Mobile, Alabama

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 7, 2025

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Ten o'clock in the morning

We invite you to participate in the worship of God. Our service is the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two in The Book of Common Prayer. For ease of use, this booklet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and service music. Congregational responses are printed in bold. Hymn numbers refer to The Hymnal 1982. Page numbers refer to the Prayer Book for those wishing to use it. Lesson and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible. Unless requested, applause isn't necessary; please give quiet thanks to God for the elements of worship that are meaningful for you.

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We extend a warm welcome to all visitors. Please complete a visitor card and place it in the alms basin so that we can knowyou better. A nursery is available. A gentle reminder: please turn off all electronic devices before the service.

Sound enhancement receivers for the hearing impaired are available. Please see an usher.

Prelude Préambule Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

Welcome

Children's Chapel (Ages 4 to Grade 3)

Children process with their leader to Children's Chapel and they will return to sing for us at the time for announcements.

Processional Hymn

Cwm Rhondda

God of grace and God of glory

Hymnal 594

BCP 355

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient Church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!

From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise: grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days, for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

The Word of God

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

People: 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**.

Hymnal S-236

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you. Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you. Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you. Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

The Collect of the Day

BCP 233

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading:

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

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

Psalm 1

Beatus vir qui non abiit

Please read responsively by whole verse.

BCP 585

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

² Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *

and they mediate on his law day and night.

³ They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; * everything they do shall prosper.

⁴ It is not so with the wicked; *

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

- ⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgement comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- ⁶ For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Second Reading: Philemon 1-21

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to Philemon.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

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

Sequence Hymn

Wer nur den lieben Gott

If thou but trust in God to guide thee v. 1

Hymnal 635

If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through all thy ways, he'll give thee strength whate'er betide thee, and bear thee through the evil days. Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on a rock that nought can move.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn

Wer nur den lieben Gott

If thou but trust in God to guide thee v. 2

Hymnal 635

Sing, pray, and keep his ways unswerving; so do thine own part faithfully, and trust his word, though undeserving; thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God never yet forsook in need the soul that trusted him indeed.

The 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.

The Prayers of the People

The leader and people pray responsively.

Deacon: Holy and gracious God, you have called us to give up all things temporal for the sake of loving you and our neighbors: Grant us the zeal of your grace, that we may choose life and love, and walk in your ways, as we pray: Guide us in your paths, O God; that we may live in your love.

Intercessor: Gracious One, you have called your Church to carry the cross and to follow Christ in faithful discipleship: Let not family, prosperity, or pride separate us from the infinite love of God given to us through Christ Jesus our Lord.

Guide us in your paths, O God;

that we may live in your love.

Infinite One, you have set before the leaders of the nations life and prosperity, death and adversity: Inspire with your wisdom those who make choices which affect the lives of others, that they may choose life and love, so that we and our descendants may be blessed in the land with prosperity and length of days.

Guide us in your paths, O God;

that we may live in your love.

Compassionate One, look upon all who live in bondage or fear, under slavery or oppression, and upon those who suffer with lives that are less than abundant: Bring them advocates and deliverance, that they may enjoy fullness, equality, and joy.

Guide us in your paths, O God;

that we may live in your love.

Generous One, you have planted the people of this community like trees by streams of water: Nourish all who live among us, that they may bear fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither, and may prosper in the ways of the righteous.

Guide us in your paths, O God;

that we may live in your love.

We thank you O God for the love of all the saints and their faith toward the Lord Jesus Christ. Hear your Church as we pray for those who are ill, in danger, or any kind of trouble. We have received much joy and encouragement from your love, O Christ, and our hearts are refreshed through you. Hear our gratitude as we offer our prayers of thanksgiving. Embrace into your everlasting arms those who have surrendered everything unto death; finish the good work begun in them and let them know the consolation of your eternal presence. Guide us in your paths, O God;

that we may live in your love.

Deacon: Wise and Holy One, let our hearts turn so completely toward you that we may not cling to anything except the love we know from Christ and the life we receive from his cross; that by following you in the way of obedience and trust, we may perceive all the good that we may do for Christ and become more and more effective servants of your grace, through the Holy Spirit working in us, now and forever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin BCP 360

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Celebrant: 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.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Cathedral Children Sing

Harmonica Sacra

arr. Carol McClure

Sing Praise to God Myles Garver, Director

Sing praise to God; Let cheerful anthems ring! Let all our hearts and loves His goodness sing! With joyful songs His wondrous works proclaim! Let every tongue bring praises to His name! Oh earth, verdant by His light divine, Teeming with grass and corn and oil and wine, Crowned with His goodness, let the nations meet, To lay their bounty at His holy feet. Zion, ever blessed by God's eternal love, Sing forth your praise to Him who reigns above. Praise to the Father, Praise unto the Son, And with the Spirit, Lord God Three in One. Amen.

