

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 25 The Holy Eucharist Rite Two Sunday, October 27, 2024 10:00 a.m.

Welcome to St. Catherine's

We are glad that you have joined us for worship this morning. If you are visiting with us, we invite you to fill out a visitor card, which can be found on the back of the chair in front of you. Completed cards may be given to a greeter, a member of the clergy or placed in the collection plate. For more information about our parish, including a complete schedule of worship services, as well as the link for our on-line services, please visit our website at https://stcatherinesal.org

Prepare for Worship

In order to preserve a sense of reverence in the worship space, please take a moment to silence all of your electronic devices. The time before the service begins offers us a rare moment for quiet prayer and meditation. The liturgy for today's service is from **The Book of Common Prayer**. For your convenience, all of the service music, prayers, responses, and readings are included in this booklet. Please refer to the hymnal provided in the chairs for the Hymns. Children are always welcome in worship at St. Catherine's.

Eucharist or Holy Communion

St. Catherine's welcomes all baptized Christians to gather at the table of our Lord. **Eucharist or Holy Communion**, is at the heart of the Episcopal liturgy. It is during Holy Communion, as we gather around the table, where we share the bread and the wine, the Body and Blood of our savior, as we remember the words of our Lord, Jesus Christ, "Do this in remembrance of me."

It is our practice to stand at the altar to receive the sacraments. By holding out your up turned hands you will be given the bread and you can either partially dip the bread in the wine, being careful not to touch the wine with your fingers, or you can sip from the chalice.

If you chose to receive only one of the sacraments simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate your wishes to the server. If you do not wish to receive the sacraments, but you would like to be blessed, cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you.

If you require gluten-free it is available – simply let the priest know as he/she distributes the bread.

Please feel free to ask if you have any questions. It's our desire to make everyone feel as welcome as possible.

Vestry Members

Denise Armstrong Lynne Dominguez Carol Dotson Sasha Johns Connie Meloun – Jr. Warden Michelle Nivens – Clerk of the Vestry Scott Reimer Chris Stricklin – Sr. Warden

Ministers in Today's Liturgy

Celebrant	Rev. Rob Morpeth	LEM/Crucifer	Scott Reimer
Deacon	The Rev. Dn. Clyde Pearce	Lector	Cathy Cawthon
VPD	Carol Dotson	Intercessor	Brent McLarty
Counters	Carol Dotson &	Torchbearers	Sophia Reimer &
	Chris Stricklin		Leila Phillips
Greeter	Jane Keeton	Altar Guild	Jane Keeton
		Technology	TBD

The Word of God

Prelude

Benedictio by Stanislaw Moniuszko (1812-1870)

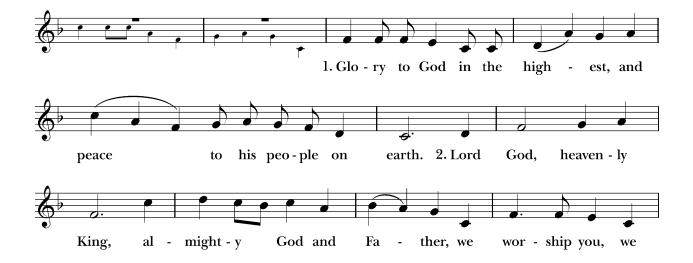
Entrance Hymn H 410 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven (Lauda anima)

The people standing as able, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant may say

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.*





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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*.

The Lessons

The people may be seated.

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah. ⁷Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." ⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. ⁹With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

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

Remain seated. The psalm will be read responsively by whole verse. **Psalm: Psalm 126**

¹When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, * then were we like those who dream.

²Then was our mouth filled with laughter, * and our tongue with shouts of joy.

³Then they said among the nations, * "The LORD has done great things for them."

⁴The LORD has done great things for us, * and we are glad indeed.

⁵Restore our fortunes, O LORD, * like the watercourses of the Negev.

⁶Those who sowed with tears * will reap with songs of joy.

⁷Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, * will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

²³The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

All stand as are able.

Cantor sings Alleluia; Congregation repeats Alleluia; Cantor sings verse; All repeat Alleluia.



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

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

Deacon	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People	Glory to you, Lord Christ.

⁴⁶[Jesus and his disciples] came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside.⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." ⁵²Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

THE SERMON

Rev. Rob Morpeth

The Nicene Creed

All stand as able.

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.

Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively by whole verse.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one*.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; *That your Name may be glorified by all people*.

We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Glenda and Brian our bishops, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons; *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; *That our works may find favor in your sight*.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest. *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for our companion Diocese of Honduras and their bishop, Lloyd; All Saints, Aliceville, All Saints, Birmingham, All Saints, Montgomery, Episcopal Place, Birmingham and St. Martin's in the Pines, Birmingham.

We pray for those on our parish prayer list: Nita, Clydene, Steven, John, Heather, Dottie, Gabi, Wendy, Angel, Mary Lynn, Marti, Tommie, Paige, Tom, Joseph, Tracy, Cathy and Jim.

