



THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Episcopal Church of

The Redeemer

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HOLY EUCHARIST

SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

8:00 AM

Worship is our effort of praise and thanksgiving for what God has done that we cannot do for ourselves.

Welcome to The Redeemer. We're glad you're here!

Worship at The Redeemer

The order for worship is found within this leaflet. The Book of Common Prayer page numbers for the liturgy are indicated throughout. If you are a visitor, we invite you to sign the guest book in the entrance or fill out one of the cards in the pew and make yourself known to those around you—parishioners and staff will be happy to answer any questions you may have about our liturgy, programs or facilities. Information on parish activities can be found in the enclosed *News from The Redeemer* and on www.TheRedeemer.org.

Sunday
8:00am-Rite I
Holy Eucharist: without music
9:30am-Holy Eucharist
last Sunday of the month
Choral Matins with Communion
& via Livestream
5:00pm
1st & 3rd Sundays
Choral Evensong
8:00pm-Compline via Zoom
Tuesday & Thursday
9:00pm-Compline via Zoom

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP page 323

Presider Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

KYRIE

Presider Lord, have mercy upon us.
People **Christ, have mercy upon us.**
Presider Lord, have mercy upon us.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Presider Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, not to mind earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to cleave to those that shall abide; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The congregation is seated.



READING from *The Book of Jonah 3:10-4:11*

Following the reading:

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 145:1-8

Exaltabo te, Deus (I will exalt you, O God)

Said by all

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King, *
and bless your Name for ever and ever.**
- 2 Every day will I bless you *
and praise your Name for ever and ever.**
- 3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
there is no end to his greatness.**
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another *
and shall declare your power.**
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *
and all your marvelous works.**
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, *
and I will tell of your greatness.**
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; *
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.**
- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.**

GOSPEL from *The Gospel According to Matthew 20:1-16*

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mathew.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Following the reading:

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Peter T. Vanderveen

NICENE CREED, *said by all, standing*

BCP page 649

**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, who,
 with the Father and the Son, is worshiped and glorified,
 who 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.

CONFESSION OF SIN, *all kneeling*

BCP page 331

Presider Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Presider and People **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.**

Presider Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The congregation stands.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Communion. Please proceed by way of the center aisle and return to your pew via the side aisles. To receive the bread, simply extend your hands.

If you do not wish to take wine or you wish to receive a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.

*Infants and children may also receive Communion or a blessing,
 according to their or their parents' wishes.*

If you need a gluten free wafer, please ask for it from the person administering Communion.

The congregation is invited to stand.

PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer II
 BCP page 340

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Presider It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. . .

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

SANCTUS, said by all

**Holy, 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 who cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel.

The presider continues,

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER, said by all

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

**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

BCP page 337

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

After Communion, the Presider says: Let us pray.

Presider and People

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.

SENDING OUT OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRACE NOTES. . .

small things that herald greater ones.

All by Paul Holmer: Communicating the Faith Indirectly

Compiled by the Rector

Worship requires not that one likes the liturgy but that one comes to abide in God.

The striking and complete adoration and reverence paid to God is part of the logic of knowing God.

Liturgy itself is not a celebration unless one has learned first that there is a God whose benefits can be praised.

It is not as if the liturgy should please us. Rather it is the case that we must please God.

Thank you for worshiping with us in this service. Your contribution or pledge payment sustains our presence as the church to the community. If you're giving cash, check or offering envelopes, please drop them in the offering plates at the back of the church. You can give online at www.TheRedeemer.org/give, text TheRedeemer to 73256, Venmo (@TheRedeemer), or PayPal (Church of the Redeemer).

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Traditional - Rite I

Grant us, O Lord, not to mind earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to cleave to those that shall abide; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemporary - Rite II

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

READING from *The Book of Jonah* 3:10-4:11

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil way, God repented of the evil which he had said he would do to them; and he did not do it. But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was angry. And he prayed to the Lord and said, "I pray thee, Lord, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and you repent of evil. Therefore now, O Lord, take my life from me, I beseech you, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the Lord said, "Does it do you well to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat to the east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, till he should see what would become of the city. And the Lord God appointed a plant, and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade

over his head, to save him from his discomfort. So Jonah was exceedingly glad because of the plant. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm which attacked the plant, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God appointed a sultry east wind, and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah so that he was faint; and he asked that he might die, and said, "It is better for me to die than to live." But God said to Jonah, "Does it do you well to be angry for the plant?" And he said, "I do well to be angry, angry enough to die." And the Lord said, "You pity the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did you make it grow, which came into being in a night, and perished in a night. And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle?"

