



St. Simon's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, November 16, 2025



Welcome to St. Simon's

I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. (John 10:10)

St. Simon's exists so that everyone can experience the abundant life Jesus came to bring. While there are many, many ways God's abundance comes to us, here at St. Simon's we understand our call to help each other and our neighbors...

...experience delight and joy as a way to connect with God.

...have basic needs met as a way to be safe.

...enjoy connection to community as a way to avoid loneliness.

If you are here today, you belong, no matter where you are on your journey of faith. St. Simon's is a joyful and hopeful congregation that invites everyone to this abundant life, doubts and questions included. Please feel free to participate as fully in the worship of God as you wish. Lift your voice in praise, respond to the prayers and readings, and come to the altar for communion or a blessing. Or, if you prefer, sit back quietly and allow God's Spirit to speak to you in the way that feels most comfortable.

Wherever you find yourself on the journey, there is a place for you here.
May you encounter God in this community.

The Holy Eucharist

** Indicates the assembly stands, if able.*

*All portions of the service in **Bold** are spoken by the assembly.*

Please silence your cell phone.

Prelude

Words of Welcome

We gather in this place to experience God
a little differently than we do during the week.

We come openly with all our questions and doubts
all our joy and care
all our brokenness and brilliance.

Jesus knows you exactly as you are and invites you
beyond certainty into mystery
beyond transaction into relationship
beyond fear and shame into peace.

Come away to the place within you
and within the people around you
where he waits to meet you.

Opening Hymn

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

Ellacombe



1. I sing the might - y pow'r of God That made the
 2. I sing the good-ness of the Lord That filled the
 3. There's not a plant or flow'r be - low, But makes thy

1. moun-tains rise, That spread the flow-ing seas a - broad, And
 2. earth with food; He formed the crea-tures with his word, And
 3. glo - ries known; And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow By

1. built the loft - y skies. I sing the wis - dom
 2. then pro-nounced them good. Lord, how thy won-ders
 3. or - der from thy throne; While all that bor - rows

1. that or - dained The sun to rule the day; The moon shines
 2. are dis - played Wher - e'er I turn my eye; If I sur -
 3. life from thee Is ev - er in thy care, And ev - 'ry -

1. full at his com-mand, And all the stars o - bey.
 2. vey the ground I tread, Or gaze up - on the sky!
 3. where that I can be, Thou, God, are pres - ent there.

Blessed be God: the Author, the Only-Begotten, and the Gift.
 And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Gloria

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Word of God

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we
may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you
have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The Assembly is seated

The First Lesson

Isaiah 65:17-25

A reading from the book of Isaiah.

For I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever
in what I am creating;
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem,
and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,
or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it
an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain,
or bear children for calamity;
for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord--
and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer,
while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
but the serpent-- its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain, says the Lord,
the Lord of hosts.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

The Psalter

Psalm 98



- A Sing to the Lord a new song,
the Lord of wonderful deeds.
- B Right hand and holy arm
brought victory to God.
- A God made that victory known,
revealed justice to nations,
- B remembered a merciful love
loyal to the house of Israel.
- A The ends of the earth have seen
the victory of our God.
- B Shout to the Lord, you earth,
break into song, into praise!
- A Sing praise to God with a harp,
with a harp and sound of music.
- B With sound of trumpet and horn,
shout to the Lord, our king.
- A Let the sea roar with its creatures,
the world and all that live there!
- B Let rivers clap their hands,
the hills ring out their joy!
- A The Lord our God comes,
comes to rule the earth,
- B justly to rule the world,
to govern the peoples aright.

The Second Lesson

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

A reading from the second letter to the Thessalonians.

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

The Assembly stands as they are able to face the Gospeler.

*The Gospel Procession

All join in singing both before and after the gospel.

Hymn 438

1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!
2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name!

Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;

ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;

in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.
his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.

*The Holy Gospel

Luke 21:5-19

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to

them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo-ries of his word!

Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.

Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,
Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord

the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

The Sermon

Jenny Hulen

A period of silence is shared after the sermon.

*The Creed

Hyfrydol

1. We be-lieve in God al-might-y, Au-thor of all
2. We be-lieve that Je-sus suf-fered, scourged and scorned and
3. We be-lieve in God's own Spir-it, bond-ing all the

things that be, Mak-er of the earth and heav-ens,
cru-ci-fied; tak-en from the cross, was bur-ied,
saints with-in one church cath-o-lic, one church ho-ly,

Keep-er of the sky and sea. We be-lieve in
True Life there had tru-ly died. We be-lieve that
where for-give-ness frees from sin; in the bod-y's

God's Son, Je-sus, now for us both Lord and Christ,
on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave,
res-ur-rec-tion, for the break-ing of death's chain

of the Spi-rit and of Mar-y
then as-cen-ded to God's right hand.
gives the life that's ev-er-last-ing.

born to bring a-bun-dant life.
He will come to judge and save.
This the faith that we have claimed.

