

High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever."

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

Psalm 149 *Read responsively by half verse*

Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

Let them praise his Name in the dance; *
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

For the LORD takes pleasure in his people * **and adorns the poor with victory.**

Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; * **let them be joyful on their beds.**

Let the praises of God be in their throat * **and a two-edged sword in their hand;**

To wreak vengeance on the nations * **and punishment on the peoples;**

To bind their kings in chains * **and their nobles with links of iron;**

To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *
this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

Reader: **A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians 1:11-23**

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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Gradual *Be thou my vision* Hymnal 488

The Holy Gospel of Luke 6:20-31

Reader: The Holy Gospel.... All: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. “Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. “Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. “Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets." "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord. All: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon The Rev’d Jake Schlossberg

Presentation and Examination of Baptismal Candidates BCP 301

Celebrant: The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsor: I present *N* to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant: Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate: I do.

Parents and Godparents: I present *N*. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life? *Parents and Godparents:* I will, with God’s help.

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ? *Parents and Godparents:* I will, with God’s help.

Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God? *Answer:* I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God? *Answer:* I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love? *Answer:* I do.

Question: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord? *Answer:* I do.

The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support *these persons* in *their* life in Christ?

People: **We will.**

Celebrant: Let us join with *those* who *are* committing *themselves* to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers? *People:* **I will, with God’s help.**

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord? *People:* **I will, with God’s help.**

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? *People:* **I will, with God’s help.**

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself? *People:* **I will, with God’s help.**

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being? *People:* **I will, with God’s help.**

Prayers for the Candidates

Celebrant: Let us now pray for *these candidates* who *are* to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver *them*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open *their* hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill *them* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep *them* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach *them* to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send *them* into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring *them* to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Baptism

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon *these* your *servants* the forgiveness of sin, and have raised *them* to the new life of grace. Sustain *them*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give *them* an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People: **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

The Peace *All stand.*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People:* **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

Offertory *Rise up ye Saints of God* Jennings

The Presentation of the Gifts & Doxology

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.

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues BCP 361

The Sanctus *Sung by all* Hymnal S-125
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant Continues *with people kneeling* BCP 362
Celebrant: Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith;
All: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues BCP 363

The Lord’s Prayer *Said by all* BCP 364
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.*

At the Breaking of the Bread
Celebrant: *Alleluia.* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
All: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Anthem S-164
Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.
Jesus bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us peace.

The Invitation to Communion
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.

We welcome all baptized Christians to receive Holy Communion. Those receiving the bread may do so in the open palm, and those receiving the wine may drink from the cup or by intinction, slightly dipping the bread in the wine. You may request a blessing instead of Communion by crossing your arms on you

Communion Hymns *Let thy Blood in mercy poured* Hymnal 313
And now, O Father, mindful of the love Hymnal 337

Thanksgiving and Blessing *Said by all* BCP 366
Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn *O love, how deep, how broad, how high* Hymnal 448

Dismissal
Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

In addition to those in our prayers as listed in the Tidings Newsletter and Parish website we join in our supplication on behalf of: Lauren Immel Meyers, All Canterbury ministries and Chaplains: Postulants, Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, and The Church of the Province of West Africa. (Names stay on the prayers list for three weeks unless otherwise request-ed.)

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth Marylyn Hill and Robert Morton Hill, mother and brother of Archibald Hill and Grandmother and Uncle of Blanche, Govan and Inez & Ann LeJeune Bowen and Womack LeJeune

We would like to welcome and congratulate our newest baptized members:
Josiah James Bernard Schlossberg, son of Jillian Paige VandeWege Schlossberg and Jacob Zachariah Schlossberg, godson of Jordan and Emily Hylden & James Pitman Hesterly IV son of Natalie Ann Tuminello Hesterly and James Pitman Hesterly III, godson of Rosalind Robertson Alexander and Miles Hesterly & Elle Jolie Scallan, daughter of Blair Dozier Scallan and Eric Joseph Scallan, goddaughter of Casey Mounicou and Vincent Scallan & Ty Joseph Scallan, son of Blair Dozier Scallan and Eric Joseph Scallan, godson of Celeste Latiolais and Nick Latiolais

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Vestry is looking for members! Please prayerfully consider serving the church you love in this way. If you have any interest, please contact the church office and a Vestry member will be happy to reach out to you to discuss further.

Meal Train for the Ainsley Family! Help welcome Fr. Matt and his family by contributing to their meal train as they begin their time in Lafayette. You can sign up for a slot at <https://mealtrain.com/zg387o> or contact Jillian Schlossberg with questions.

Welcome New Rector-Ainsley Family: Thursday, November 6th from 6-7:30pm in Coughlin Hall. We hope everyone will join us in welcoming our new rector, Father Matt Ainsley, and his family with an evening of fun, fellowship, and Cajun cuisine. Child care available (Pizza and fun activities for the kids!)

The Ascension Choir and the St. Barnabas Choir will sing a joint concert of French music at St. Barnabas Church on Sunday, November 9 at 3:00 pm. Free admission. Please come support our choir!

Ascension Men: We will meet for brown bag lunch in the Robson Room at the Church, Thursday, November 6 at 11:45 am and the following week there will be breakfast on Wednesday, November 12 at 7:45 am at Hub City Diner. We will be studying the Book of James, generally alternating breakfast, and lunch each week. Join us every week or drop in for a single session. You are always welcome!

Ascension Youth Group, and Children's Church: *Thursday, November 6 at 6pm come welcome the Ainsley family, there will be lots of fun kid's activities and pizza! RSVP to the Church office.* Children’s Church is each Sunday during the 11am service. Engaging Liturgy of the Word lessons, songs and activities, and a joyful time of learning Episcopal traditions made just for kids.

Tuesday Bible Study: Continues each Tuesday evening from 6-7pm in the Owen Room. We will begin study of 1 Kings. Teachers: Doug Driggers, Laurie Godshall, Doug Goings, Elizabeth Hesterly, Sarah McNamara. Please bring your Bible and invite a friend.

Adult Bible Study: Please join us for a study of the Gospel of Mark, every Sunday, at 10:00 am in the Owen Room. Teachers: Laurie Godshall, Doug Goings, John Griffin, Elizabeth Hesterly. All are welcome.

Rector’s Discretionary Fund: The loose collection today (and every 1st Sunday of the month) will go toward Fr. Matt Ainsly’s Discretionary Fund for the aid of the poor. Please be generous.

Lector: Myra Tener **Usher:** Jeff Straub and Mike Immel **Greeter:** Penny Immel
Acolyte: Andre Goudeau, Henri Goudeau, Martha Odom, Margaret Odom
Music: Stacy Shumaker, Minister of Music and John Moore, Organist,
Office Hours: Monday—Thursday: 9:00 am—2:00 pm



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Welcome

We welcome all those who have come to worship with us today, and please come back often. If you are searching for a church home, we invite you to join us in our worshiping and celebration of God’s love. Please fill out a “Communication Card” in the pew and drop it in the offering plate so that we can extend our hospitality to you beyond our doors.

*The nursery is available for infants and toddlers.
Please remember to silence your cell phone.*

All Saints’ Day
November 2, 2025
11:00 AM

Prelude

Processional Hymn *O God of every nation* Hymnal 607

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.
Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;
People: There is one hope in God’s call to us;
Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People: One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day BCP 245
Celebrant: The Lord be with you **People: And also with you**

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most



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