

Tending Mind & Soul in Los Osos, CA

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, **you are welcome here!**If the customs of the Episcopal Church are unfamiliar to you, you're invited to simply rest into this sacred time and space, and let the congregation carry you in worship.

You're presence here today is a blessing!

November 16th, 2025

~ Prelude ~

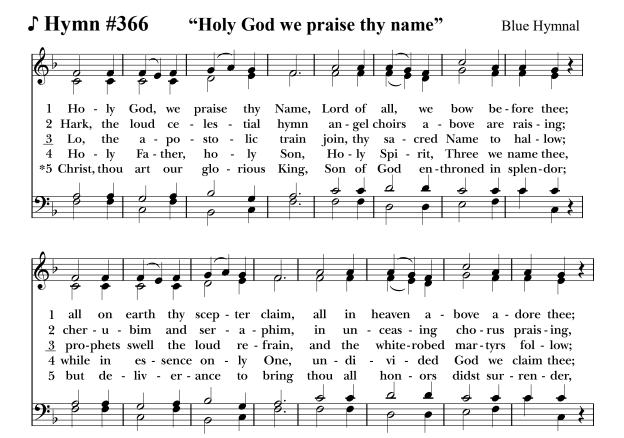
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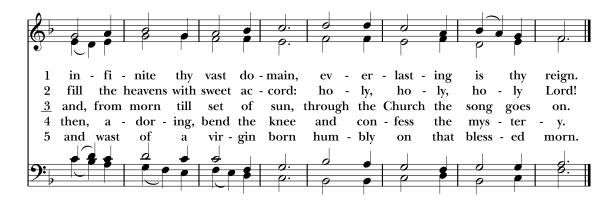
Welcome

(please stand as you are able)

Officiant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.





- 6 Thou didst take the sting from death, Son of God, as Savior given; on the cross thy dying breath opened wide the realm of heaven. In the glory of that land thou art set at God's right hand.
- 7 As our judge thou wilt appear.
 Savior, who hast died to win us,
 help thy servants, drawing near.
 Lord, renew our hearts within us.
 Grant that with thy saints we may
 dwell in everlasting day.

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Collect of the Day

Officiant: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: 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*.

People: Amen

(please be seated for the readings)

Isaiah 65:17-25

Reader: A Reading from the book of Isaiah

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD-and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent-- its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD!

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

People: Thanks be to God

Hymn #679 "Surely it is God who saves me" Blue Hymnal

Paraphrase of the First Song of Isaiah Ecce, Deus Canticle 9



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2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work.

Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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

People: Thanks be to God

(please stand as you are able as we welcome the Gospel)



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Luke 21:5-19

Officiant: The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ According to Luke

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Officiant: The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

Sermon Rev. Linzi

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[We pause for a few moments' reflection before affirming our faith.]

(please stand as you are able)

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

All: We trust in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We trust 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 became truly human.
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 trust in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.
We trust 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

Adapted from Glimpses of Glory by David Adams

Holy One,

we ask you to give strength to all who are weary; strengthen our faith in times of trouble. When there are wars and rumors of wars, when there is civil unrest, when there is injustice, when there is hunger and need and violence, strengthen us. May we continue to put our trust in you and to work for the coming of your kingdom.

God is our strength.

God alone is our salvation.

Holy One, guide all who deal with world crises, protect the peacekeepers and those who seek to uphold just laws. Let all who work for justice and freedom know your care. Give wisdom to the governments of the world.

God is our strength.

God alone is our salvation.

We pray for homes where it is hard to be a Christian, homes where there is enmity and strife and violence, for homes where there is conflict and neglect and abuse.

We give thanks for all systems of support that come together for families in need.

We pray for those who care for us, and for those for whom we care.

God is our strength.

God alone is our salvation.

We pray for all who are victims of war, earthquake, flood, famine, poverty, injustice, and tyranny; for those who are unhoused, those who are unemployed, and those who are under-employed. We remember all who have lost vision and hope. We pray for all who are ill, at home, or in the hospital.

We pray for all those named in our bidding book:

[here prayers are added from the bidding book and you are invited to add your own prayers silently or aloud]

God is our strength.

God alone is our salvation.

We give thanks for the coming of your kingdom: love will triumph over hatred, war will be no more. We pray for all who have entered the fullness of your glory and for all our loved ones departed.

