

**Good Shepherd Episcopal Church**  
**The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
Sunday, October 5, 2025



*Boldly engaging the world as God's shepherds, sharing God's blessings and creating Heaven on Earth, one person at a time.*

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**Holy Eucharist – 9:00 a.m.**

**Salutation** Book of Common Prayer p. 323

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

**Collect for Purity** Book of Common Prayer p. 323

**The Comfortable Words** Book of Common Prayer p. 324

**The Gloria** Book of Common Prayer p. 324

**Collect of the Day**

Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**Readings** (See 11:00 service)

**The First Lesson** Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

**Psalms 37:1-10**

**The Second Lesson** 2 Timothy 1:1-14

**Holy Gospel** Luke 17:5-10

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**Homily** The Rev. Beverly Braine

<b>The Nicene Creed</b>	Book of Common Prayer p. 326
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Book of Common Prayer p. 328
<b>Confession of Sin and Absolution</b>	Book of Common Prayer p. 331
<b>Peace</b>	
<b>Announcements</b>	
<b>Holy Communion</b>	
<b>Presentation of Our Gifts</b>	
<i>All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.</i>	
	1 Chronicles 29:14b
<b>Great Thanksgiving</b>	
<b>Eucharistic Prayer II</b>	Book of Common Prayer p. 340
<b>Lord's Prayer</b>	
<b>Breaking of the Bread</b>	
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; <i>Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.</i>	
<b>Agnus Dei</b>	Book of Common Prayer p. 337
<b>Prayer of Humble Access</b>	Book of Common Prayer p. 337
<b>Post Communion Prayer</b>	Book of Common Prayer p. 339
<b>Blessing and Dismissal</b>	

**Prayer is available at the altar.**

### **Those Who Serve**

**9:00am:**

**EMs:** Elizabeth Rybicki, Deanna DuBose; **Lector:** Ines Klenke;  
**Intercessor:** Mary Anne Koos; **Usher:** Amy Nicolson; **Altar Guild:** Beth Hitchcock;  
**VPOD:** Pam Roman; **Ingles cards:** Joe Rybicki

## Holy Eucharist – 11:00 a.m.

### Prelude

### Processional *Be thou my vision, o Lord of my heart*

Hymnal 488



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,



all else be nought to me, save that thou art—  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!



thou my best thought, — by day or by night,  
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;  
Heart of my heart, — what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931); tr. Eleanor H. Hull (1860-1935), alt. Music: *Slane*, Irish ballad melody; adapt. *The Church Hymnary*, 1927; harm. David Evans (1874-1948). By permission of Oxford University Press.

### Salutation

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
*People* *Glory to God for ever and 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 worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## The Gloria

Hymnal S280

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant*            The Lord be with you.  
*People*              *And also with you.*  
*Celebrant*            Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The First Lesson

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.  
O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,  
    and you will not listen?  
Or cry to you "Violence!"  
    and you will not save?  
Why do you make me see wrong-doing  
    and look at trouble?  
Destruction and violence are before me;  
    strife and contention arise.  
So the law becomes slack  
    and justice never prevails.  
The wicked surround the righteous--  
    therefore judgment comes forth perverted.  
I will stand at my watchpost,  
    and station myself on the rampart;  
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,  
    and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

Then the LORD answered me and said:

Write the vision;

make it plain on tablets,  
so that a runner may read it.

For there is still a vision for the appointed time;  
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it;  
it will surely come, it will not delay.

Look at the proud!

Their spirit is not right in them,  
but the righteous live by their faith.

*Reader*        *The Word of the Lord.*

*People*        *Thanks be to God.*

### **Psalm 37:1-10**

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; \*  
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, \*  
and like the green grass fade away.
- 3 Put your trust in the LORD and do good; \*  
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in the LORD, \*  
and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- 5 Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him, \*  
and he will bring it to pass.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light \*  
and your just dealing as the noonday.
- 7 Be still before the LORD \*  
and wait patiently for him.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, \*  
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; \*  
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off, \*  
but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

<i>Reader</i>	<i>The Word of the Lord.</i>
<i>People</i>	<i>Thanks be to God.</i>



