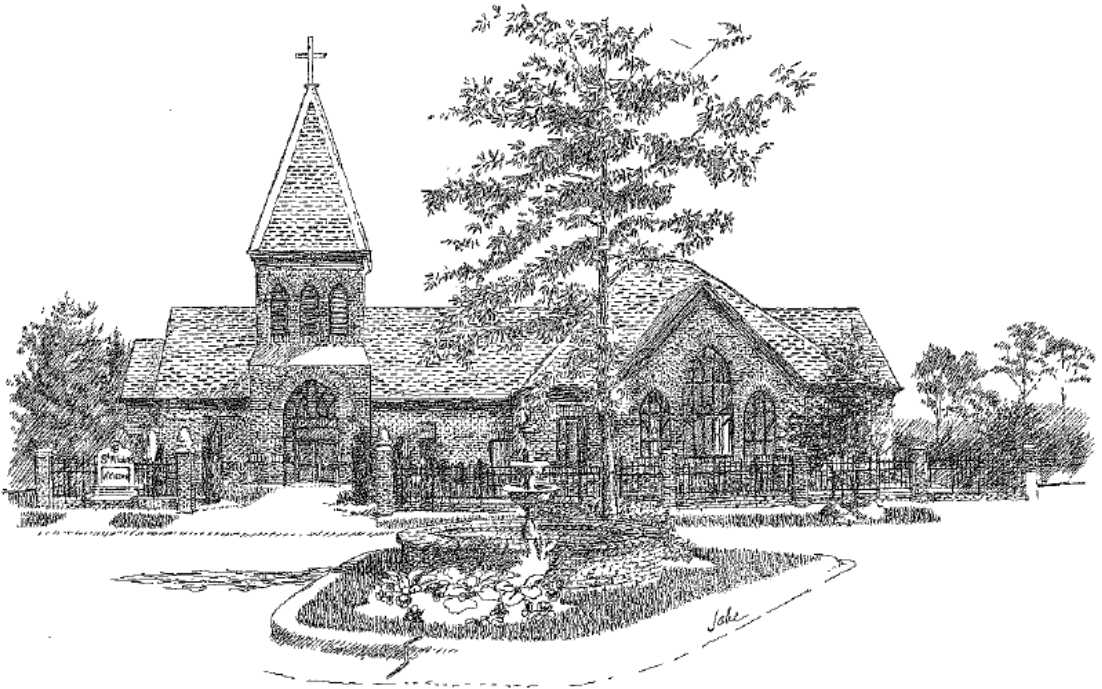


St. Alban's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

welcomes you



The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

October 19, 2025

10:30 a.m.

The Word of God

*Thank you for worshiping with us today. In order to allow for private prayer, we ask that you refrain from loud conversation upon entering the nave. *The congregation is invited to stand as able when indicated by an asterisk.*

The Prelude: Prelude in C Major, BWV 846
Prelude in E-flat minor, BWV 853
‘Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring’ from Cantata BWV 147
Johann Sebastian Bach

***The Processional Hymn: 525 The Church’s One Foundation** AURELIA

***The Opening Acclamation** *Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 355*

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

***The Collect for Purity** *BCP p. 355*

***A Song of Praise: S 236** **Glory to You** John Rutter

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 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your
tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -



ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the
depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to
you. 6. Glo - ry to you, Fa - ther,
Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

*The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession 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

Genesis 32:22-31

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And

there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 121

Read responsively by half verse.

I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?

My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;

The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,

So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.

The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.

The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

The Second Lesson

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***The Sequence Hymn: 627 Lamp of Our Feet, Whereby We Trace**

Johann Crüger

Stanzas 1 & 2 are sung before the Gospel, stanzas 3—5 are sung after.

***The Gospel**

Luke 18:1-8

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Kevin Lloyd

***The Nicene Creed**

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Celebrant and People

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**

The congregation is invited to stand or kneel as able.

Deacon

Let us pray for the church and for the world.

Intercessor

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, and everywhere affected by war. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Together we pray for... Are there others? Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession & Absolution

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The congregation is invited to kneel as able.

