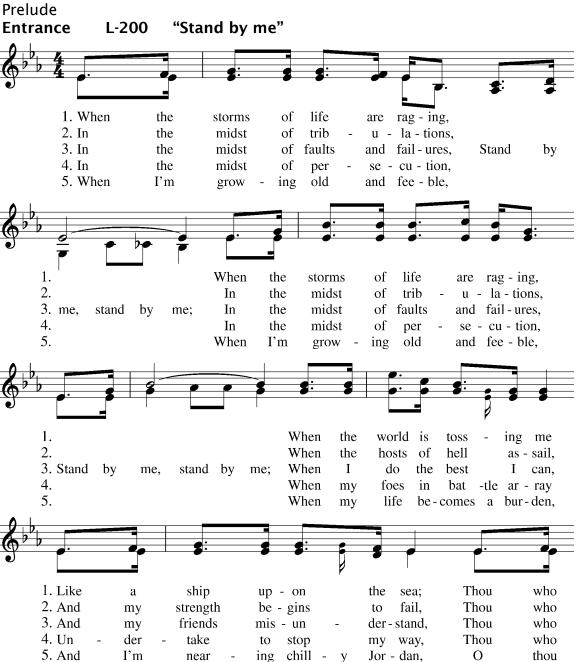
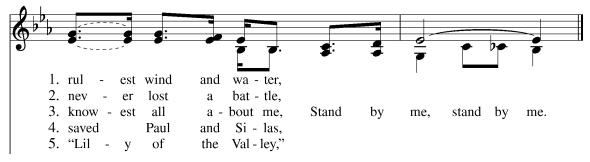
# Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 17



September 1, 2024 9:00 & 11:00 am

# Before the service, speak to the Lord; During the service, let the Lord speak to you; After the service, speak to one another.





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The complete text begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer.

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

#### Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

All say this Hymn of Praise (9 a.m.)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

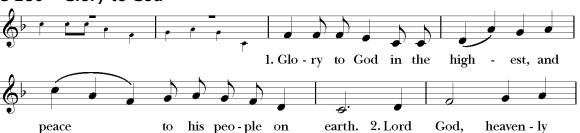
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

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.

All sing this Hymn of Praise (11:00 a.m.)

# S 280 Glory to God





# The Collect of the Day

Priest The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Priest Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

#### The Lessons

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

Moses said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

# Gradual Psalm 15

<sup>1</sup>LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? \* who may abide upon your holy hill?

<sup>2</sup>Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, \* who speaks the truth from his heart.

<sup>3</sup>There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; \* he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor. <sup>4</sup>In his sight the wicked is rejected, \* but he honors those who fear the LORD.

<sup>5</sup>He has sworn to do no wrong \* and does not take back his word.

<sup>6</sup>He does not give his money in hope of gain, \* nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

<sup>7</sup>Whoever does these things \* shall never be overthrown

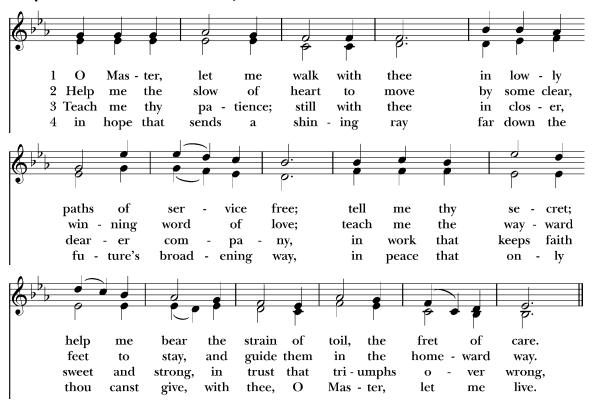
#### James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger: for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act-they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

# Sequence 660 "O Master, let me walk with thee"



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Priest The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to

them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon** The Rev. Mark Rutenbar

#### The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God. the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lector God of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ you promise to hear us when we pray to you in faith with thanksgiving.

