

ST. MARY OF THE HILLS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLOWING ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA



THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**JUNE 11, 2023
10:10AM**

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

10:10 AM

*The Tower Bells ring at 10:00AM and invite the congregation
to keep a prayerful silence before the service.*

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN 475

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God himself is with us

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

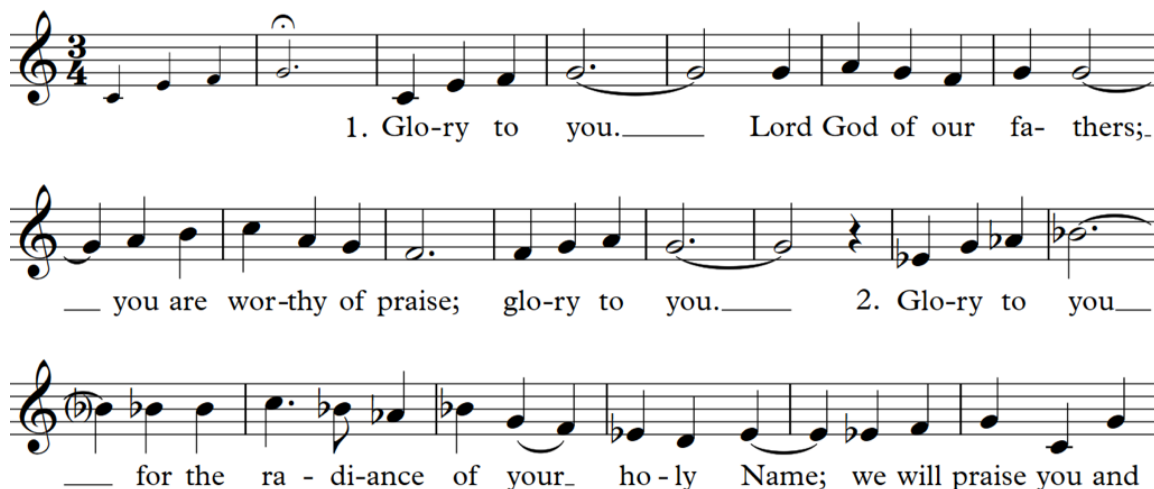
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen**

The Celebrant prays

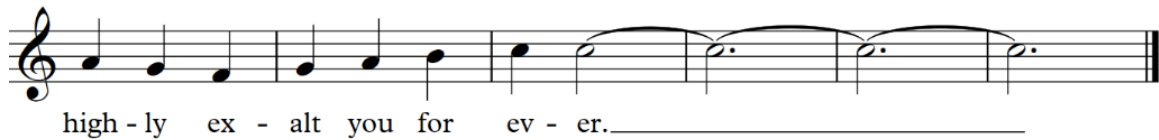
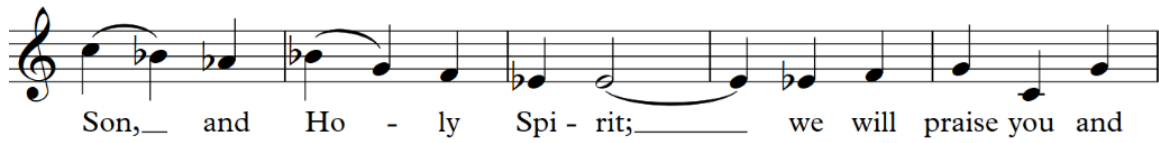
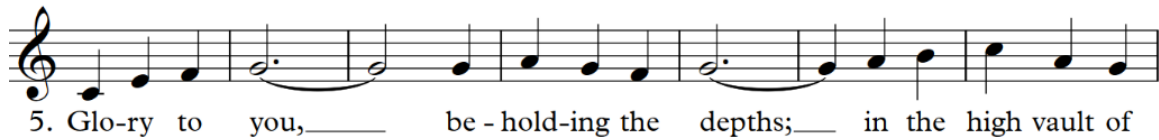
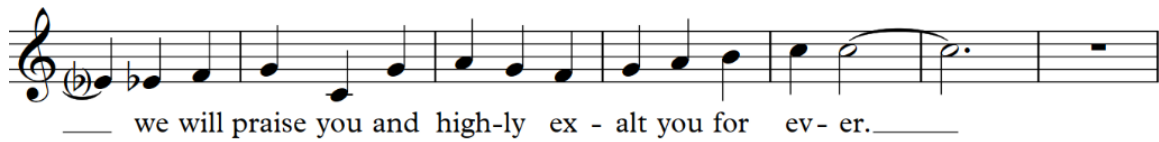
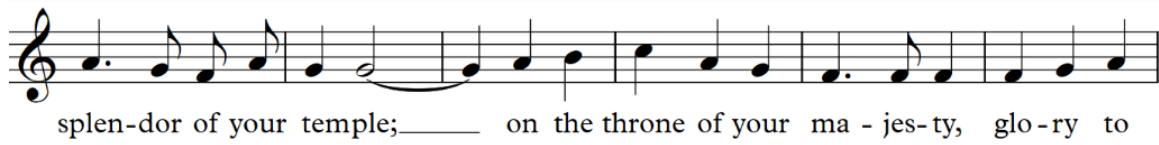
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly
love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A SONG OF PRAISE – Canticle 13

