

Dear Friends, I am so glad to be back in our beautiful sanctuary to worship with you. And I know you are too. Don't we wish ALL our parish family could be back together with us? The best and safest way for that to happen, especially to welcome the children of our community who cannot yet be vaccinated—but who may be soon!—is to wear our masks all of the time we are all indoors together, especially for the protracted time we are in worship and are praying or singing aloud. So please, wear your masks while at Sunday worship, and let's all stay safe together.

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH WELCOMES YOU

WELCOME TO ALL NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS

Please complete the information card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to one of the ushers.

WE. THE PEOPLE OF HOLY COMFORTER

Though very diverse politically and socially, care for each other and care deeply for how our faith is manifested in the community. We believe all people are equal in God's hand. Our nurturing congegration has an appreciation for diverse perspectives and opinions. We grow through a continually evolving and questioning discussion regarding our faith, God, and society. We welcome all, without reservation, into our Christian body to be part of a loving and sharing family.

WE CARE

Please call the church office at 336-227-4251 or email George Silides (gsilides@hc-b. org) if you or someone you know needs visitation, prayers or other assistance because of illness or inability to attend worship service.

OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

To worship God, revealed to us as Creator, as Jesus the Christ, & as the Holy Spirit, and experience God's presence within the church family, nurturing each other through a comprehensive parish program while affirming each other's individual ministries and responding to Jesus' continuing call to minister to others.

WAYS TO CONNECT

Office Hours Facebook Page Facebook Group YouTube

Texts (Remind)

Monday-Thursday 8am-2:30pm | Friday 8am-12pm Facebook.com/holycomforterburlington Facebook.com/groups/holycomforterburlington www.youtube.com/c/ECHCBurlington www.remind.com/join/holycomforter

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Prelude

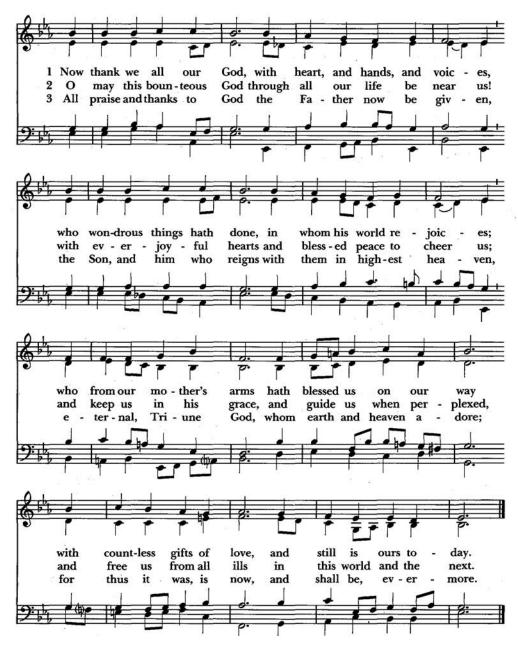
Welcome

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Hymn | 397

Now thank we all our God

Nun danket alle Gott



Celebrant People Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and blessed be his kingdom, now and forever, Amen

Let us pray.

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 | S-280 Powell



Celebrant The Lord be with you **People And Also with you**

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson Job 23:1-9, 16-17

Job said: "Today also my complaint is bitter; his hand is heavy despite my groaning. Oh, that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his dwelling! I would lay my case before him, and fill my mouth with arguments. I would learn what he would answer me, and understand what he would say to me. Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; but he would give heed to me. There an upright person could reason with him, and I should be acquitted forever by my judge. "If I go forward, he is not there; or backward, I cannot perceive him; on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him; I turn to the right, but I cannot see him. God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me; If only I could vanish in darkness, and thick darkness would cover my face!"

Reader The Word of the Lord **People Thanks be to God**

The Response

Psalm 22:1-15 | Deus, Deus meus

Verses will be read responsively by whole verse

1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? *

and are so far from my cry

and from the words of my distress?

2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; *

by night as well, but I find no rest.

3 Yet you are the Holy One, *

enthroned upon the praises of Israel.

4 Our forefathers put their trust in you; *

they trusted, and you delivered them.

5 They cried out to you and were delivered; *

they trusted in you and were not put to shame.

6 But as for me, I am a worm and no man, *

scorned by all and despised by the people.

7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; *

they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,

8 "He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; *

let him rescue him, if he delights in him."

9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, *

and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.

10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; *

you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.

11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, *

and there is none to help.

12 Many young bulls encircle me; *

strong bulls of Bashan surround me.

13 They open wide their jaws at me, *

like a ravening and a roaring lion.

14 I am poured out like water;

all my bones are out of joint; *

my heart within my breast is melting wax.

15 My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd;

my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; * and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.

