



# The Holy Eucharist The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost October 5, 2025

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## ORGAN PRELUDE

*Preamble*

Louis Verne

## HYMN 522

*Glorious things of thee are spoken*

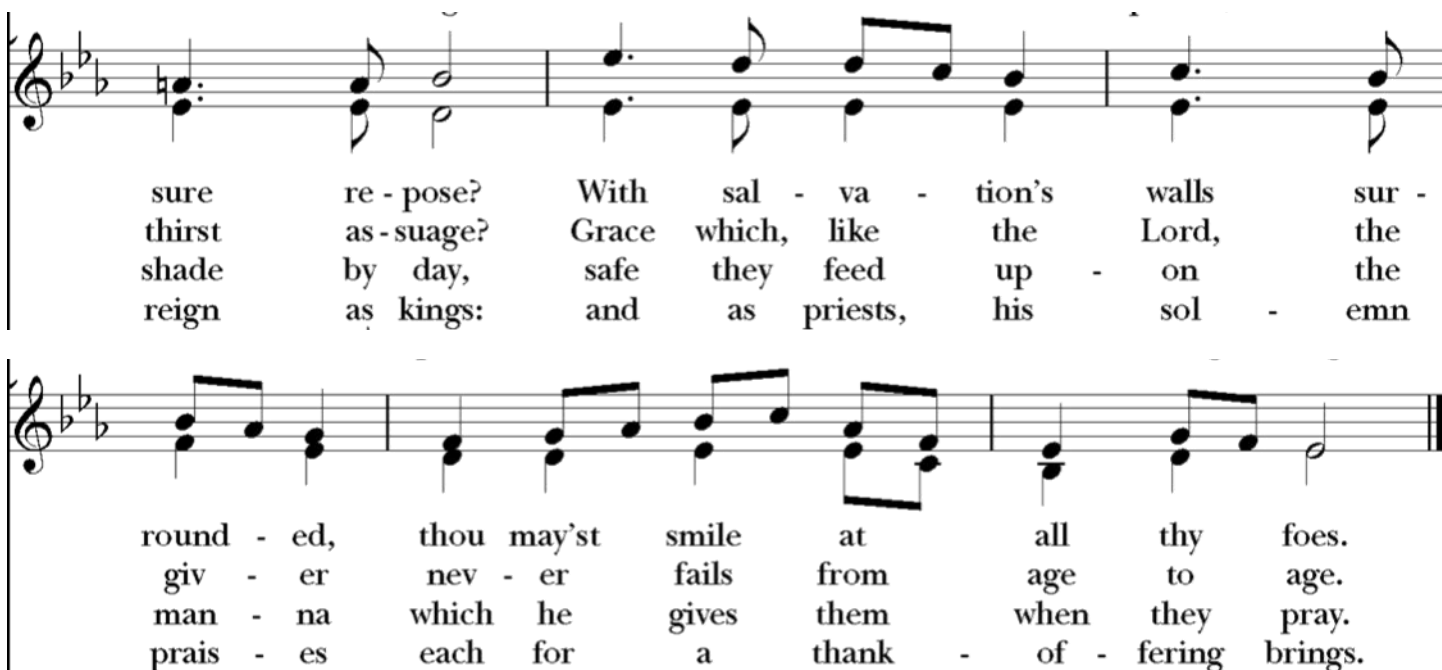
Austria

1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, ci - ty  
2 See! the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -  
3 Round each ha - bi - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and  
4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -

of our God; he whose word can - not be  
ter - nal love, well sup - ply thy sons and  
fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a  
deem - er's blood! Je - sus, whom their souls re -

bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode;  
daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.  
cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.  
ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.

on the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake thy  
Who can faint, when such a riv - er ev - er will their  
Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner, light by night, and  
'Tis his love his peo - ple rais - es o - ver self to



sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's walls sur -  
 thirst as - suage? Grace which, like the Lord, the  
 shade by day, safe they feed up - on the  
 reign as kings: and as priests, his sol - emn

round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.  
 giv - er nev - er fails from age to age.  
 man - na which he gives them when they pray.  
 prais - es each for a thank - of - fering brings.

