Parish of the Good Shepherd

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN WABAN, MASSACHUSETTS

The Third Sunday after Pentecost June 29, 2025 – 10:00AM

CHORAL EUCHARIST, Rite I
The Book of Common Prayer, page 323

Voluntary Moderato in G

Elizabeth Stirling (1819–1895)

The people stand as the bell tolls.

Processional Hymn *The Hymnal 1982* #518

Westminster Abbey

"Christ is made the sure foundation"

THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer 323

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity and Summary of the Law

The Song of Praise Benedictus es, Domine

The Hymnal 1982 #S 236

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

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;

on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

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

Glory to you, beholding the depths;

in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

The Collect of the Day

The Book of Common Prayer 178

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made

an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

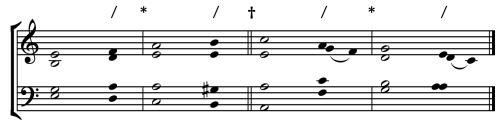
The First Lesson The People sit. 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 77:11-12, 15-20 Voce mea ad Dominum Chant: James Frazier (b. 1947)



- 11 I will remember the works of the / Lord, * and call to mind your wonders of old / time.
- 12 I will meditate on all your / acts * and ponder your mighty / deeds.
- 15 By your strength you have redeemed your / people, * the children of Jacob and / Joseph.
- 16 The waters saw you, O God; the waters saw you and / trembled; * the very depths were / shaken.
- 17 The clouds poured out water; the skies / thundered; * your arrows flashed to and / fro;
- 18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind; your lightnings lit up the / world; * the earth trembled and / shook.
- 19 Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the great / waters, * yet your footsteps were not / seen.
- 20 You led your people like a / flock * by the hand of Moses and / Aaron.

The Second Lesson

Galatians 5:1,13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall

love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



Words: Veni, Creator Spiritus; attr. Rabanus Maurus (c.780-856), tr. Edward Caswall (1814-1878), alt.

The Gospel Standing

Luke 9:51-62

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon The People sit.

The Nicene Creed The People stand. The Book of Common Prayer 326

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 III) Standing The Book of Common Prayer 387

The Leader and the People pray responsively.

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

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

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest.

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession of Sin

The Book of Common Prayer 331

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The people kneel.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against thee

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved thee with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways,

to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and adds an absolution.

The Peace The people stand. The Book of Common Prayer 332

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Welcome, Announcements, and Offertory Sentence

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem O for a closer walk with God

C.V. Stanford (1852-1924)

The ushers collect the offering. Your generosity supports the ministries & work of this parish.

The People stand as the Offering is presented, at the conclusion of the Offertory Anthem.

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer II)

giving (Prayer II)

The Book of Common Prayer 340

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues with the Proper Preface until saying,

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

"Holy, holy, holy" Sanctus

The Hymnal 1982 #S 114

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer until saying,

By whom and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

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

"Our Father" The Lord's Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer 336

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

"O Lamb of God" Agnus Dei

The Hymnal 1982 S 158

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The Presentation and Invitation

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

We welcome all haptized persons, regardless of denomination or tradition to receive Communion. Please come forward as the ushers direct you. The Celebrant communicates every individual with bread. To receive wine, you may either drink from the common cup or by intinction. Those wishing to receive a blessing instead should indicate by crossing their arms.

During the Administration of the Sacrament

Anthem The 23rd Psalm

Bobby McFerrin (b. 1950)

Hymn *The Hymnal 1982* #655

"O Jesus, I have promised"

Nyland

The Post-Communion Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer 339

Celebrant and People, kneeling

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

The people stand for the processional hymn.

Processional Hymn The Hymnal 1982 #344

The People Stand.

Sicilian Mariners

"Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing"

The Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary Fugue

François Couperin (1668-1733)

Parish Notes for The Third Sunday after Pentecost

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for the Presence of the Parish of Good Shepherd in our lives by **Loring and Louise Conant**.

Lemonade on the Lawn – Please join us on the Good Shepherd Green with today's host(s) **Sarah Kupovykh**

This Week at Good Shepherd:

Sunday 10:00 AM Choral Holy Eucharist

Lemonade on the Lawn Follows

<u>Tuesday</u> 6:30 PM Bible Study on ZOOM

Summer ROTA – Please SignUp to serve on Sundays this summer at 10AM. You can sign up electronically by following the LINK in our weekly email or at Coffee Hour.

Altar Flowers sign-up Chart for 2025 is available in the Common Room.

Adult Forum Returns in September

September 7 "Raising Grounded Children in a Culture of Abundance" September 14 "Intentional Goals-based Parenting Amid the Busyness"

with Covie Edwards-Pitt, Good Shepherd Senior Warden, financial advisor and author, and founder of the Center for Family Well-Being

Music Minute - Today's communion anthem is by Bobby McFerrin, son of Robert McFerrin, the first Black man to sing at the Metropolitan Opera, and Sara Copper, a sought-after vocal instructor and competition judge. Bobby sang in his youth at St. John's Cathedral in Los Angeles, and has since charted an extraordinary path as a "vocal chameleon" (New York Times), his impact extending far beyond the church. Musically, The 23rd Psalm is structured much like the Anglican Chant he would have sung as a chorister: set in four-part harmony, each half-verse of the psalm text begins on a reciting tone and closes with a formula of either three or five chords. For this setting, McFerrin also crafted his own version of the psalm text (many of the hymns we sing are paraphrases of psalms, such as "The king of love my shepherd is"); among the distinctive features of his version are the feminine pronouns that he uses to refer to the Lord, a choice inspired by his family: "The 23rd Psalm is dedicated to my mother. She was the driving force in my religious and spiritual education, and I have so many memories of her singing in church. But I wrote it because I'd been reading the Bible one morning, and I was thinking about God's unconditional love, about how we crave it but have so much trouble believing we can trust it, and how we can't fully understand it. And then I left my reading and spent time with my wife and our children. Watching her with them, the way she loved them, I realized one of the ways we're shown a glimpse of how God loves us is through our mothers. They cherish our spirits, they demand that we become our best selves, and they take care of us." McFerrin's setting thus participates in a long, rich history of using feminine words and imagery to describe God, echoing Julian of Norwich's own description of God as "our mother."

Serving in the Liturgy today:

Gene Wayne – Lector/Usher; Robert Chrisitan – Deacon; Sunu Yeh – Subdeacon; Sarah Kupovykh – Intercessor; Mike Yeh – AV Tech; George Bracher – Acolyte; Marilyn Crone – Altar Guild

The Reverend Kevin Vetiac – Celebrant and Preacher

The Reverend Dr. James A. Weldon, Jr., Rector The Reverend Kevin Vetiac, Priest Associate Dr. James C. Apgar, Organist/Choirmaster Dr. Rachel Teubner, Christian Education Director Sara Foley, Parish Administrator

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