The Epistle Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Reader The Word of the Lord **People Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn | 655

O Jesus, I have promised

Nyland

(lyrics on next page)

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark **People Glory to you, Lord Christ**



The Gospel Mark 10:17-31

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother." He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus

looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age-houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

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

SERMON

The Rev. George C. Silides

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

We believe in one God. the Father, the Almightv. 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

Form VI | BCP 392

The Leader and People pray responsively

Reader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Reader For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are

alone.

Reader For this community, the nation, and the world;

People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Reader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Reader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the

needy.

Reader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Reader For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Sam and Ann, our Bish-

ops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People For all who serve God in his Church.

Reader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Reader Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Reader We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Reader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your

eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Reader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

Reader We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. Silence may be kept.

General Confession and Absolution

BCP 393

Leader and People
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

The Peace

Announcements

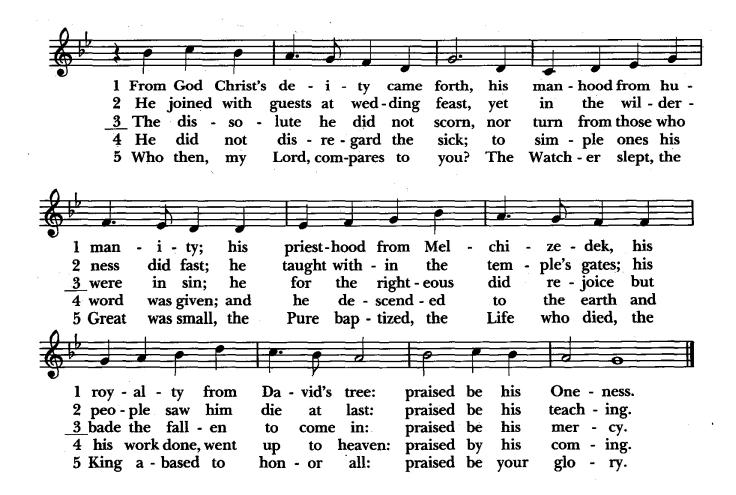
Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymnal | 443

From God Christ's deity came forth

Salem Harbor

(lyrics on next page)



Doxology | 380 v.3

Old 100th

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

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

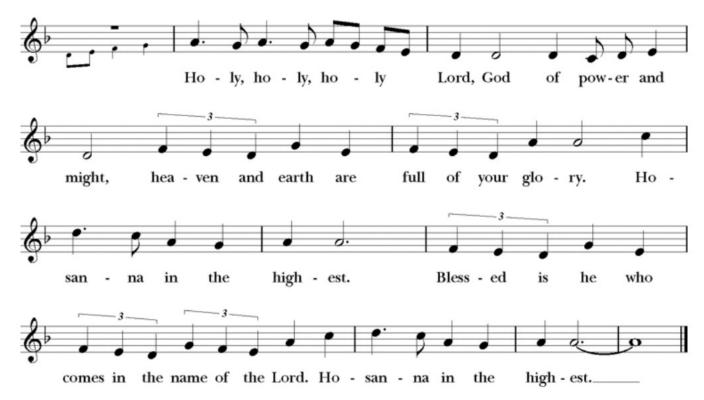
People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, maker of light and darkness. Your wisdom draws beauty from chaos, brings a harvest out of sorrow and leads the exiles home. In Christ your Son enemies are reconciled, debts forgiven and strangers made welcome. Your Spirit frees us to live as sons and daughters in our Father's house. We who by Christ's power follow the way of the Cross, sharing the joy of his obedience, now offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven singing the hymn of your unending glory:

Sanctus | S-129 Powell

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues



Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father, for Christ in whom the world is reconciled. Lifted on the Cross, his suffering and forgiveness spanned the gulf our sins had made. Through that dark struggle death was swallowed up in victory, that life and light might reign. Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, your Chosen One, himself the First-Born, freely offered his life.

At supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you." After supper, he took the cup, offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command. We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom. Made one with him, we offer you these gifts, and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptized into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. **AMEN.**

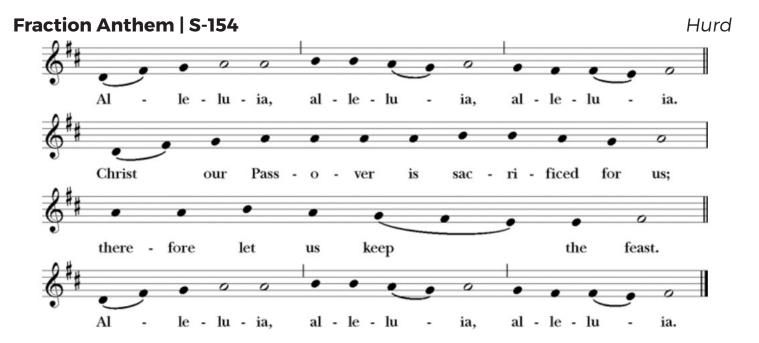
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Celebrant & People

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 Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.