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## OPENING ACCLAMATION

Page 355, Book of Common Prayer

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

Almighty God, to you our 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.**

## GLORIA S 280

*Gloria in Excelsis*

Powell

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Page 234, Book of Common Prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## A READING FROM THE BOOK OF LAMENTATIONS

Lamentations 1:1-6

How lonely sits the city  
 that once was full of people!  
 How like a widow she has become,  
 she that was great among the nations!  
 She that was a princess among the provinces  
 has become a vassal.  
 She weeps bitterly in the night,  
 with tears on her cheeks;  
 among all her lovers  
 she has no one to comfort her;  
 all her friends have dealt treacherously with her,  
 they have become her enemies.

Judah has gone into exile with suffering  
 and hard servitude;  
 she lives now among the nations,  
 and finds no resting place;  
 her pursuers have all overtaken her  
 in the midst of her distress.  
 The roads to Zion mourn,  
 for no one comes to the festivals;  
 all her gates are desolate,  
 her priests groan;  
 her young girls grieve,  
 and her lot is bitter.  
 Her foes have become the masters,  
 her enemies prosper,  
 because the Lord has made her suffer  
 for the multitude of her transgressions;  
 her children have gone away,  
 captives before the foe.  
 From daughter Zion has departed  
 all her majesty.  
 Her princes have become like stags  
 that find no pasture;  
 they fled without strength  
 before the pursuer.

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

# THE PSALM

*Psalm 137, Super flumina*

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1 By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept, \*  
 when we remembered you, O Zion.  
 2 As for our harps, we hung them up \*  
 on the trees in the midst of that land.  
 3 For those who led us away captive asked us for a song,  
 and our oppressors called for mirth: \*  
 "Sing us one of the songs of Zion."  
 4 How shall we sing the Lord'S song \*  
 upon an alien soil.  
 5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, \*  
 let my right hand forget its skill.  
 6 Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth  
 if I do not remember you, \*  
 if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.  
 7 Remember the day of Jerusalem, O Lord,  
 against the people of Edom, \*  
 who said, "Down with it! down with it!  
 even to the ground!"  
 8 O Daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction, \*  
 happy the one who pays you back  
 for what you have done to us!  
 9 Happy shall he be who takes your little ones, \*  
 and dashes them against the rock!

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

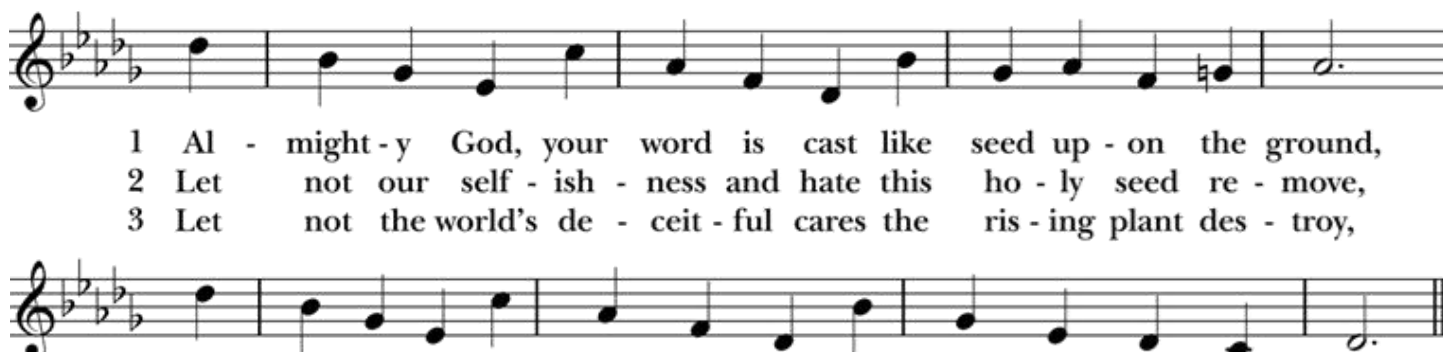
Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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

## HYMN 589

*Almighty God, your word is cast like seed*

Walden



1 Al - might - y God, your word is cast like seed up - on the ground,  
 2 Let not our self - ish - ness and hate this ho - ly seed re - move,  
 3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful cares the ris - ing plant des - troy,

now let the dew of heaven de - scend and right - eous fruits a - bound.  
 but give it root in ev - ery heart to bring forth fruits of love.  
 but let it yield a hun - dred - fold the fruits of peace and joy.