We pray for one another, for our families and friends, through whom we learn to love and be loved. Thank you for all who care for us. Give us grace to serve Christ by serving our neighbors and our community, loving others as he loves us.

God of love

#### Hear our prayer

Silence

We thank you for the unfailing love you hold out to everyone in Jesus Christ. Comfort and heal those in sorrow, need, sickness or any other trouble, remembering especially Reed, Audrey, Lotte, Patti, Debbie, Carol, Betty, Lee, Ginny, Maggie, Matthew, Bob, Daryl, Jim, Mike, Andrew, Carol, Phil, Jim, Jane and Larry. Give them courage and hope in their distress and bless those who minister to them.

God of love

#### Hear our prayer

Silence

We remember with gratitude your many gifts to us in creation and the rich heritage of this land. Help us and people everywhere to share

with justice and peace the resources of the earth. Inspire with your wisdom those in authority among us, the leaders of the nations and all whose decisions affect the lives of others.

God of love

# Hear our prayer

Silence

We pray for your Church throughout the world. We thank you for all who serve Christ and God's kingdom. By your Spirit strengthen your people for their work and witness in the world. Unite us in your truth and love, that we who confess your name may also reflect your grace. God of love

#### Hear our prayer

Silence

We remember with thanksgiving all who have died in Christ, and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may enter with them into the unending joy of your heavenly kingdom.

God of love

#### Hear our prayer

Silence

Merciful God you look with compassion on all who turn to you. Hear the prayers of your people.

Grant that we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest Those things, good Lord that your servants have prayed for, Give us grace to work for; and in the purpose of your love answer our prayers and fulfil our hopes for Jesus' sake.

Amen

The Priest says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept for recollection of sins. Then, all say

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 Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace

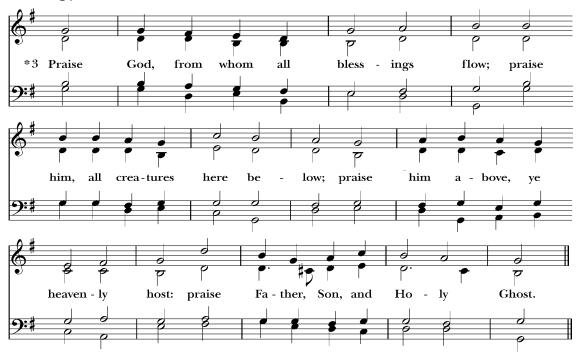
Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The People may then greet one another with a sign of peace.

# Offertory

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#### Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Priest It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and

Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say or

sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People (Spoken at 9 a.m.)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

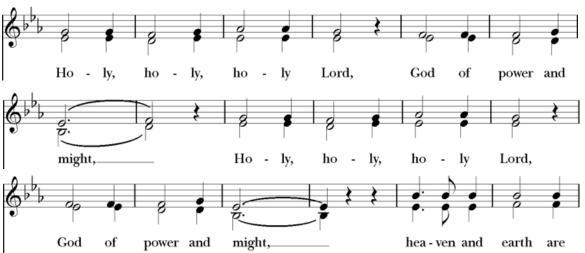
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

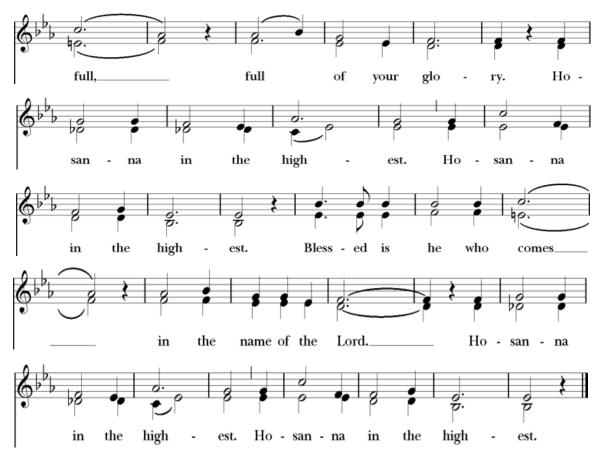
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant and People (Sung at 11 a.m.)





