The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost October 26, 2025 ■ 10 am

Welcome to St. Bede's Episcopal Church

St. Bede's is a sacred place where God and the human pilgrimage meet. It is a welcoming community, characteristic of the God we serve as followers of Christ—welcoming and affirming people of every race, age, sexuality, culture, ethnicity, gender identity, education, economic circumstances, family configuration, and ability. We believe Jesus the Christ to be the incarnation of God's love—the God who is reconciling and offering hospitality to the whole world.

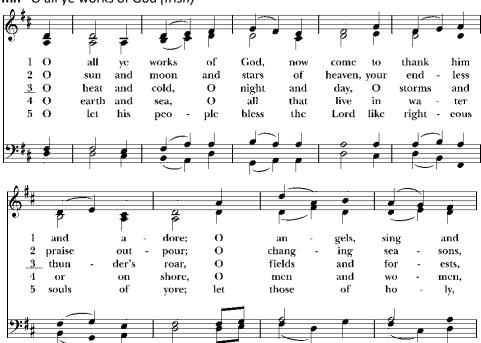
Holy Eucharist The Liturgy of the Word

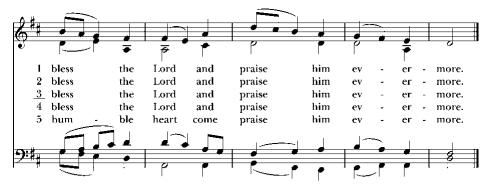
Voluntary The Sparrow has found her a house

Welcome

Opening Hymn O all ye works of God (Irish)

Hymnal 428





6 So let us glorify and bless the God we bow before, the Father, Holy Spirit, Son, and praise him evermore.

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Opening Acclamation

One Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Many Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

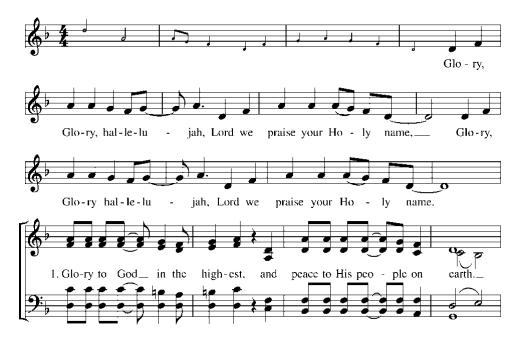
Collect for Purity (All pray together)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden: 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.

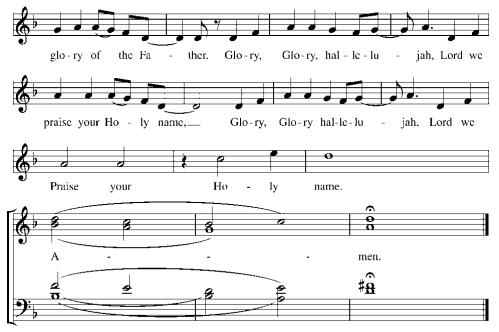
Song of Praise Gloria in excelsis

LEVAS II, 243 (Haywood)

Children ages 3–5th grade may move at this time to a special gathering for children's formation.







Music: Carl Haywood (b. 1949) from Mass for Grace. Copyright © 1992 Carl Haywood.

Collect of the Day

Book of Common Prayer (1979)

One God be with you.

Many And also with you.

One Together, let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lesson Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

One Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Many Thanks be to God.

Psalm 84:1-6

- ¹ How dear to me is your dwelling, O God of hosts! * My soul has a desire and longing for your courts; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, * by the side of your altars, O God of hosts, my Ruler and my God.

- ³ Happy are they who dwell in your house; * they will always be praising you.
- ⁴ Happy are the people whose strength is in you; * whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- ⁵ Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, * for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- ⁶ They will climb from height to height; * the God of gods will be revealed in Zion.

Sequence Hymn How lovely is thy dwelling place (Brother James' Air)

Hymnal 517

Gospel Luke 18:9-14

One The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Many Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

One The Gospel of the Lord.

Many Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Very Rev'd S. Chadwick Vaughn

A period of silence follows the sermon.

Nicene Creed (said by all)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only 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 of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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, 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

Book of Common Prayer, Form VI (alt.)

The Deacon bids the prayers.

In peace we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Intercessor

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and those in need.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Let us welcome into this space our own prayers of celebration and hope ...

Let us welcome in prayers for healing and wholeness ...

Let us welcome in prayers for the Church and for the World ...

Let us welcome in prayers for those who have died and for those who mourn ...

