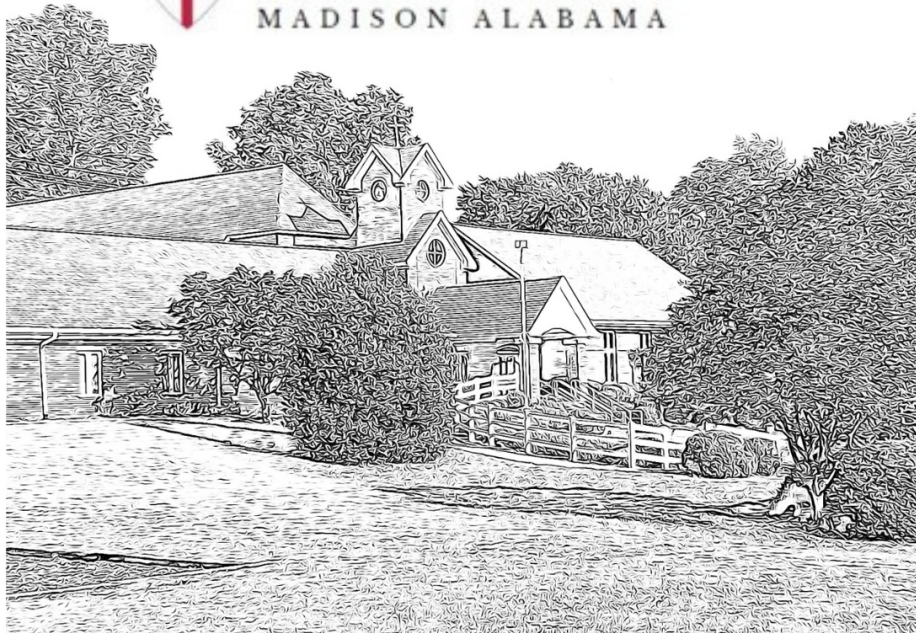




ST MATTHEW'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
MADISON ALABAMA



## The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 29, 2024

Fr. Chris Hartley, Rector  
Fr. Dillon Green, Associate Rector  
Rev. Lynn Bullard, Deacon  
Tom Killian, Music Director  
Susan Fletcher, Organist

# Holy Eucharist Rite II

The Prelude

*Organ*

## The Entrance Rite

Hymn #509

“Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers”

**Opening Acclamation**, *all standing*

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

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

## Gloria #1

*Tom Killian*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on

6  
earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther, we

11  
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

15  
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son\_ of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

21

you take a - way the sins\_ of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are

28

seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer,

33

re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

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Lord, you a - lone are the Most\_ High, Je - sus\_ Christ, with the Ho - ly

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Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A\_\_\_\_\_ men.

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## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

***Amen.***

# The Liturgy of the Word

## The First Reading

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

*A Reading from the Book of Numbers*

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.”

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,’ to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.”

So the Lord said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you. ”

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord’s people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!”

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

## The Psalm

19:7-14

- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect  
and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the LORD is sure  
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just  
and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the LORD is clear  
and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean  
and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the LORD are true  
and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey,  
than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.

- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
    cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
    let them not get dominion over me; \*  
    then shall I be whole and sound,  
    and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my  
    heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
    O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

## **The Second Reading**

**James 5:13-20**

*A Reading from the Epistle of James*

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn #552**

**“Fight the Good Fight With All Thy Might”**

## The Holy Gospel

Mark 9:38-50

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

John said to Jesus, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

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

## The Sermon

Fr. Chris

# **The Nicene Creed, *please stand***

*All pray together:*

**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

## Form I

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying  
**"Lord, have mercy."**

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For our Presiding Bishop, Michael, our Presiding Bishop-elect, Sean, our Bishops, Glenda and Brian, our rector, Chris, our associate rector, Dillon, our deacon, Lynn, for Sam and Bob our retired clergy, for Lauren Eich our missionary to Kenya, for our staff, vestry and laity and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For our President, Joe; our Vice President, Kamala; our Governor, Kay; our mayor, Paul; and for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For this city of Madison, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the good earth, which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

