

Sunday September 21, 2025 10:00 A.M.

15th Sunday after Pentecost

We're so pleased that you've come to worship with us this morning. While this bulletin is a guide to the service if you are unfamiliar with the ritual customs of the Anglican Church, simply relax with the liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. After the service please join us downstairs for coffee, tea and juice.

During the Season of Creation, we draw our liturgy from communities around the world. Today's Affirmation of Faith comes from South India.

(Congregational participation in **BOLD**)

Greeting

Land acknowledgement

HYMN # 355 All Creatures of Our God and King
Vs 1-4 & 7 (Blue Book)

Come, let us worship God,
who gifted us with life and Creation to sustain life.
We praise God for the wondrous Creation.
Come, let us follow Jesus the Christ,
who inspires us to hope and act for justice and righteousness.
We give glory to God,
who restores the groaning Creation and the vulnerable.
Come let us move with the Holy Spirit, striving to establish justice and produce the first fruits of hope.
We praise God for the abundant life
that is assured to all Creation.
Heavenly Triune God and Creator of all,
we gather here, made in the image of the Creator,
Who created in love.
We gather in the name of the redeemer,
our Savior Jesus Christ,
Who reconciles all of Creation.
We gather in the presence of the life Giver, your Holy Spirit,
Who inspires new life and instills hope.

Collect
God of compassion, our hearts are heavy,
our eyes weep for a wounded world.
The harvest is past, the summer ended,
yet the earth is not healed.
Is there no balm, no physician for creation's pain?
Forgive our delay, our silence, our neglect.
Break our hearts for what breaks Yours.
Lead us to acts of healing and hope,
through Christ, the balm for all creation. **Amen.**

First Reading: Jeremiah 8: 18-9:1
Reader: John Warkentin
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
Thanks be to God

Second Reading: Psalm 113
Reader: John Warkentin
Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of GOD;
praise the Name of GOD.
Let the Name of GOD be blessed,
from this time forth for evermore.
From the rising of the sun to its going down
let the Name of GOD be praised.
GOD is high above all nations,
and their glory above the heavens.
Who is like GOD our God, who sits enthroned on high, but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?
GOD takes up the weak out of the dust
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.
GOD sets them with the rulers, with the rulers of his people.
GOD makes those of a childless house
to be joyful parents of children.
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
Thanks be to God

PSALM HYMN # 382 Praise to the Lord *vs. 1,2,1 (Blue Book)*

The Gospel Reading: (*standing*)
God be with you
And also with you
The Good News of Jesus Christ according to Luke
People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ
The Gospel Reading: Luke 16: 1-13
Reader: Deacon Elinor Smith
The Gospel of Christ
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon – *The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland*

Affirmation of Faith
We believe in God, who creates all things,
who embraces all things, who celebrates all things,
who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.
We believe in God as the source of all life,
who baptizes this planet with living water.
We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one,
the malnourished one, the climate refugee,
who loves and cares for this world
and who suffers with it.
And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life,
who came to reconcile and renew this world
and everything in it.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God,
who moves with God
and who moves among and with us today.
We believe in everlasting life in God.
And we believe in the hope that one day
God will put an end to death and all destructive forces.
~ South India

The Prayers of the People – *Spencer Stevens*

Invitation and Peace

OFFERTORY HYMN # 383 Jesus Shall Reign Where're the Sun
(Blue Book)

Eucharistic Prayer
Celebrant: May God be with you
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts
People: We lift them to the Holy One
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to our loving God
People: It is right to offer thanks and praise

Celebrant: It is truly right,…….
……. creation as we sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of hosts, God of hosts
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is He, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest

Celebrant: Blessed are you,…….
……. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
We proclaim your death O Lord
until you come again, until you come again

Celebrant: Remembering his death and resurrection,…….
……. For ever and ever.

Amen, Amen, Amen

The Lord's Prayer
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.
The gifts of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God

Chant: Let All Who Are Thirsty
Let all who are thirsty come,
Let all who wish receive the water of life freely.
Amen, come Lord Jesus, amen, come Lord Jesus

THE COMMUNION

HYMN # O Splendor of God's Glory Bright (*See insert)*

The Prayer after Communion

Glory to God,
whose power working in us
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the church and in Christ Jesus
for ever and ever. Amen.

Announcements

HYMN: O God of Every Longing (*See insert*)
The Dismissal