



Apostles

Anglican Church

The 23rd Sunday After Pentecost

11/16/2025

Liturgy for the Contemporary Service
The Anglican Church in North America

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE BELL

OPENING SONGS

HOSANNA (PRAISE IS RISING)

(Verse 1)

*Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You
We turn to You
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You
We long for You*

(Pre-Chorus)

*'Cause when we see You
We find strength to face the day
In Your presence
All our fears are washed away*

(Chorus)

*Hosanna hosanna
You are the God who saves us
Worthy of all our praises
Hosanna hosanna
Come have Your way among us
We welcome You here Lord Jesus*

(Verse 2)

*Hear the sound of, hearts returning to You
We turn to You
In Your Kingdom, broken lives are made new
You make us new*

HOLY SONG

(Verse 1)

***What joy to know You Lord to walk within Your ways
To live beneath the shadow of Your wing
Faithful You will lead me and I won't fear a thing
You alone my song will always be***

(Chorus)

***Holy holy holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Worthy worthy worthy
All of the earth is full of Your glory***

(Verse 2)

***What mercy to me Lord to choose me for Your own
That You would make my heart Your dwelling place
And when I stand in glory and we are face to face
Surely then my song will be the same***

(Bridge)

***Worthy now to receive
Power and wisdom and majesty
Unto You Christ our King
Splendor and honor eternally***

(Verse 3)

***What beauty to behold there before the throne
As all of earth and heaven hail the King
The Lion and the Lamb our God the Great I Am
To You alone our song forever be
To You alone our song forever be***

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.

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.

Psalm 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.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

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

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED *(congregation standing)*

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,*

*eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.*

*On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.*

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

*We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(congregation standing or kneeling)*

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

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

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

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

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

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

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

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

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

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

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

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

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

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

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

Reader: Lord, in your mercy:

People: *Hear our prayer.*

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

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

***Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.***

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

Priest: Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.
Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

THE PEACE *(congregation standing)*

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

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

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

THE DOXOLOGY *(congregation standing)*

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.***

THE OFFERTORY

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

All things come from you, O Lord.

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

THE SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And with your spirit.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

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

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

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of

death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

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

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

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

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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

THE PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food

of the most precious Body and Blood

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,

***to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.***

THE BLESSING

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

THE RECESSIONAL *(congregation standing)*

CLOSING SONG

O PRAISE THE NAME

(Verse 1)

***I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds, His hands, His feet
My Savior on that cursed tree***

(Verse 2)

***His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone***

(Chorus)

***O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord, oh Lord our God***

(Verse 3)

*Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting?
The angels roar for Christ the King*

(Verse 4)

*He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face*

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!



November 16th Announcements

Third Sunday Nov. 16th

Hosted at the Andersons

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Newcomer's Lunch

November 16th, immediately following 10:55 service:

If you have never been to a Newcomers Lunch (even if you are not necessarily new), you are welcome to join us for this lunch!

On November 16th, immediately following 10:55 service, we will have lunch and discuss the following:

- What is Apostles' story?
- How do you find your place at Apostles?
- How do we worship?
- How are we organized as a church (locally, nationally, globally)?

If you are able to come, please scan the QR code to our church Linktree to access the signup link (this link is also in the newsletter).



[Link to access our church Linktree](#)

Pod Cast: Front Porch Wise Guys

Life's better with porch talk — the kind that gets honest about faith, family, and the stuff that really matters. *Front Porch Wise Guys* is a new podcast where we keep it real about God, life, and everything in between. Don Sizemore & Martin Gornik.

Advent Calendar

November

November 30 Advent I

8:30 Traditional & 10:55 Contemporary

December

December 7 Advent II

8:30 Traditional & 10:55 Contemporary

December 14 Advent III

10:00am Children's Christmas Pageant

12:30pm Christmas Luncheon

December 21 Advent IV

10:00am Lessons & Carols

December 24 7:00pm Christmas Eve Eucharist

December 25 10:00am Christmas Morning Eucharist

December 30 10:00am 1st Sunday of Christmas



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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.