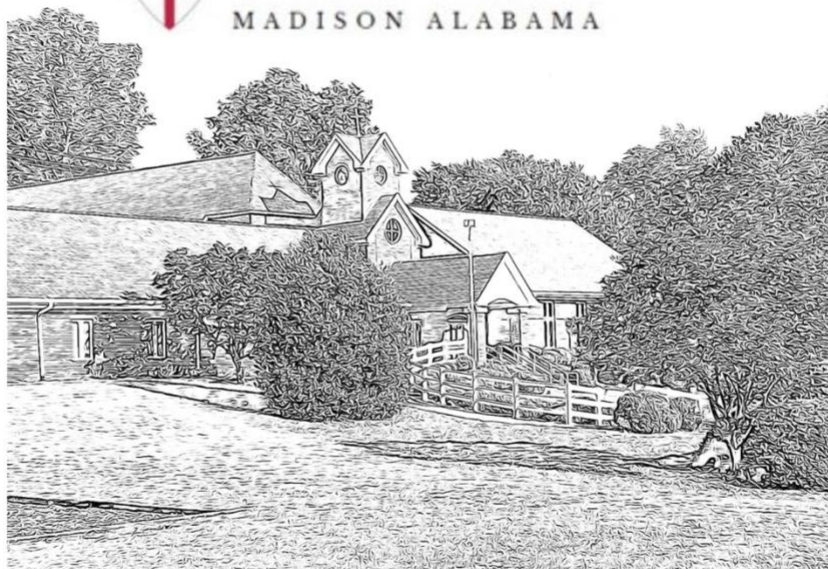




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EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
MADISON ALABAMA



**THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II**  
**OCTOBER 12, 2025**  
**10:00 AM**

*Quiet before the service helps us to mark sacred space and time. Please use this time to prayerfully prepare for worship. Please remember to silence your cell phone.*

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

**Opening Voluntary**

**Adagio**

*(Charles-Marie Widor)*

**Entrance Hymn 483, Standing, sung by all**

**The head that once was crowned with thorns**

**Opening Sentences** *Standing*

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

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

**Collect for Purity**

*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. **Amen.**

**Canticle 13, #S-236** *Sung by all*

**1. Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;  
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.**

**2. Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**3. Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;  
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.**

**4. Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**5. Glory to you, beholding the depths;  
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.**

**6. Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**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.**

### **The Lesson, 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c**

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."

*Lector*        **The Word of the Lord.**

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

S 422

William Russell  
(1777-1813)



1. Hallelujah!  
I will give thanks to the Lord with my | **whole** heart, \*  
in the assembly of the upright, in the | congre-**ga**-tion.
2. Great are the deeds | of the Lord! \*  
they are studied by all who de- | **light in** them.
3. His work is full of majesty and | **splen**-dor, \*  
and his righteousness en- | dures for **ev**-er.
4. He makes his marvelous works to | be re-mem-bered; \*  
the Lord is gracious and | full • of com- • **pas**-sion.
5. He gives food to those who | **fear** him; \*  
he is ever mindful | of his covenant.
6. He has shown his people the power | of his works, \*  
in giving them the | lands • of the • **na**-tions.
7. The works of his hands are faithfulness and | **jus**-tice; \*  
all his com- | **mand**-ments are sure.
8. They stand fast for ever and | **ev**-er, \*  
because they are done in | truth and equity.
9. He sent redemption to his people;  
he commanded his covenant for | **ev**-er; \*  
holy and | awesome is his Name.
10. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of | **wis**-dom; \*  
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;  
his praise en- | dures for **ev**-er.

## **The Epistle, 2 Timothy 2:8-15**

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.

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn 628, *Standing, sung by all***

**Help us, O Lord, to learn**

**The Holy Gospel**

**Luke 17:11-19**

*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."

*Celebrant*    The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon**

Taylor Johnson, seminarian

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**

BCP 387

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 Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Glenda and Brian, our Bishops; Susan, our Interim Rector; Taylor, our seminarian; Bob and Sam, our retired clergy; Lauren, our missionary in Kenya; for our staff, vestry, and laity; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for our president, Donald; our vice president, JD; our governor, Kay; our mayor, Paul; our mayor-elect, Ranae; and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

We pray for The Church of the Province of Uganda; our companion Diocese of Honduras and their Bishop, Lloyd; Family Promise (Interfaith Hospitality Network); Homeless Shelters and Agencies that assist the poor and homeless; St. Luke's in Birmingham, Jacksonville, and Scottsboro; for the Food Bank of North Alabama, First Stop, Episcopal Relief and Development; Sawyerville; Huntsville Assistance Program; for peace in Ukraine, and the Middle East. 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 for those of others.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

## **Confession of Sin**

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

*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** *Standing*

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

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

**Welcome**

**Offertory Anthem,** *Sung by Choir*

**Sing Hallelujah, Praise the Lord**  
(*Raymond H. Haan*)

**Presentation Hymn 380** *Standing, sung by all*

**The Doxology** (*vs. 3*)

**The Holy Communion**

**The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B**

BCP 367

*The people remain standing.*

*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.**

*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...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 #S-130,** *Sung by all*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Standing or kneeling*

*Celebrant* 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,

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

*Celebrant* 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. Matthew 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,

**The Lord's Prayer, *Said by all***

BCP 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 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.**

**Fraction Anthem #S-164, *Sung by all***

**Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins: Have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:**

**Give us your peace, give us your peace.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

*Regardless of the denomination of your baptism, you are invited to receive Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church. If you wish to receive a blessing, please come to the altar rail and cross your arms over your chest. If you are interested in being baptized please speak with the clergy after the service or contact the church office.*