PSALM 145:1-8

1. I will magnify thee, O God, my King
and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.
2. Every day will I give thanks unto thee
and praise thy Name for ever and ever.
3. Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised
there is no end of his greatness.
4. One generation shall praise thy works unto another
and declare thy power.

Exaltabo te, Deus (I will magnify thee, O God)

5. As for me, I will be talking of thy worship
thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;
6. So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts
and I will also tell of thy greatness.
7. The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed
and men shall sing of thy righteousness.
8. The Lord is gracious and merciful
long-suffering and of great goodness.

READING from *The Letter of Paul to the Philippians* 1:21-30

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so

that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well--since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

GOSPEL from The Gospel According to Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, begin-

ning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

ANTHEM TEXTS

Great day Moses Hogan
Great day, the righteous marchin'
Marchin' up Zion's wall
Oo, my Lord, God's gonna build up Zion's wall.

Chariot moved on the mountain top, brother
God's gonna build up Zion's wall
My God spoke an' de chariot stopped, sister
God's gonna build up Zion's wall.

This is the year of Jubilee, brother
God's gonna build up Zion's wall
My God set His people free, sister
God's gonna build up Zion's wall.

Tantum ergo Jessica French
Sung in Latin
Tantum ergo Sacramentum
Veneremur cernui:
Et antiquum documentum
Novo cedat ritui:
Præstet fides supplementum
Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque
Laus et Jubilatio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque
Sit et benedictio:
Procedenti ab utroque
Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

English translation
Hence so greatly the Sacrament
Let us venerate with heads bowed
And let the old practice
Give way to the new rite;
Let faith provide a supplement
For the failure of the senses.

To the Begetter and the Begotten
Be praise and jubilation,
Hail, honor, virtue also,
And blessing too:
To the One proceeding from Both
Let there be equal praise. Amen.

DID YOU KNOW

Did you know, as we approach the 175th Anniversary of Church of The Redeemer, it is important to reflect on the importance of Stewardship over the history of the church and imagine where Stewardship can propel the church in years ahead? The generosity of many has enabled the beautiful worship space, serene campus and the exquisite New Parish House; Stewardship provided generations of maintenance, programing, staffing and outreach. The Redeemer is blessed with strong support for Stewardship and we look forward to another successful campaign this fall as we partake in the Episcopal tradition of sustaining our shared community for the year ahead, and the generations to come. Thank you to all who participated in Stewardship this past year and to those who will mark this milestone 175th Anniversary with a pledge for 2027.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by: William W. Sniffin in memory o Ronald Charles Sniffen, Jane Bodine Sniffen, John Bodine Sniffen and Angela Sniffen King and by Stephen LoCastro and Laurie MacKenzie in memory of Normas MacKenzie.

SERVING THE PARISH

8:00am

Lector: Ann Strong

Eucharistic Minister: Arden Saligman

Altar Guild Team: Betsy Crowell, Barbara Hobbs, Min Hwa Kupfer

Clergy: Peter Vanderveen-*Preacher*, Jo Ann Jones-*Officiant / Celebrant*

Eucharistic Visitor: Mike Thompson

Flower Guild: Jan Clarke, Ginny Williams, Sue Denious, Jeanne Holman, Joanna Johnson, Jennie Steward

Ushers: Gloria dePasquale, Lisa McLean

9:30am

Lector: Rhonda Hill Wilson

Eucharistic Minister: Betsy Crowell

Acolytes: William O'Neill, Catherine Zafiriou, Andrew Pozos, Ollie Ravenscroft, Sophia Scott

Altar Guild Team: Betsy Crowell, Barbara Hobbs, Min Hwa Kupfer

Choir: Redeemer and Choristers

Children's Chapel: Glen Beamer, Jo Ann Jones

Clergy: Peter Vanderveen-*Preacher / Officiant*, Jo Ann Jones-*Celebrant*

Flower Guild: Jan Clarke, Ginny Williams, Sue Denious, Jeanne Holman, Joanna Johnson, Jennie Steward

Greeter: Sally Moser

Director of Music & Organist: Andrew Senn

Organ Scholar: Ted Babbitt

Livestream Operator: Presley Schwinn

Ushers: TBD

Vergers: Bob Mikrut-*Head Verger*, Marshall Zafiriou