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# The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 23, 2026

10:00 AM



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Baptisms of  
Lucy Banks duPlantier and Olivia Marquez Kirkwood

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 turn pagers and cell phones off; 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.*

## The Word of God

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** ~ Christus, der ist mein Leben (Christ is my life), BWV 1112 .....Johann Sebastian Bach

*When the bell sounds, please stand and sing.*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** #518 ~ Christ is made the sure foundation ..... *Westminster Abbey*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

*Celebrant* There is one Body and one Spirit;

*People* There is one Hope in God's call to us.

*Celebrant* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

*People* One God and Father of all.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### THE FIRST LESSON ~ Exodus 1:8—2:10

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them. The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live." But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?" The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live." Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could

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hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*The choir sings*

**PSALM 124** *Nisi quia Dominus*

- 1 If the Lord had not been on our side, \*  
let Israel now say;
- 2 If the Lord had not been on our side, \*  
when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive \*  
in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us \*  
and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters \*  
have gone right over us.
- 6 Blessed be the Lord! \*  
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; \*  
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the Lord, \*  
the maker of heaven and earth.

Setting: J. Harrison

**THE SECOND LESSON** ~ Romans 12:1-8

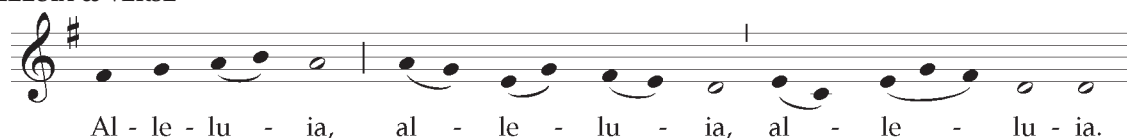
I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God — what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Please stand and sing*

**ALLELUIA & VERSE**



V. Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem;  
praise your God, O Zion. [*Alleluia*]

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## THE HOLY GOSPEL ~ Matthew 16:13-20

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

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## THE SERMON

# Holy Baptism

*Children of all ages are invited to sit on the floor near the baptismal font.*

*To preserve the holiness of the moment and the flow of the liturgy, we ask that no flash photographs be taken during the service.*

*Please feel free to take photos after the service concludes.*

## PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Prayer Book, page 301

## THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT PRAYER

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## PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

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## THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

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## THE BAPTISM

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## WELCOME OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED *(said by all)*

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We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

## THE PEACE

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

*People* And also with you.

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# The Liturgy of the Table

## ANTHEM

Come, thou fount of every blessing,  
tune my heart to sing thy grace!  
Streams of mercy never ceasing,  
call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it,  
mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I find my greatest treasure;  
hither, by thy help, I've come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger  
wandering from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger,  
interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor  
daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,  
bind my wandering heart to thee:  
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart, oh, take and seal it,  
seal it for thy courts above.

Music: melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813*; arranged by Frank W. Boles (b. 1955)  
Text: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt.

*Please stand and sing*

OFFERTORY HYMN #521 ~ Put forth, O God, thy Spirit's might.....*Chelsea Square*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ Eucharistic Prayer A

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## SURSUM CORDA

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

*Celebrant*      *People*  
Lift up your hearts. 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 pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

(Standing or Kneeling)

THE EUCHARISTIC CANON

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION *(said by all)*

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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

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, our Pass-o-ver, is  
sac - ri-ficed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia.

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. You may also allow the chalice minister to dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue and it is permissible to receive only the bread if you like.*

ANTHEM

*Tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram  
aedificabo Ecclesiam meam  
Et tibi dabo claves regni caelorum*

You are Peter, and on this rock  
I will build my Church.  
And I will give you the keys of the kingdom

Words: Matthew 16

Music: Jacobus Clemens non Papa (1500-1558)

*Please join in singing*

HYMN ##295 ~ Sing praise to our Creator.....*Christus, der ist mein Leben*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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THE BLESSING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# HYMN

1 The love of Je - sus calls us our joy - ous praise to sing;  
 2 The love of Je - sus calls us, that we may al - ways be  
 3 The love of Je - sus calls us to go where he would go,  
 4 The love of Je - sus calls us in swift - ly chang - ing days,

our deep - ly felt thanks - giv - ings we now to - geth - er bring,  
 com - pan - ions on a jour - ney, where all the world may see  
 to chal - lenge all that lim - its, to change, to learn, to grow,  
 to be God's co - cre - a - tors in new and won - drous ways,

for all God's man - y bless - ings, un - asked yet still re - ceived,  
 that serv - ing Christ is free - dom which time does not des - troy,  
 to know that Christ has freed us, that pris - ons are no more;  
 that God and all the peo - ple may so trans - form the earth,

and for the gen - er - a - tions who faith - ful - ly be - lieved.  
 where Christ's com - mand is du - ty, and ev - ery du - ty joy.  
 for those who seek his king - dom, Christ o - pens ev - ery door.  
 that love and peace and jus - tice may give God's king - dom birth.

## THE DISMISSAL

*People* Thanks be to God.

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** ~ Tu es petra et portæ inferi non prævalebunt adversus te..... Henri Mulet  
*You are the rock and the gates of hell shall not prevail*

*The flowers on the altar are given to The Glory of God in thanksgiving for the baptisms of  
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 Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *Save the Dates*

- Kick Off Sunday - Sunday, September 13
- Special Yoga event - Sound Bath - Tuesday, September 15 - 5:30 PM
- St. Francis - Blessing of the Animals - Sunday, October 4 - 6:00 PM
- Choral Evensong on All Saints' Day - Sunday, November 1 - 4:00 PM
- Bishop's Annual Visit - Sunday, November 8 - at the 10:00 Eucharist with Confirmation, Reception, and Baptism
- Peter Collins, Pianist, In Recital Sunday, November 22 - 3:00 PM
- Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 26 - 10:00 AM - The Holy Eucharist, Rite II
- Ordinations - Wednesday, December 9 - 6:00 PM
- A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols - Sunday, December 13 - 4:00 PM

*Donors are needed for Altar Flowers.* If you would like to remember a deceased loved one, celebrate a birthday or anniversary, or give thanks for any blessing in your life, please contact Sandy Jackson (504) 717-3185 to schedule flowers.

*Adult Theological Forum - Following the Exodus Story* - The summer lectionary has been following key figures in the Hebrew Scripture and their often-challenging stories. At the end of August, the story of Moses begins and will continue through October. Beginning on August 30 and continuing through September 20, we will offer time to learn more about that particular story, what people endured, traditions created, and how our living today reflects some of those traditions. We will meet in Dean's Parlor after the 10:00 AM Eucharist. You can read the scripture ahead of time and/or bring your questions or insights to the class along with your cup of coffee or tea. The sessions will be facilitated by Mother Gigi and Lyn Werner. This is not a lecture time but a time for group discussions, questions, and sharing of information. August 30 — Oppression, Courage, and the Birth of Moses Exodus 1:1–8; 2:1–10

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## THE WEEK OF AUGUST 23

### SUNDAY

*The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

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

11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)

6:00 PM Real Presence

### MONDAY

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

### 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

### WEDNESDAY

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

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY

8:00 AM Trinity Loaves & Fishes (Kitchen)

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

### FRIDAY

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

### SATURDAY

10:00 AM Vestry Meeting (Dean's Parlor)

### SUNDAY

*The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

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

11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)

6:00 PM Real Presence

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