The one presiding adds a concluding collect.

Confession and Absolution of Sin

Deacon So that we might better love as God loves us,

let us confess the sin that seeks to separate us from God and one another.

A period of silence is kept.

Many God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you,

opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other,

in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,

that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

One Almighty God have mercy on you,

forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ,

strengthen you in all goodness,

and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Please gently exchange the peace, perhaps with a wave or bow, as a courtesy to others.

One The peace of Christ be always with you.

Many And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Table

Anthem at the Offertory

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hists! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even thine altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: They will alway be praising thee. The glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us. O prosper thou our handywork.

O God our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home.

words: from Psalms 84 & 90

music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Presentation Hymn I sing the almighty power of God (Forest Green)

Hymnal 398

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 2, from Enriching our Worship

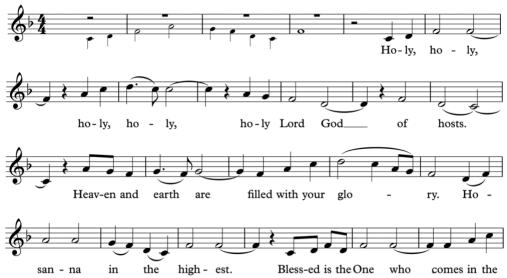
One The Lord be with you.Many And also with you.One Lift up your hearts.Many We lift them to the Lord.

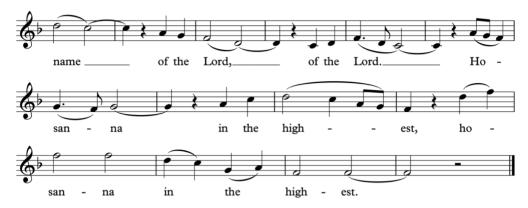
One Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.Many It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The one presiding continues

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus LEVAS II, 255 (Brown)





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The one presiding continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with Blessed Mary of Galilee, Blessed Julian of Norwich, Blessed Bede of Jarrow, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

The Lord's Prayer

One And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All pray together

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The one presiding breaks the bread.

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S 155 (Near)



Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

The one presiding extends the following invitation to share in communion.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Hymn at Communion Humbly I adore thee (Adoro devote)

Hymnal 314

Announcements

Blessing of Halloween Costumes

Post-Communion Prayer

All pray together

God of abundance,

you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world

and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

The one presiding pronounces God's blessing.

Closing Hymn We come, O Christ (Ratherview)



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Dismissal

One Our worship has concluded and now our service begins.

Let us go forth in the name of Christ

Many Thanks be to God.

Voluntary Prelude & Fugue on *Dorothy*

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of my husband,

Brian Lee Watford,

by Martha Robert

St. Bede's Prayer List

In our St. Bede's community, prayer has recently been requested for:

The family of Jerry Simmons

Neva Corbin

Jan Swoope

Connie Coralli

Prayer has been requested on a more long-term basis for:

Helen Loeb Sarah Jane and Jim Ohl

Margie Klein Mary Rodriguez
Michele Heller Helen Abraham
Lynn Williams Cameron Maddox
Jim Handsfield Aree Bancroft
Barbie Olsen Nancy Waring
Dixie Snider Frances Bowen
David Boyd Ann Foote

Debhani Hernandez Sue Ellen Lampros

Al and Regina Studwell

Prayer has also been requested for these in our wider community:

Lawrence Pinson, father of Laura Sellers

Maurice Jones, Sr., father-in-law of Jerry Simmons

Larry Sullivan, friend of Joan Greer

Kayt Hoch, daughter-in-law of Martha and David West

Bill Edgar, father of Beth Cannon Art Haecker, brother of Helen Loeb Carol Guthrie, sister of Ann Foote Andy Matia, friend of Ann Foote

Mary Robert, sister of Martha Robert

Wright Coleman, son of Jennie Couture

Fay Key, friend of the St. Bede's community

Eleanor Pearlman, granddaughter of Gwen Heaton

Anne Jones, sister of Claiborne Jones

We pray for those who have died:

Olga Faramand, mother of Helen Ackall Jean Dukes, friend of Suzanne Shapiro

We give thanks for those serving our country in the military:

Josh Bowers Jonathan

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week:

10/25 Ron Aylor 10/26 Lucy Vaughn 10/26 Maggie Vaughn 10/26 Jacqueline Saavedra You may make a gift to St. Bede's through Realm by scanning the QR code below.



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We invite and welcome *all* to worship, serve, and grow together as we engage the story of the living Christ.

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