

# The Holy Communion

*Baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion*

## The Offertory

Trio	<i>Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor</i>	W. Owen (1813-1893)
	Cathedral Soloists	
At the Presentation	<i>The Doxology</i> <i>America vs. 4</i>	<i>Old 100<sup>th</sup></i> Hymnal 717

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Eucharistic Prayer A* BCP 361

*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.**

*The Celebrant continues:* 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; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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** Hymnal S-125

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

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

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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, BCP 364

## The Lord's Prayer

**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

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*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.

## Music at Communion

Hymn *King of glory, King of peace* *General Seminary*  
Hymnal 382

Hymn *God is Love, let heaven adore him* *Abbot's Leigh*  
Hymnal 379

BCP 365

## Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant:* 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

**Recessional** *Hosanna to the living Lord!* *Hosanna*  
Hymnal 486

## Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit.

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

**Postlude** *Improvisation on Hosanna* C. W. Powell  
(b. 1990)



*Please join us after the service for a time of hospitality in the Chapter House.*

## Ministers For Today

<b>Celebrant and Preacher</b> .....	Dean Gibson
<b>Assisting</b> .....	Canon Wagner
<b>First Reading</b> .....	Alison Mitchell
<b>Second Reading</b> .....	Kennon Drew
<b>Intercessor</b> .....	Ginny Behlen
<b>Chalice Bearers</b> .....	Ron Snider, Rick Mitchell
<b>Crucifers</b> .....	Anna Frances Weeks, Walt Hamil
<b>Acolytes</b> .....	Virginia Ladd, Sadie Ladd
<b>Children's Chapel</b> .....	Corinne Betbeze, Barbara Mitchell, Jordan Chow
<b>Altar Guild</b> .....	Carolyn Stephenson, Lyn Bennett, Holly Hall, Nance Stephens, Lynn Yankie
<b>Flower Guild</b> .....	Lynn Yankie
<b>Ushers</b> .....	Bob Forster, Cart Blackwell, John Ferguson, Douglas Kearley, Grant Zazour
<b>Hospitality Team</b> .....	Jill Chow, Cammie Israel, Lissa Watkins, Perri McKay, Jane White-Spunner



Christ Church Cathedral  
Cathedral of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast  
The Right Reverend J. Russell Kendrick, *Bishop*  
The Very Reverend Beverly Findley Gibson, Ph.D., *Dean and Rector*  
The Reverend Canon Daniel Andrew Wagner, *Canon Pastor*  
Christopher William Powell, *Organist and Choirmaster*



Mobile, Alabama

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 23, 2015

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two  
Ten o'clock in the morning

*We invite you to participate in the worship of God. Our service is the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two in The Book of Common Prayer. For ease of use, this leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and service music. Congregational responses are printed in bold. Hymn numbers refer to The Hymnal 1982. Page numbers refer to the Prayer Book for those wishing to use it. Lesson and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.*



*We extend a warm welcome to all visitors. A nursery is available.*

*A gentle reminder: please **turn off** all wireless devices before the service begins.*

*Sound enhancement receivers for the hearing impaired are available. Please see an usher.*

**Prelude** *Voluntary VIII from Vesper Voluntaries* E. Elgar  
(1857-1934)

## The Word of God

**Processional Hymn** *I come with joy to meet my Lord* *Land of Rest*  
Hymnal 304

Children's Chapel (*Ages 3 to Grade 3*) *Children process with the leader to the Chapel and return at the peace.*

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

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

**Collect for Purity** BCP 355

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 in excelsis** *Hymnal S-280*

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,**

**Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**The Collect of the Day** BCP 232

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you. *People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

### First Reading: *1 Kings 8:22-30, 41-43*

*Reader:* A Reading from the First Book of Kings

Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, “O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, ‘There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.’ Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David. But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Regard your servant’s prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, ‘My name shall be there,’ that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and forgive. Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name—for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm—when a foreigner comes and prays toward this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built.”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

### *Psalm 84 Quam dilecta!*

*All chant in unison.*

BCP 707

<sup>1</sup> *How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! \**

*My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.*

<sup>2</sup> *The sparrow has found her a house*

*and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; \**  
*by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,  
my King and my God.*

<sup>3</sup> *Happy are they who dwell in your house! \**

*they will always be praising you.*

<sup>4</sup> *Happy are the people whose strength is in you! \**

*whose hearts are set on the pilgrims’ way.*

<sup>5</sup> *Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, \**

*for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.*

<sup>6</sup> *They will climb from height to height, \**

*and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.*

<sup>7</sup> *Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; \**

*hearken, O God of Jacob.*

<sup>8</sup> *Behold our defender, O God; \**

*and look upon the face of your A-nointed.*

<sup>9</sup> *For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, \**

*and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God*

*than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.*

<sup>10</sup> *For the Lord God is both sun and shield; \**

*he will give grace and glory;*

<sup>11</sup> *No good thing will the Lord with-hold \**

*from those who walk with in-tegrity.*

<sup>12</sup> *O Lord of hosts, \**

*happy are they who put their trust in you!*

## Second Reading:

### *Ephesians 6:10-20*

*Reader:* A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

## Sequence Hymn

*How lovely is thy dwelling place* vs. 1-2

*Brother James’ Air*  
Hymnal 517

## The Holy Gospel:

### *John 6:56-69*

*Reader:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People:* **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.” Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

*Reader:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Sequence Hymn

*How lovely is thy dwelling place* vs. 3-4

*Brother James’ Air*  
Hymnal 517

## The Sermon

### The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

**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 - Form VI

BCP 392

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Katharine, our Presiding Bishop; Michael, our Presiding Bishop-elect; Russell, our Bishop; Beverly and Dan, our priests; and for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*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.**

*Celebrant:* 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

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

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

## Welcome and Announcements