The Holy Communion The Offertory

The Offertory Richard Proulx
Offertory Offertory Richard Proulx
(1937-2010)

O God Beyond All Praising
Cathedral Choir

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; for we can only wonder at every gift you send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

The flow'r of earthly splendor in time must surely die, its fragile bloom surrender to you the Lord most high; but hidden from all nature the eternal seed is sown though small in mortal stature, to heaven's garden grown: for Christ the Man from heaven from death has set us free, and we through him are given the final victory!

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring, that we who knows your favor may serve you as our king; and whether tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we will triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still: to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways, and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

At the Presentation

Old 100th vs. 3

Hymnal 380

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. Amen.

America vs. 4

Hymnal 717

Our father's God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing; long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, great God, our King.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.People: And also with you.Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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.

The Celebrant continues: 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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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 Hymnal S-127

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.

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,

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Fraction Anthem Christ our Passover

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant: 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.

Music at Communion

K. Lee Scott (b. 1950)

Hymnal S-154

Irish Shepherd's Psalm Cathedral Choir

The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul He leadeth, And, where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth. In death's dark vale I fear no ill with Thee, dear Lord, beside me;

Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thy unction grace bestoweth; And oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth! And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never: Good Shepherd, may we sing thy praise within thy house forever.

Hymn

Have Thine Own Way, Lord!

Have thine own way, Lord!

LEVAS II 145

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Thou art the potter, I am the clay! Mold me and make me After thy will, While I am waiting, Yielded and still.

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Search me and try me, Master, today! Purer than snow, Lord, Wash me just now, As in thy presence Humbly I bow.

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Wounded and weary, Help me, I pray! Power all power Surely is thine! Touch me and heal me, Savior divine!

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Hold o'er my being Absolute sway! Fill with thy Spirit 'Til all shall see Christ only, always, Living in me!

Lay Eucharistic Visitor Commissioning

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

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

Closing Hymn

Hyfrydol Hymnal 657

Lord divine, all loves excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be alway blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee: changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Toccata Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)

CATHEDRAL PRAYERS

WE PRAY FOR:

Members:

Patti Biel, Valrie Vanek, Jane White-Spunner, Lynn Betbeze Yankie, George Seymour, Patsy Seymour, Lisa Williams, Linda Dann-LeBlanc, Bill Butler, Ricky Bradford, Betty Reniewicz, Buck Baker, Bill Christian, Emily-Marie Butler, Melvin Koger, Sonny Irvine

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For Those Serving in the Military:

Marlin Brutkiewicz, Blake Hickey, Gray Stephens, Dylan Butler, Tripp Bennett, Jacob Hester-Heard, Cameron Morrisette, Dylan Thompson, Connor Roy, Charles Lewis, Richard Graham

Repose of the Soul:

Ann Nicolson, mother of Norman Nicolson

Flowers:

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. and Mrs. Guy Leslie Rutledge, Jr., John Houston Rutledge, and in loving memory of William Alexander Lewis Mitchell

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Anglican Church in Southern Africa

Cathedral Cycle of Prayer:

St. Mary's By-the-Sea Episcopal Church, Coden

Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer:

We pray for the church in Cape Verde, The Gambia, Guinea, Guniea-Bissau, Senegal; Dolie Temple Church of God, Mobile.

Prison Ministry Cycle of Prayer:

Covington County Jail, Andalusia

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RALLY DAY NOTES

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RALLY DAY

Join us as the new year of worship, formation, and service begins. Come see what God has in store for you!

Brunch is served immediately after worship today.

Our Children Will Sing in Church on Rally Day

For the month of August Myles Garver has worked with our Children's Chapel youth to learn a song they will sing in church. The children will go to Children's Chapel, and they will return at the time of the Peace.

Kicking Off a New Program Year! Rally Day Ministry Sign-Up

Please join us during brunch to learn more about our ministries. This is your opportunity to sign-up for Cathedral ministries. We will have tables set up with sign-up sheets, and knowledgeable volunteers who can answer any questions. After you sign-up for ministries, enjoy shrimp and grits for brunch. Volunteers from the various ministries will be on hand to answer your questions.