**Communion Hymn 571**

**All who love and serve your city**

**Communion Hymn 655**

**O Jesus, I have promised**

**The Postcommunion Prayer** *Said by all, standing or kneeling*

BCP 365

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*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.**

**The Blessing, *all standing***

**Closing Hymn 438, *Standing, sung by all***

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!**

### **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Voluntary**

**Fughette on “Ein Feste Burg”**

*(Johann Pachelbel)*



*Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the Terry Sampson in memory of Bob Wagner.*

**Remember in your prayers this week:**

Bill Byrd, Chuck, Lorna, and Roy Vickers, Dottie Aldredge, Gina Centanni, Terry Schuster, David Osmond, Anna Post, Bev Ryberg, David Newton, Jane Prince, Mary Travers, Anne Sullivan, Judy Elkins, Lynda Johnston, Bob & Eileen Bogard, Roger & Rhoda Kitchen, Brenda Kirkendall, Chris King, Eileen Lewis, Molly Killian, the Sloan Family, Trudie Gruman, Ray and Shirley White, George and Sandra Burgess, Norm Smith, Keith Ulrich, Tyron Newton, Clarissa Dozier, Andy Williams, Darryl Carpenter, Carmen M. Colon, Robert Sampson, Deborah Harrison, Dennis Blanco, Scott Cechovic.

**Also pray for our friends and family members, especially:**

Brenda Anderson, Diana Parks, Martha Bergmann, Chuck Sewell, Wes Patterson, Mike Rice, Richard Hattoway, Jenny Williams, Rosie Brown, Jewell Newton, Ginger Eich, Catherine S. Williams, Joe Allen, Caroline Thomas, Elyssa Nelson, Bill Fischer, Sally Flanigan, Theresa Richerson, Scott Marbut, Todd Newman, Cathy Taveras, Fran Woytowich, BB McCalpin, Stephen Byrd, Bronwen Murray, Katie Ray, Peggy Wagner, Joe Frank Trevino, Emmy & Drew Champion, Ron Mandelbaum, Dave Knowles, Wade Allen, Emily Nebrig, Bobby Paysinger, Barbara Lemley, Steve Sands, Felicia Temple, John David Landin, Mike Bolton, Dr. Mark Bronner, Ashley Jenkins, Kim East, John Freedman, Mark Anderson, Judy Tuck, Kathleen Glor, Ann Reid Cronin, Elizabeth Hodges, Jill Kanuchok, Mike Mumfrey, Joyce Lewis, Allan Scott, Jim Bob Cox, Christine Van Dyke, Christopher Taveras, Mike and Suzette Rice, Vaughn Cassell, Shannon Carpenter, Jarilyn Alleman, Jake Sowder, Cheryl Lavazza, Margaret McHugh.

*Please help us keep the prayer list updated by letting us know when names should be removed and when others should be added. Your help with this is greatly appreciated! [office@stmatthewsmadison.org](mailto:office@stmatthewsmadison.org)*

## ***Week at a Glance***

<b>Sunday, Oct. 12</b>	<b>The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>
9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School, CE 1
9:00 AM	Kid's Sunday School, CE 3
9:00 AM	Youth Sunday School, Amy West Building
10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Nave
11:15 AM	Lessons and Carols Rehearsal – Nave, GH
11:15 AM	Listening Session – CE 2
4:00 PM	Scouting America Troop #628, Amy West
<b>Monday, Oct. 13</b>	<b>Church Office Closed – Columbus Day</b>
9:00 AM	Sewing Sisters, GH
6:30 PM	Bells Angels rehearsal
6:30 PM	Gratitude Committee, Former Library
<b>Tuesday, Oct. 14</b>	
7:00 AM	Men's Breakfast, GH/Kitchen
9:30 AM	Reunion Group, Library
5:30 PM	Wings and a Prayer at Crickets, 3810 Sullivan St.
6:00 PM	Vestry Training, CE 1
<b>Wednesday, Oct. 15</b>	
10:30 AM	ECW Rummage Sale meeting, GH
11:00 AM	Reunion Group, Kitchen
12:00 PM	Noon Eucharist, Nave
5:30 PM	EYC at Sam & Greg's, 364 Hughes Road
6:30 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal, Nave
<b>Thursday, Oct. 16</b>	
9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study, GH
6:30 PM	"Closer to God and Each Other", CE 2
<b>Friday, Oct. 17</b>	<b>Office Closed</b>
8:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Cleaning Service
<b>Saturday, Oct. 18</b>	
9:00 AM	Heart and Soil



*Financial offerings are not mandatory; they are an investment in our ministries. If you would like to give a one-time offering digitally or setup weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly offerings, you are welcome to use the QR code here.*

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## **SERVING TODAY**

**PREACHER:** Taylor Johnson, seminarian

**CELEBRANT:** The Rev. Susan Sloan

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** Tom Killian

**ORGANIST:** Susan Fletcher

**ALTAR GUILD:** D. Buzby

**LEM:** K. Barr, D. Loehr

**LECTOR:** Jeff Anderson

**EPISTOLER:** Al Turner

**INTERCESSOR:** Andy Williams

**ACOLYTES:** S. Jones, E. Bruce

**USHERS:** D. Utt, A. Utt

**COUNTERS:** W. Christipher, P. Lewis

**HOSPITALITY:** C. Odom, F. Odom

**NURSERY:** Mary Brown, Amber Anderson

**MEDIA MINISTRY:** Larry Livingston Stanbery

**VESTRY OF THE DAY:** Dennis Utt