



THE PARISH CHURCH  
— AT HABERSHAM —

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost  
Sunday, October 22, 2023  
*10:30 am*



## 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:

O Worship the King

O worship the King, all glorious above!  
O gratefully sing his power 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.

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 the 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 forever. Amen*

## *The Celebrant prays:*

### The Collect for Purity

### The Summary of the Law

### 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, 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:

Malachi 3:6-12

<sup>6</sup> “For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. <sup>7</sup> From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the Lord of hosts. But you say, ‘How shall we return?’ <sup>8</sup> Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, ‘How have we robbed you?’ In your tithes and contributions. <sup>9</sup> You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me, the whole nation of you. <sup>10</sup> Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. <sup>11</sup> I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of your soil, and your vine in the field shall not fail to bear, says the Lord of hosts. <sup>12</sup> Then all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a land of delight, says the Lord of hosts.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm 96

*Please read the psalm responsively by half verse*

- <sup>1</sup> Oh sing to the Lord a new song;  
***sing to the Lord, all the earth!***
- <sup>2</sup> Sing to the Lord, bless his name;  
***tell of his salvation from day to day.***
- <sup>3</sup> Declare his glory among the nations,  
***his marvelous works among all the peoples!***
- <sup>4</sup> For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;  
***he is to be feared above all gods.***
- <sup>5</sup> For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,  
***but the Lord made the heavens.***
- <sup>6</sup> Splendor and majesty are before him;  
***strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.***
- <sup>7</sup> Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples,  
***ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!***
- <sup>8</sup> Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;  
***bring an offering, and come into his courts!***
- <sup>9</sup> Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness;  
***tremble before him, all the earth!***
- <sup>10</sup> Say among the nations, “The Lord reigns!  
***Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.”***
- <sup>11</sup> Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;  
***let the sea roar, and all that fills it;***
- <sup>12</sup> Let the field exult, and everything in it!  
***Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy***
- <sup>13</sup> Before the Lord, for he comes,  
***for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.***

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 Thessalonians 1:1-10

<sup>1</sup> Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup> We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, <sup>3</sup> remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup> because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup> And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup> so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup> For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. <sup>9</sup> For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, <sup>10</sup> and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

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. Matthew.

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

**The Gospel:**

Matthew 22:15-22

<sup>15</sup> Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words. <sup>16</sup> And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. <sup>17</sup> Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" <sup>18</sup> But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup> Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup> And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" <sup>21</sup> They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." <sup>22</sup> When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.



Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon

The Rev. Joe Lawrence

## 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:

## 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.

Through death into life everlasting  
He passed and we follow Him there;  
O'er us sin no more hath dominion—  
For more than conqu'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, 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** Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray  
That we may feast on thee today;  
Beneath these forms of bread and wine,  
Enrich us with thy grace divine.

Give us, who share this wondrous food,  
Thy body broken and thy blood,  
The grateful peace of sins forgiv'n,  
The certain joys of heirs of heav'n.

By faith, thy word has made us bold,  
To seize the gift of love retold;  
All that thou art we here receive,  
And all we are to you we give.

One bread, one cup, one body we,  
Rejoicing in our unity.  
Proclaim your love till thou shalt come  
To bring thy scattered loved ones home.

Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray,  
O keep us steadfast till that day,  
When each will be thy welcomed guest,  
In heaven's high and holy feast . Amen.

### 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:

Immortal, Invisible God only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;  
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,  
Then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
All laud we would render; O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

## 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 children in the neighborhood with healthy snacks.

**Prayer Group**-Every Weds 9AM. At the McCormicks's home

**Parish Church at Habersham**-Ground breaking celebration on Saturday, October 28th at 1pm.

**October 29th**-The Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of South Carolina, Charles Edgar, will be with us Sunday for confirmation.

## Thank You for Worshipping with Us!

- If you have any prayer requests or questions about the Christian faith, our Pastor, Jamie Sosnowski, is available at
- 843-817-5667 or at [parishchurchathabersham@gmail.com](mailto:parishchurchathabersham@gmail.com).
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