

The Holy Eucharist

September 27, 2026

18th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 21 / Year A, Rite II

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church

Celebrant: The Rev. Hillary Kimsey

Preacher: The Ven. Barbra Weza

Musician: Mark Westin, John Stockwell,

Acolytes: Cris McCarty

Livestream Producer: Guy Fulton

Eucharistic Minister:

Lay Readers: Stu Smith

Cris McCarty

Welcome to St. Antony's. Our Eucharistic celebration is offered both in person and livestreamed on Facebook. You will 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.

Our service includes both a prelude and a postlude offering. We ask that you use this time in quietness to prepare for our celebration of God's unconditional love for each of us and as an opportunity to give thanks as well as to show our respect for our musicians.

We have been entrusted to be care takers of this beautiful piece of God's creation. 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.

Welcome

Prelude

The people stand as able.

Opening Hymn

"All hail the power of Jesus' Name!"

Hymnal 450

Salutation

The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant This is the day the Creator has made.

People Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: 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.**

Gloria “All Glory to God”

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The melody is a traditional Welsh tune. The lyrics are written below the staves, with hyphens indicating where the words are split across measures. The lyrics are: All glo-ry to_ God in the heights of_ the hea-vens, and peace to_ his peo-ple, his peo-ple on earth. We praise you, we bless you, we give you our wor-ship, and for your great glo-ry we sing out our thanks: O_ Lord, heav'n-ly_ King, God the Fa - ther Al - -migh-ty, Lord Je - sus the Christ and the Fa-ther's dear Son. Lord God, Lamb of God, on-ly Son of_ the_ Fa - ther, have mer - cy_ on_ us, Lord, have mer - cy on us.

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Music: Traditional Welsh melody
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Creation Collect for the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you show your glory throughout your Creation, calling it very good: Grant us the fullness of your blessing, that we, stewarding your garden, may become partakers in your joy; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

The First Reading – Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

The word of the Lord came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, “The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge”? As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s People.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-8 *recited, remaining seated*

Ad te, Domine, levavi

1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O Lord, *
and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

The Second Reading – Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,

so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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

Thanks be to God.

The people stand.

Sequence Hymn

"Before thy throne, O God we kneel"

Hymnal 574

(Verses 1-2 before; verses 3-4 after the Gospel)

The Gospel Reading – Matthew 20:1-6

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

***People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of

the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily – The Venerable Barbra Weza, Archdeacon of the Diocese of Olympia

The homilist invites the people to sit. A moment of silence may follow the homily.

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

**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.**

Prayers of the People *(standing or kneeling, as able)*

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 *Creationtide Form 105*

Leader:

Eternal God:

We thank you for the beauty of the World: for the teeming life of the seas, the flight of birds, and the diversity of animal life. Grant us grace to treat Creation with respect and care; to protect endangered species, to preserve the variety of habitats, and to honor the delicate balance of nature.

God of life: **hear our prayer.**

We thank you for the wealth of blessings from land and sea; for the power of wind, and the warmth of sun. We pray for the nations and leaders of the earth, including Donald, the president of the United States, and Bob, the governor of Washington, and all others with power to make change for good. Give us all the will to cherish this planet and to use its resources sustainably for the welfare of all.

God of justice: **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the faithful witness of the Church, called to reconcile and heal: For Sean, our presiding bishop; Phil, our bishop; Hillary, our vicar; and Barbra, our archdeacon and guest preacher today; and for all the clergy and lay ministers throughout our diocese.

God of grace: **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the human family. We exult in our diversity and giftedness, we repent of our sins, divisions and violence. By the power of your Spirit, restore your image within us. As

every human being is known and loved by you, may we care for one another with love and respect.

God of compassion: **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have died whom we entrust to your eternal love; may we support and comfort those who mourn.