We pray for those who serve in the military, especially John Morris.

We thank you for all those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially Crimson Nivens, Joe Keeton and Tracy Nivens. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives.

Silence

Celebrant

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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 Priest stands and 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

All stand.

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

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

Announcements

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*

All join in singing the Offertory Hymn Offertory Hymn H 693 Just as I am, without one plea (Woodworth)

As the offerings are brought to the altar, standing as you are able, the following is sung: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Celebrant All things come of thee O Lord

People And of thine own hath we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing as able.

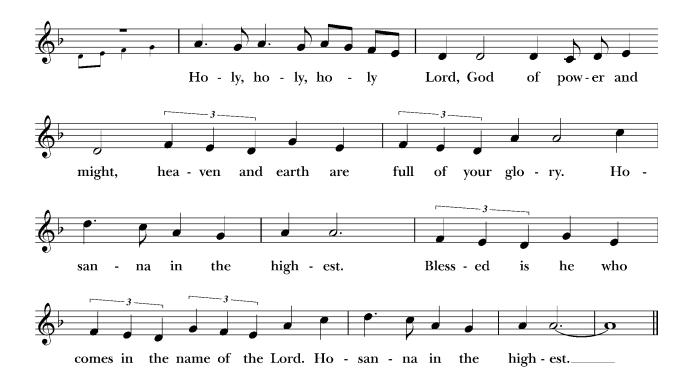
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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.

Celebrant says 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:



The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Catherine and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

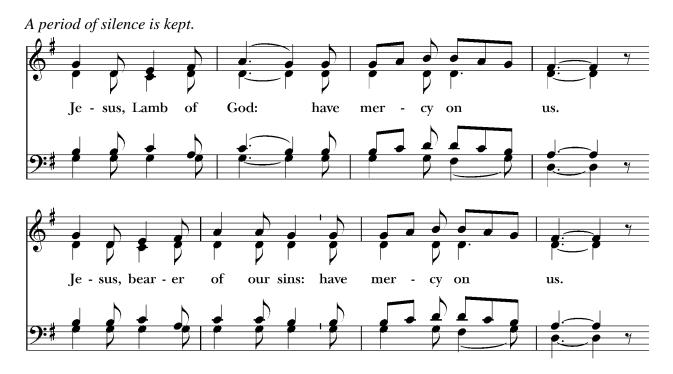
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

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

People and Celebrant

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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread





The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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

All join in singing the Communion Hymn.

Communion Hymn H 671 *Amazing grace! how sweet the sound* (New Britain)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

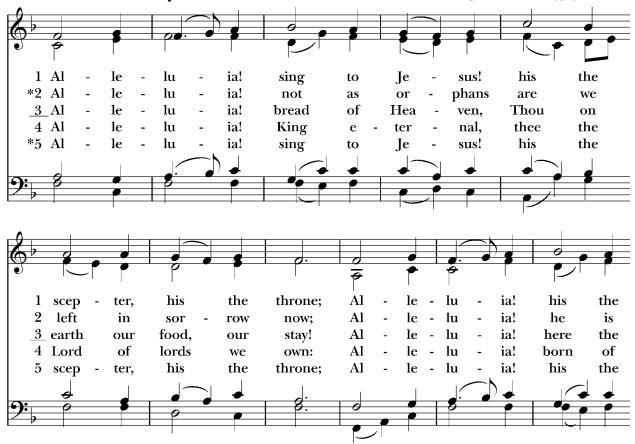
Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

The Priest blesses the people, saying

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*



Post-Communion Hymn H 460 VERSES 1, 3, 4 Alleluia! sing to Jesus (Hyfrydol)



Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.PeopleThanks be to God.

Postlude

Praeludium in C minor by Samuel Friedrich Strauch (1788-1860)

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Please join us after the service in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour

hosted by Michelle Nivens

And for Flaunt Your Talents at the Committee Buffet

There are 3 Open Vestry Seats for 2025.

Requirements: Nominees must have been a confirmed communicant in good standing of St Catherine for at least 6 months, have been regular in church attendance and be known to the treasurer of the Parish as a financial contributor with an age over 25. Volunteers should submit their names via email by October 31, 2024 to administrator@stcatherinesal.com

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Sunday, November 3rd – All Saints Day

Sunday, November 10th – Hat Day

Wednesday, November 13th - Bishop Glenda will be visiting our Parish at 6:00pm for confirmation and baptismal ceremony. Reception following service.

Wednesday, November 27th- 2025 Pledge Cards due.

Thursday, November 28th - Turkey Trot will be on Thanksgiving morning



Sunday, December 1st - Parish Annual Meeting following services.

Sunday, December 22nd - Greening of the Church following services.

Our Mission

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

Our Vision

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

Clergy and Staff

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Glenda S. Curry, Bishop of AL The Rt. Rev. Brian Prior, Assistant to the Bishop of AL The Rev. Dn. Clyde Pearce, Deacon Dr. Matthew West, Ph.D., Organist/Choirmaster Julie Seal, Parish Administrator

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