



THE PARISH CHURCH

— AT HABERSHAM —

First Sunday in Lent
Sunday, February 18, 2024



A Church Where We Love Our Neighbors

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 mission church on the Anglican Diocese of South Carolina under the authority of Bishop Charles Edgar.

Liturgy of the Word

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: 335 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor,
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter,
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it!
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart; O take and seal it,
Seal it for thy courts above.

The Acclamation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

The Celebrant prays:

The Collect for Purity

The Decalogue

Exodus 20:1-17 Deuteronomy 5:6-21

Celebrant: God spoke these words and said:

I am the Lord your God.

You shall have no other gods but me.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not take the Name of the Lord your God in vain.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

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Celebrant: Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Honor your father and your mother.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not murder.

People: *Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: You shall not commit adultery.

People: *Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: You shall not steal.

People: *Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

People: *Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant: You shall not covet.

People: *Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these, your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.*

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy, have mercy.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And with your spirit.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

First Reading:

Genesis 9:8-17

⁸ Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him,
⁹ “Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹² And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³ I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶ When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷ God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 27

Please read the psalm responsively by half verse

- ¹ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
² O my God, in you I trust;
***let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies exult over me.***
- ³ Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.
- ⁴ Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.
- ⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me,
***for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all the day long.***
- ⁶ Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.
- ⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
***according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!***
- ⁸ Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
- ⁹ He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.
- ¹⁰ All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love
and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.
- ¹¹ For your name's sake, O Lord,
pardon my guilt, for it is great.
- ¹² Who is the man who fears the Lord?
***Him will he instruct in the way that he should
choose.***
- ¹³ His soul shall abide in well-being,
and his offspring shall inherit the land.
- ¹⁴ The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear him,
and he makes known to them his covenant.
- ¹⁵ My eyes are ever toward the Lord,
for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

- ¹⁶ Turn to me and be gracious to me,
for I am lonely and afflicted.
- ¹⁷ The troubles of my heart are enlarged;
bring me out of my distresses.
- ¹⁸ Consider my affliction and my trouble,
and forgive all my sins.
- ¹⁹ Consider how many are my foes,
and with what violent hatred they hate me.
- ²⁰ Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me!
Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.
- ²¹ May integrity and uprightness preserve me,
for I wait for you.
- ²² Redeem Israel, O God,
out of all his troubles.

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:

1 Peter 3:18-22

¹⁸ For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹ Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn:

Open Our Eyes

Open our eyes Lord,
We want to see Jesus.
To reach out and touch Him,
And say that we love Him.
Open our ears Lord,
And help us to listen.
Open our eyes Lord,
We want to see Jesus.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel:

Mark 1:9:-13

⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

¹² The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³ And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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.

Offertory:

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.

T'was 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 that brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

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 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, 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: Christ our Passover Lamb has been
sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

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

Break Thou The Bread Of Life

Break thou the Bread of Life, dear Lord, to me,
As thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;
Beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord;
My spirit pants for thee, O living Word.

Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, dear Lord, to me,
As thou didst bless the bread by Galilee.
Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall,
And I shall find my peace, my all in all.

Thou art the Bread of Life, O Lord, to me,
Thy holy Word the truth that saveth me;
Give me to eat and live with thee above;
Teach me to love thy truth, for thou art love.

O send thy Spirit, Lord, now unto me,
That he may touch mine eyes and make me see;
Show me the truth concealed within thy word,
For in they book revealed I see thee, Lord.

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: 386 Love Divine All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heav'n, to earth come down;
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion;
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People: Thanks be to God.

Thank You for Worshipping with Us!

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