

Proper 11

Sunday, July 20, 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.

Liturgy of the Word

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn

385 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 alway 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 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 in kindergarten through 5th 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, 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

Genesis 18:1-14

¹ And the Lord appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. ² He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth ³ and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. 4 Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, 5 while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." 6 And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes." 7 And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. 8 Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate. ⁹ They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." 10 The Lord said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. 11 Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. 12 So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?" 13 The Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and

say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' ¹⁴ Is anything too hard for the Lord? At the appointed time I will return to you, about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."

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

Psalm 15

Please read the psalm responsively by half verse

¹ O Lord, who shall sojourn in your tent? *Who shall dwell on your holy hill?*

² He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart;

³ who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend;

⁴ in whose eyes a vile person is despised, but who honors those who fear the Lord; who swears to his own hurt and does not change;

 who does not put out his money at interest and does not take a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things shall never be moved.

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.

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, ²³ if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

²⁴ Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, ²⁵ of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. ²⁹ For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

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. Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. ³⁹ And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, ⁴² but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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Gradual Hymn:

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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 Marv, 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

453 Before the Throne of God

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart,
I know that while in heav'n He stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free, For God the Just is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold him there! the risen Lamb,
My perfect, spotless Righteousness,
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace!
One with himself, I cannot die;
My soul is purchased by his blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Saviour and my God,
With Christ my Saviour and my God.

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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

Chorus:

We will feast in the house of Zion; We will sing with our hearts restored. He has done great things, we will say together, We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord, our God. We are not consumed by the flood; Upheld, protected, gathered up. Chorus.

In the dark of night before the dawn, My soul, be not afraid. For the promised morning, oh how long; Oh God of Jacob, be my strength. Chorus.

Every vow we've broken and betrayed You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
Bind us together, bring shalom. Chorus.
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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

580 Lead On, O King Eternal

Lead on, O King eternal;
The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest
Thy tents shall be our home;
Through days of preparation
Thy grace has made us strong,
And now, O King eternal,
We lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal,
Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper
The sweet Amen of peace;
For not with swords loud clashing,
Nor roll of stirring drums,
But deeds of love and mercy,
The heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal;
We follow, not with fears;
For gladness breaks like morning
Where'er thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted o'er us;
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might!

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 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.

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

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

Every Weds.

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!

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