God is our strength.

God alone is our salvation.

Silence

Officiant: Almighty God,

we look for you, we long for you, we watch for you, we wait for you.

Give us wisdom to know you and courage to serve you, whom to serve is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Confession and Absolution

All:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Officiant: May the All-Compassionate 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 Peace

Officiant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The congregation may greet one another in the name of Christ.

Announcements

Birthday & Anniversary Prayers

Those wanting a special prayer for a birthday, anniversary, or any special concern, may come forward. Prayers can be found on the white or yellow card in your pew.

The Offertory

You are invited to make a thank offering, but if you do not contribute financially today please give thanks for God's blessing as the plate is passed. You can contribute at our website www.stbenslososos.org at any time.





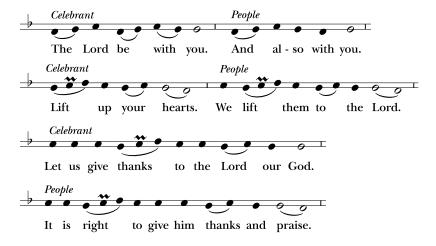
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∫ Doxology: [Hymn tune #400]

[sung] Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia
Praise God the Source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia, Alleluia,

Holy Eucharist

BCP Prayer B



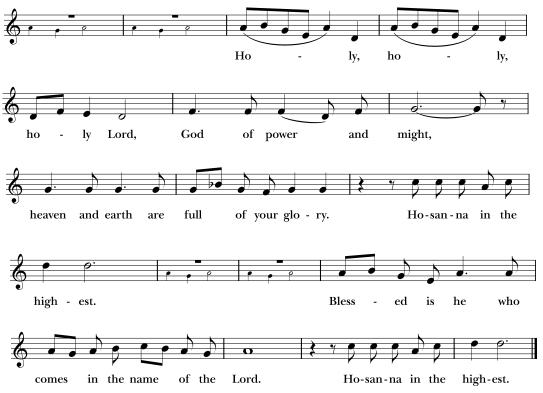
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It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, the Maker of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

∫ Sanctus s128



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The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat:

This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O God,

All: We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

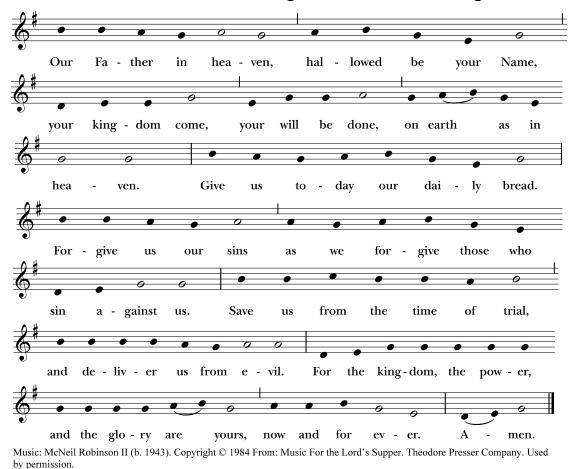
And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Dear One; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, gather all things into the circle of Christ's love, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed Mary and blessed Benedict and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

All: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,



The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the Bread

Fraction



We who are man-y are one bo - dy, for we all share in the one bread.





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

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant: 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.

Holy Communion

If God is calling you, you are welcome to receive communion when the celebrant invites your section forward. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

♪ Communion Music

Original Improvisation
Paul Burkle

♪ Choir Anthem

"As the hart"

Robert M Lombardo

Silence

Sending of the Eucharistic Visitor

If no visitation is to be made, prayer is not said.

When the Eucharist is brought to people at any place outside our walls, we say the following to send our Lay Eucharistic Visitors or other Ministry team members out with care and blessings.

Officiant: In the name of this parish family, I send you forth, bearing these holy gifts, to ______. Together, we share in the body and blood of Christ. And we who are many are one Body because we share one Bread and one Cup.

All: We who are many are one Body, because we share one Bread and one Cup. Amen.

Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing



6 Then bless his holy Name, whose grace hath made thee whole, whose loving-kindness crowns thy days: O bless the Lord, my soul!

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 103. Music: St. Thomas (Williams), melody Aaron Williams (1731-1776); harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

Dismissal

Officiant: Let us go forth into the world,

rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

J Postlude

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