

*Be ready always to give an
answer to every man that
asketh you a reason of the
hope that is in you.*

I PETER 3:15



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**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST**

September 7, 2025

HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE II

11:00 A.M.

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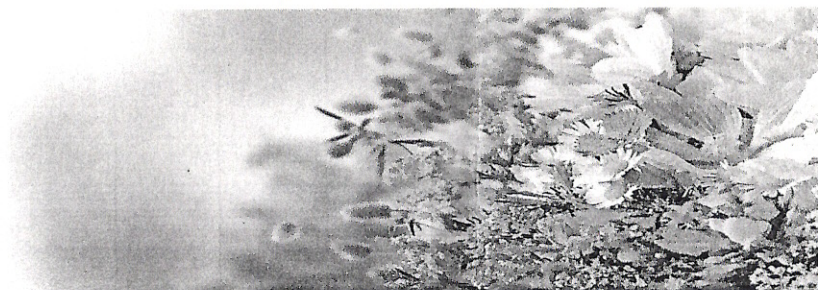


FELLOWSHIP HOUR

The Christian Gathering continues after this service with fellowship and refreshments in the undercroft.

PLEASE JOIN US!!!!!!

September 7 - A Parishioner





13 PENTECOST



Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 18

Revised Common Lectionary
TRACK 2

Sunday, September 7, 2025

COLLECT

Traditional

GRANT US, O Lord, we pray thee, to trust in thee with all our heart; seeing that, as thou dost always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so thou dost not forsake those who make their boast of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Contemporary

GRANT US, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

SEE, I HAVE SET before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before

you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

Refrain

Happy are they whose delight is in the law of the Lord.

Psalm 1 *from the Book of Common Prayer*

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| 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful! | 4 It is not so with the wicked; * they are like chaff which the wind blows away. |
| 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, * and they meditate on his law day and night. | 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous. |
| 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; * everything they do shall prosper. | 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed. |

SECOND READING: Philemon 1-21

PAUL, A PRISONER of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident

of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

NOW LARGE CROWDS were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday, September 8, 2025

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

Thursday, September 11, 2025

10 am AAPR

Friday, Sept. 12, 2025

Saturday, September 13, 2025

8 am-12 noon- AKA

10 am – DOK

Sunday, September 14, 2025

11 a.m.

- Morning Prayer-Phone Meditation

HAPPY BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY

September

1 – Barnett Burston

4 – *Quentin and Sheila Gaillard*

14 – Linda B. Bulls

15 – Brenda D. Robinson

27 – Carol L. Smith

NEWS FROM AROUND THE EPISCOPAL & ANGLICAN DIOCESES

Clergy and Lay Leaders of Color Retreat, Friday, September 5, 2025, at 5 pm – Sunday, September 7, 2025, at 1 pm, Camp McDowell. This retreat will feature The Rev. Canon Eric McIntosh of the Diocese of Pittsburg as Guest Facilitator. There will be honest conversations about identity, leadership and the realities of navigating ministry as people of color. Registration is required at dioala.org

T.U. NEWS/EVENTS (www.tuskegee.edu)

T.U. Football: The 'All Sport Season Pass' and individual tickets are available online.

Sept. 6 - T.U. vs Central State, HOME

Sept. 27 –T.U. vs Ft. Valley State, HOME

Oct. 4 - (Morehouse -Tuskegee Classic), Cramton Bowl Montgomery

Oct. 25- T.U. Allen, HOME

Nov. 1 - T.U. Lane, HOMECOMING

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Cruise the Carnival Liberty with the Tom Joyner Fantastic Voyage, supporting scholarships for HBCU students. The ship sets sail *October 19-16, 2025*, from New Orleans with visits to Belize, Cozumel and Mahogany Bay. This cruise boasts a voyage packed with fun, entertainment, games, food and beverages. Book Now!

A.U. Football: (www.auburntigers.com)

Sept. 6 – A.U. vs Ball State, HOME

Sept. 13 - A.U. vs South Alabama, HOMECOMING

Oct. 11 - A.U. vs Georgia, HOME

Oct. 18 - A.U. vs Missouri, HOME

Nov. 1 - A.U. vs Kentucky, HOME

Nov. 22 - A.U. vs Mercer, HOME

Nov. 29 – (Iron Bowl), A.U. vs Alabama, HOME

Stay Safe!!

PRAYER LIST

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THERON JONES

*Local Parishioners



** Shut-In Parishioners
Church

St. Andrew's Episcopal

THE DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

We pray for our Companion Diocese of Honduras and their bishop, Lloyd; Trustees of the Diocesan Trust Funds; Board and Staff of Church Fund; Bridge Ministries, Birmingham; St. Anne's Home, Birmingham; For al who suffer from addiction or effects of addiction.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!!

- **ARMED FORCES:** Please pray for our service men and women stationed in the U.S. and overseas, especially, DeRitha Marbory Barber, Sam and Margaret Gunn Bunton, Christopher Childers, Kyle F. Graham, Shavone Marbory Hogan, Jabar and Kenya Lee Steward.
- **PRAYERS:** Continue to pray for those on the Prayer List, friends, family and all humankind afflicted by disease, war and famine. Pray for peace!
- **REMINDER:** Please continue to furnish our Food Basket with non-perishable food items (located on the ground floor of the Education Building).
- **REMINDER:** The link for the Sunday ZOOM Companion service can be reached by dialing: 1-312-626-6799, Meeting ID: 882 671 9532, Passcode: 220210 or click on your email invite.
- **NEW:** T.U. is reorganizing football game day 'parking.' St. Andrew's 'Parking Lot' fundraiser, during T.U. Homecoming Game Day is suspended due to Tuskegee University and the City of Tuskegee issuing an Ordinance prohibiting automobile traffic from Fonville St. at Old Montgomery Rd. thru Franklin Rd. at Old Montgomery Rd. This Ordinance affects traffic, beginning Friday evening during all Saturday HOME GAME days until Sunday at 7 a.m. St. Andrew's Parking Committee is following these events as they unfold and will update parishioners as new information becomes available. This new Ordinance will affect parking in neighborhoods surrounding the T.U. Football Stadium. Check your District Representative.
- **REMINDER:** The Fall Parish Meeting is scheduled for *Sunday, October 26, 2025*, following Eucharist and Dinner, in the Undercroft. Mark Your calendar.

**Additional announcements are listed inside the bulletin.*