# The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 7, 2025 - 10:00 AM

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant & Preacher - The Very Reverend David Allard duPlantier



It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to silence cell phones. Let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship. Large-print Prayer Books and Activity Workbooks for kids are available at the Usher's Stand. This liturgy is being webcast on YouTube and Facebook Live. We joyfully welcome children of all ages to worship with us; there is a nursery available for infants and toddlers if you wish it. Children are encouraged to proceed to the chapel for Children's Chapel immediately following the reading of the Gospel. They will return at The Peace.

# The Word of God

When the bell sounds, please stand and sing.

#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

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

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### GLORY TO GOD Gloria in excelsis





#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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

#### THE FIRST LESSON ~ Jeremiah 18:1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Lector The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM** 139:1-5, 13-17 *Domine, probasti*

- 1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; \* you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- You trace my journeys and my resting-places \* and are acquainted with all my ways.
- Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \* but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before \* and lay your hand upon me.

- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \* it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; \* you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; \* your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, \* while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;

Setting: Samuel Sebastian Wesley

- all of them were written in your book; \* they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! \* how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; \* to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

#### THE SECOND LESSON - Philemon 1-21

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

Lector The Word of the Lord.People Thanks be to God.

Please stand and sing

#### Alleluia & Verse



V. Sing to the Lord and bless his Name; proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day. [Alleluia]

THE HOLY GOSPEL - Luke 14:25-33

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten

thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

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

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Prayer Book, Page 358

Prayers of the People, Form VI Prayer Book, Page 392

The Confession & Absolution Prayer Book, Page 393

THE PEACE

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

People And also with you.

# The Liturgy of the Table

#### ANTHEM

O sing joyfully unto God our strength: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob. Take the song, bring hither the tabret: the merry harp with the lute.

Words: Psalm 81

Music: Adrian Batten (1591-1637)

Please stand and sing

Blow up the trumpet in the new-moon:

For this was made a statute for Israel:

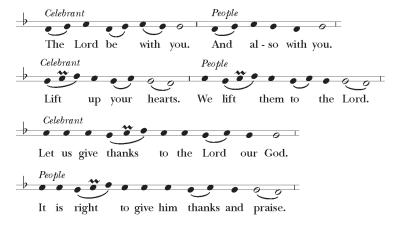
and a law of the God of Jacob.

even in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast-day.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - Eucharistic Prayer A

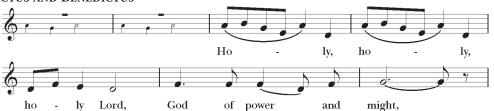
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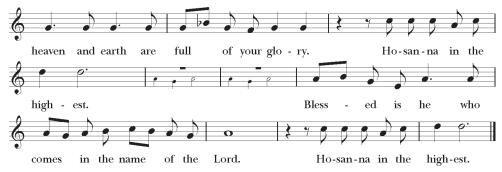
## Sursum Corda



#### THE PROPER PREFACE

#### SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS





(Standing or Kneeling)

#### THE EUCHARISTIC CANON

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION (said by all)

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

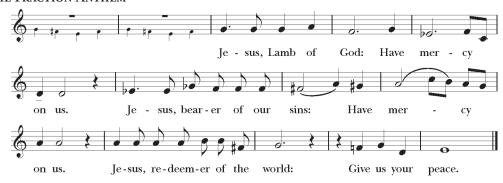
THE GREAT AMEN

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

#### THE FRACTION ANTHEM



#### THE INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All persons are welcome at the Lord's table; to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. Baptized Christians of all ages and denomination may receive the elements. To receive a blessing rather than the elements, cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the altar rail. To receive communion please hold out your crossed hands, open palms up, for the bread, and then help guide the chalice to your lips to receive the wine; cross your arms over your chest if you do not wish to receive the wine. Please blot lipstick before drinking from the chalice.

#### ANTHEM

O Lord, You have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up, You discern my thoughts from far away, You are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, You know it complete; you hem me in. Where can I go from Your spirit or where can I flee from Your presence? If I ascend to heaven You are there. If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, Even there Your hand shall guide me

and Your right hand shall hold me fast.

Even the darkness is not dark to You;
the night is bright as the day.

The darkness is as light to You.

For it was You who formed my inward parts.
You knit me together from the void.

I praise You for I am wondrously, fearfully made and wonderful are your works.

When I come to the end I am still with You,
Your are still with me Lord
See if there is any wicked way in me and lead me in Your way forever.

This anthem was composed for the Choir of Christ Church Cathedral.

Words: Psalm 139

Music: J. Calloway Cieslak (b. 1993)

Please join in singing

Post-Communion Prayer

Prayer Book, Page 365/366

THE BLESSING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

The flowers on the altar are given to The Glory of God in thanksgiving for the children of the Cathedral.

Please Join Us For Coffee Hour – Immediately following this service we gather in Stewart Hall. All are welcome.

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Mass Setting: William Mathias (1934-1992) Reprinted from The Hymnal 1982.