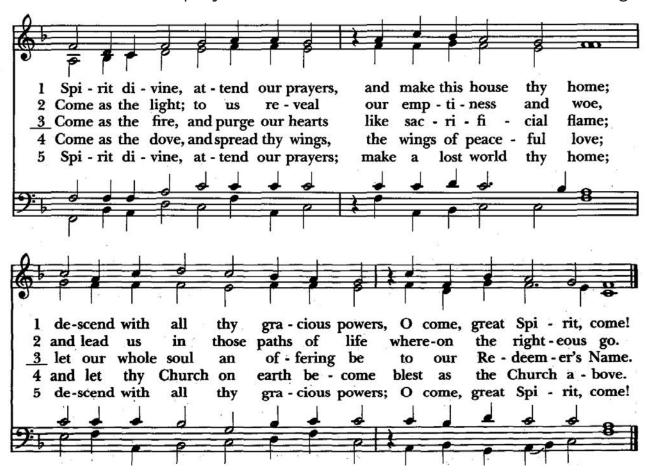
The Gifts of God for you, who are also gifts of God.

Persons wanting a blessing instead of receiving bread or wine at the Altar may cross their arms over their chest.

Communion Hymn | 509

Spirit divine, attend our prayers

Nun danket all und bringet Ehr



Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

(For those attending in person)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord, *Amen*

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

(For those attending remotely)

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen**.

Blessing

Dismissal

Closing Hymn | 371

Thou, whose almighty word

Moscow



Postlude

ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Sandy Gerow in memory of my parents, Maryanna and Osborne Fernald, my aunt Jane Fernald Kain, and in thanksgiving for my family.

TODAY'S LAY MINISTERS

Verger Richard Parker

Organist Sam Meares

Usher Stig Egede-Nissen | 8:15am

Stan Williams, Bradyn Robinson | 10:30am

Lay Readers Elizabeth Hansen | 8:15am

Gary Schilke (1st Reader) | 10:30am

Jocelyn Safrit (2nd Reader) | 10:30am

Acolyte Curt Odem | 8:15am

Acolyte Kim Bowman | 10:30am

Vestry on DutyLeslie Haines, Jim Romer

Flower Guild Betty Brown, Julie Smith, Sandy Gerow

Altar Guild Joanne McClusky, Susan Ryan, Julie Smith, Nancy Smith, Tish Murray

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EPISCOPAL CHURCH BULLETIN INSERT

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Meet Our Religious Communities: The Order of Julian of Norwich

Meet the Order of Julian of Norwich, a religious order for women in The Episcopal Church:

What is the Order of Julian of Norwich? The Order of Julian of Norwich is a contemplative monastic order located in White Lake, Wisconsin. Founded originally for monks and nuns, the monastics decided in 2020 to become nuns only. We are two branches—nuns living in community, and Oblates and Associates dispersed in all walks of life, all committed to intercession and conversion of life, following the teaching of Saint Julian of Norwich. The life of the monastery is that of liturgical, intercessory, and silent prayer, community life, manual labor, and study on the Benedictine pattern. Non-resident Oblate and Associate affiliations with the Order are open to men and women, single and partnered, lay and ordained.

What are your ministries? Our primary ministry is prayer and we are privileged to do that in-house on our 140-acre rural property. Our monastic life and ministry flows from the daily celebration of the Holy Eucharist, at which the nuns in community who are ordained both preside and proclaim the Gospel. We also have a small guesthouse where we welcome for a time any who wish to rest and share our silence and the peace and beauty of our surroundings. We have a small woodworking, soapmaking, and bread-baking business, write original icons, and publish a quarterly newsletter, Julian's Window, and an occasional blog, called In a Hazelnut.

Do you take vows? We make vows of Stability, Conversion of Life, and Obedience. By Stability, we commit to seeking God in the place and among the particular sisters whom God has drawn together. Stability roots us and allows our sisters, surroundings, and ourselves the generosity necessary to reveal the treasure hidden beneath the ordinary. By Conversion of Life (which includes poverty, holding all the Order's goods in common and renouncing private ownership; and chastity, expressed as life-long celibacy), we commit ourselves to the monastic way in its entirety, allowing the Holy Spirit to act through our circumstances to reveal and heal in us what is not yet converted to love. By Obedience, we choose to be accountable to a common rule of life and to our sisters in community for the sake of the freedom to love and will God's will alone. This requires patience, trust, and the maturity to be able to listen to and learn from others.

How can I get involved with the Order of Julian? Learn more at www.orderofjulian. org — read our newsletter and blog, find out about visiting, make a prayer request, make a donation, or become an Oblate, Associate, or nun of the Order.



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