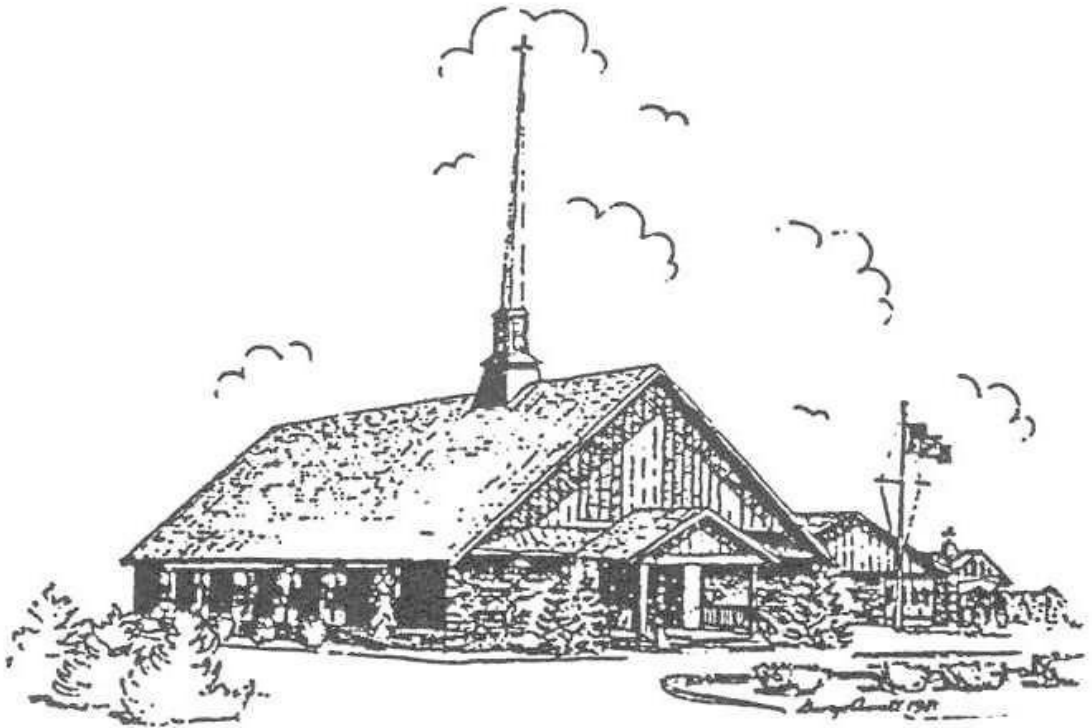


The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Proper 22



The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents

05 October, 2025 ~ 9:30 AM

Welcome! In The Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. **BCP** means The Book of Common Prayer (Red Book). You'll find the BCP and Hymnals in the pew rack in front of you.

Parish Notices

Prelude

Voluntary

Please use this time for quiet prayer and contemplation

THE WORD OF GOD

Entrance Hymn #546 (*please stand*) *Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve* SIROË

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

Celebrant 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. *All: Amen.*

Gloria S-280 (*all sing*) *Glory to God*

Robert Powell

The Collect of the Day:

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Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*

The First Lesson (*Please be seated*)

Lamentations 1:1-6

How lonely sits the city
that once was full of people!

How like a widow she has become,
 she that was great among the nations!
She that was a princess among the provinces
 has become a vassal.
She weeps bitterly in the night,
 with tears on her cheeks;
among all her lovers
 she has no one to comfort her;
all her friends have dealt treacherously with her,
 they have become her enemies.
Judah has gone into exile with suffering
 and hard servitude;
she lives now among the nations,
 and finds no resting place;
her pursuers have all overtaken her
 in the midst of her distress.
The roads to Zion mourn,
 for no one comes to the festivals;
all her gates are desolate,
 her priests groan;
her young girls grieve,
 and her lot is bitter.
Her foes have become the masters,
 her enemies prosper,
because the LORD has made her suffer
 for the multitude of her transgressions;
her children have gone away,
 captives before the foe.
From daughter Zion has departed
 all her majesty.
Her princes have become like stags
 that find no pasture;

they fled without strength
before the pursuer.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Lamentations 3:19-26 (*Read in Unison*)

The thought of my affliction and my homelessness
is wormwood and gall!