The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

#### Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

#### The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [ \_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Priest and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

# The Breaking of the Bread

The Bread is broken and silence is kept.

Then may be said

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

#### Invitation to Communion

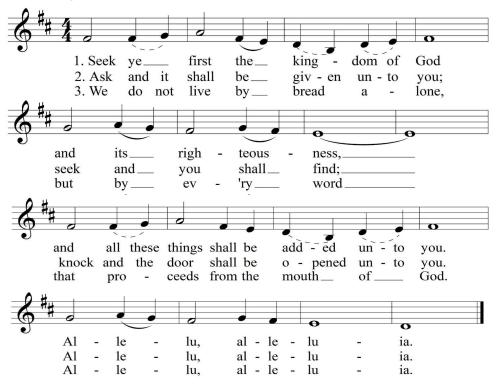
A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

Optional Prayer for those who cannot receive

Beloved Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you in this life or in the life to come. Amen.

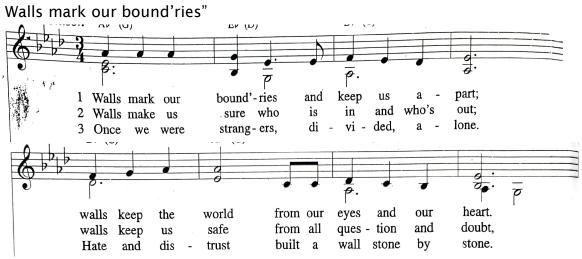
The people may be seated.

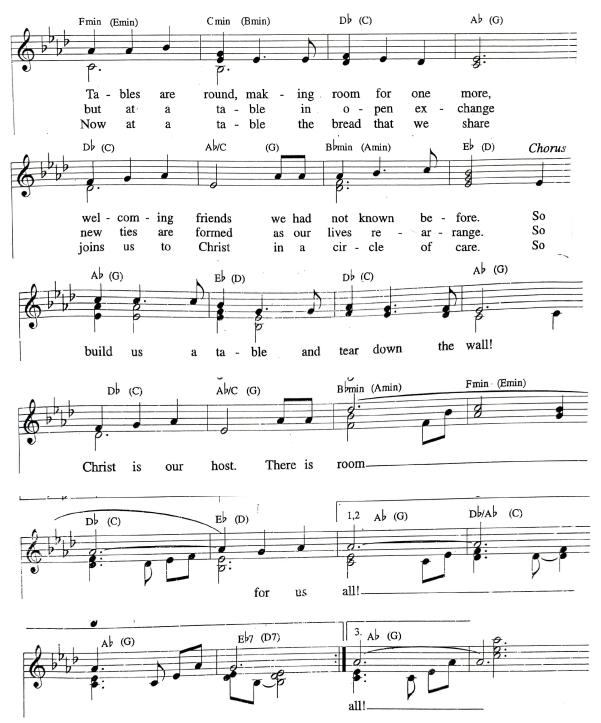
# Hymns During Communion: "Seek ye first"



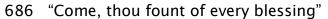
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The People stand as they are able.

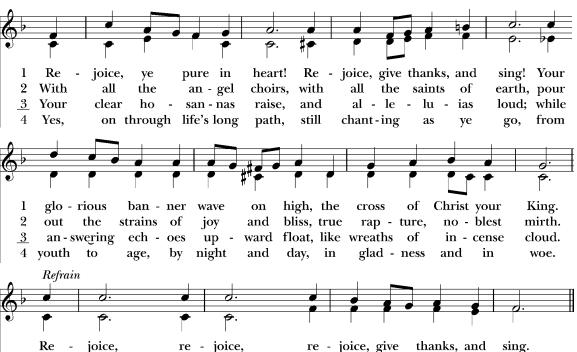
After Communion, all say

Almighty and everliving God, 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 to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Priest bestows the blessing

