



Apostles

Anglican Church

Instructed Eucharist

9/21/2025

Liturgy for the Contemporary Service
The Anglican Church in North America

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE BELL

OPENING SONGS

What A Friend We Have In Jesus

*What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer*

Authority

(Verse 1)

*Creation knows the voice
That spoke into the void
The breath that brought the dust to life
And sang the stars to form*

(Verse 2)

*The darkness fears Your voice
That drove it back before
And though the night is long
I know Your light
Will drive it back once more*

(Chorus)

*One word from You
Things change on Your authority
Your word it's true
Things change on Your authority*

(Verse 3)

***My fight is not my own
Its end is in your hands
I worship You because I know all things
Must bow to Your command***

(Bridge)

***Will heaven not prevail
And strongholds not be moved
Will spirits not be silenced
And cower at His rule
For if my God is for me
Then what have I to fear
And I will not deny Him
The glory that is His***

TEACHING 1

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: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Lord, you have taught us that without love, all our deeds are worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you; grant this for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Amos 8:4-12

Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
saying, 'When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;
and the sabbath,
so that we may offer wheat for sale?
We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
and practise deceit with false balances,
buying the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat.'

The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.
Shall not the land tremble on this account,
and everyone mourn who lives in it,
and all of it rise like the Nile,
and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt?

On that day, says the Lord God,
I will make the sun go down at noon,
and darken the earth in broad daylight.
I will turn your feasts into mourning,
and all your songs into lamentation;
I will bring sackcloth on all loins,
and baldness on every head;
I will make it like the mourning for an only son,
and the end of it like a bitter day.

The time is surely coming, says the Lord God,
when I will send a famine on the land;
not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water,
but of hearing the words of the Lord.

They shall wander from sea to sea,
and from north to east;
they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord,
but they shall not find it.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 138

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
even before the gods will I sing praises to you.
- 2 I will worship toward your holy temple and praise your Name, because of your
loving-kindness and truth, *
for you have magnified your Name and your word above all things.
- 3 When I called upon you, you heard me *
and gave me increase of strength.
- 4 All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O LORD, *
for they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 5 They shall sing of the ways of the LORD, *
that great is the glory of the LORD.
- 6 For though the LORD be high, yet he has respect for the lowly; *
as for the proud, he beholds them from afar.
- 7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shall you refresh me; *
you shall stretch forth your hand upon the furiousness of my enemies, and your
right hand shall save me.
- 8 The LORD shall make good his loving-kindness toward me; *
your mercy, O LORD, endures for ever; despise not the works of your own hands.

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.*

1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to

come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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 16:1-13

Then Jesus said to the disciples, ‘There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, “What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.” Then the manager said to himself, “What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.” So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, “How much do you owe my master?” He answered, “A hundred jugs of olive oil.” He said to him, “Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.” Then he asked another, “And how much do you owe?” He replied, “A hundred containers of wheat.” He said to him, “Take your bill and make it eighty.” And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

‘Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.’

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 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.

TEACHING 3

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.

COMMUNION SONG

Communion Song

(Verse 1)

***This is communion, Your body broken
The cup we're drinking is bittersweet
The gift of friendship, truest salvation
Borne of Your suffering on Calvary***

(Verse 2)

***From stained to spotless, from wrath to favor
Through You our Savior the work complete
In full repentance led by Your kindness
Partake of presence as we receive***

(Chorus)

***We remember the sacrifice of love
We remember the blood poured out for us
We remember the only Son of God
Upon the cross
We remember the price You had to pay
We remember the wounds that made a way
We remember the Lamb for all was slain
Upon the cross***

(Bridge)

*How can it be there is a table
For all who would come, for all who would come
Taste now and see there is a table
For all who would come for all who would come
Take of the bread, receive the cup
For His mercy is enough for the many and the one
This is communion
Take it as often as you will
For His blood has power still
By His wounds we shall be healed
This is communion*

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.**

TEACHING 4

THE RECESSIONAL *(congregation standing)*

CLOSING SONG

Christ Be Magnified

(Verse 1)

*Were creation suddenly articulate
With a thousand tongues to lift one cry
Then from North to South and East to West
We'd hear Christ be magnified*

(Verse 2)

*Were the whole Earth echoing His eminence
His name would burst from sea and sky
From rivers to the mountain tops
We'd hear Christ be magnified*

(Chorus)

*Oh! Christ be magnified
Let His praise arise
Christ be magnified in me
Oh! Christ be magnified
From the altar of my life
Christ be magnified in me*

(Verse 3)

***When every creature finds its inmost melody
And every human heart its native cry
Then in one enraptured hymn of praise
We'll sing Christ be magnified***

(Bridge)

***I won't bow to idols, I'll stand strong and worship You
And if it puts me in the fire, I'll rejoice 'cause You're there too
I won't be formed by feelings, I hold fast to what is true
If the cross brings transformation then I'll be crucified with You
'Cause death is just the doorway into resurrection life
And if I join You in Your suffering, then I'll join You when You rise
And when You return in glory with all the angels and the saints
My heart will still be singing, my song will be the same***

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!



September 21st Announcements:

Help Us Celebrate 30 Years of God's Faithfulness

This coming year, our church will celebrate a meaningful milestone—**30 years of God's faithfulness to Apostles Anglican Church**. Whether you've been part of our community from the beginning or just recently joined, you are part of a story God has been writing for three decades.

As we prepare for this anniversary, we're gathering photos and videos from across the years. We especially want to collect images that capture the life of our people; think of moments like baptisms, weddings, worship gatherings, small groups, mission trips, outreaches, church picnics, and everyday fellowship.

How to Share Your Photos & Videos

1. Upload digitally: You can scan the QR code on this bulletin to access the Drive link
2. Email us: 30years@apostleslex.com
3. Bring printed photos: We'll carefully scan them and return them to you.



