

An Ancient-Future Faith Community

Liturgy

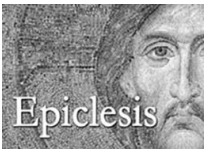
November 15, 2026 (Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost)

GATHERING

O LORD, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth,
or You had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting You are God.
You who seek the LORD, praise Him.
All you, His people, glorify Him and stand in awe.
In the midst of the assembly we will praise You;
we will fulfill our vows before those who fear You.
How blessed are those who dwell in Your house!
They are ever praising You.
How blessed are those whose strength is in You,
in whose hearts are the highways to Zion!
How blessed are those whom You choose and bring near to You,
to dwell in Your courts.
We will abide in Your tabernacle forever;
we will trust in the shelter of Your wings.
For You, O God, have heard our vows;
You have given us the heritage of those who fear Your name.

–Scripture weaving from Psalms 90, 22, 84, 65, 61





Immortal Invisible (Your Great Name We Praise)

Immortal, invisible, God only wise;
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes.
Most holy, most glorious, the Ancient of Days;
Almighty, victorious, Your great Name we praise!

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light;
Nor wanting, nor wasting, You rule us in might.
Your justice, like mountains, high soaring above;
Your clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

Chorus
Most holy, most glorious, the Ancient of Days;
Almighty, victorious, Your great Name we praise!

All life comes from You, Lord, to both great and small;
In all life You live, Lord, the true Life of all.
We blossom and flourish but quickly grow frail;
We wither and perish, but You never fail.

Great Father of Glory, pure Father of Light;
Your angels adore You, all veiling their sight.
All praise we will render, oh Father of Grace;
Till one day in splendor we see face to face.

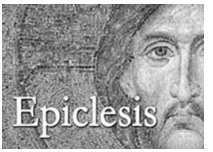
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PRAYERS OF ADORATION, INVOCATION AND THANKS

Calling on our Father God, in the Name of Jesus, inspired by the Spirit

Great Are You, Lord

You give life; You are love.
You bring light to the darkness.
You give hope; You restore
Every heart that is broken.
And great are You, Lord.



It's Your breath in our lungs;
So we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise.
It's Your breath in our lungs;
So we pour out our praise to You only.

And all the earth will shout Your praise.
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, "Great are You, Lord!"

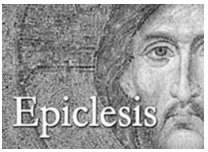
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PROFESSION OF FAITH

Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways!
For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.
This is the hope of His calling,
the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,
and the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe:

He chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world,
that we would be holy and blameless before Him;
In love, He predestined us to adoption as His children,
in accordance with His pleasure and His will;
In Him we have redemption through His blood,
the forgiveness of our sins, according to the riches of His grace;
He has made known to us the mystery of His will,
to bring all things in heaven and on earth into unity in Christ;
Having believed in Him,
we were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise,
the guarantee of our inheritance in Him,
to the praise of His glory.
In the exceeding greatness of His power, He raised Christ from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come.
Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing
in the heavenly places in Christ. To Him be glory forever!

– from Romans 11:33, 36 and Ephesians 1:3-21



PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

O LORD, I love the habitation of Your house,
and the place where Your glory dwells.
Examine me, O LORD, and try me; test my mind and my heart.
For Your lovingkindness is before my eyes.

– Psalm 26:2, 8

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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

[Silence]

For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, **Forgive us and renew us. Grant that we may ever seek Your face with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and be brought by Your infinite mercy to Your holy presence; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

–from a prayer of Alcuin of Tours, 8th C, alt.

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

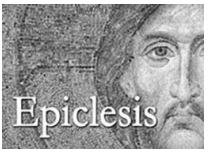
O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer,
When I call answer me.
O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer,
Come and listen to me.

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise;
All my hope comes from God.
The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise;
God, the well-spring of life.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

How blessed are those You choose
and bring near to live in Your courts!
When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,
You forgive our transgressions.
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of Your house,
the holiness of Your temple!



By awesome deeds You answer us with deliverance,
O God of our salvation; You are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas! – from Psalm 65:1-5

O LORD, our God, we will give thanks to You forever!

Passing of the Peace

TIME OF OFFERING
Words and prayers of thanksgiving and praise

Bless God

Blessed are those who run to Him,
Who place their hope and confidence in Jesus.
He won't forsake them.
Blessed are those who seek His face,
Who bend their knee and fix their gaze on Jesus/
They won't be shaken.

