



# Grace Episcopal Church

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 12, 2025

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

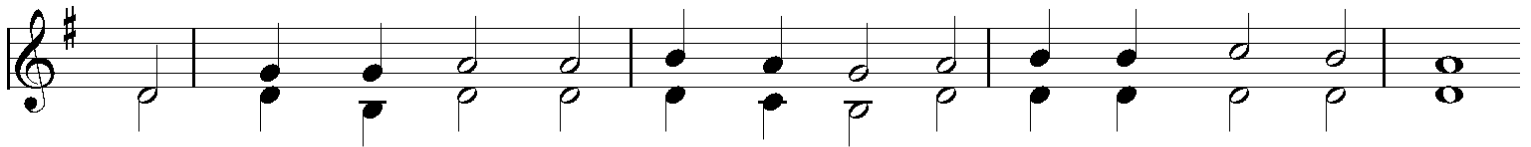
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BCP PRELUDE

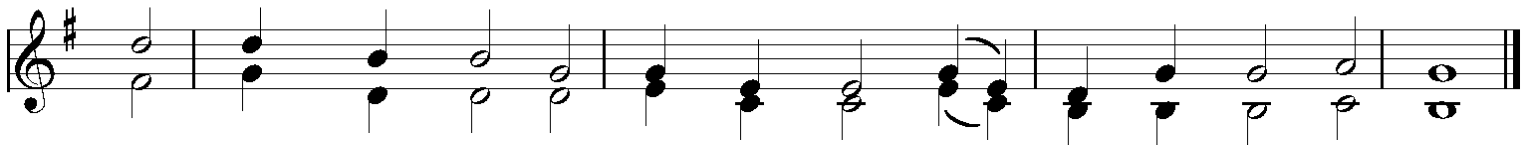
## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #493 (In the Blue Hymnal)

*O for a thousand tongues to sing*



1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,  
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim  
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;  
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,  
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;  
 6 Glo - ry to God and praise and love be now and ev - er given



1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!  
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.  
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.  
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!  
 6 by saints be - low and saints a - bove, the Church in earth and heav'n.

## 355 OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

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

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.**

## GLORIA (Sung by all)

*Organ* *Unison Voices*

Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and  
peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King,  
al - migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

*slower*  
Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:  
have mer-cy up-on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand  
*a tempo*  
of the Fa - ther: re-ceive our prayer. For you a - lone  
are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi - rit,  
in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Lector* A reading from the Second Book of Kings.

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

- The Word of the Lord      **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 111** (*responsively by whole verse*)

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup> **Great are the deeds of the Lord!**  
**they are studied by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup> His work is full of majesty and splendor,  
and his righteousness endures for ever.

<sup>4</sup> **He makes his marvelous works to be remembered;**  
**the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup> He gives food to those who fear him;  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

**<sup>6</sup> He has shown his people the power of his works  
in giving them the lands of the nations.**

<sup>7</sup> The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice;  
all his commandments are sure.

**<sup>8</sup> They stand fast for ever and ever,  
because they are done in truth and equity.**

<sup>9</sup> He sent redemption to his people;  
he commanded his covenant for ever;  
holy and awesome is his Name.

**<sup>10</sup> The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;  
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;  
his praise endures for ever.**

#### THE EPISTLE

*2 Timothy 2:8-15*

*Lector* A reading from the second letter to Timothy.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;  
if we endure, we will also reign with him;  
if we deny him, he will also deny us;  
if we are faithless, he remains faithful--  
for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

- The Word of the Lord      **Thanks be to God.**



1. O Je - sus, I have pro - mised To serve Thee to the  
 2. O Je - sus, Thou hast pro - mised To all who fol - low  
 3. O let me feel Thee near me! The world is e - ver  
 4. O let me hear Thee speak - ing In ac - cents clear and



end; Be Thou for - e - ver near me, My  
 Thee, That where Thou art in glo - ry, There  
 near; I see the sights that daz - zle, The  
 still, A - bove the storms of pas - sion, The



