

CHRIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Cashiers, North Carolina



THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

12 OCTOBER 2025 | 10:30 AM

Welcome

We welcome all who are worshipping with Christ Anglican Church today. We are thankful for God's Spirit joining us together in corporate worship.

Our Guests

We invite you to complete a Connect Card (located on the pew back) with your name and pertinent contact information and any needs you would like the CAC staff to address. Please tear the card in half and place the completed portion in the offering plate or give to the Rector as you leave today. You may wear a name tag so we can greet you by name. Please sign the guest book in the narthex.

Name Badge

Everyone is encouraged to wear your name badge located in the Narthex. If you do not have one and would like one, please contact the church office and one will be created for you. You do not have to be a member of the church to receive a nametag.

Prepare for Worship

It is essential for all in worship to enter the sanctuary in quiet reverence for the triune God and cultivate a posture and spirit of prayer. You are encouraged to take a few moments in silent meditation as you prepare for worship. You may read one of the prayers on page 676 of the Book of Common prayer, read one of the hymn texts, read one of the Scriptures appointed for today, or pray your own prayers of thanksgiving and petitions as you ask the Lord to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

*The Service begins on page 123 of the **Book of Common Prayer** (BCP) or you may follow along in the service sheet. Our hymns are found in the **Worship and Rejoice Hymnal** (WRH) and the Scripture Texts are in the **Pew Bible**. If you are new to the Anglican way of worship, you will find assistance in the "Worship Overview and Preparation" handout in the narthex or under "Anglican Helps for Worship" on our website.*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY *Highland Cathedral* arr. Charles Callahan

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PEALING OF THE CHURCH BELLS

The People stand and sing

THE PROCESSION *Praise Him! Praise Him!* WRH 95

The People remain standing.

THE ACCLAMATION BCP 123

Celebrant Blessed be God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY BCP 124

The Celebrant and people say

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.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW BCP 124

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. Matthew 22:37-40

THE KYRIE BCP 124

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

People *Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 125

Celebrant The Lord be with You.*People* ***And with your spirit.****Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, our refuge and strength, true source of all godliness: Graciously hear the devout prayers of your Church, and grant that those things which we ask faithfully, we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

THE WORD OF GOD*The people are seated for the reading of God's Word.*

THE FIRST LESSON

Ruth 1:1-19a

Bible 222

In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. ²The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. ³But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, ⁵and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. ⁶Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the LORD had visited his people and given them food. ⁷So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. ⁸But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. ⁹The LORD grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. ¹⁰And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." ¹¹But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? ¹²Turn back, my

daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, ¹³would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the LORD has gone out against me.” ¹⁴Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. ¹⁵And she said, “See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law.” ¹⁶But Ruth said, “Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you.” ¹⁸And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more ¹⁹So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

The reader and people read responsively by half-verse.

THE PSALTER VERSES

Psalm 113

BCP 421

¹Praise the LORD. Sing praises, you servants of the LORD; *

O praise the Name of the LORD.

²Blessed be the Name of the LORD, *

from this time forth for evermore.

³The LORD'S Name be praised *

from the rising up of the sun to the going down of the same.

⁴The LORD is high above all nations, *

and his glory above the heavens.

⁵Who is like the LORD our God, who has his dwelling so high, *

and yet humbles himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth?

⁶He takes up the lowly out of the dust, *

and lifts the poor out of the ashes,

⁷That he may set them with the princes, *

even with the princes of his people.

⁸He gives the barren woman a home to dwell in, *

and makes her to be a joyful mother of children. Praise the LORD.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 2:1-15

Bible 995

You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, ²and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also. ³Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. ⁵An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. ⁶It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. ⁷Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything. ⁸Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, ⁹for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; ¹³if we are faithless, he remains faithful — for he cannot deny himself. ¹⁴Remind them of these things, and charge them before God not to quarrel about words, which does no good, but only ruins the hearers. ¹⁵Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

The People stand to sing the Sequence Hymn and remain standing for the Gospel Lesson.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN ***God Has Spoken by the Prophets*** (Stanzas 1&2) WRH 667

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

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

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 17:11-19

Bible 876

On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” ¹⁴When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

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

THE SEQUENCE HYMN *God Has Spoken by the Prophets* (Stanza 3) WRH 667

The People are seated.

THE BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

THE SERMON

The Rev'd Nick McGee

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 127

All Standing, Celebrant and People say

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and 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, 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.

All Kneeling

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Almighty and ever living God, we are taught by your holy Word to offer prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all people. We humbly ask you mercifully to receive our prayers. Inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your Holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

We pray that you will lead the nations of the world in the way of righteousness; and so guide and direct their leaders, especially Donald, our President, and Josh, our Governor, that your people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may impartially administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain wickedness and vice, and protect true religion and virtue. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Give grace, heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and especially to your servants, Steve, our Archbishop, to Foley and Frank, our Bishops, to Marc, our Interim Priest-in-Charge and to Nick, our Assistant Priest that by their life and teaching, they may proclaim your true and life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments. And to all your people give your heavenly grace, especially to this Congregation and to St. Luke Orthodox Anglican Church in Sikeston, Missouri and King of Kings Anglican Church in Mountainview, Missouri, that with reverent and obedient hearts we may hear and receive your holy Word, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives.

