 p.m.

Search Committee Update

Dear Parish Family,

The Vestry gave our committee its charge in mid-August, and we have been meeting regularly since then. Our immediate focus is completing the Self-Study phase of the search for our next rector. During this phase, we are gathering information about our parish's history, life, and ministry to develop a parish profile that will help us identify and attract a rector whose gifts and calling align with our congregation's needs and hopes for the future.

Your voice is an essential part of this process. As we prayerfully discern who we are as a parish and what we seek in our next spiritual leader, we want to hear from the entire congregation. To that end, **we will launch a parish-wide survey in late October. We encourage every parishioner to participate.** Your responses will help ensure that our discernment reflects the experiences, perspectives, hopes, and aspirations of our parish community.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to share your thoughts and insights. We are grateful for your participation and prayers as we undertake this important work on behalf of our parish. We will continue to provide regular updates as we work diligently and prayerfully to fulfill the charge entrusted to us by the Vestry.

Walking with you in Christ's service,
The Search Committee
(Steve Botica, Sally Leonard, Alice Anderson,
Rosemary Kitts, Andrew Wilkinson, Ben Williams)

Altar Flowers are Given Today
by Bonnie Smith to the Glory of God &
with Thanksgiving for the Resilience & faithfulness
of the People of Resurrection

Sunday, October 18, 2026

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.
We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin — BCP 359

The Officiant says to the people:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling:

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.

The **Confession of Sin** helps us examine our hearts and hear of God's forgiveness. We ask God's forgiveness for things done and things left undone.

The Officiant says:
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**, is a very ancient way for people to greet one another. When the celebrant says: "The Peace of the Lord be always with you," everyone responds: "And also with you." Then we share God's peace with one another.

The Peace **BCP 360**

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements &
Blessings of Birthdays & Anniversaries **BCP 830**

The Holy Communion

The Celebrant says:
Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

The Liturgy of the Table
The second part of the liturgy moves to the Table. It is based on Jewish fellowship meals, particularly the Passover observance. We begin with the **Offertory**. We place the bread and the wine, as well as our collected offerings, on the altar in thanksgiving for all God has provided.

Offertory

Lutkin, Prelude on "Nicaea" (organ)

The Celebrant invites the people's offerings.

Spoken at 8:00 a.m.

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord;
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

Doxology *(Sung at 10:30 a.m.)* *(v. 3)* **Hymnal 380**

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.

In this season, we use **Eucharistic Prayer A**, from the *Book of Common Prayer*, p. 361.

The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer A

The Celebrant says:

Sursum Corda (Lift Up Your Hearts) *(Spoken at 8 / Sung at 10:30)*

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.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting 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:

Celebrant and People (Spoken at 8 / Sung at 10:30)

When we gather together we remember Jesus. Through repeating the words and actions of Jesus' last meal with his disciples, we ourselves join the story and make it our own. We don't just watch the drama or listen to it unfold, but we enter the story as we, too, take the bread and wine and eat and drink.

Sanctus *(Spoken at 8 / Sung at 10:30)* **Hymnal S-125**

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

From the Latin for "holy," the **Sanctus** of a hymn of adoration and praise based on the song of the seraphim as recorded in Isaiah's vision of the Lord in the year King Uzziah died.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

The people stand or kneel, and the celebrant continues.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

The "mystery of faith" echoes 1 Timothy 3:9, and has been used in Eucharistic Prayers since the seventh century.

Celebrant and People:

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

The Celebrant continues:

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

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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 for ever.

AMEN. *(Spoken at 8 / Sung at 10:30)* Hymnal S-146

The Great Amen is the only word in our *Book of Common Prayer* in all capital letters. It is the people's affirmation of all that has gone before

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

Celebrant 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.

The Breaking of the Bread BCP 364

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Fraction Hymn *(Spoken at 8 / Sung at 10:30)* **Hymnal S-163**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
grant us peace.

The Celebrant says:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion of the Faithful

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

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen**.
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen**.

Communion Hymn

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face **Hymnal 318**

and has been a practice since the second century. This prayer of Jesus was given to his disciples as an example of how they should pray. The phrase "**Lord's Prayer**" is not used in the New Testament. It is similar to Jewish prayers: It begins with an address to God the Father, continues with petitions which ask God to act in a way so as to achieve his purposes, and then has petitions asking for God's help.

Receiving Communion
All are welcome at God's table. Hold out your hands and you will be given the bread. Wine is available from the common chalice, as well as from individual cups.

If you prefer NOT TO PARTAKE from the chalice, please indicate this by crossing your hands atop one another in front of you. Gluten-free wafers are available by request. You have fully received communion if you receive either the bread or the wine.

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says:

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People: **BCP 365**

**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 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.**

We Go Into God's World

The Blessing

The priest blesses the people.

The Blessing: a priestly blessing first began with bishops in the fourth century then spread in practice by priests when the bishop was not present.

Dismissal: As the celebration ends, we are charged to "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." Therefore, the Eucharist is not an exclusive gathering that separates us from the world but a challenge to reach beyond our own church to the world around us in thanksgiving for all God's good and gracious gifts.

Recessional Hymn

God of grace and God of glory **Hymnal 594**

The Dismissal **BCP 366**

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

TODAY'S ART



Weltchronik

Rudolf von Ems (1200-1254)
Provenance: Germany, c.1350-1375
Hochschule-und Landesbibliothek Fulda, Germany
https://www.hs-fulda.de/hlsb/
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Rather than a painter, Rudolf von Ems was a Middle High narrative poet, one of the most learned and productive poets of his time.

Born in Vorarlberg in Austria, he took his name from the castle of Hohenems near Bregenz and was knighted in the service of the Counts of Montfort.

His works were written between 1220 and 1254, though not all have been preserved. Those that have been preserved, though, are distinguished by grace and sincerity in the narration, strict morality, and technical mastery. He described Gottfried von Strassburg as his ideal, which is quite credible as he sometimes quoeted literally from *Tristan*, as well as adopted Gottfried's technique of making literary excursuses in which he names works of contemporaries and of his own.

This 14th century manuscript miniature from von Ems' *Weltchronik*, that is the *Chronicle of the World*, was his last work and depicts Moses being hidden and held safely in the cleft of the rock as God passed by, His glory being more than a mere mortal could withstand. Dedicated to King Conrad IV, this work narrates the *Historia scholastica* of Petrus Comestor and the *Pantheon* of Godfrey of Viterbo, the history of the world from creation up to the death of King Solomon, with the added motive of legitimizing the rule of the Hohenstaufen Dynasty. As early as the 13th century this work was combined in many manuscripts with the *Christherre-Chronik*.

Rudolf von Ems is thought to have died in 1254 while accompanying King Conrad IV on his advance into Italy.

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