

ST. MARY OF THE HILLS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLOWING ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA



THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
10:10 AM
JULY 6, 2025

WELCOME!

We are so glad that you are here to share in worship of the Living God. Restrooms are located in the hallway beyond the Foyer.

A nursery is available for children up to age five and is in the hallway beyond the Parish Hall.

Please silence all electronic devices.

“BCP” page numbers refer to the red *Book of Common Prayer* found in the pew rack in front of you. Hymn numbers refer to the blue *Hymnal, 1982* also found in the pew rack. Note that ‘S’ numbers refer to service music and are located at the beginning of the hymnal.

The Hymns and Service Music are sung by all.

A prayerful silence begins at 10 am as the bells ring the hour.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

WELCOME & PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD OF GOD

(All stand as able.)

HYMN 657

Love divine, all loves excelling

Hyfrydol

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

Celebrant

Bless-ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev-cr. A-men.

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.

A - men.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther:
re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,
with the Ho - ly Spir - it, In the glo - ry of
God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY



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

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



A - men.

The people are seated for the reading of the lessons from sacred scripture.

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 66:10-14

Thus says the LORD:

"Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her;

rejoice with her in joy,
all you who mourn over her--

that you may nurse and be satisfied
from her consoling breast;

that you may drink deeply with delight
from her glorious bosom.

For thus says the LORD:

I will extend prosperity to her like a river,
and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;

and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,
and dandled on her knees.

As a mother comforts her child,
so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
your bodies shall flourish like the grass;

and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants,
and his indignation is against his enemies."

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

PSALM 66:1-8

Jubilate Deo

Tone V.3

The Psalm is sung by the Choir.

- 1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; *
sing the glory of his Name;
sing the glory of his praise.
 - 2 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! *
because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
 - 3 All the earth bows down before you, *
sings to you, sings out your Name."
 - 4 Come now and see the works of God, *
how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.
 - 5 He turned the sea into dry land,
so that they went through the water on foot, *
and there we rejoiced in him.
 - 6 In his might he rules for ever;
his eyes keep watch over the nations; *
let no rebel rise up against him.
 - 7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;
 - 8 Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip.
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THE SECOND LESSON

Galatians 6:7-16

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-- only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

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

(All stand as able.)

HYMN 471

We sing the praise of him who died

Breslau

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-11,16-20

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

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

THE HOMILY

A few moments of silence for reflection follow the homily.

THE NICENE CREED

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 pray for the Church and the world, responding, “Lord, hear our prayer.”

For the unity of the Church in witness and proclamation of the Gospel...

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord hear our prayer.

For the peace and unity of all peoples and for the leaders of the nations...

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord hear our prayer.

For our places of work, education and leisure...

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord hear our prayer.

For a blessing on our homes; for our families and friends and all whom we love...

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord hear our prayer.

For the sick and suffering and all who minister to their needs ...

Let us pray to the Lord:
Lord hear our prayer.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed...

Silence.

Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord hear our prayer.

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

Silence.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect and the People respond, **Amen.***

THE CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

BCP 360

The Celebrant bids the Confession. 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 Celebrant 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

ANTIPHON

They that know thy Name will put their trust in thee;
for thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek thee;
O praise the Lord which dwelleth in Syon;
for he forgetteth not the complaint of the poor.

HYMN 541

Come, labor on

Ora Labora

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(Eucharistic Prayer B)*

BCP 367

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is for the Celebrant and the People. The second staff is for the Celebrant and the People. The third staff is for the Celebrant. The fourth staff is for the People.

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.