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

Closing 556 "Rejoice, ye pure in heart" (vs. 1, 2, & 4)



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The Deacon (or if no Deacon, the Priest) dismisses the People.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### **Postlude**

#### **VESTRY BRIEFS - AUGUST 22, 2024**

Present: Michelle Cornish, Ellen Eagan (Senior Warden), Jim Masters, Cathy Meske, Don Stockdale, Lisa Rhea, Bill Powell, Sue Fitzpatrick, Peggy Tomaszewski, Bronwyn Woolman & Sue Krafft. Members Absent: Betty Westrop, Duane Himes, & Deacon Dan Maxwell. Ellen called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and Cathy Meske led the Vestry in prayer.

**Vestry Meeting Minutes** – approved Lisa moved, Jim supported. Motion passed.

**CLERK'S REPORT: FINANCE - Financial Report**: July 2024 - Vestry spent time reviewing the financials. Year to date, we are above budget with income slightly higher due to a variety of reasons (no priest salary, increased giving and some growth with membership). We are \$9,000 ahead of where we were last year. Don moved to accept the financial report, Lisa supported. Questions were asked about looking for a renter for the rectory and expanding marketing for the rental.

**NEW BUSINESS: Little Girls Tea** - July 2024 - Sue Krafft and Bronwyn Woolman presented that 20 years ago the Tea was started with 6 girls organized by Maggie Michaud. Last time it was done in 2022 and the Tea hosted 50 girls. This year they would like to have the tea on Saturday, December 7, 2024. Time to be determined. It was agreed that the event will be called the Children's Advent Tea. There is \$322 in the budget for the Tea.

**2023 Financial Review -** Vestry reviewed the financial audit and it will be filled with the minutes. The financial review included a checklist and recommendations. This was reviewed by the Vestry. One idea brought forward by the reviewers was to add a Planned Gift program to help provide a stronger financial base. Discussion took place about having the Stewardship Committee add this to their campaign.

**Chimney Repair, Rectory** - Don Stockdale - Discussion surrounding the financing of the Chimney Repair. Vestry was asked to approve the move of \$3,900 from Rosella Scott Bequest line into the Rectory Repair Fund to cover the balance of \$8,900 invoice. Diosesan Grant will cover \$5,000. Cathy Meske moved, Lisa Rhea supported. Motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS: SENIOR WARDEN'S -** A food drive for Sunday Supper and extra food supplies is being done by LaFarge/Holcim.

The Stewardship Committee is formed and will spend time preparing the Stewardship Campaign for 2025.

Cleaning Crew discussion continued from last month about talking to the company. Don has agreed to take this on.

#### **REPORT BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS** – Junior Warden

Don gave an update on maintenance needed on the limestone. Vestry is looking at ensuring that water intrusion does not continue as it compromises the limestone. Maintenance has not been regularly done on the limestone. Discussion about a list of possible maintenance needs within the church that Don has created. Don will prioritize the project list. Maintenance of the building needs to be built into the budget.

**OTHER BUSINESS** - Discussion about the communion wine. This past week it was a blend of older wine. Discussion of cost and supply of port for communion wine.

Next Meeting: September 26, 2024 at 6:00p.m

Respectfully Submitted, Shelly Cornish

# **In Our Prayers**

LARCC: Music Ministry/Prayer Groups at All Saints Catholic Parish

For Healing & Convalescing: Reed Hamp, Audrey Himes, Lotte Rosenberg, Patti Rockwell, Debbie Sanborn, Carol Hart, Betty Bartley, Lee Harris, Ginny French, Maggie Lamb, Matthew Van Zetten, Bob Hanna, Daryl Hebert, Jim Tanner, Mike Tanner, Andrew, Carol Putkamer, Phil, Jim Gilmet, Jane McClain, and Larry Adams.