Submission deadline: October 31, 2025

With these memories, we'll create a keepsake photobook for every family in our congregation—a gift of remembrance and gratitude for God's work among us.

Thank you for helping us celebrate this milestone. ***Your story is our story***, and together we look forward to celebrating all God has done—and all He will do—with you.

It's almost time for Retreats!

You can use the QR code below to access the links to signup for each of these retreats (women, men, and youth). Please see below for specific contact information and dates.

High School Youth Retreat

October 3rd - 5th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Samuel Hood at samuele@apostleslex.com or 816-518-5346.

Women's Retreat

October 17th - 19th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ruth Stanley at ruthumuse@yahoo.com or 859-312-4872

Men's Retreat

November 7th - 9th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Trevor Durbin at trevor.durbin@gmail.com or 859-552-0060.

3rd Sunday Dinner

September 21st , 5:30-8:00 pm

Hosted at the Andersons

2472 Heather Ct., Lexington, KY 40503

Contact: Hannah Anderson 859-327-9636

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Food provided. Children welcome.

RSVP not necessary but helpful when able.



Link to Access our
Church LinkTree

Blessing of the Animals

October 1st:

Join Rev. Pam Buck at the Farmer's Market any time between 8:00 am - 12:00 pm to receive a blessing for animal friends.



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Sunday, 8:30 and 10:55 am
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your phone's camera to
access our online giving,
website, upcoming events,
and more.

Friendly Reminders:

Please place your bulletins in a blue recycling bin after services.

*We kindly ask that children stay on the Sanctuary level during
discipleship hour and after services for their safety.*

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



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TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Amos 6:1-7

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,
the notables of the first of the nations,

to whom the house of Israel resorts!
Cross over to Calneh, and see;
from there go to Hamath the great;
then go down to Gath of the Philistines.
Are you better than these kingdoms?
Or is your territory greater than their territory,
O you that put far away the evil day,
and bring near a reign of violence?

Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;
who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;
who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 146

- 1 Praise the LORD, O my soul; *
while I live I will praise the LORD.
- 2 Indeed, as long as I have my being, *
I will sing praises unto my God.
- 3 Put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man, *
for there is no help in them.
- 4 For when one breathes his last, he shall return again to the earth, *
and in that day all his thoughts perish.
- 5 Blessed is the one who has the God of Jacob for his help *
and whose hope is in the LORD his God,
- 6 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is therein; *
who keeps his promise for ever;

- 7 Who does right to those who suffer wrong; *
and who feeds the hungry.
- 8 The LORD sets prisoners free; *
the LORD gives sight to the blind.
- 9 The LORD helps those who have fallen; *
the LORD loves the righteous.
- 10 The LORD cares for the strangers in the land; he defends the fatherless and widow; *
but the way of the ungodly he makes crooked.
- 11 The LORD shall be King for evermore, *
even your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Praise the LORD.

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.*

1 Timothy 6:11-19

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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People: *Thanks be to God.*

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People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 16:19-31

‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, “Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.” But Abraham said, “Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.” He said, “Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.” Abraham replied, “They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.” He said, “No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.” He said to him, “If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.” ’

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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.*

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who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
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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.

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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.

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

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.

TEACHING 3

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.

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Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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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.

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Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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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.

COMMUNION SONG

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.**

TEACHING 4

THE RECESSIONAL *(congregation standing)*

CLOSING SONG

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!



September 21st Announcements:

Help Us Celebrate 30 Years of God's Faithfulness

This coming year, our church will celebrate a meaningful milestone—**30 years of God's faithfulness to Apostles Anglican Church**. Whether you've been part of our community from the beginning or just recently joined, you are part of a story God has been writing for three decades.

As we prepare for this anniversary, we're gathering photos and videos from across the years. We especially want to collect images that capture the life of our people; think of moments like baptisms, weddings, worship gatherings, small groups, mission trips, outreaches, church picnics, and everyday fellowship.

How to Share Your Photos & Videos

1. Upload digitally: You can scan the QR code on this bulletin to access the Drive link
2. Email us: 30years@apostleslex.com
3. Bring printed photos: We'll carefully scan them and return them to you.



Submission deadline: October 31, 2025

With these memories, we'll create a keepsake photobook for every family in our congregation—a gift of remembrance and gratitude for God's work among us.

Thank you for helping us celebrate this milestone. ***Your story is our story***, and together we look forward to celebrating all God has done—and all He will do—with you.

It's almost time for Retreats!

You can use the QR code below to access the links to signup for each of these retreats (women, men, and youth). Please see below for specific contact information and dates.

High School Youth Retreat

October 3rd - 5th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Samuel Hood at samuele@apostleslex.com or 816-518-5346.

Women's Retreat

October 17th - 19th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ruth Stanley at ruthumuse@yahoo.com or 859-312-4872

Men's Retreat

November 7th - 9th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Trevor Durbin at trevor.durbin@gmail.com or 859-552-0060.

3rd Sunday Dinner

September 21st , 5:30-8:00 pm

Hosted at the Andersons

2472 Heather Ct., Lexington, KY 40503

Contact: Hannah Anderson 859-327-9636

hmroutman@gmail.com

Food provided. Children welcome.

RSVP not necessary but helpful when able.



Link to Access our
Church LinkTree

Blessing of the Animals

October 1st:

Join Rev. Pam Buck at the Farmer's Market any time between 8:00 am - 12:00 pm to receive a blessing for animal friends.



Apostles Anglican Church

Sunday, 8:30 and 10:55 am
www.apostleslex.com
admin@apostleslex.com
859-245-1318



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website, upcoming events,
and more.

Friendly Reminders:

Please place your bulletins in a blue recycling bin after services.

