

# Proper 21

Sunday, September 28, 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**

565 Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

#### 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

Amos 6:1-7

<sup>1</sup>"Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes! <sup>2</sup> Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines. Are you better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory, <sup>3</sup>O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence?

<sup>4</sup>"Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, <sup>5</sup> who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, <sup>6</sup> who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! <sup>7</sup> Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away."

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

#### Psalm 146

## Please read the psalm responsively by half verse

<sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup> I will praise the Lord as long as I live; *I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.* 

<sup>3</sup> Put not your trust in princes,

in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

- <sup>4</sup> When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.
- <sup>5</sup> Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God,
- 6 who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever;
- who executes justice for the oppressed,
   who gives food to the hungry.
   The Lord sets the prisoners free;
- 8 the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.
  The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
  the Lord loves the righteous.
- <sup>9</sup> The Lord watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.
- <sup>10</sup> The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!

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.

<sup>11</sup> But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. <sup>12</sup>Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup> I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, <sup>14</sup> to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup> which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, <sup>16</sup> who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

<sup>17</sup> As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. <sup>18</sup> They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, <sup>19</sup> thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

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

#### Ancient Words

## Gradual Hymn

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 16:19-31

<sup>19</sup> "There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. 20 And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, 21 who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, <sup>23</sup> and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. <sup>24</sup> And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.' <sup>25</sup> But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. <sup>26</sup> And besides all this, between us and

you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' <sup>27</sup> And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' <sup>29</sup> But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' <sup>30</sup> And he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' <sup>31</sup> He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

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. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that thou art; Thou my best thought in the day or the night; Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word, I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord, Thou my great Father, and I thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my battle-shield, sword for my fight; Be thou my dignity, thou my delight, Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r; Raise thou me heav'n-ward, O pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always, Thou and thou only, the first in my heart; High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, heaven's bright Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## 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.

We lift them up to the Lord. People:

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise. People:

#### The Sanctus

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. Hosanna in the highest.

## The Prayer of Consecration

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. People:

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** 293 Father By Whose Mighty Word

Father, by whose mighty Word
Out of nothing all was made,
Whose deep voice the darkness heard,
By whose order chaos fled,
By whose manna giving hand
Ev'ry living thing is fed,
Can we doubt thy Son's command?
Canst thou not make flesh from bread?

Christ, who bidd'st thy bride to dine, God from God and flesh from Word, Who made water into wine Which the wedding servants poured. And who, by thy hidden yeast, With five loaves, five thousand fed. Host of this, thy wedding feast, Thou hast made thyself our Bread.

## 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**

375 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, Praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee; Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays; Stars and angels sing around thee, Center of unbroken praise; Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ring meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain, Call us to rejoice in thee. Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
All who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other;
Lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the mighty chorus Which the morning stars began; Father love is reigning o'er us; Brother love binds man to man. Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife; Joyful music lifts us sunward In the triumph song of life.

Magnify The Lord Hymnal

#### 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.

## Little Food Pantry-Every 3rd Sunday



"The Little Food Pantry" provides basic nutrition, comfort and dignity to our nearby neighbors. We accomplish this by thoughtfully distributing non-perishable and fresh food, toiletries, socks and basic household cleaning products each Saturday morning at the pantry site on Joe Frazier Road.

## **Your Clergy**

The Reverend James S. Sosnowski Rector

The Reverend Dr. Christopher R. Seitz *Theologian in Residence* 

The Reverend Joseph Lawrence

\*\*Assisting Clergy\*\*

The Reverend Claudia Carucci

Deacon

The Reverend Thad Bullock

Deacon