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1. Glo-ry to you. Lord God of our fa- thers;
you are wor- thy of praise; glo-ry to you. 2. Glo-ry to you
for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; we will praise you and



COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Thus says the Lord: "I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: 'Come, let us return to the Lord; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.' What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Tune: Jonathan Battishill

Psalm 50: 7-15

Deus deorum

The Psalm is sung by the choir.

- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
 "O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
 for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; *
 your offerings are always before me.
- 9 I will take no bull-calf from your stalls, *
 nor he-goats out of your pens;
- 10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine, *
 the herds in their thousands upon the hills.
- 11 I know every bird in the sky, *
 and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.
- 12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, *
 for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.
- 13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, *
 or drink the blood of goats?
- 14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving *
 and make good your vows to the Most High.
- 15 Call upon me in the day of trouble; *
 I will deliver you, and you shall honor me."

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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

HYMN 706

Halton Holgate

In your mercy, Lord, you called me

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

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

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, “Follow me.”

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.”

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

*Gospeler
People*

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

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Samuel V. Tallman

A few moments of silence for reflection follow the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

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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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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

from *Common Worship*

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Let us by prayer and intercession with thanksgiving make our requests to God.

Gracious God,
we pray for peace, justice and reconciliation throughout the world.
We pray for the honouring of human rights,
and for the relief of the oppressed.
We give thanks for all that is gracious in the lives of men, women and children.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the renewal of the Church in faith, love and service.
We pray for Jose our bishop and for the life of this parish.
We give thanks for the gift of your word,
the grace of the sacraments
and the fellowship of your people.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for this local community
and for all people in their daily life and work.
We pray for the young and the elderly,
for families, and all who are alone.
We give thanks for human skill and creativity
and all that reveals your loveliness.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are in need;
for the sick, sorrowful and bereaved.
We pray for all who bring comfort, care and healing.
We give thanks for human love and friendship
and for all that enriches our daily lives.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have died;
for those whom we love but see no longer,
now held in your loving care.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Let us commend ourselves, and all those for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of Almighty God.

The people add their own petitions.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect and the people respond, **Amen.***

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Officiant pronounces the absolution and the people respond, **Amen.***

THE PEACE

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

The Ministers and People exchange a sign of peace.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM—Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake

Farrant/Hilton (late 16th c.)

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge:
But forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives,
To decline from sin and incline to virtue,
That we may walk in a perfect heart before thee now and evermore. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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.