***The Prayers of the People**

As we prepare to bring our gifts to the altar, let us raise our voices in prayer and praise.

I ask your prayers for the Church. For all who worship and serve this day. For the wisdom and teaching of our bishops, priests, deacons, and laypeople.

Please add your prayers silently, aloud, or in the chat

Tell out my soul,

The great goodness of God

I bid your prayers for our nation and for all nations; for our president Donald, our governor JB, and for all legislators and judges, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Please add your prayers silently, aloud, or in the chat

Tell out my soul,

The great goodness of God

We pray for all who come to this land in the hope of safety and security, for the disappeared, and for an end to terror and war.

Please add your prayers silently, aloud, or in the chat

Tell out my soul,

The great goodness of God

I ask your prayers for our neighbors, for the mission of our church and the ways we change the world with our gifts.

Please add your prayers silently, aloud, or in the chat

Tell out my soul,

The great goodness of God

I invite your prayers for those who are sick, who are isolated, who are in despair. We pray for caregivers and healers who care for those we love. We pray especially for Peggi Adams, Jan Becker, Mike Bruce, Sharon Grieger, Sandra Janowski, Sunita Johnston, Bonnie Liess, Ed Petit, Jerry Shields, and Maria Whelan, and all patients, family members and staff at Northwest Community Hospital.

Please add your prayers silently, aloud, or in the chat
Tell out my soul,
The great goodness of God

I ask your prayers for the dead and the dying, and for those who mourn.
Please add your prayers silently, aloud, or in the chat
Tell out my soul,
The great goodness of God

I invite your thanksgivings, remembrances, and the naming of our many blessings, innumerable and filled with grace.
Please add your prayers silently, aloud, or in the chat
Tell out my soul,
The great goodness of God

Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins to God.
Silence may be kept.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent,
for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

***The Peace**

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

The Ministers and Assembly stand to greet one another in the peace of Christ.

Blessing Birthdays and Anniversaries

All those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries of any kind are invited to add their name to the chat on Zoom or feed on Facebook

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Engagement Opportunities

Offertory *Text 73256 to give. In the body of the text type saintsmons*

Offertory Anthem

Sing To The Lord Of Harvest

Music: Healey Willan, Text: J.S.B. Monsell

*Sing to the Lord of harvest,
Sing songs of love and praise;
With joyful hearts and voices
Your alleluias raise.*

*By Him the rolling seasons
In fruitful order move;
Sing to the Lord of harvest,
A song of happy love.*

*By Him the clouds drop fatness,
The deserts bloom and spring,
The hills leap up in gladness,
The valleys laugh and sing.*

*He filleth with His fullness
All things with large increase;
He crowns the year with goodness,
With plenty, and with peace.*

*Heap on His sacred altar
The gifts His goodness gave,
The golden sheaves of harvest,
The souls He died to save.*

*Your hearts lay down before Him
When at His feet you fall,
And with your lives adore Him,
Who gave His life for all.*

*Presentation of the Gifts

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all crea - tures

here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: Cre -

a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

*The Great Thanksgiving

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

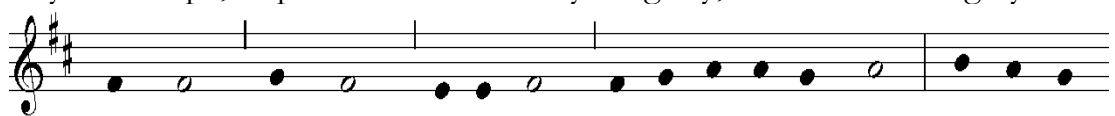
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and



earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

And so, O God, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Forbearers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob, Leah, Rachael, Bilhah and Zilpah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