**Welcome!** If you are visiting and seeking a connection with us we would love to get to know you. Please fill out a Visitor Card (located in the pew rack) or point your cell phone at this QR code. Thank you for worshiping with us.



## Announcements

Nursery worker needed ~ In order to safeguard our children, the Episcopal Church has firm policies about nursery staffing. There must be at least two persons working in the nursery that have been trained and certified in the Churches childcare practices. One of our two current staff will be moving away from in mid-May. We are seeking a replacement (it is a compensated position) however, until we can recruit an additional worker, one parent will need to remain with their child while they are in the nursery. If you know anyone who might be willing to fill this position, please have them email Lisa Wilkie <a href="mailto:lisawilkie@cccnola.org">lisawilkie@cccnola.org</a> and she can provide them with more information about the position.

Flower Offerings - We hope you enjoy the flowers that adorn the Altar. The flowers are arranged weekly by a member of the Flower Guild which is made up of a small group of devoted volunteers. The Flower Guild is supported entirely by donations from members and friends of the Cathedral. Sponsoring altar flowers on a Sunday is a beautiful way to honor loved ones. Flowers are often given to mark special life events such as a birth, wedding anniversary, baptism, the memory of a loved one, or in thanksgiving. We currently have many weeks open on the Sunday Flower schedule. If you have a special Sunday you would like to celebrate please contact Sandy Jackson 504-717-3185. The suggested amount of the donation is \$100.00. Your support of this ministry is appreciated.

#### Looking Ahead

- September 7, 14, 28 ~ Professional Photos taken during Coffee Hour
- September 30 ~ Choral Evensong & Benediction 6:00 PM
- October 1 ~ Choral Eucharist 6:00 PM
- October 5 Annual St. Francis Blessing of the Animals
- October 26 Jacob Benda, Organist, In Recital
- November 9 Bishop's Visit with Confirmation/Reception
- November 23 ~ Peter Collins, Pianist, In Recital
- December 14 A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

# Cathedral Photo Opportunity

The Cathedral has an online Parish Directory available to registered members using the APP "Church Life." We encourage everyone to keep your contact information up to date. This platform also gives you access to the real-time Cathedral Calander.

Each member has a space in their directory listing for a photograph. These can be self-submitted on the APP. Alternatively, if you would like a professional headshot added to our Directory, Ryan Hodgson-Rigsbee, a Cathedral member who is a professional photographer, will take individual

photographs during coffee hour on three Sundays in September. (Sept 7, 14, 28).

There is no appointment necessary. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity, just come to coffee hour on one of these three Sundays and he will be available in the Martin Room on a first come first served basis. There is no charge for these photos, however if you would like photos for your personal use, he will be happy to discuss it with you.





*The Jericho Road Episcopal Housing Initiative* was founded by the Dean and Vestry of the Cathedral as a response to Hurricane Katrina. To commemorate this milestone, the Board has launched an effort to raise \$20,000 from 200 new donors in the coming weeks.

Please help us reach this goal by following the link on the QR code below. When you make your donation, use the drop down box to acknowledge one of the current board members. (In addition to myself, the Cathedral members are Kathryn Washington and Christine Carmody. Please help us grow our donor base as we begin our next twenty years of transforming communities in our City and State.

If you or a family member is hospitalized or shut-in, please contact the parish secretary during office hours or call one of us directly on our mobile phones at any time and leave a voice message if necessary. If the situation is not urgent you may also contact use via email (copying the parish secretary as well.) Please DO NOT use text messages, Facebook or any other instant message platform to communicate sensitive or urgent information, as their reliability is inconsistent.



Thank you for supporting the ongoing Cathedral ministries

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## **VESTRY**

<u>2026</u>

Chrissy Carmody, Meryl Fink, David O'Leary (Junior Warden)

2027

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2028

Charlotte C. Meade, Bonnie Scott, Angela Sella

2029

Alan G. Brackett (Senior Warden), Liz Schafer, Patrick Tuck

# Watch the Sunday 10:00 Eucharist webcast YouTube cccnola

## THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung) (Cathedral) 11:15 AM Coffee Hour & Photographs (Stuart Hall)

6:00 PM The Holy Eucharist (Real Presence)

**MONDAY** 

9:00 AM Education for Ministry (EfM) (Dean's Parlor)
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
5:30 PM Property Committee Mtg (Dean's Parlor)

7:00 PM Voices Of New Orleans (VONO) Rehearsal

TUESDAY

10:00 AM Staff Meeting

12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Women only)

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

5:30 PM Yoga in the Cathedral

7:00 PM Symphony Of New Orleans (SONO) Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

4:30 PM Education for Ministry (EfM) (Dean's Parlor)

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY** 

8:00 AM Trinity Loaves and Fishes (Kitchen)

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

*Friday* 

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

SUNDAY

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung) (Cathedral)

11:15 AM Coffee Hour & Photographs (Stuart Hall)

3:00 PM Spring Within Group (Westfeldt Room)

6:00 PM The Holy Eucharist (Real Presence)

For an online tour of Christ Church Cathedral, follow this link.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NniMc--Vhjc





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