Silence

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

Prosper, we pray, all those who proclaim the Gospel of your kingdom, throughout the world, and strengthen us to fulfill your great commission, making disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all that you have commanded. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

We ask you in your goodness, O Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity especially persecuted Christians in Turkey, Colombia, Kyrgyzstan, Brunei and all those on our parish prayer list. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

We remember before you all your servants, who have departed this life in your faith and fear, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we ask you to give us grace to follow the good examples of all your saints, especially Cecil Frances Alexander, that we may share with them in your heavenly kingdom. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People ***Hear our prayer.***

The Celebrant Concludes with this Collect.

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

BCP 130

The Deacon says

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God. *Silence*

All remain kneeling and say

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 says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

BCP 130

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People ***And with your spirit.***

THE OFFERTORY

Offertory Anthem

All stand and sing

THE DOXOLOGY

Old 100th

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.***

Celebrant Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,
People ***And of your own have we given you.***

All Remain Standing

HOLY COMMUNION

THE SURSUM CORDA

BCP 132

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And with your spirit.***
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People ***We lift them up to the Lord.***
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

WRH 738

Celebrant and People Sing

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

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

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 134

The Celebrant then says

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Celebrant and People together pray

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 135

Celebrant and People together say

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through this most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

BCP 136

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

People ***have mercy on us.***

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

People ***have mercy on us.***

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

People ***grant us your peace.***

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

All Christians who have turned in faith to Jesus Christ and have been baptized are invited to come forward for communion. Those who are not baptized or do not wish to receive Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. You may stand or kneel at the altar. To receive communion in the traditional manner you may consume the bread and drink from the chalice, or you may dip the bread in the wine. If you desire gluten free bread, please tell the server. If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and Communion will be brought to you.

All are encouraged to sing the hymns.

THE COMMUNION HYMNS	<i>Eat This Bread and Never Hunger</i>	WRH 692
	<i>We Meet as Friends at Table</i>	WRH 704

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER	BCP 137
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Celebrant and People together say

Heavenly Father, We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE RETIRING PROCESSION	<i>Amazing Grace</i>	WRH 422
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THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

THE CLOSING VOLUNTARY	<i>O God, Our Help in Ages Past</i>	arr. M. E. Kerrick
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SERVING IN WORSHIP

The Rev'd Dr. Marc Robertson
Celebrant

The Rev'd Nick McGee
Preacher

Kevin McGinnis
Acolyte and Old Testament Lector

Duval Acker
New Testament Lector

Lisa Fore & Tom Acker
Ushers & Greeters

Lisa Fore & Dana McKee
Children's Chapel

Deneece Harrell
Altar Guild & Flowers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN STUDY: Beginning next Wednesday, October 15, at 5pm, Jamie Bryson will lead a six-week study on the Great Hymns of Our Faith. Week One: We will take a tour of the hymnal and discuss the origins and various types of hymns.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: Christ Anglican participates in Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. National Collection Week for OCC is November 17-24. Please grab an OCC shoebox from our display and fill it, fill one online, or donate online. If you choose to fill a box, please return it to the church and they will all be dropped off together. See Duval Acker, Nancy Gruskowski, or Brenda Newton for further information. To build a shoebox online or to donate online you may use the QR code to the right or visit <https://build-a-shoebox.samaritanspurse.org/view/50677aa2-c821-4132-b40d-29181212f58c>



2026 LITURGICAL CALENDARS: The 2026 Liturgical Calendars have arrived and are available in the Narthex. Pick one up and stay up to date with all the Church Feast Days during the year. The calendar also includes the Scripture Lessons for each Sunday and the days we remember Saints of the Church.

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Sundays 9:00 AM – Coffee and Donuts and Fellowship! Enjoy fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ before Christian Formation time.

Sundays 9:15 AM – Choir Rehearsal

Sundays 9:15 AM – Adult Christian Formation. Book of Common Prayer Study

Sundays 10:30 AM – Holy Eucharist

Tuesdays 10:00 AM – Women’s Bible Study at the home of Melisa Loudermilch, 338 Saratay Falls Drive, Cashiers. Contact: Debbie Hammack (dadamson8@comcast.net).

Wednesday (2nd of each month) – Eckerd Living Center Ministry. Contact: Fran Wilkinson (frnwilkinson@gmail.com).

Wednesdays 5:00 PM – Wednesday Evening Bible Study - Hymn Study

Fridays 9:45 AM – Moms in Prayer Contact: Lisa Fore lisafore21@gmail.com

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