*We kindly ask that children stay on the Sanctuary level during
discipleship hour and after services for their safety.*

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



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Anglican Church

The 17th Sunday After Pentecost

10/5/2025

Liturgy for the Contemporary Service
The Anglican Church in North America

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE BELL

OPENING SONGS

TEACHING 1

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: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in continual godliness, that through your protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly serve you in good works, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Habakkuk 1:1-13, 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,

and you will not listen?
Or cry to you 'Violence!'
and you will not save?
Why do you make me see wrongdoing
and look at trouble?
Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.
So the law becomes slack
and justice never prevails.
The wicked surround the righteous—
therefore judgement comes forth perverted.

Look at the nations, and see!
Be astonished! Be astounded!
For a work is being done in your days
that you would not believe if you were told.
For I am rousing the Chaldeans,
that fierce and impetuous nation,
who march through the breadth of the earth
to seize dwellings not their own.
Dread and fearsome are they;
their justice and dignity proceed from themselves.
Their horses are swifter than leopards,
more menacing than wolves at dusk;
their horses charge.
Their horsemen come from far away;
they fly like an eagle swift to devour.
They all come for violence,
with faces pressing forward;
they gather captives like sand.
At kings they scoff,
and of rulers they make sport.
They laugh at every fortress,
and heap up earth to take it.
Then they sweep by like the wind;
they transgress and become guilty;
their own might is their god!

Are you not from of old,
O Lord my God, my Holy One?
You shall not die.
O Lord, you have marked them for judgement;
and you, O Rock, have established them for punishment.
Your eyes are too pure to behold evil,
and you cannot look on wrongdoing;
why do you look on the treacherous,
and are silent when the wicked swallow
those more righteous than they?

I will stand at my watch-post,
and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.
Then the Lord answered me and said:
Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so that a runner may read it.
For there is still a vision for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;
it will surely come, it will not delay.
Look at the proud!
Their spirit is not right in them,
but the righteous live by their faith.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 37:1-17

- 1 Fret not yourself because of the ungodly, *
neither be envious of those who are evildoers.
- 2 For they shall soon be dried up like the grass, *
and be withered even as the green herb.
- 3 Put your trust in the LORD, and do good; *

dwell in the land, and surely you shall be fed.

4 Delight yourself in the LORD, *

and he shall give you your heart's desire.

5 Commit your way unto the LORD and put your trust in him, *

and he shall bring it to pass.

6 He shall make your righteousness as clear as the light *

and your just dealing as the noonday.

7 Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; *

do not grieve yourself over the one whose way prospers, over the one who carries out evil counsels.

8 Refrain from wrath, and let go of anger; *

fret not yourself, lest you be moved to do evil.

9 For evildoers shall be rooted out, *

but those who wait patiently for the LORD, they shall inherit the land.

10 Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone; *

you shall look for their place, and they shall not be there.

11 But the meek-spirited shall possess the land *

and shall be refreshed with an abundance of peace.

12 The ungodly plot against the just *

and gnash at them with their teeth.

13 The Lord shall laugh at them in scorn, *

for he sees that their day is coming.

14 The ungodly have drawn out the sword and have bent their bow *

to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay those who walk aright.

15 Their sword shall go through their own heart, *

and their bow shall be broken.

16 The little that the righteous has *

is better than great riches of the ungodly.

17 For the arms of the ungodly shall be broken, *

but the LORD upholds the righteous.

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.*

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life

that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table"? Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink"? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!" '

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
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of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;***

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

Priest: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, our refuge and strength, true source of all godliness: Graciously hear the devout prayers of your Church, and grant that those things which we ask faithfully, we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Ruth 1:1-19a

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of

his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there for about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons or her husband.

Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had had consideration for his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, 'Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband.' Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, 'No, we will return with you to your people.' But Naomi said, 'Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me.' Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

So she said, 'See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law.' But Ruth said,

'Do not press me to leave you
or to turn back from following you!

Where you go, I will go;
where you lodge, I will lodge;
your people shall be my people,
and your God my God.

Where you die, I will die—
there will I be buried.

May the Lord do thus and so to me,
and more as well,
if even death parts me from you!'

When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem. When they came to Bethlehem, the whole town was stirred because of them; and the women said, 'Is this Naomi?'

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 113

- 1 Praise the LORD. Sing praises, you servants of the LORD; *
O praise the Name of the LORD.
- 2 Blessed be the Name of the LORD, *
from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 The LORD'S Name be praised *
from the rising up of the sun to the going down of the same.
- 4 The LORD is high above all nations, *
and his glory above the heavens.
- 5 Who is like the LORD our God, who has his dwelling so high, *
and yet humbles himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth?
- 6 He takes up the lowly out of the dust, *
and lifts the poor out of the ashes,
- 7 That he may set them with the princes, *
even with the princes of his people.
- 8 He gives the barren woman a home to dwell in, *
and makes her to be a joyful mother of children. Praise the LORD.

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.*

2 Timothy 2:1-15

You then, my child, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus; and what you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will be able to teach others as well. Share in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving in the army gets entangled in everyday affairs; the soldier's aim is to please the enlisting officer. And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to the rules. It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

if we are faithless, he remains faithful—
for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Gospel (*congregation standing*)

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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 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance,

they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

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 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:

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

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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.

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

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.

TEACHING 3

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.

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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.

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Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,

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your kingdom come,

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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,
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THE FRACTION

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People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Genesis 32:3-8,22-30

Jacob sent messengers before him to his brother Esau in the land of Seir, the country of Edom, instructing them, 'Thus you shall say to my lord Esau: Thus says your servant Jacob, "I have lived with Laban as an alien, and stayed until now; and I have oxen,

donkeys, flocks, male and female slaves; and I have sent to tell my lord, in order that I may find favour in your sight.” ’

The messengers returned to Jacob, saying, ‘We came to your brother Esau, and he is coming to meet you, and four hundred men are with him.’ Then Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed; and he divided the people that were with him, and the flocks and herds and camels, into two companies, thinking, ‘If Esau comes to one company and destroys it, then the company that is left will escape.’

