

Proper 25

Sunday, October 26, 2025



A Church Where We Love Our Neighbor Who We Are

The Parish Church worships God together in community, offering an opportunity to come to know and love the Lord Jesus. We believe that as we grow in our love for God together, we will also grow closer to one another - being known, sharing life, and loving neighbors as Jesus taught us to do, right where we live.

The Parish Church at Habersham is a daughter church plant of St. Helena in Downtown Beaufort. We are a parish church on the Anglican Diocese of South Carolina under the authority of Bishop Charles Edgar.

Dear Parents: We LOVE that children are here, so don't worry if they squirm and make some noise. If they get too restless for you, feel free to step into the children's room off the main entrance until they are ready to return. There are toys and a speaker, so you can continue to participate in worship.

Liturgy of the Word

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn

569 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, Ye soldiers of the cross; Lift high his royal banner; It must not suffer loss; From vict'ry unto vict'ry His army shall he lead, Till ev'ry foe is vanquished And Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus;
The trumpet call obey;
Forth to the mighty conflict
In this his glorious day;
Ye that are men now serve him
Against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger,
And strength to strength oppose.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus; Stand in his strength alone; The arm of flesh will fail you; Ye dare not trust your own; Put on the gospel armor, And, watching unto pray'r. When duty calls, or danger, Be never wanting there. Stand up, stand up for Jesus; The strife will not be long; This day, the noise of battle; The next, the victor's song. To him that overcometh, A crown of life shall be; He with the King of glory Shall reign eternally.

The Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and

The Holy Spirit.

People: And Blessed be his kingdom, now and

for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant prays:

The Collect for Purity

The Summary of the Law

During the hymn, children up to the 6th grade are invited forward to receive a blessing before following the processional cross to the children's church for age appropriate Bible teaching.

Hymn

Father of Mercy

Father of mercy, Lover of all children, Who in their form didst send thy Son, Gladly we bless thee, Humbly we pray thee For all the children of the earth.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. *People: And with your spirit.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

First Reading

Jeremiah 14:1-10

¹ The word of the Lord that came to Jeremiah concerning the drought: ² "Judah mourns, and her gates languish; her people lament on the ground, and the cry of Jerusalem goes up. ³ Her nobles send their servants for water; they come to the cisterns; they find no water; they return with their vessels empty; they are ashamed and confounded and cover their heads. ⁴ Because of the ground that is dismayed, since there is no rain on the land, the farmers are ashamed; they cover their heads. ⁵ Even the doe in the field forsakes her newborn fawn because there is no grass. ⁶ The wild donkeys stand on the bare heights; they pant for air like jackals; their eyes fail because there is no vegetation. ⁷ "Though our iniquities testify against us, act,

O Lord, for your name's sake; for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against you. ⁸ O you hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler who turns aside to tarry for a night? ⁹ Why should you be like a man confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot save? Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not leave us."

¹⁰ Thus says the Lord concerning this people:

"They have loved to wander thus; they have not restrained their feet; therefore the Lord does not accept them; now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins."

Jeremiah 14:19-22

¹⁹ Have you utterly rejected Judah? Does your soul loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We looked for peace, but no good came; for a time of healing, but behold, terror. ²⁰ We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord, and the iniquity of our fathers, for we have sinned against you. ²¹ Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. ²² Are there any among the false gods of the nations that can bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Are you not he, O Lord our God? We set our hope on you, for you do all these things.

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

Psalm 84

Please read the psalm responsively by half verse

- ¹ How lovely is your dwelling place, *O Lord of hosts!*
- ² My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.
- ³ Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- ⁴ Blessed are those who dwell in your house, *ever singing your praise!* Selah
- ⁵ Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
- ⁶ As they go through the Valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.
- ⁷ They go from strength to strength; each one appears before God in Zion.
- ⁸ O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; *give ear, O God of Jacob!* Selah
- ⁹ Behold our shield, O God;

look on the face of your anointed!

¹⁰ For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

- ¹¹ For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.
- ¹² O Lord of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

New Testament

2 Timothy 4:6-18

⁶ For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

⁹ Do your best to come to me soon. ¹⁰ For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. 11 Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry. ¹² Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. ¹³ When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. 14 Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will repay him according to his deeds. 15 Beware of him yourself, for he strongly opposed our message. 16 At my first defense no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! 17 But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. 18 The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

Gradual Hymn

Ancient Words

Holy words long preserved For our walk in this world; They resound with God's own heart, O, let the ancient words impart.

