

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 5, 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

OPENING VOLUNTARY ~ Schmücke dich o liebe Seele (Deck thyself my soul), Op. 122/5.....Johannes Brahms

When the bell sounds, please stand and sing.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #7 ~ Christ, whose glory fills the skies.....Ratisbon

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*



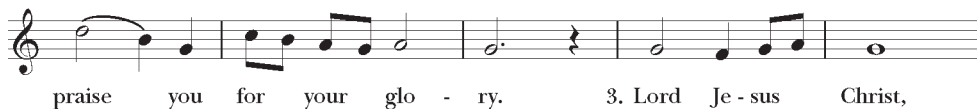
1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON ~ Lamentations 1:1-6

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people! How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the provinces has become a vassal. She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies. Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude; she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting place; her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress. The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals; all her gates are desolate, her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter. Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper, because the Lord has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe. From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty. Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.

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

The choir sings

PSALM 137 *Super flumina*

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| 1 By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept, *
when we remembered you, O Zion. | 3 For those who led us away captive asked us for a song,
and our oppressors called for mirth: * |
| 2 As for our harps, we hung them up *
on the trees in the midst of that land. | "Sing us one of the songs of Zion." |
| | 4 How shall we sing the Lord's song *
upon an alien soil. |

5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, *
 let my right hand forget its skill.
 6 Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth
 if I do not remember you, *
 if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.
 7 Remember the day of Jerusalem, O Lord,
 against the people of Edom, *

who said, "Down with it! down with it!
 even to the ground!"

8 O Daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction, *
 happy the one who pays you back
 for what you have done to us!
 9 Happy shall he be who takes your little ones, *
 and dashes them against the rock!

Setting: George Mursell Garrett

THE SECOND LESSON ~ 2 Timothy 1:1-14

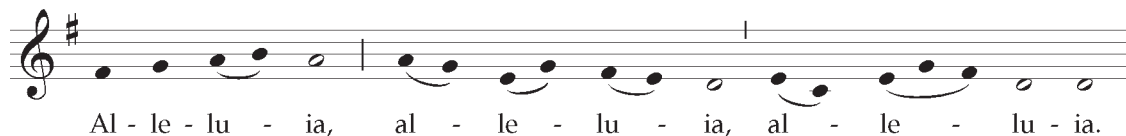
Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when 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 Savior 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand and sing

ALLELUIA & VERSE



V. Your word is as a lantern to my feet
 and a light upon my path. [*Alleluia*]

THE GOSPEL ~ Luke 17:5-10

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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 plowing 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!'"

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form VI

Prayer Book, Page 358

Prayer Book, Page 392

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Table

ANTHEM

O Lord, increase our faith, strengthen us and confirm us in Thy true faith; endue us with wisdom, charity, chastity, and patience, in all our adversities. Sweet Jesu, say amen.

Music: Henry Loosemore (c. 1600 - 1670)

Please stand and sing

OFFERTORY HYMN #529 ~ In Christ there is no East or WestMcKee

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ Eucharistic Prayer A

Prayer Book, Page 361

SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

THE PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the

high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

(Standing or Kneeling)

THE EUCHARISTIC CANON

Prayer Book, Page 362

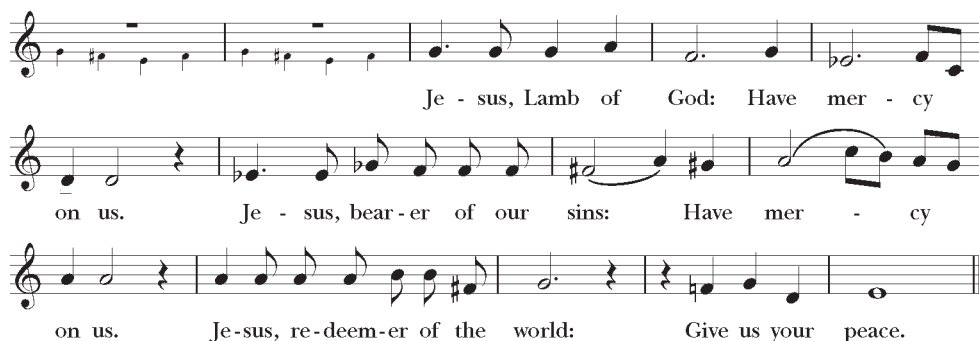
MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION *(said by all)*

Prayer Book, Page 363

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

THE GREAT AMEN**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Prayer Book, Page 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**THE FRACTION ANTHEM**

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy
on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy
on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

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

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not unto your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct your path.
For in Him are all the blessings of heaven
and from His mouth cometh wisdom.
Seek Him and He shall grant you the sweetest desires of your heart.