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob’s hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, ‘Let me go, for the day is breaking.’ But Jacob said, ‘I will not let you go, unless you bless me.’ So he said to him, ‘What is your name?’ And he said, ‘Jacob.’ Then the man said, ‘You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.’ Then Jacob asked him, ‘Please tell me your name.’ But he said, ‘Why is it that you ask my name?’ And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, ‘For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.’

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121

- 1 I will lift up my eyes unto the hills; *
from whence comes my help?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD, *
who has made heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved, *
and he who keeps you will not sleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
- 5 The LORD himself is your keeper; *
the LORD is your defense upon your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not burn you by day, *

neither the moon by night.

7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
indeed, it is he who shall keep your soul.

8 The LORD shall preserve your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

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2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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of all that is, visible and invisible.
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*eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
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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.*

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he suffered death and was buried.*

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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;
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We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
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TEACHING 3

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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

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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,
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Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.

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

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COMMUNION SONG

THE PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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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.***

TEACHING 4

THE RECESSIONAL *(congregation standing)*

CLOSING SONG

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!



September 21st Announcements:

Help Us Celebrate 30 Years of God's Faithfulness

This coming year, our church will celebrate a meaningful milestone—**30 years of God's faithfulness to Apostles Anglican Church**. Whether you've been part of our community from the beginning or just recently joined, you are part of a story God has been writing for three decades.

As we prepare for this anniversary, we're gathering photos and videos from across the years. We especially want to collect images that capture the life of our people; think of moments like baptisms, weddings, worship gatherings, small groups, mission trips, outreaches, church picnics, and everyday fellowship.

How to Share Your Photos & Videos

1. Upload digitally: You can scan the QR code on this bulletin to access the Drive link
2. Email us: 30years@apostleslex.com
3. Bring printed photos: We'll carefully scan them and return them to you.



Submission deadline: October 31, 2025

With these memories, we'll create a keepsake photobook for every family in our congregation—a gift of remembrance and gratitude for God's work among us.

Thank you for helping us celebrate this milestone. ***Your story is our story***, and together we look forward to celebrating all God has done—and all He will do—with you.

It's almost time for Retreats!

You can use the QR code below to access the links to signup for each of these retreats (women, men, and youth). Please see below for specific contact information and dates.

High School Youth Retreat

October 3rd - 5th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Samuel Hood at samuele@apostleslex.com or 816-518-5346.

Women's Retreat

October 17th - 19th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ruth Stanley at ruthumuse@yahoo.com or 859-312-4872

Men's Retreat

November 7th - 9th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Trevor Durbin at trevor.durbin@gmail.com or 859-552-0060.

3rd Sunday Dinner

September 21st , 5:30-8:00 pm

Hosted at the Andersons

2472 Heather Ct., Lexington, KY 40503

Contact: Hannah Anderson 859-327-9636

hmltroutman@gmail.com

Food provided. Children welcome.

RSVP not necessary but helpful when able.



Link to Access our
Church LinkTree

Blessing of the Animals

October 1st:

Join Rev. Pam Buck at the Farmer's Market any time between 8:00 am - 12:00 pm to receive a blessing for animal friends.



Apostles Anglican Church

Sunday, 8:30 and 10:55 am
www.apostleslex.com
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Friendly Reminders:

Please place your bulletins in a blue recycling bin after services.

*We kindly ask that children stay on the Sanctuary level during
discipleship hour and after services for their safety.*

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



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The 20th Sunday After Pentecost

10/26/2025

Liturgy for the Contemporary Service
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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE BELL

OPENING SONGS

TEACHING 1

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: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth:
Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Jeremiah 14:7-10,19-22

Although our iniquities testify against us,
act, O Lord, for your name's sake;
our apostasies indeed are many,

and we have sinned against you.
O hope of Israel,
its saviour in time of trouble,
why should you be like a stranger in the land,
like a traveller turning aside for the night?
Why should you be like someone confused,
like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?
Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us,
and we are called by your name;
do not forsake us!

Thus says the Lord concerning this people:
Truly they have loved to wander,
they have not restrained their feet;
therefore the Lord does not accept them,
now he will remember their iniquity
and punish their sins.

Have you completely rejected Judah?
Does your heart loathe Zion?
Why have you struck us down
so that there is no healing for us?
We look for peace, but find no good;
for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.
We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord,
the iniquity of our ancestors,
for we have sinned against you.
Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;
do not dishonour your glorious throne;
remember and do not break your covenant with us.
Can any idols of the nations bring rain?
Or can the heavens give showers?
Is it not you, O Lord our God?
We set our hope on you,
for it is you who do all this.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 84

- 1 How lovely are your dwellings, *
 O LORD God of hosts!
- 2 My soul has a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the LORD; *
 my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 3 Indeed, the sparrow has found her a house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay
her young, *
 even your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
- 4 Blessed are they who dwell in your house; *
 they will be always praising you.
- 5 Blessed is the one whose strength is in you, *
 in whose heart are your ways,
- 6 Who going through the valley of misery uses it for a well; *
 indeed, the early rains fill the pools with water.
- 7 They will go from strength to strength, *
 and the God of gods shall be seen by them in Zion.
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 hearken, O God of Jacob.
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 is better than a thousand;
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- 13 O LORD God of hosts, *
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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.*

2 Timothy 4:6-18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has

come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message.

At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Gospel (*congregation standing*)

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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 18:9-14

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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.
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THE RECESSIONAL *(congregation standing)*

CLOSING SONG

THE DISMISSAL

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OPENING SONGS

TEACHING 1

THE ACCLAMATION

Priest: Worthy is the Lord our God

People: *To receive glory and honor and power.*

Priest: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.**

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne

and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

‘Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!’

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing,

‘Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom

and thanksgiving and honour

and power and might

be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.’

