THE HOLY EUCHARIST

CONSECRATION SUNDAY OCTOBER 13, 2024



10:00 AM

St. Paul's Episcopal church Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast Foley, AL

Large print bulletins available in the narthex

The Holy Eucharist

Before the service speak to God.
During the service let God speak to you.
After the service speak to each other.
From St. Chad's, Shrewsbury

Prelude

Please stand at the ringing of the bell.

ENTRANCE HYMN God is here Renew Songbook #5

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 worthy magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

SONG OF PRAISE Gloria Hymnal 1982 #S280

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider 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 LESSONS

A reading from Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:12-17 Read responsively by whole verse

12 So teach us to number our days *

that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *

be gracious to your servants.

14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; * so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us * and the years in which we suffered adversity.

16 Show your servants your works * and your splendor to their children.

17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; * prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

A reading from Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

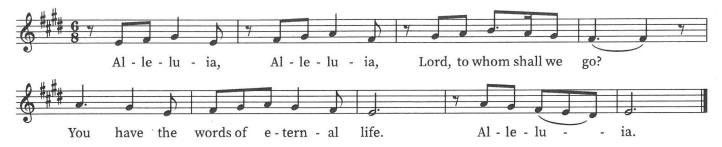
Reader

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ALLELUIA (the People stand as they are able)



Response before the Gospel

Presider

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Mark 10:17-31

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother." He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in

heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

Response after the Gospel

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON The Rev. Lydia Johnson

THE NICENE CREED (Standing)

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

The Leader and People pray responsively

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your generous hand you bless us with the things that sustain our lives. We thank you for calling us in Christ to be your people and for giving us the gift of the Holy Spirit to enable us to live our faith. Hear our prayers for the world, the Church, and the coming of your kingdom.

We pray for your Church throughout the world and especially for our own diocese and parish. Send your Spirit upon our bishop, clergy, and lay people that with joy we may work, give, and pray for the coming of your kingdom on earth.

Give us grace to accomplish the work you have given us to do.

We pray for the peace and welfare of the world. We pray for places of war and conflict, for places of disaster and calamity, and for all whose lives are impacted by any trouble.

Make us instruments of your peace and healing.

We remember before you all those in any need or want in our community. Give healing and peace to the sick, comfort to the troubled and hope to the hopeless.

May the ministries of our parish become instruments of your grace to the world around us.

We thank you for the members of this congregation in years past whose faithful support through time and talent provides the foundation for the work which we take up in our own day.

Give us the will to exercise good stewardship of our buildings so that we may pass them on to the next generation.

We pray for ourselves as we prepare to make our commitments of financial support to the work you have given this parish to do in this place for the coming year. Help us to respond in faith and with confidence that in giving we will receive.

Help us reflect your generosity to us in the choices we make.

We remember before you those who have died. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord. *And let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept.*

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown,

things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

The People stand if not ready standing.

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

GIVING COMMITMENT REFLECTION TIME

During this time our Consecration Sunday Guest Leader will guide us through completing our Estimate of Giving cards.

PRESENTATION OF ESTIMATES OF GIVING

Guest Leader

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all. Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. *1 Chronicles 29:11*

Here the People come forward and place their commitment cards in the offering basin. When all have brought forward their cards the basin is taken and placed on the Altar. All now stand as they are able.

Accept these commitments as signs of our gratitude and of our faith. Multiply them by your grace and grant that the work that they make possible brings honor and glory to you alone.

All things come of you, O Lord.

People

And of your own do we give back to you to use for the good of your Church and the coming of your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

OFFERTORY HYMN God whose giving knows no ending

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store: nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,

costly cross, grave's shattered door, gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise; thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

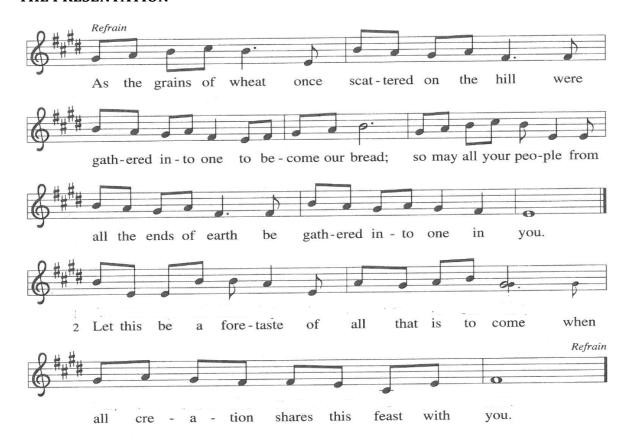
Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the Church made one. Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone; born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.

Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred; ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the Gospel Word. Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,

healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

The People stand as they are able as the offerings of bread, wine, money, and food are brought to the altar.

THE PRESENTATION



THE HOLY COMMUNION

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS



The people stand or kneel. Then the Presider continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Paul and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

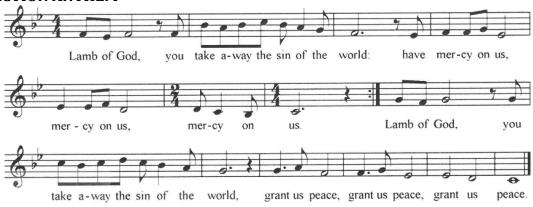
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD Silence is kept for time.

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider As grain from the hillside is made to be one bread

and grapes from the vineyard are made to be one cup.

People So may we, who are many, be made one

in this communion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION HYMN As the deer Renew Songbook #9

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

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. Amen.

BLESSING

HYMN Joyful, joyful we adore thee Hymnal 1982 #376

DISMISSAL

Presider The gospel we have heard,
People We will proclaim it.
Presider The grace we have received,
People We will share it.

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People With grateful hearts we go. Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For healing: Adriene, Al, Amber, Amy, Arlene, Becky, Bev, Carol, Charles, Cindy, David, Debbie, Dennis, Donna, Doug, Elsie Claire, Helen, Jake, Jan, Jerry, Joan, Joanna, Joey, John, Judith, Judy, Julie, Kate, Kay, Kirsten, Larry, Lee, Leigh, Leslie, Linda, Lulu, Lynn, Margaret, Marie, Massey, Meg, Mike, Milton, Morgan, Ralph, Rebecca, Rita, Ron, Sandy, Sarah, Sherry, Stan, Stephanie, Steve, Sue, Tim, Tony, Tracie, Vera, Wayne and those who care for them.

For those serving in the military: Kevin, Gerromy, Chris, Noel, Drew, Dalton, Kyle, Brad, Ben, Taylor, Jacob, Andrew, Neil, Wayne & those serving with them.

For those in prison: for the prisoners, staff and families of prisoners and staff at Geneva County Jail, Geneva, AL

SAINT PAUL'S THIS WEEK

TODAY

- 9 am Choir Practice
- 10 am Holy Eucharist followed by celebration luncheon
- 7 pm NA Meeting

MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED

- Noon NA Meeting
- 8 pm AA Meeting

WEDNESDAY

- 10:30 Pastor Brent's Bible Study
- Noon Holy Eucharist with Healing
- 3:15 pm to 4:15 pm Children's Choir

Practice

- 5 pm to 6 pm Choir Practice
- 7 pm NA Open Meeting

THURSDAY

- Noon NA Meeting
- 4pm Women's Bible Study
- 6 pm AA Meeting
- 8 pm AA Open Meeting

SATURDAY

• 10 am AA Meeting

REMEMBER EMI WHEN YOU SHOP

Cereal, green beans, corn, pancake mix & deodorant.

BLESSING BOX

Our Blessing Box is in need of donations of food and toiletries. Drop off on Sundays in the Parish Hall or in the office during the week. You are always welcomed to put food & supplies directly into the Blessing Box

TRASH AND TREASURE SALE ON OCTOBER 19th

The Trash & Treasure Sale will be on Saturday, Oct 19 from 8 am until 2ish. You may bring items to the office for storage between 9 & 4 Monday through Thursday or on Friday Oct 18 to the Parish Hall. Volunteers are needed to organize and price items on the 18 & to assist in sales on Oct 19. Contact Helen Lambard for more information

LAY DELEGATES TO ANNUAL CONVENTION NEEDED

St. Paul's needs to Lay Delegates to represent us at the Annual Convention of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast which will be held in Fort Walton Beach, February 21 and 22. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact either Pastor Brent or Karen Walters, Sr. Warden.

CLAY SHOOT INFORMATION AVAILABLE

The Clay Shoot will be on Nov 2 at the Santa Rosa Shooting Center. There are forms available for sponsorships in the Parish Hall 7 the church office. There are a variety of sponsorship levels and volunteer opportunities available. Please contact Howard Krauss 251 454-4214, Brian Lehmann 251 752-2262 or Kenneth Maidment 251 923-8304.

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