

The Holy Eucharist

September 6, 2026

15th Sunday after Pentecost / Proper 18 / Year A, Rite II

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church

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Lay Readers: Jim Foley, Stu Smith

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

"Christ, whose glory fills the skies"

Hymnal 7

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 WLP 900

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his

peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al-migh-ty God and

Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your

glo-ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy

on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly

Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - - men.

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Creation Collect for the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you

People And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the powerful who oppress and dominate Creation, so you never forsake your creatures who live in harmony with nature's order; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

The First Reading – Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

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

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:33-40 *chanted, remaining seated*

Legem pone

Tone 410

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



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33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your/ statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the/ end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your/ law; *
I shall keep it with all my/ heart.

35 Make me go in the path of your com/mandments, *
for that is my de/sire.

36 Incline my heart to your de/crees *
and not to unjust/ gain.

37 Turn my eyes from watching what is/ worthless; *
give me life in your/ ways.

38 Fulfill your promise to your/ servant, *
which you make to those who/ fear you.

39 Turn away the reproach which I/ dread, *
because your judgments are/ good.

40 Behold, I long for your com/mandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my/ life.

The Second Reading – Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

Thanks be to God.

The people stand.

Sequence Hymn

“Forgive our sins as we forgive”

Hymnal 674

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

The Gospel Reading – Matthew 18:15-20

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

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

Jesus said, “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord. ***People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily – The Rev. Hillary Kimsey

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* *Honoring God in Creation Form 3*

In the silence after each bidding, the people are invited to add their own prayers either silently or aloud.

Leader:

In the beginning, the Spirit of God hovered over the waters. The water that God called into being is at the heart of all that lives. Mindful of the many ways water affects our lives, let us pray for our waters and for the life of the world around us, saying, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Silence

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for all people of faith, and for the transformations in their lives that are marked by the sacredness of water: at the Red Sea, in the Jordan River, in ritual baths, in the washing of feet, and in Holy Baptism. We pray especially for our faith leaders, including Sean, our presiding bishop; Phil, our bishop; and Hillary, our vicar, and all the clergy and lay ministers in our own diocese.

Silence

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for the leaders of nations, corporations, and communities around the world, that they may exercise wise stewardship over the waters of their lands, so that all people may have clean water to drink and may live free from waterborne diseases. We pray special guidance for our own leaders, including Donald, our president, and Bob, our governor.

Silence

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for the wisdom to shape creative solutions to conflicts over water in the dry places of our planet, and for justice and peace in desert lands.

Silence

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for all the waters of the earth: for oceans and seas, for rivers and streams, for lakes and ponds, for watersheds, marshes, and swamps, for the waters beneath the ground; and for all creatures that live in the waters of the earth.

Silence Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for all who travel or work at sea or on inland waterways.

Silence

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for all afflicted with too much water in flood or tsunamis, storm or ice; and for those people and creatures who suffer as glaciers and ice floes melt and shrink.

Silence

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

I ask your prayers for all who have died and for all who mourn, that their tears of grief may be turned to wellsprings of joy.

Silence

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In the World Anglican Communion we give thanks and pray for The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria. In Jerusalem and the Middle East we give thanks and pray for St. Luke's Center for Mentally Disturbed Children, Beit Mery, Lebanon. In our own Diocese of Olympia we give thanks and pray for St. Andrew's, Aberdeen; St. Hugh of Lincoln, Allyn. Lord in your mercy, **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 add any further petitions.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant concludes

Blessed God, fountain of life: Grant that we may see all water as holy, and so protect and preserve the waters of the earth and the life they sustain. In the name of Christ, the living water, we pray. **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 our 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 children, 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 hearts may thy peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Announcements

Labor Day & Backpack Blessing

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.

Choir Anthem

"Dona nobis pacem"

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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

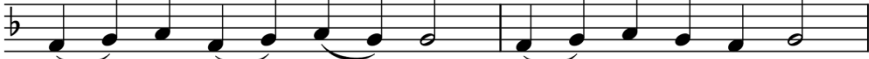
Eucharistic Prayer 3

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.

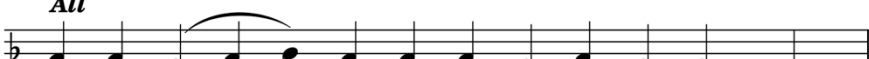
Celebrant

All



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.

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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*” WLP 858

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of pow-er and might... Heav'n and earth are
full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord... Ho-san - na in the high - est... Ho-san - na in the high - est.

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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*)

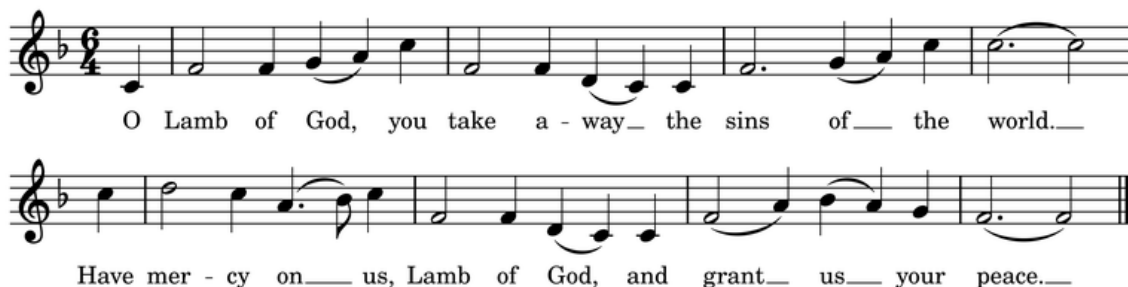
The Celebrant continues:

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

**Our 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

"God is love, and where true love is God himself is there"

Hymnal 577

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

“Come, labor on”

Hymnal 541

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.**

Postlude



Please join us for coffee hour after the service. Carol Wedeven is the host today.

Happy Birthday!

9-06 Jason Kimes

9-07 David Wedeven

9-09 Carol Wedeven

9-09 Mike James

Happy Anniversary!

09-09 - Bill & Lori Fagan

The Altar Flowers are given today by Dave Peterson in memory of Mary & Jim Peterson.

Flowers are arranged by Elizabeth Flagg

The Sanctuary Lamp is given today by Benny & Cheryl Wright in memory of their sister-in-law Claudia Racette.

Calendar of Events

<i>Sunday, Sept. 6</i>	<i>8am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1</i>
<i>Backpack Blessing</i>	<i>9am – Episcopal 101</i>
<i>Labor Day Sept. 7</i>	<i>9:30 & 11:45am – Choir Practice</i>
	<i>10:15am – Holy Eucharist Rite 2</i>
	<i>Teen Bible Study</i>
<i>Tuesday, Sept. 8</i>	<i>Noon – New Beginnings Contemplative Service</i>
	<i>1:30pm – Pastoral Care Meeting</i>
<i>Wednesday, Sept. 9</i>	<i>The Outreach Meeting is rescheduled for next Wednesday, the 16th</i>
<i>Thursday, Sept. 10</i>	<i>12:30pm – Bible Study</i>
<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>6:00pm – Youth Group</i>

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

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