

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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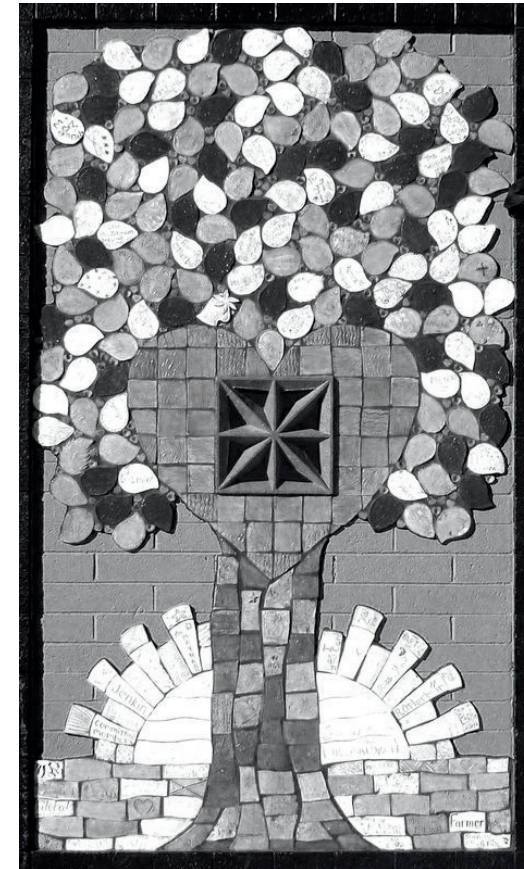
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August 30, 2026

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A

8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite II



“When an alien resides with you in your land, you shall not oppress the alien.
The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the native-born among you;
you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt:

I am the LORD your God.” (Leviticus 19:33-34)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Time prior to the start of the liturgy is a time for quiet meditation and prayer.

Please welcome Tim Socha, our guest musician this morning.

Preloud (10:30)	<i>“Allegretto” (from Sonata IV), Felix Mendelssohn</i>
Entrance Hymn (10:30)	Hymnal 174
Opening Acclamation	BCP 355
The Collect for Purity	BCP 355
Gloria in excelsis (8:30)	BCP 356
Gloria in excelsis (10:30)	S-277

The S-section is located in the front of the Hymnal 1982.

The Salutation & The Collect of the Day BCP 357
Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Lesson Jeremiah 15:15-21

O Lord, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.
In your forbearance do not take me away;
know that on your account I suffer insult.
Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart;
for I am called by your name,
O Lord, God of hosts.
I did not sit in the company of merry-makers,
nor did I rejoice;
under the weight of your hand I sat alone,
for you had filled me with indignation.

Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable,
refusing to be healed?
Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail.

Therefore, thus says the Lord:
If you turn back, I will take you back,
and you shall stand before me.
If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,
you shall serve as my mouth.
It is they who will turn to you,
not you who will turn to them.
And I will make you to this people
a fortified wall of bronze;
they will fight against you,
but they shall not prevail over you,
for I am with you
to save you and deliver you,
says the Lord.
I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 26:1-8 Judica me, Domine

The psalm is read responsively by half-verse.

1 Give judgment for me, O Lord,
for I have lived with integrity; *
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
2 Test me, O Lord, and try me; *

examine my heart and my mind.
3 For your love is before my eyes; *
I have walked faithfully with you.
4 I have not sat with the worthless, *
nor do I consort with the deceitful.
5 I have hated the company of evildoers; *
I will not sit down with the wicked.
6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, *
that I may go in procession round your altar,
7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving *
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
8 Lord, I love the house in which you dwell *
and the place where your glory abides.

The Second Lesson *Romans 12:9-21*

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

Sequence Hymn (10:30) Hymnal 8

Gospel Lesson *Matthew 16:21-28*

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

“For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon Rev. Frieda Van Baalen Webb

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

The Prayers of the People, Form VI BCP 392

Parish Prayer List: David Noller, Jim Cosbey, Darlene, Kim Greene, Nekka Scott, Samuel, Ibrahim, The Rev’d Canon Wadie Far, Beth Regan, Cynthia Lipsius Gembola, Carol Burns, Jim Bigaj, Chris Yeager, Amber B., Halsey VanLew, Jim Russo, Mimy* (pronounced MeMe) Butler, Father John Paul Boyer, Oliver Patterson, Frank C.

The Peace BCP 360
Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**

The Parish Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Organ Offertory (10:30)

“Adagio in A Minor”, J.S. Bach

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Sanctus (10:30)

S-124

Agnus Dei (10:30)

S-161

Communion Hymn (10:30)

Hymnal 376

Post-Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

People: Amen.

Hymn (10:30)

Hymnal 567

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Organ Voluntary (10:30)

“Fantasia”, Johann Pachelbel

Lectors

August 30

8:30 Paul Hojnacki

10:30 L1: Dottie Aikman

L2: Pat Lalonde

PotP: Dottie Aikman

September 6

8:30 Nancy & David Van Baak

10:30 L1: Jennifer Snyder-Haas

L2: Elaine Richau

PotP: Jennifer Snyder-Haas

Calendar

08/30 The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Spoken)

10:30AM Holy Eucharist Rite II with music

09/2 Wednesday

10AM-2PM Food Pantry

6:30PM Worship Service with music

09/6 The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (Spoken)

10:30AM Holy Eucharist Rite II with music

Upcoming Events

09/06 Sunday

3PM to 4PM Pete’s Pet Food Pantry

09/19 Saturday

11:30 AM Day of Discernment

Announcements

Wednesday Service Time Change

Starting 9/2 the Wednesday service will begin at 6pm

Donate

To conveniently make a donation, simply scan the QR code below with your smartphone to access our online giving page. As a reminder, the Diocese is no longer covering our online processing fees. If you prefer to pay online, please consider using your bank’s bill pay function to donate. It typically has no fees associated with the transaction. Thank you!



Please consider remembering Good Shepherd in your will. It is a wonderful way to continue your support of your parish into the future for generations.

Good Shepherd Staff

The Reverend Frieda Van Baalen Webb, *Supply Priest*

Jessica Thorington, *Administrative Assistant*

Vestry

Dale Cich & Elaine Richau, Wardens;

Pat Lalonde, Treasurer; Nancy Cich, Clerk;

Class of 2026: Charlene Gottfried, Susan Woods

Class of 2027: Marji Torrell, Linda Leighbody

Class of 2028: Bev Barry, Kathy Toth

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