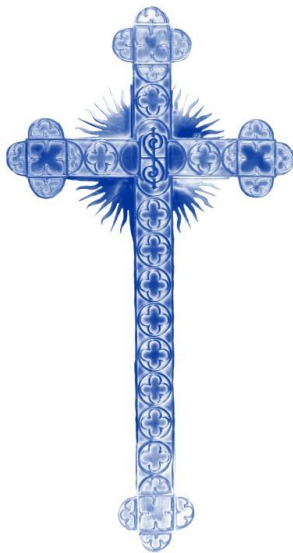


CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

September 6, 2026 ✕ 10:30 am



The Word of God

Voluntary

Hymn # 400

All creatures of our God and King

Lasst uns erfreuen

Opening Acclamation

BCP, p. 355

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Glory to God

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.**

The First Lesson

Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Reader: The Word of the Lord

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

The Psalm

Psalm 119:33-40

Legem pone

S 411

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



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- 33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your **statutes**, *
and I shall keep it to the **end**.
- 34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your **law**; *
I shall keep it with all my **heart**.
- 35 Make me go in the path of your **commandments**, *
for that is my **desire**.
- 36 Incline my heart to your **decrees** *
and not to unjust **gain**.
- 37 Turn my eyes from watching what is **worthless**; *
give me life in your **ways**.
- 38 Fulfill your promise to your **servant**, *
which you make to those who **fear you**.
- 39 Turn away the reproach which I **dread**, *
because your judgments are **good**.
- 40 Behold, I long for your **commandments**; *
in your righteousness preserve my **life**.

The Second Lesson

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

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

Hymn # 655 (vv. 1-2)

O Jesus, I have promised

Nyland

The Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Preacher: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Preacher: The Gospel of the Lord

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

Hymn # 655 (v.3)

O Jesus, I have promised

Nyland

The Sermon

The Rev. Webster Gibson

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People (Congregational response: “*Hear our prayer.*”)

Confession & Absolution

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The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Hymn # 435

At the Name of Jesus

King's Weston

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

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Holy, holy, holy Lord

David Hurd

The Lord's Prayer

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Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

David Hurd

The Invitation

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The Communion of the People

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Baptized Christians are invited to receive bread and wine; all others are encouraged to come forward for a blessing.

Kneel or stand as able.

Following the direction of the ushers, please come to the rail with pulpit side (right) filling rail from right to center, and lectern side (left) filling rail from center to left. As the clergy distributes the bread, hold both hands out and up.

If you need communion brought to you, please alert an usher.

To receive the wine:

- *To sip from the chalice: Gently take the base of the chalice and guide the chalice to your mouth. Do not grab the main part of the chalice.*
- *To intinct: Hold your wafer up to indicate intinction to the chalice. The chalice will take the wafer from you, dip the edge into the wine and return it to your hand.*

Those who wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

During Communion

Hymn # 490

I want to walk as a child of the light

Houston

Post Communion Prayer

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Hymn # 527

Singing songs of expectation

Ton-y-Botel

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Celebrant: We send to those who cannot be with us the Sacrament of Christ's loving presence.
People: May the prayers of all of us go with you as you share in the communion.

* *"S" Hymns are found in the front section of the hymnal.*

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Lay Eucharistic Ministers – John Applin, Mary Margaret Applin

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Jazmine Pellot, Pat Shaner

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Altar Guild – Ginny North, Maria Tedesco

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