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant and People

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 Exchange of the Peace**

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The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Greeting and Announcements

*The Sanctus: S 125

Holy, Holy, Holy

Richard Proulx

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.

The Celebrant continues. The congregation is invited to stand or kneel as able.

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues.

Celebrant *People*
 A-men.

*The Lord's Prayer

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Celebrant and People

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 Fraction Anthem: Be Known to Us, Lord Jesus

Gary James

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of eight staves of music. The lyrics are: "Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread. Be bread. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, Is the com - mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though man - y we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread." The score includes performance directions: "Cantor or Choir" and "Congregation". There are two first endings: the first ending leads to the start of the second ending, and the second ending leads to the end of the piece. The music features a variety of note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests and repeat signs.

The Ministration of Communion

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All are welcome to gather at the Lord's table. At the appropriate time, you may come forward to the altar rail, filling in from right to left. Kneeling is optional. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the clergy. Wine is available either by sipping from the common cup (silver chalice) or by intinction (dipping the wafer into the pottery chalice). If you are choosing the common cup, it will be stationed in front of the altar rail in the center – please make your way there after consuming your wafer at the rail. If you choose to intinct, please remain where you are and hold your wafer visibly to indicate that is your preference. Please take utmost care to keep your fingers from touching the wine as you dip. You may choose to receive only the bread or the wine, as either one alone is a full Communion. Please tell an usher if you need Communion brought to you. In the Episcopal Church, it is customary that those receiving Communion have been baptized in any Christian tradition, and no one who comes to the altar in faith is turned away. If you would like to learn more about Baptism at St. Alban's, please be in touch with the clergy. If you are not receiving Communion, we hope you will come forward and cross your arms over your chest, so that we might share a blessing with you.

The Communion Hymn: Jesus Describes a Forceful Woman

Hudson & Neumark

1 Je - sus de - scribes a force - ful wo - man, a wid - ow who re -
2 And day by day she spoke for jus - tice, and word by word in -
3 Now we, ob - serv - ing, are in - vit - ed to re - col - lect what

fused to bend be - fore a judge, a man of pow - er,
jus - tice waned un - til im - pas - sive will re - lent - ed,
faith can gain when faith - ful peo - ple are un - daunt - ed

whose judg - ments worked to no good end: she knew that she had
and her im - pas - sioned faith re - mained: be - liev - ing God would
and hope, in con - flict, is sus - tained: as we, like she, wield

pow - er, too, and trust - ed in the strength she knew.
make a way, she found the grace that faith con - veys.
stub - born trust, God comes to move the world through us.

The Communion Hymn: 698 Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ

FLENTGE

*The Post Communion Prayer

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The congregation is invited to stand or kneel as able.

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 Recessional Hymn: 530 Spread, O Spread, Thou Mighty Word

GOTT SEI DANK

*The Dismissal

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People: Thanks be to God.

The Postlude: "Ode to Joy" from Symphony No. 9

Ludwig van Beethoven

Guest Musician

Welcome and Thank you to our guest musician for today, Cynthia Lawing, for helping lead us in worship while John Bailey is away.

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God by Susan and Guy Beaumont, in honor of their wedding anniversary on October 18.

Servers this Morning

Deacon: The Reverend Deacon Newt Carpenter

Altar Guild: BJ Havens, Jay Hammond, Sharon Sale, Leane Turner

Flower Guild: Cheryl Nealy

Acolytes: Colby Giersch, Jacob Riccelli, Charlie Calder, Sabine Stover

Eucharistic Minister:

Greeters:

Lectors:

Stream Team:

Ushers:

Coffee Hour:

Vestry Person:

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Together We...*Gather to Worship, Scatter to Serve, Love Like Jesus*



We pray that your worship with us will bring you the grace, peace, and joy of Christ. If you are new to our faith community, we would love to connect with you. Please fill out a purple sheet located on the Welcome Center table in the narthex or scan the QR code to the left with the camera on your smart phone which will direct you to an online newcomer form.

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