



Apostles

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

O Come to the Altar

*V1. Are you hurting and broken within?
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?
Jesus is calling*

*V2. Have you come to the end of yourself?
Do you thirst for a drink from the well?
Jesus is calling*

*C. O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ*

*V3. Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today, there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling*

*V4. Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes, a new life is born
Jesus is calling*

*B. Oh, what a Savior
Isn't He wonderful?
Sing hallelujah, Christ is risen
Bow down before Him
For He is Lord of all
Sing hallelujah, Christ is risen*

*V5. Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you found*

Agnus Dei

Alleluia, Alleluia, for our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia, Alleluia, for our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia, Holy, Holy are you Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb; worthy is the Lamb You are Holy, Holy are You Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb. Worthy is the Lamb. Amen.

THE 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.***

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.*

Psalm 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
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory*

THE SERMON

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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.
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.

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.

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

Come to Jesus

Come to Jesus

*V1. If you bought what they sold you just to find out
The world's only good at lettin' you down, come to Jesus
If the well that you draw from keeps runnin' dry
And the water you're drinkin' won't satisfy, come to Jesus, come to Jesus*

*C. There's room for us all at the foot of the cross
Where perfect love paid every prodigal's cost
The Saviour is waitin' with the arms open wide
So leave what's behind you behind
Come to Jesus
Come to Jesus*

*V1. You don't have to clean up before you come home
Let the power in the blood turn your sin white as snow
Come to Jesus
Come to Jesus*

*B. There is therefore now no condemnation
For all those found in Christ Jesus, call His name
Come be saved, come be saved
There is therefore now no condemnation
For all those found in Christ Jesus, call His name
Come be saved, oh, come be saved*

THE PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. **Amen.**

THE PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Heavenly Father,

*We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.*

*And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.*

*To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

THE BLESSING

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

THE RECESSIONAL *(congregation standing)*

CLOSING SONG

Be Thou My Vision

*V1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou
art Thou my best Thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my
light.*

*V2. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with
me, Lord; Thou my great Father, Thy own may I be; Thou in me dwelling, and I one
with Thee.*

*V3. High King of heaven, when victory's won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright
heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of
all.*

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!



October 5th 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.

Women's Retreat

October 17th- 19th @ The Close:

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ruth Stanley at ruthumus@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.

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We would love to have more photos in this directory! You can send your directory picture to mandy@apostleslex.com or text to 502-529-2786.



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Church LinkTree**

Creo Arts Film "Quest for Beauty"

October 11th @ 7 pm:

Quest for Beauty was recently deemed an official selection for the Twelve Lions Film Festival in Lexington. The documentary centers on the life and prolific art career of William Schickel, a prominent 20th century Catholic artist. Most renowned for his renovation of the Abbey of Gethsemani in Kentucky, the film explores the challenges he faced, his vision for the Church, and his heart for unity in the Body of Christ. It is a beautiful and contemplative film with a message that feels especially timely.

Linda Stratford, our resident art historian, is also interviewed in the movie as well.





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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.