God of peace: **hear our prayer.**

In the World Anglican Communion we give thanks and pray for The Church of Bangladesh. In Jerusalem and the Middle East we give thanks and pray for The Jofeh Community Rehabilitation Center, Jordan Valley, Jordan. In our own Diocese of Olympia we give thanks and pray for St. John's/San Juan, Olympia; St. Christopher's, Olympia; St. David of Wales, Shelton.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

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

The prayer list is read. Silence is left so that the people may voice their own petitions.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

The celebrant offers a closing collect:

Creating God, your name is written on every leaf, every bird, every river, every stone, every living being. We praise and worship you for the magnificence of your creation. Make us attentive to the wounds of the earth and willing to work for the healing of the whole creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

All God of compassion, have mercy upon us. Heal our relationship with all creation. Forgive us for our mistreatment and neglect of the creatures who share the earth with us. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent for what we have done to harm them, and for what we have not done to help them. Fill us with your Spirit, that we may care for one another and for all creatures, according to your will and in the fullness of your love; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

The Absolution

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

The Peace

Celebrant: Peace be with yourself. Peace with Creation. Peace with one another.
The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The clergy and people greet one another in the name of the Lord, then return to their seats.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthday Prayer - Watch over your child[ren], O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart[s] may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Remain seated for ease in the passing of the offering plates.



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

OFFERTORY INSTRUCTIONS

The offering plates are passed throughout the congregation by the ushers. Please accept the plate and pass it all the way down your row. When it comes to you, we invite you to use those few seconds to thank God for the blessings in your life and reflect on how you are giving back. Giving is never an obligation; it's always an invitation! We know that everyone gives as the Spirit leads, and that gifts of time and talent don't fit in the offering plate! We also know that many people give online or by the QR code above. (If so, feel free to place the "I Gave Online" card in the plate as it passes you.) So whether you have something to put in the plate today or not, this moment is just between you and God. If you simply pray "Thank you, God" each time you touch the offering plate, that is a

powerful spiritual practice.

Offertory Hymn

“Sing ye faithful, sing with gladness”

Hymnal 492

The Doxology (*sung, standing as you are able*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures, here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 3

from Enriching Our Worship

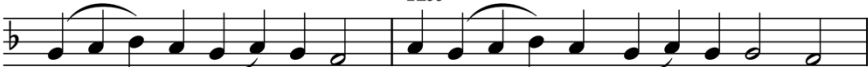
Remain standing through the Sanctus

Celebrant *All*



The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Celebrant *All*



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All



It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant:

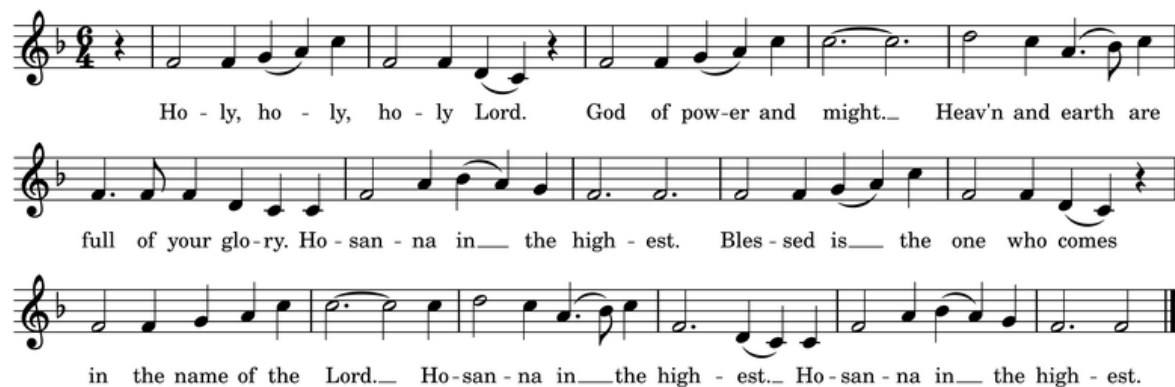
All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God;
through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all
things.

