

ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 8, 2024

8:00 AM (spoken)

10:15 AM (with music)



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*The ringing of the bell signals that our worship is about to begin.
Please stand as you are able.*

Opening Hymn: #390 "Praise to the Lord"

Lobe den Herren

Welcome

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Opening Acclamation

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The Collect for Purity

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The Gloria #S278

William Mathias

The Collect of the Day

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.

A Reading from Isaiah 35:4-7a

Mark Durham/Carol Przybylski

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146

Lauda, anima mea

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul! *

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *

for there is no help in them.

3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *

and in that day their thoughts perish.

- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.
- 7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; *
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 The LORD loves the righteous;
the LORD cares for the stranger; *
**he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.**
- 9 The LORD shall reign for ever, *
**your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!**

A Reading James 2:1-10, [11-13], 14-17

Mark Durham/Michael Ling

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.[For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.]

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn #685 "Rock of ages, cleft for me" vs 1-2

Toplady

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark 7:24-37

Glory to you Lord Christ.

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

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

Hymn #685 "Rock of ages, cleft for me" vs 3

Toplady

The Sermon

The Rev. Kathryn L. King

Nicene Creed

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Please remember in your prayers those on our parish prayer list.

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

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(Please offer names at the appropriate bidding in the prayers) For those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially Sheila, Barbs, Dominic, Hannah, Jen T., Sharon, Greg, Laurie, Joyce, Leslie B., Jim W., Martha H., Sarah, Laura, Alfredo, Linda R., Ian, Megan, Allison, Paula, Katherine C., Jorgy, Les, Pete, Pat, Yolande, Jen, Jim, Priscilla, Patti, Barry Thomson, Rich and Lindsay Coda.

For those who will celebrate birthdays this week, especially Joan Hamelberg and Sudy Mayo, **and those who will celebrate anniversaries**, especially Kathy and Toms Royal.

For those who have died.

Confession and Absolution

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The Peace and Offertory Sentence

Please share the peace with those in your pew and a distanced greeting with others.

Offertory Duet: "He shall feed his flock" from the *Messiah*

George Frederic Handel

Janice Liddy, Soprano; Altha Morton, Contralto

Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped.
Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing.

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd, and he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

Come unto him, all ye that labor, ye that are heavy laden, and he will give you rest. Take his yoke upon you, and learn of him, for he is meek and lowly of heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

Doxology

Lasst uns erfreuen

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus: #S128

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The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

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Fraction: #S165

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The Communion of the People

All are welcome to receive Communion. If you are unable to go to the Altar, please notify an Usher. Communion will be brought to you. Those who desire to receive the wine may do so by intinction, which is to dip the host into the consecrated wine. It is available to all but required of none.

Communion Motet: "O taste and see"

Ralph Vaughan Williams
Janice Liddy, Soprano

O taste and see how gracious the lord is: blest is the man who trusteth in him.

Hymn: #339 "Deck thyself, my soul"

Schmücke dich

The Post-Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn: #493 "O for a thousand tongues to sing"

Azmon

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

Postlude: *Allein Gott in der Höh sei Her*

Johann Gottfried Walther

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents Harriet & Terrill Hall and Helen & Dominick Mayo.



Service Participants

Celebrant:

The Rev. Kathryn L. King

Verger:

Clayton Smith

Acolytes:	
Usher:	Frank Mulligan
Lectors:	8:00 Mark Durham 10:15 Carol Przybylski, Michael Ling
Eucharistic Minister:	8:00 Dick Hewson 10:15 Francine Ling
Organist:	Stephen L. Pinel
Altar Guild:	Chris Kyse, Ada Draesel
Hospitality:	Jeanette Caldwell

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS!!

Kick-Off Sunday, September 22 Start of Sunday school and parish picnic following the 10:15 service. We kick off the new program year with our parish-wide picnic. Please sign up on the bulletin board to bring a dish to share. There will be a welcome gathering and program for all the children.

Vote Faithfully: Episcopalians Engaging the U.S. Election An online opportunity to join Presiding Bishop Michael Curry with guests from across the church exploring the meaning behind voting from a theological perspective that centers this civic action as one expression of caring for one another and God's creation. Panelists will offer framing for healthy, faith-based civic engagement from the theoretical to the tangible. Wednesday, September 18, 2024, at 1 PM. To register visit info@episcopalparishes.org This is an offering of Episcopal Parish Network: Strengthening Leaders for a Changing Church. This is just one of the offerings in a wide range of topics.



THE DUCKS ARE COMING! We need everyone in the parish to get involved and support our new community gathering and fundraiser THE DUCK DERBY, on **Saturday, September 28th, 11 am to 2 pm** (rain date Sunday, September 29th noon to 3 pm) There are lots of volunteers needed and lots of ways to be involved. Each area has coordinators who will be posting sign-ups and information on how to support each area. There is something for everyone so please find your choice of how to be involved. AND - we need you to help get the word out and encourage friends and family to come!

The event will include: The Rubber Duck Derby in Scow Ditch coordinated by Chris Niebling, **The Duck Fair** (about a dozen duck-themed games and activities) coordinated by Jo Patrone and Kathryn King, a **Wine Garden** hosted by Working Dog Winery and vintners Mark and Linda Carduner, a **Barbeque Lunch** coordinated by Steve Beresik, and **Publicity and Prizes** coordinated by Clayton Smith.

All ages and all abilities are needed! There are lots of ways to be involved in preparation and at the event. We are also hoping to have kids on hand to help with the games. Please stay attentive to emails and announcements as we move forward, speak to area coordinators directly and sign up to help, plan to attend, and bring friends! The funds raised will be used to support outreach and ministries of the church.

COME AND HAVE A DUCKIE TIME!

THE WOMEN'S GUILD Welcome Lunch will occur on Tuesday, September 17th at noon.

Please join us as our guests for lunch and fellowship. Annual dues of \$10 will be collected, and a monthly meeting schedule will be distributed.



Flower Dedication Opportunities When we come to worship services each Sunday, we are blessed to see beautiful flowers on our altar. Oftentimes they are given to celebrate a special occasion or in memory of a loved one and sometimes just to offer a thank-you for our many blessings. There are often weeks when no one has chosen to have a dedication, and the Altar Guild pays for the flowers. It would be wonderful to have more folks dedicate and pay for flowers for just one Sunday. The cost is \$70 for altar flowers or \$80 for font flowers. There is a sign-up book on the table in the narthex with a page for each week; pick an open date and the office will contact you regarding your dedication. If you have specific flowers or colors, our florist will always try to accommodate your request.

Thank you Janice! Janice Liddy has been a joyful presence and anchor in our choir for a decade. Janice has accepted a new position in the choir where her family attends church. We offer great thanks today for her sharing her voice, smile, and dedication with us. Please join us at coffee hour to share some cake and our appreciation. God's blessings as you move on to sing God's praises!