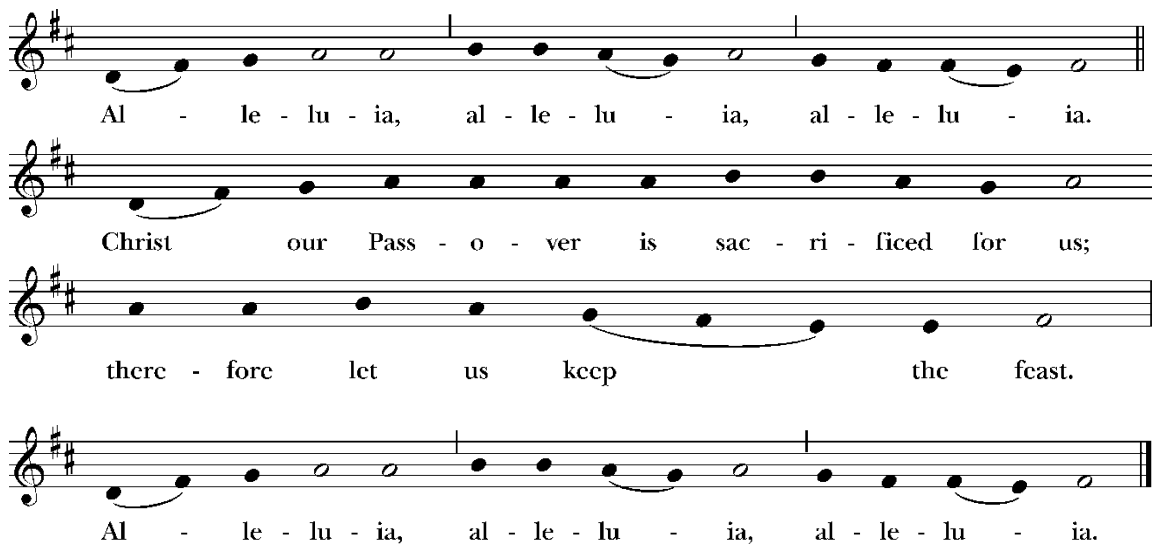
Accept these prayers and praises, O God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

**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

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.



A period of silence is kept.

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.

The Presider and those worshipping online consume the host together with these words:

The body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

Everyone has a place at God's table and all are invited to share in communion. You may stand or kneel at the rail. Wine is offered in individual cups around the outside of the tray. Grape juice is offered in the middle. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, please tell the priest. If you would like to participate but do not wish to receive the bread and wine, simply cross your arms across your chest and the priest will give you a blessing instead.

Both the common cup (chalice) and individual cups are offered. Join the line for the chalice on the left (pulpit) side or the line on the right (screen) side to receive the individual cups. Grape juice is available in the individual cups.

Communion Hymn

“All Who Hunger”

Holy Manna



1. All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na
 Choir 2. All who hun-ger, nev-er stran-gers, seek-er, be a
 3. All who hun-ger, sing to- geth-er; Je- sus Christ is



is our bread. Come from wil-der-ness and wan-d'ring.
 wel-come guest. Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing.
 liv-ing bread. Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing.



Here, in truth, we will be fed. You that yearn for
 Here, in joy, we keep the feast. We that once were
 Here, in peace, we have been led. Blest are those who



days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 lost and scat-tered in com-mun-ion's love have stood.
 from this ta-ble live their lives in grat-i-tude.



Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal.



Taste and see that God is good.

***Post Communion Prayer**

Let us pray.

In gratitude for this moment,
this place,
those around us,
Christ among us,
we give ourselves to you our God.

Take us out to live as changed people
because we have met the risen Christ
and cannot be the same.

**Ask much of us,
expect much from us,
enable much by us,
encourage many through us.**

**So may we live to your glory
both as inhabitants of earth
and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven.
Through Jesus our brother,
with the aid of the Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.¹**

When members of the community are unable to attend the service, representatives of the people are sent with bread and wine to extend our communion with them.

In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

***The Blessing**

Now may God, who gives seed to the sower and grain to the reaper, provide all that we need so that we may produce a rich harvest of faith, love, justice and joy for the good of the earth and its people and to the glory of God. **Amen.²**

Closing Hymn 615

“Thy kingdom come!”

St. Flavian

1 “Thy king - dom come!” on bend - ed knee the pass - ing a - ges pray;
2 But the slow watch - es of the night not less to God be - long;
3 And lo, al - rea - dy on the hills the flags of dawn ap - pear;
4 the day to whose clear shin - ing light all wrong shall stand re - vealed,
5 when know-ledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth a - broad;

1 and faith - ful souls have yearned to see on earth that king-dom’s day.
2 and for the ev - er - last - ing right the si - lent stars are strong.
3 gird up your loins, ye pro - phet souls, pro-claim the day is near:
4 when jus - tice shall be throned in might, and ev - ery hurt be healed;
5 the day of per - fect right - eous - ness, the prom-ised day of God.

Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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The Rt. Rev. Paula Clark, *Bishop of the Diocese of Chicago*

The Rev. Jennifer Hulen, *Rector*

Martin Pazdioch, *Music Director*

Jo Gantzer, *Associate for Parish Ministry*

Today's Service Leaders

Presider & Preacher	The Rev. Jenny Hulen
Crucifer	Dave Howley
Chalice Minister	Jo Gantzer
Readers	Mary Fran Callahan
	Kathy Ponce
Intercessor	Mark Leimbeck
Ushers	Patricia Grund
	Cleo Nykol
Altar Guild	Dave Howley
Porter	Mike Bruce
Organist	Martin Pazdioch
Technical Production Team	David Romanowski

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