Music: Daniel E. Gawthrop (b. 1949)

Text: Proverbs 3, Adapted by Jane Griner

Please join in singing

HYMN #312 ~ Strengthen for service, Lord.....*Malabar*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Prayer Book, Page 365/366

THE BLESSING**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

HYMN #544 ~ Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun*Duke Street*

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY ~ Fanfare.....William Mathias

Please join us for Coffee Hour – Immediately following this service we gather in Stewart Hall. All are welcome.

We extend our thanks to Marc Loudon, Organist and Sofia Reggio, Conductor for substituting this morning.

*The flowers on the altar are given To the Glory of God in thanksgiving
for the marriage of Margaret Campbell to Slade Rand.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us this evening for the Annual Blessing of the Animals! Music by the Real Presence Ensemble begins at 5:00 PM, the Eucharist begins at 6:00 PM.

The Deadline for the next Canticle is October 17.

Confirmation and Reception into the Episcopal Church will be offered on Sunday, November 9 at 10:00 A.M. - Bishop Shannon Duckworth will be here to make her annual visitation on that day. If you are interested in being *Confirmed* or *Received* or have questions about *The Inquirer's Classes*, please contact Canon Steven Roberts - stevenroberts@cccnola.org.

Nursery worker needed - In order to keep our small children safe, 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 Church's childcare practices. We are seeking a person (compensated) who we can call in for emergency staffing. If you know anyone who might be willing to fill this position, please have them email Lisa Wilkie lisawilkie@cccnola.org 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

- October 9 - Symphony Of New Orleans Concert - 7:30 PM
- October 26 - Jacob Benda, Organist, In Recital - 3:00 PM
- November 9 - Bishop's Visit with Confirmation/Reception
- November 23 - Peter Collins, Pianist, In Recital
- December 14 - A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols - 4:00 PM

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.*



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 us 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.

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BULLETIN INSERTS

October 5, 2025 – Pentecost 17 (C) The Nicene Creed: Week 4

To commemorate the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea, the Rt. Rev. Matthew Gunter, bishop of Wisconsin, has written a series of reflections on the Nicene Creed and its relevance for contemporary Episcopalians. Over the coming weeks, we'll share his teachings, written mostly in a question-and-answer format.

Isn't one's faith about one's relationship with the living God and with God's children? Can't we say, "Love God and love your neighbor," and leave it at that? That is indeed Jesus' summary of the law, and that is no small thing. However, in his context (the time's tradition and teachings), Jesus had received a great deal about the nature and purposes of God as a son of Israel. While there was no written creed as such, Jesus was part of a people who held certain ideas, i.e., doctrines, about God and humanity. As a faithful Jew, he would have recited the Sh'ma found in Deuteronomy 6:4-5: "Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might."

There is no sufficient knowledge of God without some sort of creed. 'God' is a meaningless word until it is given meaning. To say, "Just love God with your whole heart, mind, and soul" only begs the questions, "Who, or what, is this 'God' I am to love, and what does it mean to love this 'God'?" As for loving neighbors, who counts as my neighbor? Do strangers count? What about enemies? And why *should* I love them? And in what way, to what extent, and at what cost? Why is it so hard to do? Does it matter ultimately? Is there any divine reckoning for our failure and refusal to love? What does it mean to be human? And what kind of world do we live in?

Any answers to these questions are not obvious. That they seem obvious to many of us is because our imaginations have already been formed in a society shaped by the vision of Christianity reflected in the Nicene Creed, even if we have mostly forgotten the source of that shaping. And any answer to these questions takes us into the realm of belief and doctrine. The Creed is the basic Christian foundation for answering them. One might prefer other answers or make up one's own, but one cannot talk about "god," "love," "creation," or "human beings" without some sort of belief system, i.e., a creed.

It is inadequate to appeal to a simplistic pietism, whether in its more conservative or more liberal versions, that says, "Don't bother me with doctrine, just give me Jesus." We have no direct access to Jesus other than through the Gospels, which are heavily influenced by the interpretation (doctrine) of who Jesus is and why He matters. The Creed is the Christian guide to understanding the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in light of Jesus. It affirms that, while God will always remain beyond our understanding, when we look at Jesus, we see God. And that God has so loved humanity as to enter into our physical reality with our rebellion, our sin, our brokenness, our unlove, and untruth to deliver us.

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THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 5

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

- 10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung) (Cathedral)
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)
- 11:30 AM Adult Forum (Dean's Parlor)
- 3:00 PM Spring Within Group (Westfeldt Room)
- 6:00 PM St. Francis Blessing of the Animals

MONDAY

- 9:00 AM Education for Ministry (EfM) (Dean's Parlor)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
- 6:00 PM SONO/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 & Fishes (Kitchen)
- 12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)
- 7:30 PM Symphony of New Orleans (SONO) Concert

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

- 5:00 PM Wedding

SUNDAY

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

- 10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung) (Cathedral)
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)
- 11:30 AM Adult Forum (Dean's Parlor)
- 3:00 PM Spring Within Group (Westfeldt Room)
- 6:00 PM The Holy Eucharist (Real Presence)



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