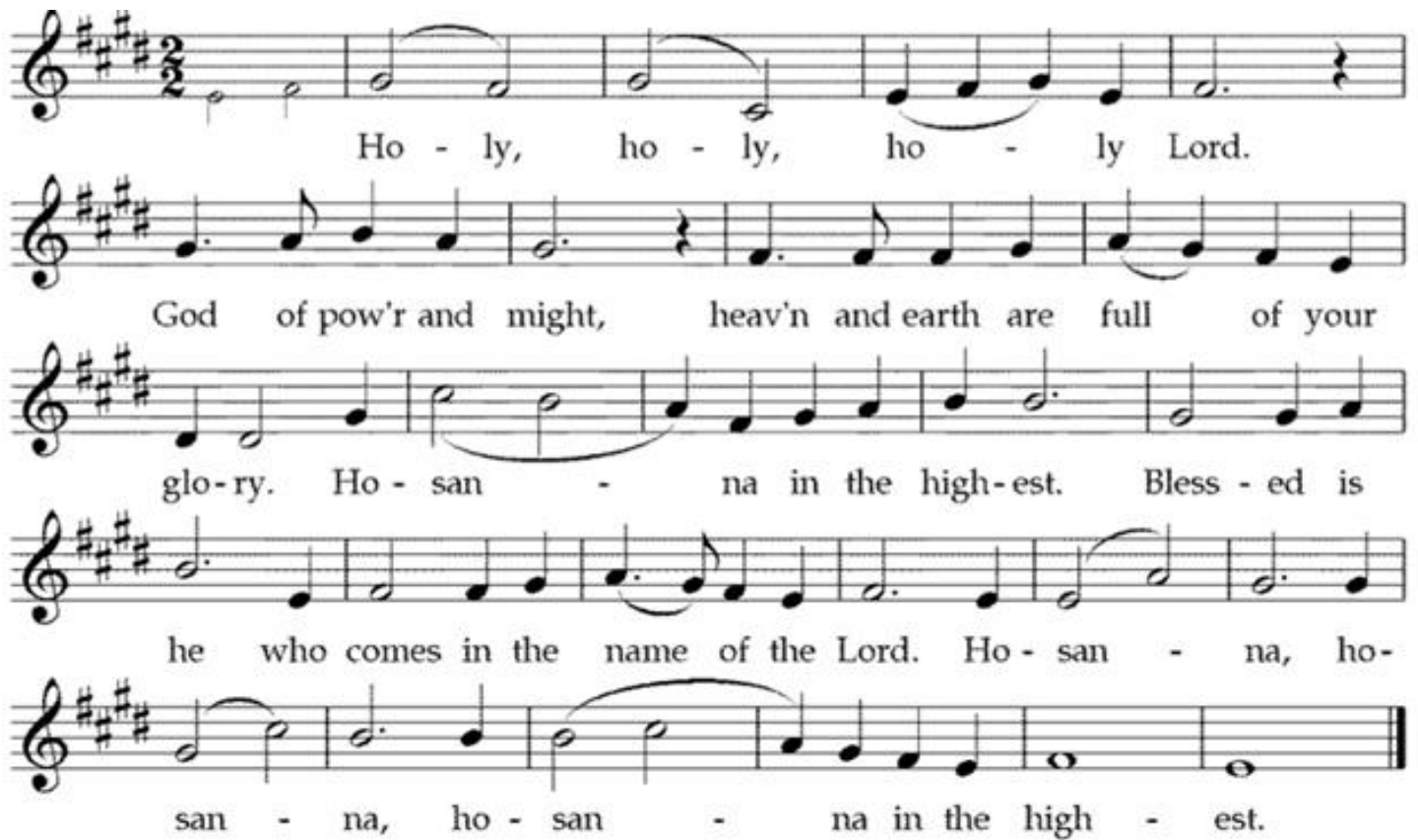
Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant continues the prayer and concludes the preface, saying,

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:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord.
God of pow'r and might, heav'n 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, ho -
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

(The people stand or kneel.)

The Celebrant continues the prayer, recalling God's activity in our salvation history, the institution of the Lord's Supper, and inviting the people to join in saying,


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, invoking the Spirit's present work, concluding the prayer and inviting the people to join in the doxology of the prayer, saying,

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.


A - men.

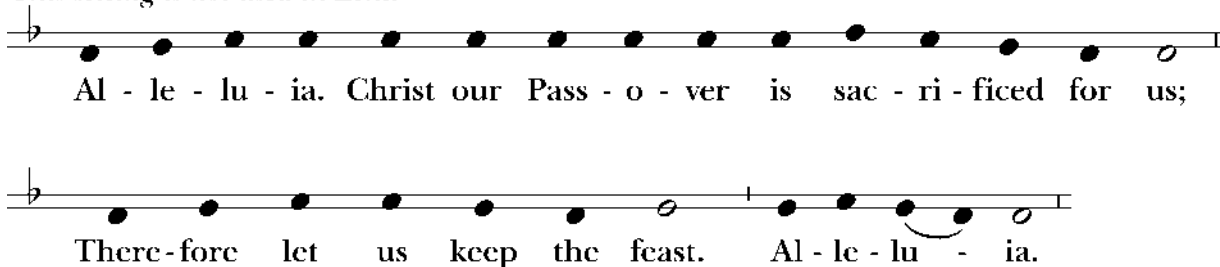
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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.

FRACTION ANTHEM

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread and then sings the Versicle and Response with the People.

This setting is not used in Lent.



This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

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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.**

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION *(The Choir sings the Antiphon. All sing Agnus Dei and the Hymn.)*

ANTIPHON

I have called upon thee, O God, for thou shalt hear me;
Incline thine ear unto me, and hearken unto my words.

AGNUS DEI

The musical score for the Agnus Dei is written on five staves. The first staff is for High Voices, starting with a treble clef, a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#), and a 4/4 time signature. It begins with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The lyrics below are "(Organ)" and "Lamb of God, you take a-way the". The second staff is for Low Voices, starting with a treble clef, a key signature of three sharps, and a 4/4 time signature. It begins with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The lyrics below are "sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of". The third staff is for Low Voices, starting with a treble clef, a key signature of three sharps, and a 4/4 time signature. It begins with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The lyrics below are "God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have". The fourth staff is for All Voices, starting with a treble clef, a key signature of three sharps, and a 4/4 time signature. It begins with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The lyrics below are "mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the". The fifth staff is for All Voices, starting with a treble clef, a key signature of three sharps, and a 4/4 time signature. It begins with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The lyrics below are "sins of the world: grant us peace."

High Voices

(Organ) Lamb of God, you take a-way the

Low Voices

sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of

God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have

All Voices

mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world: grant us peace.

HYMN 321

My God, thou table now is spread

Rockingham

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

The Celebrant and people say together,

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 announces God's blessing and the people respond, Amen.

HYMN 544

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

Duke Street

THE DISMISSAL

The Celebrant proclaims the dismissal, and the people respond,

Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

The setting of the Mass Ordinary is *Mass in E* by Jeffrey Smith (b. 1960).

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

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