1 Book of books, our peo - ple's strength, states-man's, teach - er's, he - ro's  
 2 Thank we those who toiled in thought, man - y di - verse scrolls com -  
 3 Praise we God, who hath in - spired those whose wis - dom still di -

trea - sure, bring - ing free - dom, spread - ing truth,  
 plet - ing, po - ets, pro - phets, schol - ars, saints,  
 rects us; praise him for the Word made flesh,

shed - ding light that none can mea - sure: wis - dom comes to  
 each a word from God re - peat - ing; till they came, who  
 for the Spi - rit which pro - tects us. Light of know - ledge,

those who know thee, all the best we have we owe thee.  
 told the sto - ry of the Word, and showed his glo - ry.  
 ev - er burn - ing, shed on us thy death - less learn - ing.

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## Holy Gospel

## Luke 17:5-10

*Celebrant*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People*        *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

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

**Hymn** *Book of Books* (v 3) Hymnal 631

**Homily** The Rev. Beverly Braine

**Nicene Creed** Book of Common Prayer p. 358

Prayers of the People: Form 6 Book of Common Prayer p. 392

**Confession** Book of Common Prayer p. 393

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** Book of Common Prayer p. 360

# Peace

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*        *And also with you.*

## Announcements



## Holy Communion

### Offertory

Our God is Love  
- Choir & piano

arr. Mary McDonald

### Doxology (v. 3)

Hymnal 380

## Great Thanksgiving Enriching Our Worship I

*The people remain standing*

*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 our thanks and praise.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with creation as we sing:

### Sanctus

Hymnal S125

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died.*

*Christ is risen.*

*Christ will come again.*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Joseph, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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.

## **Lord's Prayer**

Blue Songbook pg. 75

## **Fraction**

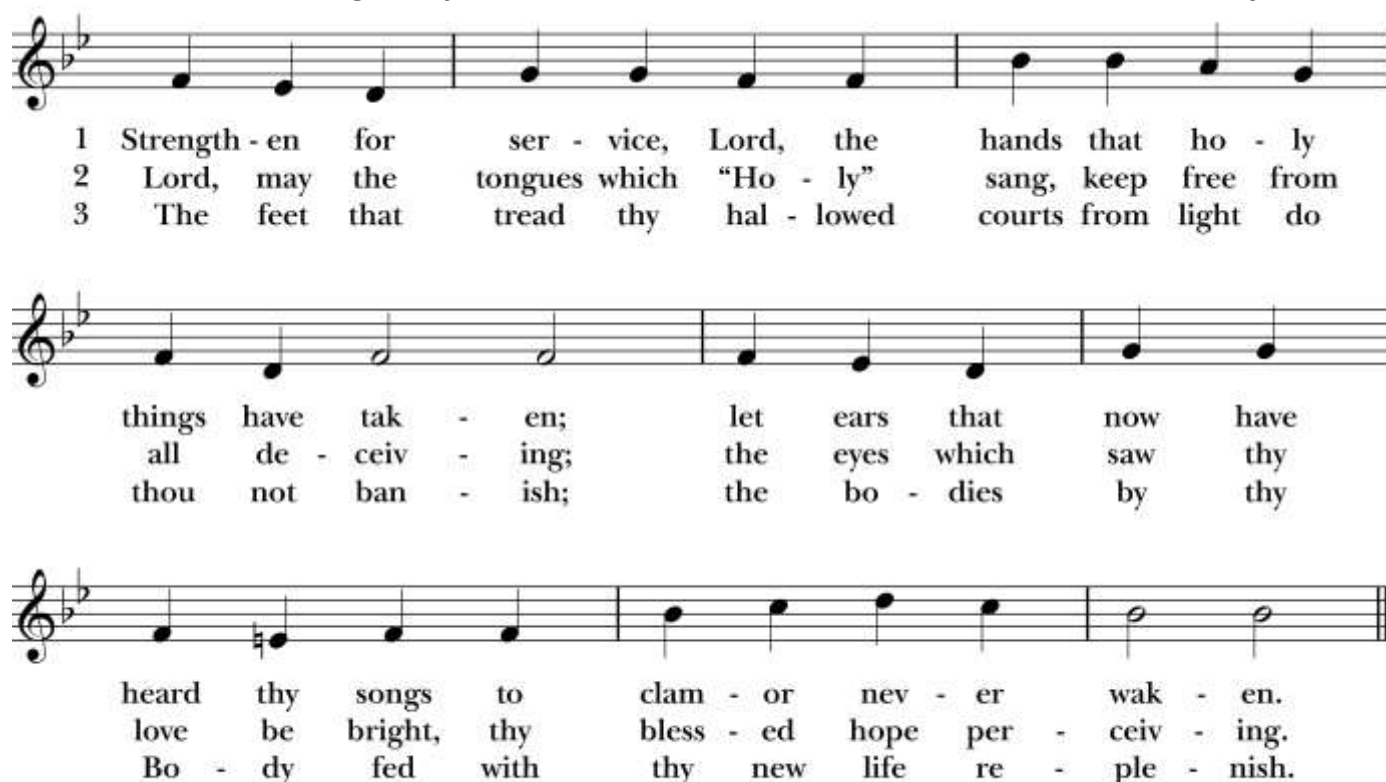
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