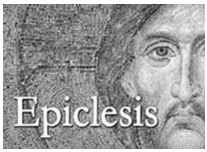
Come on and praise the Lord with me; sing if you love His name.
Come on and lift your voice with me; He's worthy of all our praise.

Blessed are those who walk with Him,
Whose hearts are set on pilgrimage with Jesus.
They'll see His glory.
Blessed are those who die to live,
Whose joy it is to give it all for Jesus, and for Him only.
Oh, Jesus, all for Your glory.

Come on and praise the Lord with me; sing if you love His name.
Come on and lift your voice with me; He's worthy of all our praise.
Come on and bring your offering; sing if you've known His grace.
Come on and lift up your holy hands. He's worthy of all our praise.

Bridge
Bless God in the sanctuary. Bless God in the fields of plenty.
Bless God in the darkest valley.
Every chance I get, I bless Your name.

Bless God when my hands are empty.
Bless God with a praise that costs me.



Bless God when nobody's watching.
Every chance I get, I bless Your name.

Bless God when the weapon's forming.
Bless God when the walls are falling.
Bless God, 'cause He goes before me.
Every chance I get, I bless Your name.

Bless God for He holds the vict'ry;
Bless God for He's always with me.
Bless God for He's always worthy.
Every chance I get, I bless Your name. (repeat)

Come on and praise the Lord with me; sing if you love His name.
Come on and lift your voice with me; He's worthy of all our praise.
Come on and bring your offering; sing if you've known His grace.
Come on and lift up your holy hands. He's worthy of all our praise. . .

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THE WORD

Psalm 90



THE TABLE

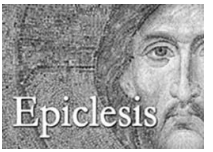
Remembering the Body of Christ

The Lord be with you! **And also with you!**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!

The Lord's Prayer (spoken)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

We Behold You (Fraction Anthem)

With all of the saints and angels, we gather before You.
Our hearts filled with thankfulness, we lift up Your holy Name.
With all who have gone before us, we feast at Your table.
We eat of Your body and drink of Your holy blood.

And we behold You, and we behold You,
Lamb of God, slain for our sins.

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Be Unto Your Name

We are a moment, You are forever,
Lord of the ages, God before time.
We are a vapor, You are eternal, Love everlasting, reigning on high.

Holy, holy, Lord God, Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Highest praises, honor and glory be unto Your name,
Be unto Your name.

We are the broken, You are the healer,
Jesus Redeemer, mighty to save.
You are the love song we'll sing forever,
Bowing before You, blessing Your name.

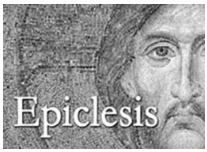
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SENDING FORTH

The Life of the Body

Doxology

To Father, Son and Holy Ghost, the God whom heaven and earth adore,
From men and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore.
Amen.



Benediction:

The keeping of God and the Lord on you;
the keeping of Christ always on you;
the keeping of the life-giving Spirit, everlasting, be yours.
Amen!
And may Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—
bless you, now and forever, as you go forth into the world
to love and serve the Lord, faithfully manifesting His goodness,
power, glory, and Kingdom blessing in the world around you.
Amen. Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

A thought about worship from the Ancient Fathers –

"How can someone doubt God's presence and help who has experienced various dangers and has been saved from them by His simple nod, who has passed through the sea that the Savior calmed and that supplied a solid road for the people? I believe that finding miracles like these performed and perfected at God's command is the foundation of faith and the basis for confidence. Therefore, even in the midst of trials there is no reason to turn from our faith. But we have an unshaken hope in God. When this habit of confidence is firmly rooted in the soul, God Himself will dwell in our deepest thoughts. His power can't be overcome. Therefore the soul in which He dwells won't be overcome by dangers surrounding it. We see this truth demonstrated in God's own victory. While He intended to bless humanity, He was severely insulted by malicious, ungodly people. However, He suffered through His passion unharmed and gained a mighty victory over sin and an everlasting crown of triumph. Therefore He accomplished His providential purpose, loved the righteous, and destroyed the cruelty of the unrighteous." – Eusebius

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Lectionary for next week: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100; Psalm 95:1-7a;; Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46

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