Mas - ter and my friend; I shall not fear the  
 shall Thy ser - vant be; And, Je - sus, I have  
 temp - ting sounds I hear; My foes are e - ver  
 mur - murs of self - will. O speak to re - as -



bat - tle If Thou art by my side, Nor  
 pro - mised To serve Thee to the end; O  
 near me, A - round me and with - in; But,  
 sure me, To has - ten or con - trol! O



wan - der from the path - way If Thou wilt be my guide.  
 give me graace to fol - low My Mas - ter and my friend!  
 Je - sus, draw Thou nea - rer and shield my soul from sin.  
 speak, and make me lis - ten, Thou guar - dian of my soul!

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

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

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

SEQUENCE HYMN (vv. 3-4)

*O Jesus, I have promised*

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Dr. Leon Spencer

### 358 THE NICENE CREED

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.

### 387 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM III AND CONFESSION OF SIN

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

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 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. *Silence*

We pray for all who are traveling, especially **Cameron** Klass, **Julia** Klass, **Josey** Parker, and **Brianna** Cantrall,

and those with special needs:

**Joyce** Inabinett, **Bob** Cook, **Jenny** Hedrick Stilwell, **Ray** Kent, **Bob** Holcomb, **Lou** Adkins, **Mark** Adkins, **Ella** Asebes, **Jeannie** Belk, **Louise** Billings, **Sissy** Bolstad, **Judy** Boyd, **Mike** Bralkowski, **Alice** Brandon, **Lynne** Broch, **Jack** Buckheit, **Gayle** Burke, **Seraphina** Byers, **Lynne** Cleckley, **Joan** Clodfelter, **Susan** Dixon, **Renee** Ewbank, **Cathy** Farley, **Jenny** Gallen, **Shana** Garland, **Angie** Gowen, **Jane** Grimes, **Jim** Hackney, **Jimmy** Hall, **George** Hanna, **Semi** Harne, **Nancy** Hinkle, **Chris** Hodges, **Brittany** Hudson, **Nancy** Hutchins, **Andrew** Jones, **Marlene** Jones, **Cara** Lee, **Lisa** Lightfoot, **Lloyd** Lohr, **Warren** MacKinstry, **Debbie** Mason, **Kate** McKenzie, **Charles** McNeair, **Arnold** Miller, **Angela** Mott, **Debbie** Painter, **Walker** Peoples, **Gabby** Plott, **Ellen** Rickert, **Jacklyn** Rojas, **Melissa** Routh, **Lucas** Sanabria, **Lynn** Santolla, **Suzy** Sheets, **Carol** Sills, **Talmadge** Silversides, **Morgan** Simmons, **Clyde** Smith, **Martha Ellen** Smith, **Sean** Sullivan, **Reid** Taylor, **Jackie** Touchton, **Brenda** Tyndall, **Perry** Grimes Van Dyke, **Sandy** Wallace, **Flynn** Williams, **Paul** Wylie, **Charlotte** Young, **Tommy** Younts, and **Edward**.

"Are there others?"

Hear us, Lord; *For your mercy is great.*

*Celebrant*

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant 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.**

*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.**

*Please stand if you are able*

### 360 THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*He Leadeth Me* – G. M. Martin

#### PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

*-Lasst uns erfreuen*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below.*

*Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host.*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

*Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

### 361 THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*Eucharistic Prayer A*)

*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.**



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:

**SANCTUS** (*Sung by All*)

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. Bles - sed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The people may stand or kneel*

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.

