



St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH ✝ DECATUR, ALABAMA
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THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | JUNE 28, 2026

8:00 AM | THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

Please keep a reverent silence before the liturgy and ensure all electronic devices are silenced.

Prayers and liturgy can be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal. Hymns listed with an "S" in front of the number can be found in the front of the hymnal in the Service Music section.

Organ Prelude

Love Divine, All Love's Excelling
Arr. Donald Hustad

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation	BCP 323
The Collect for Purity	BCP 323
Hymn of Praise	Hymn S236
The Collect of the Day	
The First Lesson	Jeremiah 28:5-9
The Psalm	Psalms 89:1-4, 15-18
The Second Lesson	Romans 6:12-23
The Gospel	Matthew 10: 40-42
The Sermon	Father Ackerman
The Nicene Creed	BCP 326
The Prayers of the People	BCP 328
Confession & Absolution	BCP 330
The Peace	BCP 332
Announcements, Birthday & Anniversary Prayers	<i>Inside Back Cover, BCP</i>

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory	
Presentation Hymn	Hymn 380
The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer 1	BCP 333
Sanctus	Hymn S114
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 336
The Breaking of the Bread	BCP 337
Fraction Anthem	Hymn S155
The Post Communion Prayer	BCP 339
The Blessing	BCP 339
Procession Hymn	Hymn 607
Dismissal	BCP 493

10:30 AM | THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

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Organ Prelude

Love Divine, All Love's Excelling
Arr. Donald Hustad

Processional Hymn

Hymn 518

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

The Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Hymn of Praise

Hymn S236

The Collect of the Day

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 28:5-9

Psalm

Psalm 89:1-4,15-18

The Second Lesson

Romans 6:12-23

Sequence Hymn & Children's Chapel Procession

Hymn 609

The Gospel

Matthew 10: 40-42

The Sermon

Father Ackerman

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Prayers of the People Form III

BCP 387

Confession & Absolution

BCP 360

The Peace

BCP 360

Announcements, Birthday & Anniversary Prayers

Inside Back Cover, BCP

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Presentation Hymn

Hymn 380

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Sanctus

Hymn S128

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

Fraction Anthem

Hymn S155

Communion Hymn 1

Hymn 318

Communion Hymn 2

Hymn 7

The Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

The Blessing

BCP 366

Procession Hymn

Hymn 607

Dismissal

BCP 366

All who have been baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church. If you would like information regarding baptism at St. John's, please speak to one of the clergy. For reasons of public health, if you desire to intinct, please allow the Eucharist Minister to dip your host in the wine and place it on your tongue. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, simply indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

TODAY'S READINGS

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*

Jeremiah 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

Psalms 89:1-4,15-18

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Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



¹Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; *
from age to age my mouth will proclaim
your faithfulness.

²For I am persuaded that your love is
established for ever; *
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the
heavens.

³"I have made a covenant with my chosen
one; *
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

⁴"I will establish your line forever, *
and preserve your throne for all
generations.' "

¹⁵Happy are the people who know the festal
shout! *
they walk, O Lord, in the light of your
presence.

¹⁶They rejoice daily in your Name; *
they are jubilant in your righteousness.

¹⁷For you are the glory of their strength, *
and by your favor our might is exalted.

¹⁸Truly, the Lord is our ruler; *
the Holy One of Israel is our King.

Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Matthew 10:40-42

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

SERVING TODAY

Ushers	8:00 AM Allen Sartain	10:30 AM: Bobbi Wilson, Nadine Moebes
Lectors	8:00 AM: Karen Smith	10:30 AM: Tessa Hughes
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	8:00 AM: Lisa Dye	10:30 AM: Brian White
Acolytes	8:00 AM: Rebecca Self	10:30 AM: Kathy Landis, Leo Salerno Sadie Wilson
Media Ministry	Kevin Wilson	
Flower Rearranger	Victoria Tumbleson	
Flower Deliverer	Steven Tumbleson	
Vestry Person of the Day	Emily White	