



THE PARISH CHURCH  
— AT HABERSHAM —

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
Sunday, November 12, 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:** 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.

Amen

## 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:

Amos 5:18-24

<sup>18</sup> Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! Why would you have the day of the Lord? It is darkness, and not light,  
<sup>19</sup> as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. <sup>20</sup> Is not the day of the Lord darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? <sup>21</sup> “I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. <sup>22</sup> Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. <sup>23</sup> Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. <sup>24</sup> But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God*

## Psalm 70

*Please read the psalm responsively by half verse*

<sup>1</sup> Make haste, O God, to deliver me!

***O Lord, make haste to help me!***

<sup>2</sup> Let them be put to shame and confusion who seek my life!

***Let them be turned back and brought to dishonor  
who delight in my hurt!***

<sup>3</sup> Let them turn back because of their shame

***who say, “Aha, Aha!”***

<sup>4</sup> May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you!

***May those who love your salvation say evermore,  
“God is great!”***

<sup>5</sup> But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God!

***You are my help and my deliverer; O Lord,  
do not delay!***

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 4:13-18

<sup>13</sup> But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup> For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. <sup>15</sup> For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. <sup>16</sup> For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup> Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup> Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

**Gradual Hymn:**

Ancient Words

Holy words long preserved  
For our walk in this world  
They resound with God's own heart  
Oh, let the ancient words impart  
Ancient words, ever true  
Changing me and changing you  
We have come with open hearts  
Oh, let the ancient words impart

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

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

**The Gospel:**

Matthew 25:1-13

<sup>1</sup> “Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup> Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup> For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, <sup>4</sup> but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. <sup>5</sup> As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. <sup>6</sup> But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ <sup>7</sup> Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup> And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ <sup>9</sup> But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ <sup>10</sup> And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. <sup>11</sup> Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ <sup>12</sup> But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ <sup>13</sup> Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

*People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**Sermon**

The Rev. Jamie Sosnowski

## 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:

## Abide With Me

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide;  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see;  
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies;  
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

## 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

### His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done,  
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum.  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam,  
What Father, so tender, is calling us home.  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor,  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more,  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

What riches of kindness He lavished on us,  
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost.  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford,  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

## 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:

Jesus Loves Me!

Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so,  
Little ones to him belong; They are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain:

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me-this I know-As he loved so long ago,  
Taking children on his knee, Saying, "Let them come to me."

Jesus loves me-loves me still, Even when I'm weak and ill;  
From his shining throne on high, Comes to watch me  
where I lie.

Jesus loves me! He who died Heaven's gate to open wide;  
He will wash away my sin, Let his little child come in.

## 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.

**Men's Bible Study**-Every Weds 7:30 AM at The Park House. Coffee provided.

### **Small Group**

Want to join a Small Group but are not sure of what to do or what to expect? Call Gretchen Kaylor for details.

**Weekly Morning Prayer**—Every Tues. 9 AM. Located in 21A Unit A, Market Street. Help establish your prayer patterns with The Book of Common Prayer

## 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
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