We pray for The Church of Pakistan (United); for our Companion Diocese of Honduras and their bishop, Lloyd; for Alabama Faith Council and its work; for St. Michael and All Angels Aniston, St. Michael and All Angels Millbrook, St. Michael's Faunsdale, and St. Michael's Fayette; for First Step and Huntsville-North Alabama Continuum of Care; for St. Matthew's Grief Share Ministry; and for peace in Ukraine and the Middle East; let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

✙ For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

In the communion of Saint Matthew and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

**To thee, O Lord our God.**

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## **Confession of Sin**

*Deacon* 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,** *please stand*

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

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

## Welcome and Announcements

**The Offertory**

**“Wondrous Love”** (*arr. Arlen Clarke*)

*Choir*

**Hymn #380**

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

## The Liturgy of the Table

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*Eucharistic Prayer A*

*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. Through Jesus Christ

our Lord. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 #1

*Tom Killian*

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, \_\_\_\_\_

11 hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

19 Bles-sed is he who comes \_\_\_\_\_ in the name of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_

27 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The people kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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.***

*The Celebrant then continues*

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,  
for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The Breaking of the Bread

*The priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.*

## Fraction Anthem #1

*Tom Killian*



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*Celebrant* 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 welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

## Hymn #609

## “Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”

*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.

**The Blessing,** *all standing*

**Hymn #574**

**“Before Thy Throne, O God, We Kneel”**

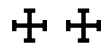
**The Dismissal**

*Deacon*      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

*Organ*



**Please pray for St. Matthews's members who are distressed in body, mind, or spirit:**

Bill Byrd, Chuck Vickers, Dottie Aldredge, Gina Centanni, Terry Schuster, George & Sandra Burgess, Ray & Shirley White, Canellia Patterson, David Osmond, Colleen Turner, Anna Post, Bev Ryberg, David Newton, Jane Prince, Mary Travers, Marie Lutz, Josie & Ricky Cooper, Anne Sullivan, Judy Elkins, Lynda Johnston, Maurice Hale, Jack Brown, Bob & Eileen Bogard, Tyron Newton, Roger & Rhoda Kitchen, Lynn Beasley, Brenda Kirkendall, Chris King, Eileen Lewis, Charles Bernhard, Molly Killian, Laura Weimer, Trudie Gruman.

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

Nancy Laws, Brenda Anderson, Diana Parks, Martha Bergmann, Chuck Sewell, Wes Patterson, Mike Rice, Samantha Rice, Richard Hattoway, Jenny Williams, Rosie Brown, Jack Cooper, Michael & Nancy Laws, Jewell Newton, Ginger Eich, Catherine S. Williams, Joe Allen, Caroline Thomas, Elyssa Nelson, Vaughn Cassell, Bill Fischer, Sally Flanigan, Theresa Richerson, family of Madison Gilbert, Scott Marbut, Todd Newman, Jessica Goodwin, Cathy Taveras, Fran Woytowich, BB McCalpin, Bob & Peggy Wagner, Nancy Ford, Stephen Byrd, Bronwen Murray, Katie Ray, Sherry Sampson, Kate Winkler, 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, Nancy Laws, Mileena-Haley Painter, Zach Guidry, Rachelle & Kevin Painter, Kim East.

## **WORSHIP SERVERS**

**8:30am**

**11:00am**

<b>Vestry of the Day</b>	Gloria Boyd	
<b>Alter Guild</b>	B Colbs	T Gruman
<b>Ushers</b>	D Prince/C Stanger	J Anderson/N Snell
<b>Lector</b>	D Carpenter	J Hubbard
<b>Epistoler</b>	B Carpenter	B Losheurtos
<b>Intercessor</b>	A Utt	P McGraw
<b>LEM</b>	S Smith	A Hartley
<b>Crucifer</b>	A Utt	C Beech
<b>Gospeler</b>	J Glasgow	C Bagwell
<b>Torch Bearer</b>		
<b>Counter</b>	H Tidwell/R Driesback	M Barton/S Cox
<b>Hospitality</b>	G Boyd	L Weimer/J Weimer
<b>Nursery</b>	M Brown/A Anderson	M Brown/A Anderson

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