Chorus

Ancient words, ever true, Changing me, changing you; We have come with open hearts, O let the ancient words impart.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel

Luke 18:9-14

⁹ He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: ¹⁰ "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn

Ancient Words

Holy words of our faith
Handed down to this age,
Came to us through sacrifice;
O, heed the faithful words of Christ.

Chorus
Ancient words, ever true,
Changing me, changing you;
We have come with open hearts,
O let the ancient words impart.

Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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.

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

After each intercession, prayers from the congregation are invited.

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The Confession of Sin

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 Absolution of Sin

The Comfortable Words

The Peace (standing)

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you. *People:* And with your spirit.

The congregation greets one another with God's peace and is invited to spend five minutes meeting with and encouraging one another in the Lord. When the pianist plays the interlude, please make your way back to your seats for the service to resume.

Offertory

The celebrant reads one of the offertory sentences and the ushers come forward to pass the collection baskets to the congregation.

Offertory Hymn

601 Just As I Am

Just as I am, without one plea, But that thy blood was shed for me, And that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt; Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea', all I need, in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come. Just as I am, thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve, Because thy promise I believe; O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, thy love unknown Has broken ev'ry barrier down; Now to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, of thy great love The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove, Here for a season, then above, O Lamb of God, I come.

The Doxology

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. Amen

The Sursum Corda

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 Sanctus

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. Hosanna in the highest.

The Prayer of Consecration

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer

The Fraction

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been

sacrificed, (once for all upon the Cross).

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Prayer of Humble Access

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 his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Invitation

The Ministration of Communion

Communion Hymn

548 As the Deer

As the deer panteth for the water, So my soul longeth after Thee. You alone are my heart's desire, And I long to worship Thee.

Refrain:

You alone are my strength, my shield; To You alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire, And I long to worship Thee.

You're my friend and You are my brother, Even though You are a King. I love You more than any other, So much more than anything. Refrain

I want You more than gold or silver, Only You can satisfy. You alone are the real joy giver, And the apple of my eye. Refrain

The Post Communion Prayer

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 the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

409 All Praise to Thee

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine, Didst yield the glory that of right was thine. That in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine. Alleluia!

Thou cam'st to us in lowliness of thought; By thee the outcast and the poor were sought, And by thy death was God's salvation wrought. Alleluia!

Let this mind be in us which was in thee, Who wast a servant that we might be free, Humbling thyself to death on Calvery. Alleluia!

Wherefore, by God's eternal purpose, thou Art high exalted o'er all creatures now, And giv'n the name to which all knees shall bow. Alleluia!

Let ev'ry tongue confess with one accord In heav'n and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord; And God the Father be by all adored. Alleluia!

The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the

power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia



Make A Note

Little Food Pantry-Every 3rd Sunday
Providing nutrition, fresh food, toiletries, and socks

at the pantry site on Joe Frazier Road.

Prayer Group-Parish Church at Habersham, 100 Market Every Tues.

9:00am - Establish your prayer patterns with The Book of Common Prayer.

Every Weds.

7:30am - Men's Book Study. Park House. Romans 8-16 For You, by Tim Keller. Contact Frank Koehn at koehnfe@gmail.com

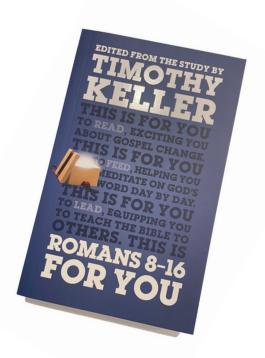
9:00am - Prayer for those in need, sickness, or adversity.

Intercessory Prayer: Every Sunday during communion or by appointment. Contact Rev. Claudia Carucci at claudiac@theparish.org

Thank You for Worshipping with Us!

- To contact the church staff call our parish administrator at 854-236-2550 or by email: admin@theparish.org
- If you would like to financially support our ministry, go to **TheParish.org** and Click "Give" on the homepage.

Make A Note: Men's Book Study



New to Habersham? Why not join a friendly, casual welcoming book study. We'll discuss how the gospel can change your perspective and expand your faith. This is a mixed denomination group. A few books are available for purchase and the best part is you can jump in at any time!

(Coffee will be available for those needing a little wake-up!)

Details:

7:30am - Men's Book Study. Park House. Romans 8-16 For You, by Tim Keller. Contact Frank Koehn at koehnfe@gmail.com

Your Clergy

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