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, ‘Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?’ I said to him, ‘Sir, you are the one that knows.’ Then he said to me, ‘These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,

and worship him day and night within his temple,

and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,

nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd,

and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,

and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.’

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 149

1 Praise the Lord. O sing unto the LORD a new song; *

let the congregation of the faithful praise him.

2 Let Israel rejoice in the one who made him, *

and let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; *

let them sing praises unto him with timbrel and harp.

4 For the LORD has pleasure in his people *

and gives victory to those who are oppressed.

5 Let the faithful be joyful with glory; *

let them rejoice upon their beds.
6 Let the praises of God be in their mouth *
and a two-edged sword in their hands,
7 To inflict vengeance on the nations *
and to rebuke the peoples,
8 To bind their kings in chains *
and their nobles with links of iron,
9 That they may execute judgment upon them, as it is written; *
such honor have all his faithful. Praise the Lord.

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.*

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

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The Gospel (*congregation standing*)

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That the light of Christ might be seen today
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***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 6:20-26

Then he 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 on 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.

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 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.

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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.

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

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.

TEACHING 3

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.

For in the multitude of your Saints, you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us, and, together with them, may receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.

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.

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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."

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Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

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Christ will come again.

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Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of

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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

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

Priest: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might deſtroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Job 19:23-27a

‘O that my words were written down!

O that they were inscribed in a book!

O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock for ever!
For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
My heart faints within me!

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 17

- 1 Hear what is right, O LORD; consider my complaint; *
hearken to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
- 2 Let justice for me come forth from your presence, *
and let your eyes look upon that which is right.
- 3 You have tested and visited my heart in the night season. *
If you try me you shall find no wickedness in me; my mouth shall not offend.
- 4 As for the works of others, *
because of the words of your lips, I have kept myself from the ways of the violent.
- 5 Hold my steps firmly in your paths, *
that my footsteps may not slip.
- 6 I have called upon you, O God, for you will hear me; *
incline your ear to me and hearken to my words.
- 7 Show your marvelous loving-kindness, you that are the Savior of those who put
their trust in you *
from the ones who resist your right hand.
- 8 Keep me as the apple of your eye; *
hide me under the shadow of your wings,
- 9 From the ungodly who assault me, *
even from my enemies who encompass me to take away my soul.
- 10 They have closed their heart to pity, *
and their mouth speaks proud things.
- 11 They lie waiting in my way on every side, *
watching how they may cast me down to the ground,

- 12 Like a lion that is greedy for its prey, *
and like a young lion lurking in secret places.
- 13 Rise up, O LORD, confront them and cast them down; *
deliver my soul from the ungodly by your sword and by your hand,
- 14 From those, O LORD, from those whose portion in life is of the world, *
whose bellies you fill with your hidden treasure.
- 15 They have children at their desire, *
and leave the rest of their abundance for their little ones.
- 16 But as for me, I will behold your presence in righteousness; *
and when I awake and see your likeness, I shall be satisfied.

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.*

2 Thessalonians 2:13—3:5

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Finally, brothers and sisters, pray for us, so that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified everywhere, just as it is among you, and that we may be rescued from wicked and evil people; for not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one. And we have confidence in the Lord concerning you, that you are doing and will go on doing the things that we command. May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

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Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.'

Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

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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,
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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.

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

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

THE PEACE *(congregation standing)*

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

People: *And with your spirit.*

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TEACHING 3

THE DOXOLOGY *(congregation standing)*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

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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.

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Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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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.

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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.

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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

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hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
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on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins
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THE FRACTION

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

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COMMUNION SONG

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.**

TEACHING 4

THE RECESSIONAL (*congregation standing*)

CLOSING SONG

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!



September 21st Announcements:

Help Us Celebrate 30 Years of God's Faithfulness

This coming year, our church will celebrate a meaningful milestone—**30 years of God's faithfulness to Apostles Anglican Church**. Whether you've been part of our community from the beginning or just recently joined, you are part of a story God has been writing for three decades.

As we prepare for this anniversary, we're gathering photos and videos from across the years. We especially want to collect images that capture the life of our people; think of moments like baptisms, weddings, worship gatherings, small groups, mission trips, outreaches, church picnics, and everyday fellowship.

How to Share Your Photos & Videos

1. Upload digitally: You can scan the QR code on this bulletin to access the Drive link
2. Email us: 30years@apostleslex.com
3. Bring printed photos: We'll carefully scan them and return them to you.



Submission deadline: October 31, 2025

With these memories, we'll create a keepsake photobook for every family in our congregation—a gift of remembrance and gratitude for God's work among us.

Thank you for helping us celebrate this milestone. ***Your story is our story***, and together we look forward to celebrating all God has done—and all He will do—with you.

It's almost time for Retreats!

You can use the QR code below to access the links to signup for each of these retreats (women, men, and youth). Please see below for specific contact information and dates.

High School Youth Retreat

October 3rd - 5th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Samuel Hood at samuele@apostleslex.com or 816-518-5346.

Women's Retreat

October 17th - 19th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ruth Stanley at ruthumuse@yahoo.com or 859-312-4872

Men's Retreat

November 7th - 9th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Trevor Durbin at trevor.durbin@gmail.com or 859-552-0060.

3rd Sunday Dinner

September 21st , 5:30-8:00 pm

Hosted at the Andersons

2472 Heather Ct., Lexington, KY 40503

Contact: Hannah Anderson 859-327-9636

hmroutman@gmail.com

Food provided. Children welcome.

RSVP not necessary but helpful when able.



Link to Access our
Church LinkTree

Blessing of the Animals

October 1st:

Join Rev. Pam Buck at the Farmer's Market any time between 8:00 am - 12:00 pm to receive a blessing for animal friends.



Apostles Anglican Church

Sunday, 8:30 and 10:55 am
www.apostleslex.com
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Friendly Reminders:

Please place your bulletins in a blue recycling bin after services.

