



# Apostles

## Anglican Church

**The Third Sunday After Pentecost**

6/29/2025

**Liturgy for the Contemporary Service**  
The Anglican Church in North America

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE BELL

OPENING SONGS

Agnus Dei

*Alleluia, Alleluia*

*For the Lord God Almighty reigns*

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*For the Lord God Almighty reigns*

*Alleluia*

*Holy, Holy are you, Lord God, Almighty*

*Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb*

*You are Holy, Holy are you, Lord God, Almighty*

*Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb*

*Amen*

The Lion and the Lamb

*(Verse)*

*He's coming on the clouds*

*Kings and kingdoms will bow down*

*And every chain will break*

*As broken hearts declare His praise*

*For who can stop the Lord Almighty*

*(Chorus)*

*Our God is the lion*

*The Lion of Judah*

*He's roaring with power*

*And fighting our battles*

*And every knee will bow before Him*

*Our God is the lamb  
The lamb that was slain  
For the sins of the world  
His blood breaks the chains  
And every knee will bow before the lion and the lamb  
Every knee will bow before Him (yeah)*

*(Verse 2)  
So, open up the gates  
Make way before the King of Kings  
The God who comes to save  
Is here to set the captives free  
For who can stop the Lord Almighty*

*(Bridge)  
Who can stop the Lord, Almighty!  
Who can stop the Lord?*

## **THE ACCLAMATION**

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

**People:** *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And with your spirit.*

Priest: Let us pray.

## **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and on earth: Put away from us all hurtful things, and give us those things that are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### 1 Kings 19:15-21

Then the Lord said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.'

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was ploughing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, 'Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Go back again; for what have I done to you?' He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

### Psalm 16

- 1 Preserve me, O God, \*  
for in you have I put my trust.
- 2 O my soul, you have said unto the LORD, \*  
"You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."
- 3 All my delight is upon the saints who are on the earth, \*  
and upon those who excel in virtue.
- 4 But those who run after another god \*  
shall have great trouble.
- 5 Their drink offerings of blood I will not offer, \*  
neither make mention of their names with my lips.
- 6 The LORD himself is the portion of my inheritance and of my cup; \*  
you shall maintain my lot.
- 7 The boundaries have fallen for me in pleasant places; \*  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 8 I will thank the LORD for giving me counsel; \*  
my heart also chastens me in the night season.

- 9 I have set the LORD always before me; \*  
he is at my right hand; therefore I shall not fall.
- 10 Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices. \*  
My flesh also shall rest in hope.
- 11 For you shall not leave my soul in the grave, \*  
neither shall you allow your Holy One to see corruption.
- 12 You shall show me the path of life; in your presence is the fullness of joy, \*  
and at your right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

**All: *Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.***

### **Galatians 5:1,13-25**

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

**The Gospel** (*congregation standing*)

***Speak O Lord as we come to You  
To receive the food of Your holy word  
Take Your truth plant it deep in us  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith  
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory***

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

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

**Luke 9:51-62**

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

***Speak O Lord and renew our minds  
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
That will echo down through eternity  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises  
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us***

*Speak O Lord till Your church is built  
And the earth is filled with Your glory*

## THE SERMON

### THE NICENE CREED *(congregation standing)*

*We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, visible and invisible.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten 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,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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** *(congregation standing or kneeling)*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

**People:** *Hear our prayer.*

For Steve, our Archbishop, and Mark and Allen, our Bishops, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation.

Father, we ask that you continue to bless our search process for a new rector. Raise up for us, we pray, a priest and pastor who will boldly proclaim your Gospel, faithfully administer your sacraments, and serve your people with love and compassion, that we may be a home for spiritual orphans and seekers.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

**People:** *Hear our prayer.*

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

**People:** *Hear our prayer.*

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

**People:** *Hear our prayer.*

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service especially Donald, our president, Andy, our governor, and Linda, our mayor.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

**People:** *Hear our prayer.*



For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

**People: *Hear our prayer.***

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

**People: *Hear our prayer.***

Priest: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### **THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN**

***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.***

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Priest: Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

### **THE PEACE** *(congregation standing)*

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

**People:** *And with your spirit.*

Celebrant: Let us greet one another and share the peace of Christ.

### **THE DOXOLOGY** *(congregation standing)*

*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.*

### **THE OFFERTORY**

Celebrant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory,  
and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours: Yours is the  
Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all.

All things come from you, O Lord.

**People:** *And of your own have we given you.*

### **THE SURSUM CORDA**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And with your spirit.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People:** *We lift them up to the Lord.*

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

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

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father  
Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the  
grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

## THE SANCTUS

***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.***

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

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

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy

Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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.***

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

***Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
And forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.***

### **THE FRACTION**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

***People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

### **THE MINISTRATION OF 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.

### **THE PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive

you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you.  
**Amen.**

#### **THE PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

*Heavenly Father,  
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 for ever. Amen.*

#### **THE BLESSING**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

#### **THE RECESSIONAL** *(congregation standing)*

#### **CLOSING SONG**

##### **Build My Life**

***(Verse 1)***

***Worthy of every song we could ever sing  
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring  
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe  
We live for you, for You***

*(Verse 2)*

*Jesus, the Name above every other name  
Jesus, the only One Who could ever save  
You're worthy of every breath we could ever breathe  
We live for You, we live for You*

*(Chorus)*

*Holy, there is no one like You  
There is none beside You  
Open up my eyes in wonder  
And show me Who You are and fill me  
With Your heart and lead me  
In Your love to those around me*

*(Bridge)*

*I will build my life upon Your love  
It is a firm foundation  
I will put my trust in You alone  
And I will not be shaken  
I will not be shaken*

## **THE DISMISSAL**

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***





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discipleship hour and after services for their safety.*

*There is always a team available to pray with you during Communion.*