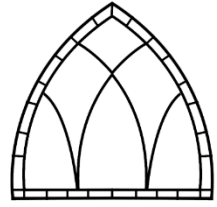


THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
OF THE REDEEMER
Shelby, NC



The Second Sunday after Pentecost



Sunday, June 22, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.
Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

The Word of God

Opening Voluntary: Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven - Don Hustad

Processional Hymn: H 607 “O God of every nation”

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

The Celebrant may say

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.**

Gloria: S 278

The following is sung, all standing

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

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

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

First Reading: Isaiah 65:1-9

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, “Here I am, here I am,” to a nation that did not call on my name. ²I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; ³a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; ⁴who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine’s flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; ⁵who say, “Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.” These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. ⁶See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps ⁷their iniquities and their ancestors’ iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. ⁸Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, “Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,” so I will do for my servants’ sake, and not destroy them all. ⁹I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 22:18-27

Remain seated.



- ¹⁸Be not far away, O ' **LORD**; *|
you are my strength; hasten to ' **help me**.|
- ¹⁹Save me from the ' **sword**, *|
my life from the power of the ' **dog**.||
- ²⁰Save me from the lion's ' **mouth**, *|
my wretched body from the horns of wild ' **bulls**.|
- ²¹I will declare your Name to my ' **brethren**; *|
in the midst of the congregation I will ' **praise you**.||
- ²²Praise the LORD, you that ' **fear him**; *|
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give ' **glory**.|
- ²³For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his ' **face from them**; *|
but when they cry to him he ' **hears them**.||
- ²⁴My praise is of him in the great a- ' **ssembly**; *|
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who ' **worship him**.|
- ²⁵The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall ' **praise him**: *|
“May your heart live for ' **ever!**”||
- ²⁶All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the ' **LORD**, *|
and all the families of the nations shall bow be- ' **fore him**.|
- ²⁷For kingship belongs to the ' **LORD**; *|
he rules over the ' **nations**.||

Second Reading: Galatians 3:23-29

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Galatia.

²³Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: H 652 “Dear Lord and Father of mankind”

Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

All stand.

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

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

²⁶[Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee.²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”—²⁹for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. ³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Pam Bright

The Nicene Creed

All stand.

**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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.**

The Prayers of the People

All kneel or sit as able.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**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.**

The Celebrant stands and says

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

Healing Prayer offered at the Altar Rail.

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymn: H 295 “Sing praise to our Creator”

Presentation Hymn: H 380 v3 “Praise God, from whom all blessings flow”

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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 him thanks and praise.**

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being: and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus: S 129

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

People and Celebrant

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,

forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem: S 154

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion of the People

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Sending out of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

In the name of God and of this parish, 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 share one Bread, one Cup.

Post-Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing

Recessional Hymn: H 401 "The God of Abraham praise"

Closing Voluntary: Fugue from A Mighty Fortress - Cor Kee

Dismissal

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***The Altar Flowers today are given to the Glory of God
by Alan & Janet Roebuck
in Celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.***

This Week's Events

Sunday, June 22

- **9:30 a.m.** Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary
- Coffee Hour in Narthex following worship
- **11:00 a.m.** Adult Formation in the Small Parish Hall
- **1:00 p.m.** Holy Eucharist at Navion

Monday, June 23

- **4:00 p.m.** Mindful Monday Walking (Meet under Gazebo)

Tuesday, June 24

- **9:00 a.m.** Morning Prayer in the Chapel w/ Pam
- **10:30 a.m.** Packing of Bags for Food Pantry

Wednesday, June 25

- **11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** Shepherd's Table Lunch Distribution
- **12:30 p.m.** Holy Eucharist in Chapel with Pam
- **4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.** Food Pantry Box Distribution

Thursday, June 26

- **5:30 p.m.** Healing and Holy Eucharist in the Chapel with Anita
- **8:00 p.m.** Compline on Zoom

Saturday, June 28

- **10:30 a.m.** Redeemer Hike Church: "Hike Around and Bless Our Town" beginning under the Gazebo

Choir Interest Meeting at the organ immediately following worship next **Sunday, June 29**. The meeting will be brief, primarily to determine the time of rehearsals and address a few questions. You do not need to be a trained singer, and no auditions are required. If you can carry a tune, we need you!

A little more about the two objects blessed on Pentecost Sunday. The gifts to Redeemer are from Mary and Joseph Walker given in memory of Edith and Ed Hamilton. The sideboard is mahogany and from the 1850s. It is all original, even the hardware. The silver pitcher is coin silver made by a Boston Mass. firm and also dates to the 1850's. It has a classical design and has a good weight and height. Edith and Ed were dear friends of ours, it was a long and enduring friendship. More importantly, they were devoted friends of Redeemer. Each of them held every office and position in our parish at a minimum of two times. I feel privileged to have enjoyed their friendship and to be able to give these to Redeemer in memory of them. Frank Lattimore transported the sideboard from an auction house in Ridgeway S. C. with Carroll Hamrick's help. Janet Roebuck and Anne Short have been advising me and were encouraging as we went through the long acquisition process. -**Mary Walker**

Community Events

Lake Logan Young At Heart Camp - Tues. 8/26 - Thurs. 8/28

Join us for 'Young at Heart Camp' for those age 60+. More info at

<https://www.lakelogan.org/event/young-at-heart-camp/>