Birthdays: Kathryn Kunze (5)

Military: Ashley Alexander, Tyler Ferrier, Joshua Gapske, Isaac Graham,

John Hartman

**Cycles of Prayer:** Diocesan: For all deacons in the dioceses, Linda Crane and Beth Drew, Archdeacons, Building Bridges Committee Members and St. Martin of Tours, Kalamazoo; Anglican: the Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

#### TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN

There will be a Trinity Episcopal Church Women meeting on Tues., Sept 10 at noon in the Parish House. Bring your lunch and something for the Blessing Box.

#### TECW OFFERS ENNEAGRAM SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Thursday, September 19 ~ 10 a.m.—12 p.m. (with lunch following in the Parish Hall)

This workshop is sponsored by the TECW and offered free of charge. **Open to both men and women.** All are welcome! **Please RSVP by September** 15 to Sonya Titus at 989.354.6031.

"The Essential Enneagram" book is available for a suggested donation of \$7.00 or can be purchased on Amazon.com.

#### ABOUT THE PRESENTER AND WORKSHOP

#### BIO

Br. Mike Whitman lives in Tawas City, MI, as a Roman Catholic contemplative in the world, under the guidance of the Carmelite Rule, while practicing a monastic lifestyle. He has been a certified spiritual director since 2004, which is supported since 2011, by a master's degree in Contemporary Spirituality from Loyola University in Chicago. He has been interested in the Enneagram since his formation as a spiritual director. He in no way claims to be an expert in this process.

#### **POSSIBLE RESOURCES**

THE ESSENTIAL ENNEAGRAM, David Daniels, M.D., Virginia Price, PH.D. (Most recommended for this workshop – has a test he would recommend all take before the workshop.)

ENNEAGRAM SPIRITUALITY, Suzanne Zuercher, O.S.B.

SPIRTUAL RHYTHMS FOR THE ENNEAGRAM, Adele & Doug Calhoun and Claire & Scott Loughrige

#### WORKSHOP OUTLINE

This workshop will explore the possible usefulness of the Enneagram in our spiritual journey. It, along with numerous other personality inventories, helps us to honestly understand ourselves, which is 90% of what this journey is about. The other 10%, how does God fit into all this, begins to fall into place the closer we approach real integration. Br. Mike will share his own appreciation of this tool in his life and work.



# Future Worship Schedule

#### Sunday, September 8

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs 11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs

# Sunday, September 15

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar 11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar

#### Sunday, September 22

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs 11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Tom Downs

# Sunday, September 29

9 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar 11 am - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Mark Rutenbar

# Wednesdays, September 4, 11, 18, 25

12:05 pm - Holy Eucharist/Rev. Bruce Michaud 1:00 pm - Bible Study/Rev. Bruce Michaud

This Week's Calendar		
Today	9 & 11 AM 4 PM	,
Monday	All Day	Labor Day - Church Office Closed
Tuesday	1:30 PM 4:45 PM 5:30 PM 7 PM	Alpena Groove - Lower Level Tuesday Night Activities
Wednesday	All Day 12:05 PM 1:05 PM 7 PM	Holy Eucharist
Thursday	5-7 PM	Potluck/Messy Church
Friday	5:30 PM	AA

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Trinity organized in 1864 and our Victorian Gothic building dates from 1883. As a "National Jubilee Center," we reach out to many in need, and as a venue for performing arts, we live out our identity as a "village church" in the English tradition.

In "Eucharistic hospitality," we invite all persons to the Lord's Table. Please join us there, and then, next door after the Service for refreshment and fellowship. We are delighted that you are here, and would be delighted to meet you.

# The Vestry

Ellen Eagan, Senior Warden Don Stockdale, Junior Warden Susan Fitzpatrick, Treasurer

Michelle Cornish, Clerk

Duane Himes Iim Masters

Cathy Meske Lisa Rhea

Bill Powell Betty Westrope