*We kindly ask that children stay on the Sanctuary level during
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There is always a team available to pray with you during Communion.



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Anglican Church

The 23rd Sunday After Pentecost

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Liturgy for the Contemporary Service
The Anglican Church in North America

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE BELL

OPENING SONGS

TEACHING 1

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: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that bringing forth in abundance the fruit of good works, they may be abundantly rewarded when our Savior Jesus Christ comes to restore all things; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Malachi 3:13-4:6

You have spoken harsh words against me, says the Lord. Yet you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' You have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What do we profit by keeping his command or by going about as mourners before the Lord of hosts? Now

we count the arrogant happy; evildoers not only prosper, but when they put God to the test they escape.'

Then those who revered the Lord spoke with one another. The Lord took note and listened, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who revered the Lord and thought on his name. They shall be mine, says the Lord of hosts, my special possession on the day when I act, and I will spare them as parents spare their children who serve them. Then once more you shall see the difference between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the Lord of hosts.

Remember the teaching of my servant Moses, the statutes and ordinances that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

Lo, I will send you the prophet Elijah before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. He will turn the hearts of parents to their children and the hearts of children to their parents, so that I will not come and strike the land with a curse.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 98

- 1 O sing unto the LORD a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his own right hand and with his holy arm, *
he has won for himself the victory.
- 3 The LORD declared his salvation; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He has remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.
- 5 Show yourselves joyful in the LORD, all you lands; *

sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

6 Praise the LORD with the harp; *
sing with the harp a psalm of thanksgiving.

7 With trumpets also and horns, *
O show yourselves joyful before the LORD, the King.

8 Let the sea make a noise, and all that is in it, *
the round world, and those who dwell therein.

9 Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the LORD, *
for he has come to judge the earth.

10 With righteousness shall he judge the world, *
and the peoples with equity.

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.*

2 Thessalonians 3:6-16

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Take note of those who do not obey what we say in this letter; have nothing to do with them, so that they may be ashamed. Do not regard them as enemies, but warn them as believers.

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in all ways. The Lord be with all of you.

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 21:5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ‘As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.’

They asked him, ‘Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?’ And he said, ‘Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, “I am he!” and, “The time is near!” Do not go after them.

‘When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.’ Then he said to them, ‘Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

‘But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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TEACHING 1

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: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who

shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 46

- 1 God is our refuge and strength, *
a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *
and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea;
- 3 Though its waters rage and swell, *
and though the mountains shake at its tempest.
- 4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, *
the holy dwelling place of the Most High.
- 5 God is in the midst of her; therefore she shall not be moved. *
God shall help her at the break of day.
- 6 The nations are in an uproar, and the kingdoms are moved, *
but God has lifted his voice, and the earth shall melt away.
- 7 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our refuge.
- 8 O come and behold the works of the LORD, *
what devastations he has brought upon the earth.
- 9 He makes wars to cease in all the world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the chariots in the fire.
- 10 "Be still then and know that I am God; *
I will be exalted among the nations, and I will be exalted in the earth."

11 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
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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.*

Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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The Gospel *(congregation standing)*

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

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Luke 23:35-43

And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
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That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
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Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory***

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

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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:

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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:

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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.

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

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.

TEACHING 3

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 your only begotten Son Jesus Christ, the King of kings and Lord of lords; for you have seated him at your right hand in glory, and put all things in subjection under his feet, that he may present them to you, O Father, perfectly restored in beauty, truth, and love.

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.

COMMUNION SONG

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.***

TEACHING 4

THE RECESSIONAL *(congregation standing)*

CLOSING SONG

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Priest: Surely the Lord is coming soon.

People: *Amen. Come Lord Jesus!*

Priest: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.***Amen.***

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come
the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the Lord!

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 122

1 I was glad when they said unto me, *

"We will go into the house of the LORD."

2 Now our feet are standing *

within your gates, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem is built as a city *

that is at unity in itself.

4 For there the tribes go up, even the tribes of the LORD, *

as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the LORD.

5 For there is the throne of judgment, *

even the throne of the house of David.
6 O pray for the peace of Jerusalem; *
they shall prosper that love you.
7 Peace be within your walls *
and plenteousness within your palaces.
8 For my brethren and companions' sakes, *
I will wish you prosperity.
9 Indeed, because of the house of the LORD our God, *
I will seek to do you good.

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.*

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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Matthew 24:29-44

‘Immediately after the suffering of those days
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light;
the stars will fall from heaven,
and the powers of heaven will be shaken.

Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see “the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven” with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

‘From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

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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.

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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

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

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

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People: *And with your spirit.*

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TEACHING 3

THE DOXOLOGY *(congregation standing)*

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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.

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THE SURSUM CORDA

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

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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.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great glory to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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.

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COMMUNION SONG

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Heavenly Father,

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of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
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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.*

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be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

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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.**

TEACHING 4

THE RECESSIONAL *(congregation standing)*

CLOSING SONG

THE DISMISSAL

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As we prepare for this anniversary, we're gathering photos and videos from across the years. We especially want to collect images that capture the life of our people; think of moments like baptisms, weddings, worship gatherings, small groups, mission trips, outreaches, church picnics, and everyday fellowship.

How to Share Your Photos & Videos

1. Upload digitally: You can scan the QR code on this bulletin to access the Drive link
2. Email us: 30years@apostleslex.com
3. Bring printed photos: We'll carefully scan them and return them to you.



Submission deadline: October 31, 2025

With these memories, we'll create a keepsake photobook for every family in our congregation—a gift of remembrance and gratitude for God's work among us.

Thank you for helping us celebrate this milestone. ***Your story is our story***, and together we look forward to celebrating all God has done—and all He will do—with you.

It's almost time for Retreats!