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:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. 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.**

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

<b>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</b>	<b>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.</b>
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#### **364 THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

#### **INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

*Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized Christians are invited to come forward for Holy Communion at the Lord's Table.*

*You may receive both the bread and wine, or only the bread or only the wine.*

*Receiving Communion in one or both forms is sufficient sacramentally.*

*If you prefer neither bread nor wine, you also are invited to come forward and to simply cross your arms over your chest as a sign for the minister to provide you with a holy blessing of the Lord.*

*During Holy Communion, if you are unable to receive communion at the altar rail, please notify an usher so that communion can be brought to you.*

#### **366 POST-COMMUNION PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*Celebrant and People*

**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**

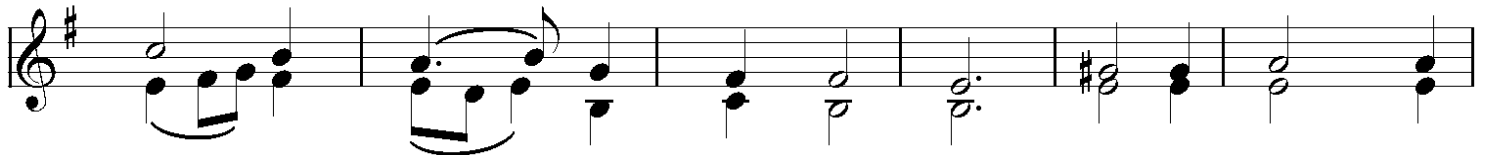
May the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. And the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**



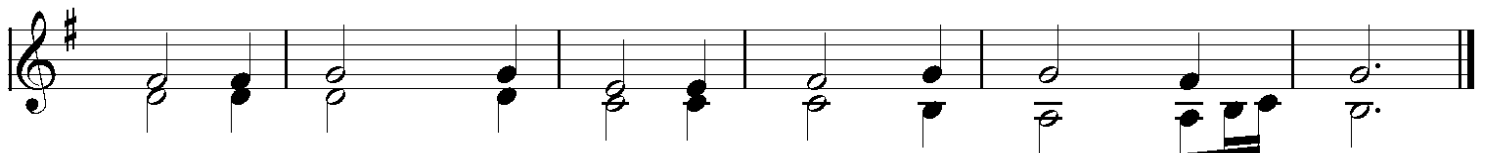
1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and  
 2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of  
 3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of  
 4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,  
 God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion  
 Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness  
 thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er



bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's  
 pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in  
 hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est  
 with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter



help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.  
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.  
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.  
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

*People* Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

**POSTLUDE**

*The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God  
 in celebration of Ed and Patty's 4th year at Grace Church,  
 and with prayers for healing.*

## WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

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**Lector:** Karl Bolstad  
**Lay Eucharistic Ministers:** Staley Nance, Kathie Goodman  
**Ushers:** Louie Cox, Tommy Black

**Intercessor:** Kristi Allred  
**Greeter:** Penny Taylor  
**Acolytes:** Hadley Briggs  
Ward Inabinett

### WELCOME GUESTS AND NEWCOMERS!

We are delighted to have you worship with us today, and we would welcome the opportunity to get acquainted. Please sign the Guest Book in the narthex and join us immediately following the service in the Parish Hall (in the building next door) for refreshments and conversation. **Today our hosts are Cathy Cashion, Barbara Presnell, and Sandy Reynolds.**

Infants and young children are always welcome to worship with their families in the sanctuary. The restrooms are located in the rear hallway, and diaper-changing stations are provided in both rooms.

**During Holy Communion**, if you are unable to receive communion at the altar rail, please notify an usher so that communion can be brought to you.

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Joan Clodfelter, Minister of Music Emerita

### THE VESTRY

2026

Karl Bolstad  
Bright Carter  
Sally Dodd  
Henry Duquette Junior Warden

2027

Dan Briggs  
Elizabeth Purdy  
Mary Matthews Clerk of Vestry  
Leslie Sheets Senior Warden

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Kristi Allred  
Lynn Meeks Treasurer  
Neil Shepherd  
Chuck Taylor

Vestry Person of the Month for October is Henry Duquette.