## **Invitation to Communion**

Communion      I Wonder as I Wander  
 - Solo: Nora Broszeit  
*Strengthen for Service*

Hymnal 312



1 Strength - en for ser - vice, Lord, the hands that ho - ly  
 2 Lord, may the tongues which "Ho - ly" sang, keep free from  
 3 The feet that tread thy hal - lowed courts from light do

things have tak - en; let ears that now have  
 all de - ceiv - ing; the eyes which saw thy  
 thou not ban - ish; the bo - dies by thy

heard thy songs to clam - or nev - er wak - en.  
 love be bright, thy bless - ed hope per - ceiv - ing.  
 Bo - dy fed with thy new life re - ple - nish.

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## Post Communion Prayer

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

## Blessing

1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man  
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for  
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing  
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we

need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's  
 bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we  
 light, in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our  
 go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged love in liv - ing

per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship  
 mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion  
 quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens  
 deeds to show; hope and health, good will and com - fort,

not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing  
 healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your  
 your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to  
 coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,

to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.  
 Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.  
 tire - less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.  
 Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

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 Music: *Blaenhafren*, Welsh melody.

**Dismissal**

**Postlude**

**Prayer is available at the altar.**

**Those Who Serve**

**11:00am:**

**EMs:** Sharon Kyser, Tom Griffiths; **Lector:** Cayolyn Cline-Griffiths;

**Intercessor:** Jerry Taylor; **Usher:** David Gribble;

**Altar Guild:** Jan Chatterton, Gail Criss;

**Altar Linens:** Kathy Marcel; **Nursery:** Hattie Sheehy, Jean Gora;

**Flower Guild:** Jeff King, Betsi Wilson; **VPOD:** Aline Conley;

**Videographer:** Mike Gora; **Ingles cards:** Jan Freeman; **Greeter:** Kevin Conley

*Flowers are given in Thanksgiving to God by Melanie and Bill Breedlove on the celebration of their first wedding anniversary.*

**Christian Education**

**Wednesday- Lectionary Bible Study**

We meet on Wednesdays at 1:00pm in the Undercroft. This group works through the appointed readings for the following Sunday. Please contact Fr. Bill for more information.

**Parish Life and Church Community**

The Good Shepherd T-shirts and Hoodies have arrived. You may pick yours up in the parish hall after both services this Sunday. Any payment due can be settled at pickup.

Women Walking winter hours have begun! We will meet at 10:00am on Mondays at the Lake Chatuge Dam parking lot.

We are in need of **volunteers for the nursery**. Please, contact Liz Rybicki @ 404-510-0246 if interested.

Attention! We will have some delicious **Brunswick Stew for sale** after BOTH services next **Sunday, October 12, 2025**.

**Parish Life-** Come join us at the **Peacock** at **7:30pm on Saturday, October 25th** for an evening of ghost stories, spooky songs, mad music, tricky tricks and tasty treats. We will be meeting at **Nocturnal at 5:30pm** for a fellowship dinner before the show. Please sign up in the Parish Hallway if you plan to meet for dinner.