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## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 17:5-10

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

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

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

**SERMON**

The Rev. Alan D. Bentrup

*A period of silent reflection follows the Sermon*

**THE NICENE CREED**

Page 358, Book of Common Prayer

*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.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Deacon or other leader*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

We pray for your holy Church throughout the world: for those who lead, teach, and serve in Christ's name; especially the Anglican Diocese of Garissa, Kenya, The Anglican Church of Tanzania, Christ Church in San Augustine, Holy Trinity in Port Neches, St. John's in Silsbee, and Southlake Four-square Church.

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

We pray for the leaders of the nations, for Donald our President, Greg our governor, our state and local officials, and all who work for the good of others. Give them wisdom to seek justice, courage to protect the vulnerable, and compassion to serve with humility.

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

We pray for the cities and neighborhoods where we live. Bless our schools, workplaces, first responders, and all who volunteer for the well-being of others. We pray especially for Reedy High, Richland High, Richneck Elementary, and Ridgeview Elementary.

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

We pray for those who are sick, lonely, anxious, or in any kind of need, especially those we now name. Surround them with your presence, strengthen them in body and spirit, and give them hope.

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

We pray for all who have died, especially Johnny. Receive them into the joy of your eternal kingdom, and comfort those who grieve.

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

*After the prayers, the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect. The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

*Minister 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 PEACE**



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

**OFFERTORY** On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays, loose offerings are designated for the Clergy benevolence fund.

Please take a few moments to offer yourself - your time, your talents, your gifts, and your service to God with a prayer that your offering may be pleasing in God's sight, spread God's love, and make a difference in God's world. You may text 817-270-6880 with an amount + GENERAL or PLEDGE to give or you may scan this QR code to give online, or [click HERE](#).



**OFFERTORY HYMN 610**

*Lord, whose love in humble service*

Blaenhafren



1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man  
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for  
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing  
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we

need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's  
 bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we  
 light, in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our  
 go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged love in liv - ing

per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship  
 mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion  
 quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens  
 deeds to show; hope and health, good will and com - fort,

not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing  
 healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your  
 your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to  
 coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,

to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.  
 Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.  
 tire - less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.  
 Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

## HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 380 ST. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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 HYMN S 129

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Proulx

### *The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.*

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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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



## *The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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 for ever. **AMEN.**

## *Celebrant*

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

**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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

## **FRACTION ANTHEM S 153**

*Christ our Passover*

Martens

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

The Gifts of God for the people of God.

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

## **COMMUNION HYMN 312**

*Strengthen for service, Lord*

Malabar



1 Strength - en for ser - vice, Lord, the hands that ho - ly  
2 Lord, may the tongues which "Ho - ly" sang, keep free from  
3 The feet that tread thy hal - lowed courts from light do



things have tak - en; let ears that now have  
all de - ceiv - ing; the eyes which saw thy  
thou not ban - ish; the bo - dies by thy



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## SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

*Eucharistic Visitors present themselves at the Altar to receive the Sacrament to take to those who are prevented from attending in person. The Celebrant then says,*

In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

*The People respond,*

**We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

*Eucharistic Visitors remain until the Altar Party retires, then leave for their visits.*

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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*Celebrant and People together standing*

**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

### HYMN 551

*Rise up, ye saints of God!*

Festal Song

1 Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give  
2 Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long: Lord,  
3 Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and  
heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.  
bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.  
quick-ened by the Spi - rit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

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## THE DISMISSAL

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

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

*Marche Royale*

Jean-Baptiste Lully

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