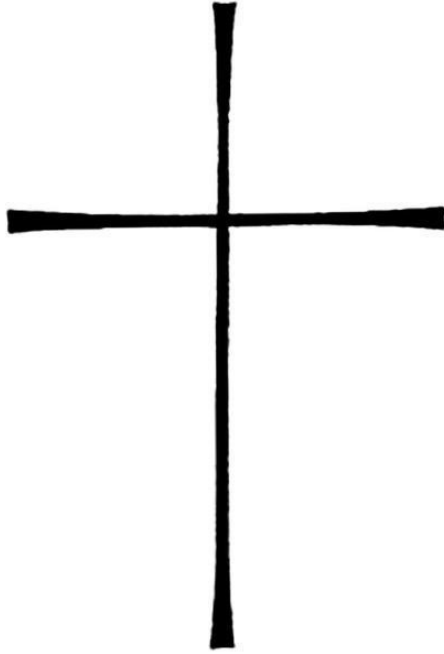




THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
OF THE
RESURRECTION
STARKVILLE, MS

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 25
Morning Prayer Rite II
October 25, 2026
10:30 a.m.

WELCOME TO THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning! It is customary in the Episcopal Church to observe silence before the service to help create a prayerful environment. Before the service, speak to God in the silence of your heart. During the service, let God speak to you through Word and Sacrament, and after the service, speak with your neighbor!

Our services of Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist are ordered by the *Book of Common Prayer 1979* (red cover). The liturgy, readings, and hymn numbers are printed in the service booklet. The hymns are found in *The Hymnal 1982* (blue cover). The congregation plays an important role in our worship, and you are encouraged to take part as you are comfortable.

For more information about our parish, please call us at (662) 323-3483 or complete a card located in the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to seek Christ and to make Him known in a dynamic place of worship and to create a loving and supportive community that shares spiritual and physical help with others.

DIOCESAN INCLUSION STATEMENT

We respect the dignity of all persons, regardless of national origin, race, gender, age, or sexual orientation, and welcome and encourage them to fully participate in all areas of parish life.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Liam Lamb, Vicki Coleman, Christine McBee, Rosemary Shaner, Peyton Passons, Nav Ashford, Jane Perry, Clayton Butler, Barbi Hughes, Jamie Inmon, Debbie Sieger, Mary Lee Beal, Maurin Grady, Joan Kramer, Linda Richards, George Brown, Sally Hester, Nancy Christiansen, Betty Ruth Hawkins, Beverly Coleman, Andrew Grady, Margaret Bock, Leo Pieralisi, Isaac Hart & Parents, the Shramenko family.

About our Parish Prayer List: Please ensure that you have the permission of any person whose name goes on our prayer list. Remember to contact the parish office to remove names when prayer needs have been met.

MORNING PRAYER RITE II

Please observe silence when you enter the nave before the service to create a prayerful environment for worship.

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN

All hail the power of Jesus' name!

Hymnal 450

6 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe, on this ter - res - trial

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate
 2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar
 3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did
 * 4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the
 * 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the

ball, to him a - scribe, and

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
 2 call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and
 3 call: the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and
 4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and
 5 gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and

crown him Lord of all! to him a -

1 crown him Lord of all! bring forth the roy - al
 2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of
 3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,
 4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you
 5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

scribe, and crown him Lord of all!

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 2 pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!
 3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!
 4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
 on this terrestrial ball,
 to him all majesty ascribe,
 and crown him Lord of all!

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OPENING SENTENCES

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Psalms 122:1

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in
 your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Psalms 19:14

CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

**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 Officiant, remaining kneeling

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

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER (*All stand.*)

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant and People

Glorify to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

JUBILATE

Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)

1 Lord, you have been our / **refuge** *
from one generation to a/**nother**.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were **born**, *
from age to age you are **God**.

3 You turn us back to the dust and **say**, *
"Go back, O child of **earth**."

4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is **past** *
and like a watch in the **night**.

5 You sweep us away like a **dream**; *
we fade away suddenly like the **grass**.

6 In the morning it is green and **flourishes**; *
in the evening it is dried up and **withered**.

13 Return, O Lord; how long will you **tarry**? *
be gracious to your **servants**.

14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the **morning**; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our **life**.

15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you af/**flicted us** *
and the years in which we suffered ad/**versity**.