My soul continually thinks of it
and is bowed down within me.

But this I call to mind,
and therefore I have hope:

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;

they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.

"The LORD is my portion," says my soul,
"therefore I will hope in him."

The LORD is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.

It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the LORD.

The Epistle

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere

faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn LEVAS #189 (*please stand*) *Great is Thy Faithfulness* William M. Runyan

The Holy Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and

serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

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

The Sermon

(Please be Seated)

The Rev. Peter De Franco

The Nicene Creed

(Please Stand)

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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.**

The Prayers of the People *From the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania*

(The people may stand or kneel)

Celebrant Let us pray to God the Almighty, from whom all good things flow.

Silence

Leader We offer a prayer of thanks for people everywhere who labor for the spread of the Gospel. May we be joined with them heart to heart, and hand to hand. We ask for the grace to remember that every act of kindness, however simple, builds the Kingdom of God.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of gratitude for the bishops and others who lead Christian communities around the world, especially Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Sally, our Bishop and Peter our Supply Priest. May they be faithful pastors and wise guides. We pray for our Search Committee and Vestry that they may call a faithful pastor for our church.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of support for the leaders of the nations, especially Colleen our Mayor, Philip our Governor, and Donald our President. May they have zeal for justice and abundant mercy. We ask for the grace to recall that we also share in the stewardship of creation.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of hope for the needs of our nearest neighbors. May we have the eyes to see their needs and the hands to help meet them. We ask for the grace to follow in our Lord's footsteps, working to bring hope and new life to the world.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of fellowship with all human labor. We ask for the grace to be able to see in all work a reflection of the hand that created all things.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of concern for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially all those on our Parish Prayer List and those we remember in silence (*Pause in silence*) May they have comfort and hope, and may we be instruments of God's peace in their lives.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of thanksgiving for our partners in mission, especially the Members and Ministry of the Jane O. P. Turner Fund in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and in The Anglican Communion, The Anglican Church of Tanzania. May we stand shoulder to shoulder with them in sharing God's redeeming love.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Leader We offer a prayer of peace for all who have died, (*Pause in silence*) May they rest from all their labors, and may we join with them in the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the Saints.

People **God of all goodness, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Merciful Father, guide our hands, gladden our hearts, and accept these prayers for Jesus' sake. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

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

Confession

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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.*

Absolution

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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)*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

Presentation of the Gifts *(All stand)*

All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee

Eucharistic Prayer 3 *(Enriching Our Worship)*

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 our thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus S-129 *(all sing)*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Robert Powell

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Celebrant and People

**Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

The Celebrant continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ.

Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with Mary, the Mother of God and all your people

into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN

The Lord's Prayer

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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 Celebrant breaks the Consecrated Bread. The congregation observes a time of silence.

Fraction Anthem: S-154 *(all sing) Christ Our Passover*

David Hurd

(All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion.)

Postcommunion Prayer *(Please stand) (Enriching Our Worship 1)*

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing *(Common Worship)*

May the love of the Lord Jesus draw you to God, the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in God's service, the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts; and the blessing and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Hymn #398 *(please stand) I Sing the Almighty Power of God*

FOREST GREEN

Dismissal

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Postlude

Voluntary

Please join us in Martin Hall for Coffee & Fellowship!

Serving Today : Crucifer ~ John Wall Lector ~ Bill Kehr

Ushers ~ Kay DeCiccio, Melissa Wall **Chalice Bearer** ~ Bill Kehr

WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR October 6 – October 10

06 – Mon **MARTIN HALL RESERVED**

Morning Prayer (FB) 9:00 AM

07 – Tues **MARTIN HALL RESERVED**

Vestry Meeting 7:00 PM

08 – Wed **MARTIN HALL RESERVED**

Sandwich Ministry in Kitchen 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Auction Preview in MH 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

09 – Thurs **MARTIN HALL RESERVED**

Book/Bible Study 2:00 PM

Annual Silent Bid Auction at The Shell 6:00 PM

“Clam Diggers” AA Group 7:30 PM

Compline (FB) 9:00 PM

10 – Fri *Parish Office Closed*

Birthdays: Jane Enos (10/06), Robert Romanowski (10/7)

Anniversaries: Patricia & Larry Peacock (10/08)

Please Note: The Prayer List and Announcements are an insert this week.

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