

The Holy Eucharist

September 13, 2026

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St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church

Celebrant: The Rev. Hillary Kimsey

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Lector: Donna Hilton

Welcome to St. Antony's. Our worship of God is offered both in person and on Facebook livestream at the same time. You may find our livestream at <https://www.facebook.com/saintantony/>. For those worshipping in person, the use of facemasks is optional and we encourage respect for each person's choice to remain as healthy as possible.

We acknowledge that the Suquamish and S'Klallam people are the traditional stewards of the land on which our buildings stand and we pay our respect to their people and heritage.

The Salutation

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

People **And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

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

Gloria

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**Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards all.**

**We praise thee we bless thee,
we worship thee,
we glorify thee,**

we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father
have mercy on us.
For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Creation Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, because in our ignorance and selfishness we so often fail to care rightly for thy Creation, mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may soften and unite our hearts with all living beings who suffer; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who liveth and reigneth with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen.*

The First Reading – Genesis 50:15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in

order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.” In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103:1-13

Benedic, anima mea

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, *
and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.

2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, *
and forget not all his benefits.

3 He forgives all your sins *
and heals all your infirmities;

4 He redeems your life from the grave *
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;

5 He satisfies you with good things, *
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

6 The Lord executes righteousness *
and judgment for all who are oppressed.

7 He made his ways known to Moses *
and his works to the children of Israel.

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.

10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

12 As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.

13 As a father cares for his children, *
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

The Second Reading – A Reading from the Babylonian Talmud, Taanit 23a

The Talmud is the textual record of generations of rabbinic debate about law, philosophy, and biblical interpretation, compiled between the 3rd and 8th centuries and structured as commentary on the Mishnah with stories interwoven. Honi HaMe'agel (“Honi the circle-drawer”) was a tanna or Jewish scholar of the 1st century BCE, the scholars from whose teachings the Mishnah was derived.

While the sage, Honi, was walking along a road, he saw a man planting a carob tree.

Honi asked him, “How long will it take for this tree to bear fruit?”

“Seventy years,” replied the man.

Honi then asked, “Are you so healthy a man that you expect to live that length of time and eat its fruit?!”

The man answered, “I found a fruitful world because my ancestors planted it for me. Likewise I am planting for my children.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel – Matthew 18:21-35

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

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Homily – The Rev. Hillary Kimsey

A brief reflective silence may follow the sermon

The Nicene Creed (*said together, standing as you are able.*)

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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

Leader: I ask your prayers for those in the Armed Forces of our Country.

People: O Almighty God, shelter the men and women of our armed forces under your mighty wings; steel their courage in times of peril; give them integrity and honor in all they do; grant perseverance and resilience to their families; and heal the wounded warriors. We remember those who are deployed, especially *Nicole Steller*, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Prayers of the People, *continued* Honoring God in Creation Form 1

Leader

Blessed God, whose love calls the whole creation into covenant with you, and who puts in our hands responsibility for the care of the earth and its creatures: we pray for all to whom you have given life and being, saying, “Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.”

For the well-being of the earth; for its resources of water, air, light, and soil, that they may be tended for the good of all creatures, we pray: Merciful God, **keep your planet and people in peace.**

For the mineral and energy resources of the planet, that we may learn sustainable consumption and sound care of the environment from which they come, we pray: Merciful God, **keep your planet and people in peace.**

For the animals of the earth, wild and domestic, large and very small, that they may know the harmony of relationship that sustains all life, we pray: Merciful God, **keep your planet and people in peace.**

For all who shape public policies affecting the planet and its creatures—especially Donald our president, and Bob, our governor— that they may all consider wisely the well-being of all who come after us. And for our spiritual leaders as they discern how the church may advocate for your creation. We pray especially for Sean, our presiding bishop, Phil our Bishop, and Hillary, our vicar, and all the clergy and lay leaders in our diocese. Merciful God, **keep your planet and people in peace.**

For all those engaged in conservation, in agriculture and ranching, in aquaculture and fishing, in mining and industry, and in forestry and timber-harvesting, that the health, fruitfulness, and beauty of the natural world may be sustained alongside human activity, we pray: Merciful God, **keep your planet and people in peace.**