16 Show your servants your **works** *
and your splendor to their **children**.

17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be u/**pon us**; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our **handiwork**.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. He was unequaled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

CANTICLE 13 A Song of Praise

Benedictus es, Domine

Song of the Three Young Men, 29-34

Glory to you, Lord God of our **fathers**; *

you are worthy of praise; glory to **you**.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy **Name**; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you for **ever**.
 Glory to you in the splendor of your **temple**; *
 on the throne of your majesty, glory to **you**.
 Glory to you, seated between the **Cherubim**; *
 we will praise you and highly exalt you for **ever**.
 Glory to you, beholding the **depths**; *
 in the high vault of heaven, glory to **you**.
 Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy **Spirit**; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Please be seated.

THE SECOND READING

I Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE 16 The Song of Zechariah
Luke 1:68-79

Benedictus Dominus Deus

Blessed be the Lord, the God of **Israel**; *
 he has come to his people and set them **free**.
 He has raised up for us a mighty **savior**, *
 born of the house of his servant **David**.
 Through his holy prophets he promised of old—
 that he would save us from our **enemies**, *
 from the hands of all who **hate us**.

He promised to show mercy to our **fathers** *
 and to remember his holy **covenant**.
 This was the oath he swore to our father **Abraham**, *
 to set us free from the hands of our **enemies**,
 Free to worship him without **fear**, *
 holy and righteous in his sight—
 all the days of our **life**.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

SEQUENCE HYMN

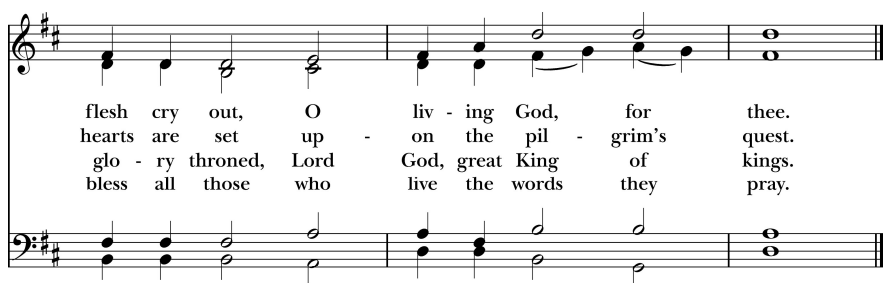
How lovely is thy dwelling-place

Hymnal 517

1 How love - ly is thy dwell - ing - place, O Lord of hosts, to
 2 Be - side thine al - tars, gra - cious Lord, the swal - lows find a
 3 They who go through the des - ert vale will find it filled with
 4 One day with - in thy courts ex - cels a thou-sand spent a -

me! My thirst - y soul de - sires and longs with -
 nest; how hap - py they who dwell with thee and
 springs, and they shall climb from height to height till
 way; how hap - py they who keep thy laws nor

in thy courts to be; my ve - ry heart and
 praise thee with - out rest, and hap - py they whose
 Zi - on's tem - ple rings with praise to thee, in
 from thy pre - cepts stray, for thou shalt sure - ly



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THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 22:34-46

Reader A reading from the gospel according to Matthew.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

“The Lord said to my Lord,
“Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet”?”

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated.

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Officiant and People together, all standing*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS (*The People stand or kneel*)

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

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 SUFFRAGES

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. **And grant us your salvation.**
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. **Let your people sing with joy.**
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. **Your saving health among all nations.**
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A PRAYER FOR THE CALLING OF A RECTOR

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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.**

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Officiant Walk in love as Christ loved us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

OFFERTORY

Glory be to God

arr. Boyce

All stand.

DOXOLOGY

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING (*Officiant and People*)

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks**

for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13:14*

CLOSING HYMN

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Hymnal 423

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

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Bellringer	
Greeter	Peggy Hemphill
Lector	
LEM	Devan Torrence-Pollitz
Ushers	Laura Bryan David Christiansen
Verger	Adam Marconi
Vestry on Duty	John Michael VanHorn
Altar Guild	Marie Cayson, Kelli Phelps
Flower Guild	Jane Anna Waide, Sandra Waide

THIS WEEK AT ECR

Sunday, October 25

5:00 p.m. EYC

Tuesday, October 27

6:00 p.m. Casserole Kitchen

Wednesday, October 27

6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, October 28

7:00 a.m. Book Study, *Johnson Hall*

10:30 a.m. Centering Prayer, *Centering Prayer Room*

6:00 p.m. Casserole Kitchen

Saturday, October 31

11:00 a.m. Casserole Kitchen

Sunday, November 1

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Rite I (Julia Stephenson)

9:15 a.m. Sunday School ALL Ages

10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Rite II (Julia Stephenson)

5:00 p.m. EYC

CLERGY AND STAFF

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