You can use the QR code below to access the links to signup for each of these retreats (women, men, and youth). Please see below for specific contact information and dates.

High School Youth Retreat

October 3rd - 5th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Samuel Hood at samuele@apostleslex.com or 816-518-5346.

Women's Retreat

October 17th - 19th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ruth Stanley at ruthumuse@yahoo.com or 859-312-4872

Men's Retreat

November 7th - 9th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Trevor Durbin at trevor.durbin@gmail.com or 859-552-0060.

3rd Sunday Dinner

September 21st , 5:30-8:00 pm

Hosted at the Andersons

2472 Heather Ct., Lexington, KY 40503

Contact: Hannah Anderson 859-327-9636

hmroutman@gmail.com

Food provided. Children welcome.

RSVP not necessary but helpful when able.



Link to Access our
Church LinkTree

Blessing of the Animals

October 1st:

Join Rev. Pam Buck at the Farmer's Market any time between 8:00 am - 12:00 pm to receive a blessing for animal friends.



Apostles Anglican Church

Sunday, 8:30 and 10:55 am
www.apostleslex.com
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859-245-1318



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



Apostles

Anglican Church

The Second Sunday in Advent

12/7/2025

Liturgy for the Contemporary Service
The Anglican Church in North America

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE BELL

OPENING SONGS

TEACHING 1

THE ACCLAMATION

Priest: Surely the Lord is coming soon.

People: *Amen. Come Lord Jesus!*

Priest: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Blessed Lord, who caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and the comfort of your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.
His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.
Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.
The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.
They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain;
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord
as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72:1-15

- 1 Give the King your judgments, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's son.
- 2 Then shall he judge your people with righteousness *
and defend the poor with justice.
- 3 The mountains also shall bring peace, *
and the little hills righteousness to the people.
- 4 He shall vindicate the poor among the people, *
defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrongdoer.
- 5 They shall fear you as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like the rain upon the mown grass, *
even as showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish, *
even an abundance of peace, so long as the moon endures.
- 8 His dominion shall be also from one sea to the other, *
and from the river unto the world's end.
- 9 Those who dwell in the wilderness shall kneel before him; *
his enemies shall lick the dust.
- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall give presents; *
the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring gifts.
- 11 All kings shall fall down before him; *
all nations shall do him service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor when he cries, *
the needy also, and the one that has no helper.
- 13 He shall be favorable to the lowly and needy, *
and shall preserve the lives of the poor.
- 14 He shall deliver them from falsehood and wrong, *
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.
- 15 Long may he live! And unto him shall be given the gold of Arabia; *
prayer shall ever be made unto him, and daily shall he be blessed.

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.*

Romans 15:1-13

We who are strong ought to put up with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Each of us must please our neighbour for the good purpose of building up the neighbour. For

Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, 'The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.' For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, 'Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name'; and again he says, 'Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people'; and again, 'Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him'; and again Isaiah says, 'The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.' May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy 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 Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Matthew 3:1-12

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.’ This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

‘The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.” ’

Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, ‘You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, “We have Abraham as our ancestor”; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

‘I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.’

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

THE NICENE CREED *(congregation standing)*

***We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
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eternally begotten of the Father,
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and was made man.***

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he suffered death and was buried.***

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We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

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***We look for the resurrection of the dead,
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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(congregation standing or kneeling)*

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Priest: Let us pray.

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O Lord Jesus Christ, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise make ready your way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient toward the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world, we may be found a people acceptable in your sight; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Isaiah 35:1-10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,

the desert shall rejoice and blossom;
like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly,
and rejoice with joy and singing.
The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,
the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.
They shall see the glory of the Lord,
the majesty of our God.

Strengthen the weak hands,
and make firm the feeble knees.
Say to those who are of a fearful heart,
‘Be strong, do not fear!
Here is your God.
He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.
He will come and save you.’

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;
the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

A highway shall be there,
and it shall be called the Holy Way;
the unclean shall not travel on it,
but it shall be for God’s people;
no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray.
No lion shall be there,
nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it;
they shall not be found there,
but the redeemed shall walk there.

And the ransomed of the Lord shall return,
and come to Zion with singing;
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;
they shall obtain joy and gladness,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 146

- 1 Praise the LORD, O my soul; *
while I live I will praise the LORD.
- 2 Indeed, as long as I have my being, *
I will sing praises unto my God.
- 3 Put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man, *
for there is no help in them.
- 4 For when one breathes his last, he shall return again to the earth, *
and in that day all his thoughts perish.
- 5 Blessed is the one who has the God of Jacob for his help *
and whose hope is in the LORD his God,
- 6 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is therein; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
- 7 Who does right to those who suffer wrong; *
and who feeds the hungry.
- 8 The LORD sets prisoners free; *
the LORD gives sight to the blind.
- 9 The LORD helps those who have fallen; *
the LORD loves the righteous.
- 10 The LORD cares for the strangers in the land; he defends the fatherless and widow; *
but the way of the ungodly he makes crooked.
- 11 The LORD shall be King for evermore, *
even your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Praise the LORD

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.*

James 5:7-20

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. Indeed we call blessed those who showed endurance. You have heard of the endurance of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.

Above all, my beloved, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your 'Yes' be yes and your 'No' be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation.

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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 Matthew.

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Matthew 11:2-19

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.'

As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written,

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way before you."

Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John came; and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. Let anyone with ears listen!

'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,

"We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn."

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.'

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*

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

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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.

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

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.

TEACHING 3

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.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great glory to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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.

COMMUNION SONG

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.**

TEACHING 4

THE RECESSIONAL *(congregation standing)*

CLOSING SONG

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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TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Isaiah 7:10-17

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: 'Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary

mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted. The Lord will bring on you and on your people and on your ancestral house such days as have not come since the day that Ephraim departed from Judah—the king of Assyria.’

Reader: The word of the Lord.