**Happy 70th Birthday, Good Shepherd!!!!** We will be celebrating Good Shepherd and us as the church stewards for the next couple of months. Our stewardship campaign theme is MAKING CHOICES. Please look at the posters and the decorated bulletin board in the information hallway that will have weekly rotating pictures and information 'goodies' that we hope will help you make your choices regarding how you've been blessed and how you might use your time, talents and treasures to continue the generosity and service that is the legacy of Good Shepherd.

Most Sundays you will find **Ingles grocery cards** on sale in the parish hall. For every \$100 card sold the church earns \$5 for our outreach ministry. Sales of Ingles Cards are one of our major fundraising vehicles for outreach and we appreciate your participation. If you are not currently buying cards from us, please considering do so. Even occasional purchases of small amounts are helpful. And if you shop for groceries elsewhere, use them for your gas purchases.

## Service

**Matt's Ministry** – Contact Joe Rybicki

**Meal Ministry** – Contact Kathy Wright

**Medical Loan Closet** – Contact Helga Reaves

**The Order of St. George** – Contact Turner Guidry at 828-361-0497

**Brotherhood of the Fire** – Contact Turner Guidry at 828-361-0497

**Meals For Friends**– Contact Aline Conley at 504-214-1909

Drivers on **October 7, 2025** are:

Town: Suzy Christensen

City: Aline Conley

Tusquittee: Dave & Barb Field

## In Our Prayers

**Those in Need of Comfort and Healing:** *Pat Fox, Pat Halloran, Chosh Dacey, Linda Wingo, Pat Hicks, BJ and Bob Schweikert, Bev Larson, Chris Mulholland, Patti and Chuck Underwood, Ed and Sue Kelley, Jeanne Harper, Nora and Richard Broszeit, Ann Wolf, Ella Angelillo, Philip Bannister, Frank Burdo, Helen NaiSmith, Teresa and David Gribble, Mary Strange, Cooper Godfrey, OV Lewis, Shiloh Farmer, Sallie Free, Meagan Borro, Adelaide Fullilove, Shane Douylliez, Janice Lemaire, Anne Hourdequin, Meghan Hoffer, Kelly Crawford, Jim Toncos, Randy Emberg, Mere Samsil, Lillian Mann, Eileen Adams, Bruce Beall, Jay Miller, Andrew Fairweather, Bob Wilkerson, Lynne Blanks, Gracie Wilkinson, Doug Stuart, Mike Gora*

**Good Shepherd Ministries** – This week we pray for *The Sextons' Ministry* at Good Shepherd.



## Calendar

### **Monday**

***October 6***

9:00 am	Exercise Class
10:00 am	Women Walking, Women Talking @ Chatuge Dam
10:00 am	Library Maintenance

### **Tuesday**

***October 7***

10:00 am	Yoga
6:00 pm	BOTF
7:00 pm	Soaking Prayer

### **Wednesday**

***October 8***

9:00 am	Exercise
11:30 am	Private Group (Undercroft)
12:00 pm	Holy Eucharist
	NO LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY

### **Thursday**

***October 9***

6:45 am	Order of St. George
10:00 am	Yoga
11:30 am	DOK Meeting (Undercroft)
6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal

### **Friday**

***October 10***

9:00 am	Exercise Class
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### **Saturday**

***October 11***

No Activities Scheduled

### **Sunday**

***October 12***

9:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite I
11:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II
	Brunswick Stew Sale!

**Jesus Christ, Head of the Church**

The Rt. Rev. José A. McLoughlin, Bishop  
The Rev. Dr. Bill Breedlove, Rector  
The Rev. Dr. Delmer Chilton, Theologian in Residence  
The Rev. Beverly Braine, Priest Associate  
The Rev. Dcn. Turner Guidry (Ret.)  
Mary Carol Campbell, Organist  
Teresa Lemaire, Director of Music  
Susan Wyman, Bookkeeper  
Kevin Conley, Treasurer  
Tawanna Dutton, Assistant Treasurer  
Liz Rybicki, Nursery Supervisor  
Jon Czarnecki, Sexton  
Amanda Farmer, Parish Administrator

**VESTRY**

Sr. Warden: David Gribble; Jr. Warden: Phil Cox  
Class of 2025: Patti Brownlee, David Gribble, Pam Roman  
Class of 2026: Phil Cox, Tawanna Dutton, Betsi Wilson  
Class of 2027: Jose Arias, Aline Conley, Jeff King

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