



# ST. SIMON'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Simon's is called to care for our own in every generation and to tend to our neighbors as ourselves.

## THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II OCTOBER 13, 2024 – 10 A.M.

Welcome to our guests, to our members and especially to all children and young people. We are glad that you are with us today. Please wear a nametag so we can greet you by name.

Our liturgy comes from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), the burgundy book in the pew rack. Hymns are found in the blue 1982 Hymnal or in the red and black "LEVAS" hymnal. If a hymn has a "S" before the page number, it can be found at the front of the blue hymnal. There is a Bible in the pew rack for scripture readings.

The Episcopal Church invites all baptized Christians to receive communion. If you need communion brought to you or if you need gluten-free wafers, let an usher know. If you would prefer a blessing from the priest, come forward at communion and cross your arms in front of your chest.

We invite questions here. If you have them about Jesus, about being a Christian, about the Episcopal Church, or how you can become involved at St. Simon's, ask away! After the service, please join us for refreshments and conversation in Barnes Hall. We hope you will come back often and become a part of our community.

### THE WORD OF GOD

#### VOLUNTARY

HYMN IN PROCESSION "O God, our help in ages past"

Hymnal 680  
*St. Anne*

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for 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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE “To God be the glory”

Malcomb Archer  
*The Ashgrove*

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To God be the glo - ry, all glo - ry in the  
Lord Je - sus, the on - ly be - got - ten of the  
high - est and peace to his peo - ple who dwell here be - low, Our  
Fa - ther we praise and we bless you, the Son and the Lamb. The  
hea - v'n - ly Fa - ther, our Lord, and our sov - 'reign, to  
sin of the world you have tak - en up - on you, have  
you, the Al - migh - ty, our prai - ses be - stow. We wor ship and a -  
mer - cy up - on us, the Great I AM. For ho - ly, you  
do re you, we bow here be - fore you with grate - ful thanks - gi - ving, our  
meet us, yet low - ly you greet us, the Lord in the high est, the  
song let us raise. All glo - ry and hon - our and glad a - do -  
Ho - ly One. All glo - ry to the Fath - er, the Son and the  
- ra - tion to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise.  
Spi - rit, From a - ges ev - er - last - ing, the Three in One.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Amos 5:6-7,10-15, Bible 841

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL *The antiphon is played once, sung by choir, then sung by all.*

Psalm 90:12-17

**Antiphon**

Teach us to num - ber our — days that we — may ap - ply our hearts to wis - som.

The musical score consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The melody is written on the treble staff, and the accompaniment is on the bass staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

*Verses are chanted by the choir; Antiphon is sung by all*

So teach us to number our days  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.  
Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry?  
be gracious to your servants. **Antiphon**

Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;  
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.  
Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us  
and the years in which we suffered adversity. **Antiphon**

Show your servants your works  
and your splendor to their children.  
May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us;  
prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork. **Antiphon**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 4:12-16, Bible 1361

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

SEQUENCE HYMN “Thy kingdom come!”

Hymnal 615  
*St. Flavian*

GOSPEL

Mark 10:17-31

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Jane M. Weston

*A time of silence follows the sermon.*

NICENE CREED

BCP 358

**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.**

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

**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

THE PEACE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY “Come Follow Me Forever”

Johann Michael Haydn

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION “We give thee but thine own”

William How  
*Schumann*

1. We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be:  
2. May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,  
all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP 361

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 him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 ”Holy, Holy, Holy”

Hymnal S-125

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:

**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,

**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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

BCP 364

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

HYMN DURING COMMUNION “O Jesus I have promised”

Hymnal 655

*Nyland*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**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

HYMN IN PROCESSION “Just a closer walk with thee”

LEVAS 72

*Closer Walk*

DISMISSAL

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

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