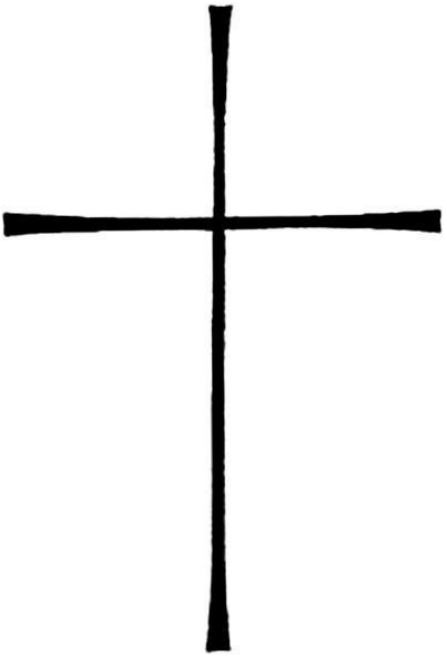


The Episcopal Church
of the
Resurrection
Starkville, MS

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 28
Morning Prayer Rite II
November 15, 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.

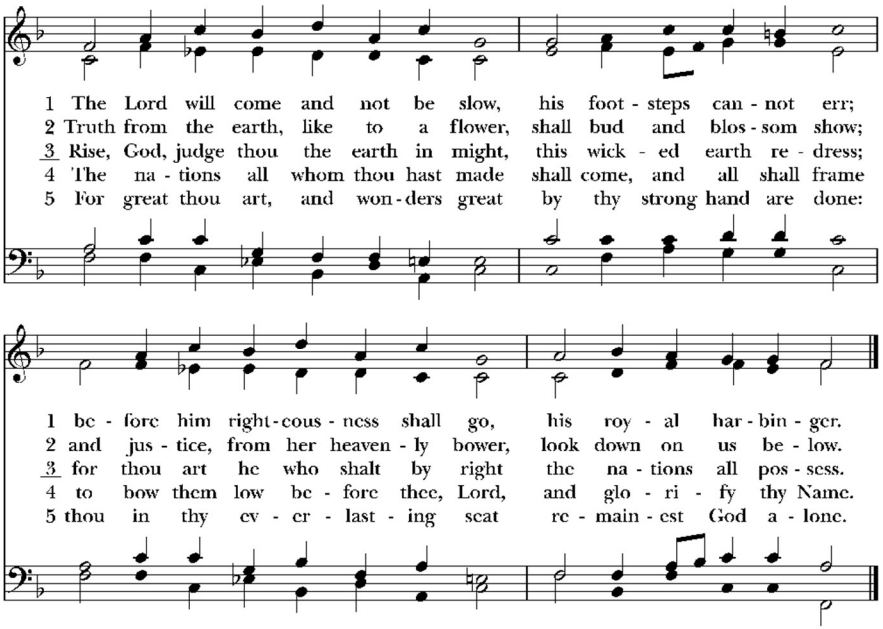
About our Parish Prayer List: Please ensure that you have the permission of any person whose name goes on our prayer list. Remember to contact the parish office to remove names when prayer needs have been met.

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 *The Lord will come and not be slow* Hymnal 462



Words: John Milton (1608-1674), alt. Music: *York*, melody from *The CL Psalmes of David*, 1615; adapt. *The Whole Booke of Psalmes*, 1621; harm, John Milton, Sr. (1563?-1647).

OPENING SENTENCES

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

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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.

JUBILATE *Psalm 100*
Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



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.

THE PSALM Psalm 123 *Ad te levavi oculos meos* Hymnal S-411

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



1 To you I lift up my **eyes, ***
to you enthroned in the **heavens.**

2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their **masters, ***
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her **mistress,**

3 So our eyes look to the LORD our **God, ***
until he shows us his **mercy.**

4 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have **mercy, ***
for we have had more than enough of con/**tempt,**

5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent **rich, ***
and of the derision of the **proud.**

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 Judges 4:1-7

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-hagoiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

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 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you

are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

All stand.

CANTICLE 16 The Song of Zechariah *Benedictus Dominus Deus*
Luke 1:68-79

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.



Words: William Boyd Carpenter (1841-1918), alt. Music: *St. Petersburg*, Dimitri S. Bortniansky (1751-1825).

Please be seated.

THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 25:14-30

Reader A reading from the gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

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

HOMILY Holly Potts

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

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; 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 BCP p. 818

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

Stewardship Moment Anne Marshall

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

OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY

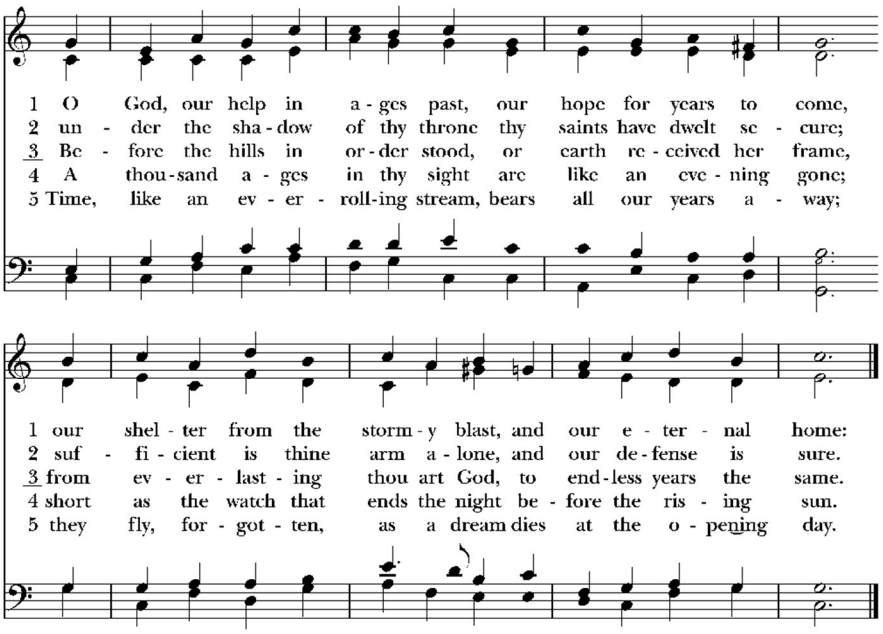
All stand.
DOXOLOGY

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.***



6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guide while life shall last,
and our eternal home.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 90. Music: *St. Anne*, melody att. William Croft (1678-1727), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

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Greeter	Laura Dunn
Lector	Darrell Vaughn
LEM	Leslie Baker
Ushers	Bob Collins
	Laura Bryan
Verger	John Michael VanHorn
Vestry on Duty	Joey Thompson
Altar Guild	Jane Anna Waide, Tracy Arnett

Sunday, November 15
9:15 a.m. Sunday School ALL Ages
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Rite II (Holly Potts)
5:00 p.m. EYC
Tuesday, November 17
6:00 p.m. Casserole Kitchen
Wednesday, November 18
6:00 p.m. Choir Practice
Thursday, November 19
7:00 a.m. Book Study, *Johnson Hall*
10:30 a.m. Centering Prayer, *Centering Prayer Room*
6:00 p.m. Casserole Kitchen
Saturday, November 21
11:00 a.m. Casserole Kitchen
Sunday, November 22
8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Rite I (Devan Torrence-Pollitz)
9:15 a.m. Sunday School ALL Ages
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Rite II (Devan Torrence-Pollitz)
5:00 p.m. EYC

CLERGY AND STAFF

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