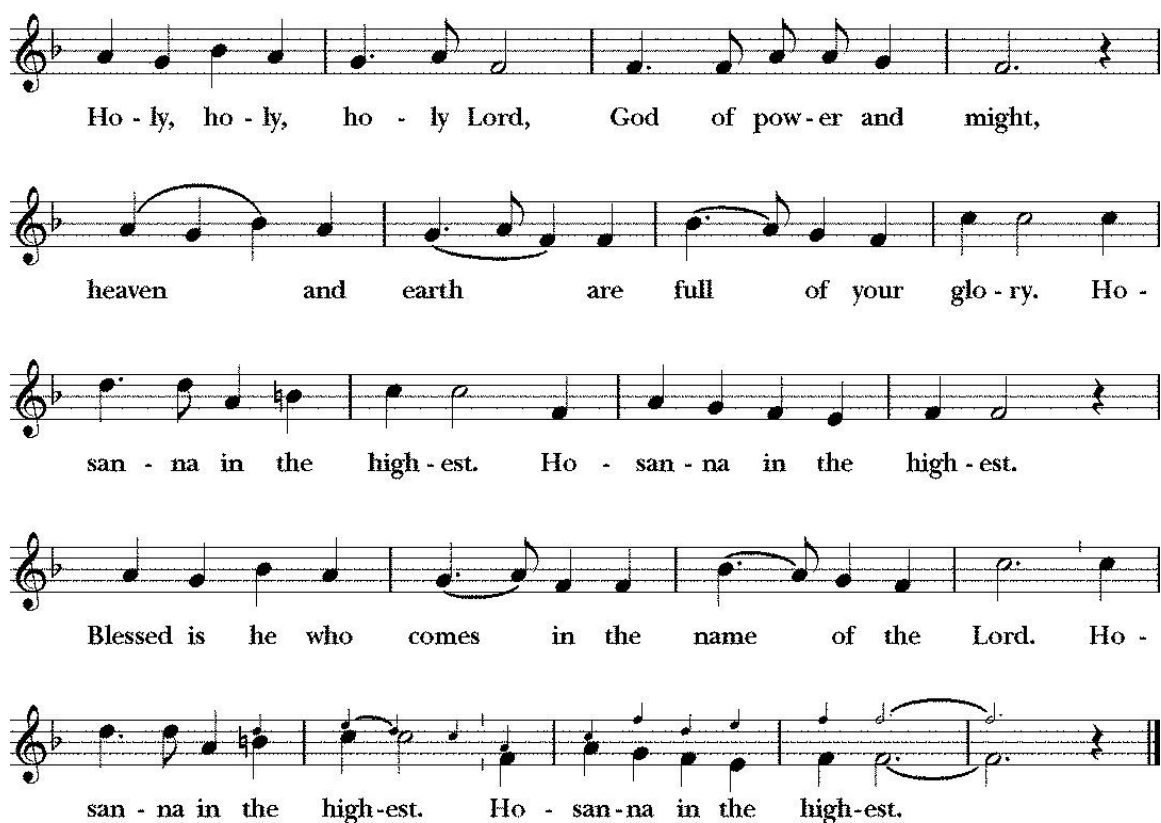
People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant continues the prayer and concludes the preface, saying,

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

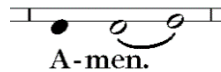
And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People



A-men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Contemporary*)

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As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread, after which All sing the Antiphon following the Cantor and as indicated.

This setting is not used in Lent.

Antiphon: Cantor; then All



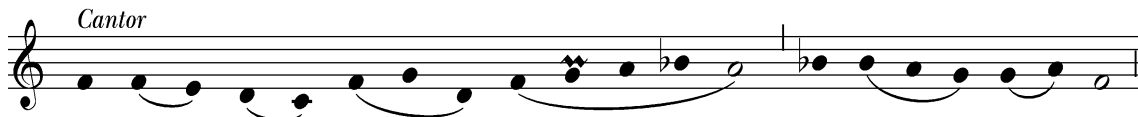
Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

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THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

We welcome to communion all who have been baptized in any Christian tradition. To receive the sacrament, extend your hands so that the priest may place the bread in the palm of your outstretched hands. Gluten free wafers are available. For those who desire to receive the wine that follows, guide the chalice toward your lips to drink from the cup. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest as a sign to the priest.

For those unable to receive the sacrament this day, we offer this prayer:

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, in thanksgiving for the promised gift of your resurrection, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

HYMN 472

Donne secours

Hope of the world, thou Christ

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

**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

*The Celebrant offers a blessing over the assembly, and the people respond, **Amen.***

HYMN 493

Azmon

O for a thousand tongues to sing

THE DISMISSAL

*The Celebrant says the dismissal, and the people respond, **Thanks be to God.***

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

LEADERS IN THE LITURGY

The Reverend Samuel V. Tallman
Preacher

The Reverend Andrew J. Hege
Celebrant

Dr. James Bumgardner
Choirmaster/Organist and Director of Music

Thomas McNeil
Cantor

Lynn Searfoss
Crucifer

Roy McCraw, Darlene Van Dyke
Eucharistic Ministers

Mike Austell, Sterling Hutcheson, Jim Snow
Lectors

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Holy Eucharist	8:00AM
Christian Formation	9:00AM
Holy Eucharist	10:10AM

MID-WEEK SERVICES

Monday – Friday	Morning Prayer	8:30AM
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist	12:00PM

PARISH STAFF

The Reverend Andrew J. Hege	Rector
The Reverend Samuel V. Tallman	Assisting Clergy
The Right Reverend J. Gary Gloster	Assisting Clergy
Mitchell Eithun	Summer Seminary Intern
Dr. James Bumgardner	Organist/Choirmaster
Lindsey Herring	Christian Formation Coordinator
Greta Wilson	Parish Administrator
Joe Raulerson	Financial Secretary
Bill Devereux	Facilities Manager

THE VESTRY

2023	2024	2025
Marjory Holder	Leslie Billingsley	Mike Austell
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