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Psalm 24

- 1 The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, *
the compass of the world and those who dwell therein.
- 2 For he has founded it upon the seas *
and established it upon the rivers of the deep.
- 3 Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? *
Or who shall stand in his holy place?
- 4 He who has clean hands and a pure heart, *
and who has not set his mind upon vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbor.
- 5 He shall receive blessing from the LORD *
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
- 6 This is the generation of those who seek him, *
even of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
- 7 Lift up your heads, O you gates, and be lifted up, you everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8 “Who is the King of glory?” *
“It is the LORD, strong and mighty, even the LORD, mighty in battle.”
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“The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory.”

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.*

Romans 1:1-7

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

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‘Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel’,
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We look for the resurrection of the dead,

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

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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;

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

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

People: And with your spirit.

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TEACHING 3

THE DOXOLOGY *(congregation standing)*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

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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.

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People: And of your own have we given you.

THE SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

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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.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great glory to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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THE SANCTUS

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,
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Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.

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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.

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People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

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COMMUNION SONG

THE PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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Heavenly Father,

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of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
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that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.***

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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.***

TEACHING 4

THE RECESSIONAL (*congregation standing*)

CLOSING SONG

THE DISMISSAL

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How to Share Your Photos & Videos

1. Upload digitally: You can scan the QR code on this bulletin to access the Drive link
2. Email us: 30years@apostleslex.com
3. Bring printed photos: We'll carefully scan them and return them to you.



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With these memories, we'll create a keepsake photobook for every family in our congregation—a gift of remembrance and gratitude for God's work among us.

Thank you for helping us celebrate this milestone. ***Your story is our story***, and together we look forward to celebrating all God has done—and all He will do—with you.

It's almost time for Retreats!

You can use the QR code below to access the links to signup for each of these retreats (women, men, and youth). Please see below for specific contact information and dates.

High School Youth Retreat

October 3rd - 5th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Samuel Hood at samuele@apostleslex.com or 816-518-5346.

Women's Retreat

October 17th - 19th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ruth Stanley at ruthumuse@yahoo.com or 859-312-4872

Men's Retreat

November 7th - 9th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Trevor Durbin at trevor.durbin@gmail.com or 859-552-0060.

3rd Sunday Dinner

September 21st , 5:30-8:00 pm

Hosted at the Andersons

2472 Heather Ct., Lexington, KY 40503

Contact: Hannah Anderson 859-327-9636

hmroutman@gmail.com

Food provided. Children welcome.

RSVP not necessary but helpful when able.



Link to Access our
Church LinkTree

Blessing of the Animals

October 1st:

Join Rev. Pam Buck at the Farmer's Market any time between 8:00 am - 12:00 pm to receive a blessing for animal friends.



Apostles Anglican Church

Sunday, 8:30 and 10:55 am
www.apostleslex.com
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There is always a team available to pray with you during Communion.



Apostles

Anglican Church

The First Sunday of Christmas

12/28/2025

Liturgy for the Contemporary Service
The Anglican Church in North America

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE BELL

OPENING SONGS

TEACHING 1

THE ACCLAMATION

Priest: For unto us a child is born.

People: *Unto us a son is given.*

Priest: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your in-carnate Word: Grant that this light, kindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

TEACHING 2

THE LESSONS

Isaiah 61:10-62:5

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord,
my whole being shall exult in my God;
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,

he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,
so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise
to spring up before all the nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will give.
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the Lord delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 147:12-20

12 Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem; *
praise your God, O Zion.

13 For he has made strong the bars of your gates *
and has blessed your children within you.

- 14 He makes peace in your borders *
and fills you with the finest of wheat.
- 15 He sends forth his commandment upon the earth, *
and his word runs very swiftly.
- 16 He gives snow like wool *
and scatters the white frost like ashes.
- 17 He casts forth his ice like crumbs; *
who is able to abide his frost?
- 18 He sends out his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 19 He declares his word unto Jacob, *
his statutes and ordinances unto Israel.
- 20 He has not dealt so with other nations; *
neither have they knowledge of his laws. Praise the LORD.

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 3:23-4:7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

My point is this: heirs, as long as they are minors, are no better than slaves, though they are the owners of all the property; but they remain under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. So with us; while we were minors, we were enslaved to the elemental spirits of the world. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

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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 John.

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

John 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, 'This was he of whom I said, "He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he

was before me.” ’) From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father’s heart, who has made him known.

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 NICENE CREED *(congregation standing)*

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maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.***

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the only-begotten Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
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through him all things were made.***

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and was made man.***

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You can use the QR code below to access the links to signup for each of these retreats (women, men, and youth). Please see below for specific contact information and dates.

High School Youth Retreat

October 3rd - 5th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Samuel Hood at samuele@apostleslex.com or 816-518-5346.

Women's Retreat

October 17th - 19th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ruth Stanley at ruthumuse@yahoo.com or 859-312-4872

Men's Retreat

November 7th - 9th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Trevor Durbin at trevor.durbin@gmail.com or 859-552-0060.

3rd Sunday Dinner

September 21st , 5:30-8:00 pm

Hosted at the Andersons

2472 Heather Ct., Lexington, KY 40503

Contact: Hannah Anderson 859-327-9636

hmltroutman@gmail.com

Food provided. Children welcome.

RSVP not necessary but helpful when able.



Link to Access our
Church LinkTree

Blessing of the Animals

October 1st:

Join Rev. Pam Buck at the Farmer's Market any time between 8:00 am - 12:00 pm to receive a blessing for animal friends.



Apostles Anglican Church

Sunday, 8:30 and 10:55 am
www.apostleslex.com
admin@apostleslex.com
859-245-1318



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website, upcoming events,
and more.

Friendly Reminders:

Please place your bulletins in a blue recycling bin after services.

*We kindly ask that children stay on the Sanctuary level during
discipleship hour and after services for their safety.*

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