You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the
womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey;
And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation

as we shout with joy:

Sanctus – “*Holy, holy, holy Lord*”



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The people may remain standing as able or kneel if preferred.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

**Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ.

Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with Antony and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer (*spoken*)

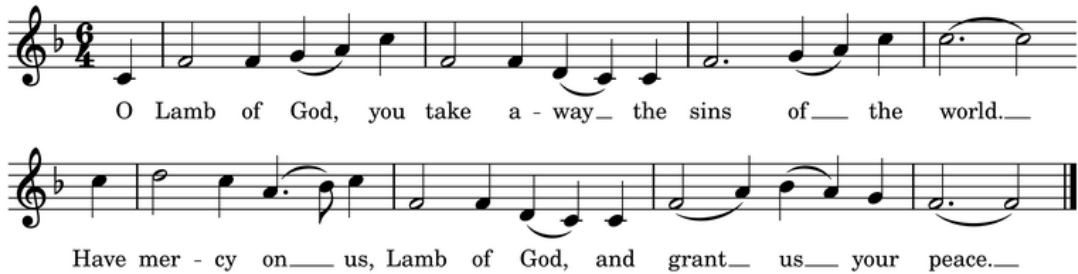
The Celebrant continues:

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray in the language of our hearts:

**Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

**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.**

Fraction Anthem - Agnus Dei



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COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

We invite all present to participate in this feast, regardless of where you are on your spiritual journey. Our table is open to all, as this is God's gift to all.

To receive the bread, please make a semi-circle around the altar; the ushers will guide you. 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, which are behind the privacy kneelers, or to receive from the common cup. To do so, simply guide the chalice to your lips. If you prefer not to receive wine at all, communion in one kind is just as valid; simply cross your arms over your chest when the wine is offered to you, and the minister will say the words over you and move on. To receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest when each element is offered to you.

We have gluten-free wafers available; you can request one from the priest at your turn.

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

Communion Hymn

“Rock of Ages”

Hymnal 685

Communion Hymn #2

“Shepherd of Souls refresh and bless”

Hymnal 343

Postcommunion Prayer *Please rise as you are able.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Faithful God

in the wonder of your wisdom and love

you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels,

and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.

We thank you for feeding us with this bread.

May it strengthen us

that by the power of the Holy Spirit

**we may embody your desire and be renewed for your service
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

“Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing”

Hymnal 344

The Dismissal

Celebrant

Tend the earth, care for God’s good Creation; as you have received freely,
so give freely. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.



Please join us for coffee hour after the service. The Foley family is the host today.

Happy Birthday!

9-27 Bryan Roberts

9-28 Nolan Alford

October

10-01 Linda Robuck

10-02 Shirley Perreira

10-03 Karrie Wiley

Happy Anniversary!

9-28 Chris Christensen & Esther Osborne

9-30 Rick & Connie Zapp

The Altar Flowers are given today by Heather George in memory of their wedding anniversary.

Flowers are arranged by Lori Fagan

The Sanctuary Lamp is given today by Cheryl Wright in celebration of Benny's birthday.

Calendar of Events

<i>Sunday, Sept. 27</i>	<i>8am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1</i> <i>9am – Episcopal 101</i> <i>10:15am – Holy Eucharist Rite 2</i> <i>6:00pm – Youth Group</i>
<i>Thursday, Oct. 1</i>	<i>Mother Hillary's 3-year Anniversary with us</i> <i>12:30pm – Bible Study</i>
<i>Saturday, Oct. 3</i>	<i>9:00am – Buildings & Grounds Work Party</i>
<i>Sunday, Oct. 4</i>	<i>8am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1</i> <i>9am – Episcopal 101</i> <i>9:30 & 11:45am – Choir Practice</i> <i>10:15am – Holy Eucharist Rite 2</i> <i>Teen Bible Study</i>
<i>Blessing of the Animals</i>	
<i>Loose plate</i>	
<i>Offering goes to Kitsap Animal Rescue and Education</i>	

***The mission of St. Antony's is to be a loving and welcoming community who worship God,
grow in Christ, and serve others.***

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