Community Engagement

Deacon Pratt Paterson will be at the Community Engagement table to talk with you about Loaves and Fish Feeding Ministry, the Blessing Box, and the Christmas Coat Ministry Team.

Guilds

In the Episcopal Church, a guild is a group of lay volunteers who contribute their time and talents to a specific ministry or area of church life, often involving behind-the-scenes service to support worship and fellowship. Guilds provide a way for parishioners to express their faith, build relationships, and deepen their involvement in the church community. Sign-ups are open for the Altar Guild, Flower Guild and for the Garden Guild.

Ministries

Our ministries give us ways to care for one another. We send cards to commemorate birthdays and to let the sick know they are in our prayers. We lovingly prepare food for Sunday morning, and we welcome those who come to visit, or to stay. You may sign-up to join the Card Ministry, a Hospitality Team, the Newcomers Team, or to become an Usher.

Acolytes

Acolytes serve as torchbearers and lighters of candles and also as crucifers, thurifers, and banner-bearers. Acolytes are mentioned in religious texts as early as the year 252.

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CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Rally Day is the beginning of our formation year. There are calendars available with some special dates to save that will be sent to parents, or you may pick up a copy at the formation sign-up table. The full calendar of fall events will also be posted on the formation page of our website.

Children's Chapel classes will begin on Sunday, September 14 since they are singing in church this Sunday. Our curriculum will be lectionary based using the Episcopal curriculum "Weaving God's Promises."

The Fun Club, under the direction of Leigh Rendfrey and Margaret Andres, have planned a fun-filled fall that begins today! Have your children in Grades 4 through 6 grab a plate for brunch and then come down to the Fun Club Room to eat and learn more about the fall activities.

For EYC/Affirm there is a fall calendar of events planned for our youth in grades 6 through 12. They will meet for fellowship and worship. The initial meeting will be on Sunday, September 14 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Watkins' home at 103 Lanier Avenue.

Dean Gibson will again lead the Dean's Bible Study at noon on Wednesdays, in-person in the Chapel or via Zoom. This year we will record the class to make available to anyone who would like to watch it at another time. We will begin with 1 Timothy on Wednesday, September 10.

CATHEDRAL NOTES

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TODAY IS NAME TAG SUNDAY

We hope everyone will wear a nametag today. You will find name tags and washable markers in the pews. Please write your name on a tag and wear it to hospitality following the service.

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SERVICE OF THE SIMPLE PRESENCE

Resumes on Wednesday, September 10 at 5:15 p.m.

This year, when appropriate, the lessons for this service will commemorate Saints of the Episcopal Church. We begin with Alexander Crummel, Priest, Missionary, and Educator, 1898.

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MORNING CIRCLE

Monday, September 8, at 10:30 a.m. The group will meet at the home of Nancy Bryan. For more information please contact Nancy Bryan or Mary Cook.

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PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

There is a movement afoot to get photos of all of the members of the Cathedral Family onto our Realm database. If you haven't already uploaded a picture of yourself, you will be hearing from a member of the directory team. We will also send an invitation to everyone to join Realm. The goal is to have 75% of the parish with pictures.

Please say "yes" when it is your turn to smile.

If you are not yet on Realm, please email the Cathedral office to change or update your name, address, email address and telephone numbers for our database. We would like to confirm cell phone numbers as part of our disaster preparedness plan, so please make sure we have your current cell number, and your preferred email address.

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SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday, September 10

Dean's Bible Study 1 Timothy at noon Service of the Simple Presence at 5:15 p.m.

Sunday, September 21

Loaves and Fish Lunch Packing at 11:15 a.m.

Friday, September 26

BayLights at Beckwith Cathedral Cookout at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 5

Loaves and Fish Lunch Packing at 11:15 a.m. Blessing of the Animals in the courtyard at 4:00 p.m.

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BIRTHDAYS

September 8

McKenzee Ruggs Travis Russell Allison Paterson

September 11

Nancy Bryan

September 12

Jan Craver

September 13

Sam Eichold Matt Ritchie

September 14

Will Israel Laura Rutherford David Reeves

September 15

Livy Ferguson Cornelia Gaillard

September 18

Mary Lindsley Golden
Susan Leach
Hugh McClelland

September 20

Yvonne Holladay

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