For the creatures and the human beings of your world who are ill, or in danger, pain, or special need and for all who suffer from the unjust, violent, or wasteful use of the earth’s resources or their devastation by war, that all may one day live in communities of justice and peace, we pray: Merciful God, **keep your planet and people in peace.**

For the gifts of science and technology and for those who practice these skills, that they may be wise, visionary, and compassionate in their work, we pray: Merciful God, **keep your planet and people in peace.**

For the creatures and the people of the earth whose lives and deaths have contributed to the fruitful abundance of this planet, we pray: Merciful God, **keep your planet and people in peace.**

In the World Anglican Communion we give thanks and pray for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. In Jerusalem and the Middle East we give thanks and pray for St. Peter and St. Paul Church, Aqaba, Jordan. In our own Diocese of Olympia we give thanks and pray for St. Germaine, Hoodspoint; St. Benedict's, Lacey. Merciful God, **keep your planet and people in peace.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The prayer list is read

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Merciful God, **keep your planet and people in peace.**

The Celebrant concludes

Gracious One, reaching our need, overcoming our alienation: give us a spirit of gratitude for the abundance of the earth, the wildness of its creatures, the global threads that bind friend and foreigner; may our thanks be the soil in which a dream of justice grows; through Jesus Christ, the Lord of the harvest. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and

forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

The clergy and people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

***Birthday Prayer* - Watch over thy child, O Lord, as his days increase; bless and guide him wherever he may be. Strengthen him when he stands; comfort him when discouraged or sorrowful; raise him up if he fall; and in his heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of his life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Announcements

The loose plate offering goes to the Bremerton Backpack Brigade



You can donate to the church by scanning the QR code with your phone, or by placing your gift in a collection plate.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory Sentence, *said together*

All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, who by water and the Holy Spirit hast made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth thy glory in all the world.

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus (*Spoken*)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand as able. Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

People and Celebrant

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Celebrant may say

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

*** Hand sanitizer can be found next to the hymnal and prayer books on the chair in front of you. ***

To receive the bread, please make a semi-circle around the altar behind the railing and in front. You may kneel or stand. Cup your hands in front of you to receive the bread. For the wine, you may choose either to get a single use cup on your way to the altar, or drink from the common cup. To receive a blessing instead of communion, approach the priest with your arms crossed over your chest.

*** If you would prefer to have communion brought to you for any reason, simply remain seated and let the usher know when your row is sent. The usher will alert the altar party, who will bring communion directly to you.*

Used communion cups may be placed in one of the bowls on either end of the first row of chairs.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Celebrant:

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

Dismissal

Celebrant: Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia

Happy Birthday!

9-16 Tim van As

9-17 Cheryl Wright

9-18 Bill Fagan

9-19 Malcolm Campbell

Happy Anniversary!

There are no anniversaries this week.

The Altar Flowers are given today by Carol & Dave Wedeven in celebration of both of their birthdays.

Flowers are arranged by Donna Hilton

The Sanctuary Lamp is given today by Cheryl & Benny Wright in memory of Cheryl's mom, Madeline Racette.

Calendar of Events

<i>Sunday, Sept. 13</i>	<i>8am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1</i>
<i>Loose Plate</i>	<i>9am – Episcopal 101</i>
<i>Offering -</i>	<i>9:30 & 11:45am – Choir Practice</i>
<i>Backpack Brigade</i>	<i>10:15am – Holy Eucharist Rite 2</i>
	<i>Godly Play</i>
	<i>6:00pm – Youth Group</i>
<i>Tuesday, Sept. 15</i>	<i>11:00am – Witty Knitters</i>
<i>Wednesday, Sept. 16</i>	<i>9:00am – Landscape Team Meeting</i>
	<i>11:00am – Outreach Meeting</i>
<i>Thursday, Sept. 17</i>	<i>12:30pm – Bible Study</i>
<i>Saturday, Sept. 19</i>	<i>8:00am – Men’s Fellowship Breakfast on Kitsap Way Family Pancake House</i>
	<i>2:00pm - Paint Party! Please sign up in the narthex for this event.</i>
<i>Sunday, Sept. 20</i>	<i>8am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1</i>
	<i>9am – Episcopal 101</i>
	<i>10:15am – Holy Eucharist Rite 2</i>
	<i>Teen Bible Study</i>
	<i>11:45am – Bishop’s Committee Meeting</i>

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grow in Christ, and serve others.***

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