

## The Invitation to Communion

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| <b>Communion Hymns</b> | <i>I come with joy to meet my Lord</i>             | Hymnal 304 |
|                        | <i>Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest</i> | Hymnal 306 |

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.*

**Dismissal Hymn**      *God is Love, let heaven adore him*      Hymnal 379

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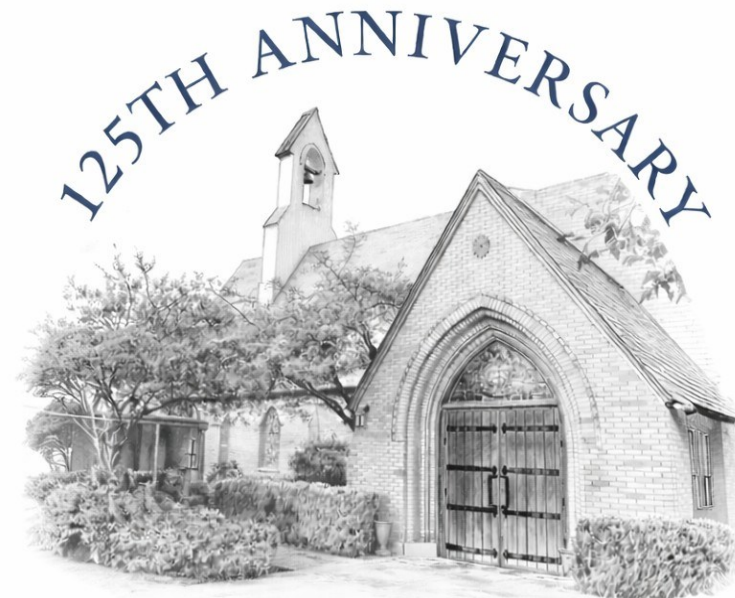
## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday Morning Bible Study: Gospel of John - BEGINNING**  
**Sunday, September 6 10:00 to 10:45 am** in the Owen Room  
 Teachers: Fr Matt Ainsley, Laurie Godshall, John Griffin, Elizabeth Hesterly

**Children's Church:** Children's Church will return **September 13.**

**Lector:** Myra Tener **Greeter:** Jerie Olivier **Ushers:** Jeff Straub and Robert Sawwell  
**Acolytes:** Abigail Adams, Anna-Grace Adams, Amelia Adams, and Ana Ziegler  
**Music:** Stacy Shumaker, Minister of Music and John Moore, Organist  
**Church Office Hours:** Monday -Friday: 9:00am –2:30pm

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August 23, 2026  
11:00 AM

**Processional Hymn**      *The Church's one foundation*      Hymnal 525

The Collect for Purity BCP 355

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.*

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The Epistle Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the