

Proper 20

Sunday, September 21, 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

377 O Worship the King

O worship the King, all glorious above! O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love! Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of his might! O sing of his grace! Whose robe is the light, whose canopy, space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, thy pow'r hath founded of old, Hath established it fast by a changeless decree, And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in thee air; it shines in the light; It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In thee, Lord, we trust, nor find thee to fail; Thy mercies, how tender! how firm to thee end! Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

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 8:4-12

⁴ Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, 5 saying, "When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances, 6 that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and sell the chaff of the wheat?" ⁷ The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. 8 Shall not the land tremble on this account, and everyone mourn who dwells in it, and all of it rise like the Nile, and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt?" 9 "And on that day," declares the Lord God, "I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the earth in broad daylight. 10 I will turn your feasts into mourning and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on every waist and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son and the end of it like a bitter day. 11 "Behold, the days are coming," declares the Lord God, "when I will send a famine on the land— not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord. 12 They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, to seek the word of the Lord, but they shall not find it.

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

Psalm 138

Please read the psalm responsively by half verse

- ¹ I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; *before the gods I sing your praise*;
- ² I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.
- ³ On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased.
- ⁴ All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth,
- ⁵ and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord, *for great is the glory of the Lord.*
- ⁶ For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar.
- ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life;

you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand delivers me.

8 The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

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 First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³ This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷ For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

Gradual 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.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹⁶ He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ² And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' 3 And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. 4 I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' 5 So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' 6 He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' 7 Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' 8 The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. 9 And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. ¹⁰ "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. 11 If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? 12 And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own. ¹³No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."

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

Gradual Hymn

548 As The Deer

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.

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

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

O soul, are you weary and troubled? No light in the darkness you see? There's light for a look at the Savior, And life more abundant and free!

Chorus:

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face; And the things of earth will grow strangely dim, In the light of His glory and grace.

Thru death into life everlasting He passed, and we follow Him there; O'er us sin no more hath dominion, For more than con-q'rors we are!

His Word shall not fail you - He promised; Believe Him, and all will be well: Then go to a world that is dying, His perfect salvation to tell!

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

563 When Peace, Like a River, Attendeth My Way

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll, Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain
It is well with my soul;
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control: That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, And hath shed his own blood for my soul. Refrain

My sin oh, the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more; Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! Refrain

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back like a scroll, The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend; "Even so," it is well with my soul.

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

572 God of Grace and God of Glory

God of grace and God of glory,
On thy people pour thy pow'r;
Crown thine ancient Church's story;
Bring her bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us Scorn thy Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, For the living of these days, For the living of these days. Cure thy children's warring madness; Bend our pride to thy control; Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal, Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places; Gird our lives, that they may be Armored with all Christ-like graces In the fight to set men free. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, That we fail not man nor thee! That we fail not man nor thee!

The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
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

 $9{:}00{a}m$ - $\,$ 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.

Morning Prayer

Parish Church at Habersham, 100 Market Every Tuesday 9:00AM

Establish your prayer patterns with The Book of Common Prayer.



"This is a time to hear scripture, listen to Dr. Seitz commentary, and pray for each other at the Parish."

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

