



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist, Rite II
SEPTEMBER 13, 2026 | 9:00 am



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OPENING VOLUNTARY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time, preschool & elementary aged children are invited to the back of the sanctuary to join kids chapel

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING HYMN

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Father, we praise thee, now the night is over

*Please stand as you
are able for the
Opening Hymn.*



1 Fa - ther, we praise thee, now the night is
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for thy
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual



o - ver, ac - tive and watch - ful, stand we all be -
man - sions; ban - ish our weak - ness, health and whole - ness
Spi - rit, Trin - i - ty bless - ed, send us thy sal -



fore thee; sing - ing we of - fer prayer and med - i -
send - ing; bring us to hea - ven, where thy saints u -
va - tion; thine is the glo - ry, gleam - ing and re -



ta - tion: thus we a - dore thee.
nit - ed joy with - out end - ing.
sound - ing through all cre - a - tion.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

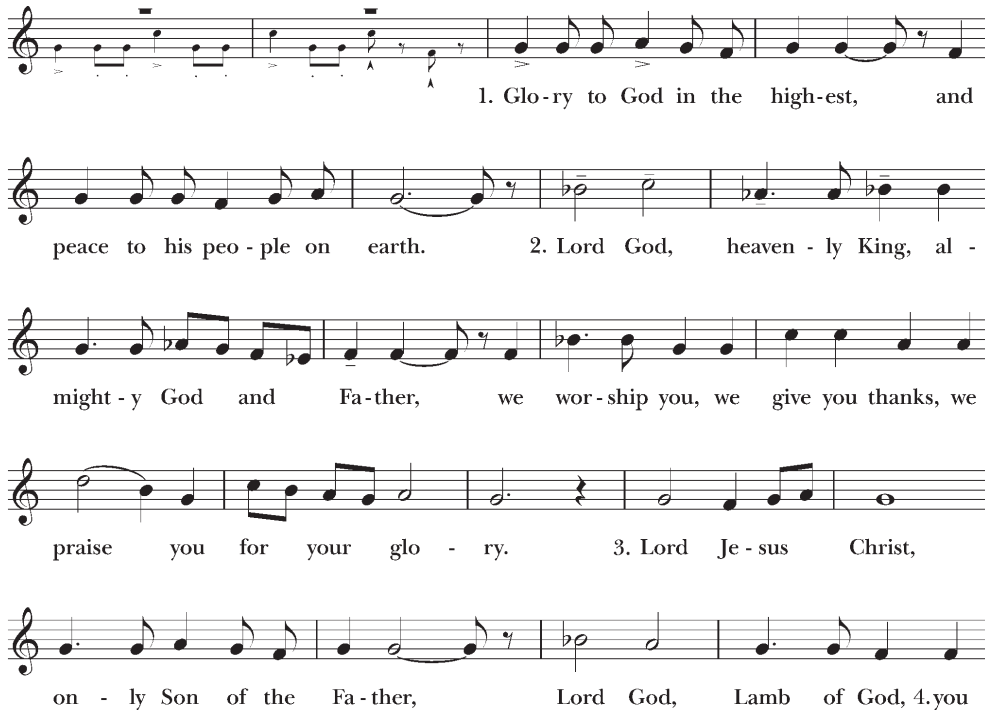
Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of
our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we
may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy
Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear what the Lord Jesus Christ says: Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

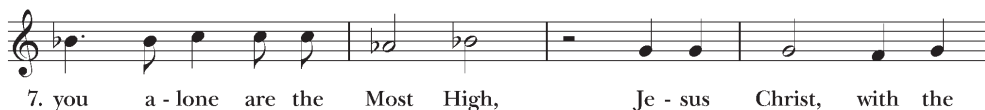
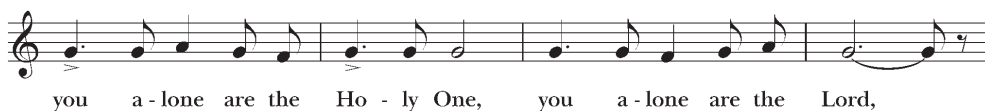
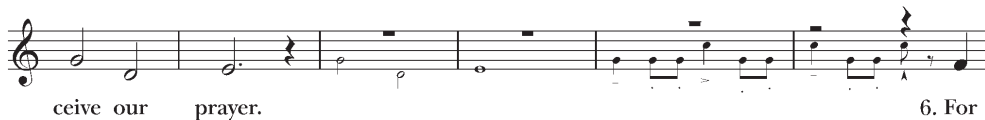
Jesus' summary of the Law (from Matthew 22:37-40) has been included at the outset of Episcopal services since 1789. It orients our worship and our life in the necessity of Love.

SONG OF PRAISE

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1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



*The Collect of the Day
"collects" our individual
thoughts into unified
prayer that we might
respond to the lessons
we are about to hear.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant: The Lord be with you
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 50:15-21

Please be seated.

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE

Psalm 103:8-13

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Bless the Lord, O my soul; you are clothed with maj - es - ty and splen - dor.

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Ivor Algernon Atkins

- 8 The Lord is full of com | passion • and | mercy, *
slow to | anger • and of | grëat | kindness.
- 9 He will not | always - ac | cuse us, *
nor will he | keep his | anger - for | ever.
- 10 He has not dealt with us ac | cording - to our | sins, *
nor rewarded us ac | cording | to our | wickedness.
- 11 For as the heavens are | high a - bove the | earth, *
so is his mercy | great u - pon | those who | fear him.
- 12 As far as the | east is - from the | west, *
so far has he re | moved our | sins | from us.
- 13 As a father | cares for - his | children, *
so does the Lord | care for | those who | fear him.

THE SECOND READING

Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrel - ing over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God.”

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

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*Please stand, as you
are able, for the sinning
of the Sequence Hymn.*

Kneels at the feet of his friends

Vs. 1-2

*The Gospel procession
into the congregation
reminds us that Jesus
came among us.*

*All turn toward the
Gospel.*

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show

us how to serve the neigh - bors we have from you. **Fine**

1. Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
2. Neigh - bors are rich and poor, neigh - bors are black and
3. These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should
4. Lov - ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we are
5. Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their

1. feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
2. white, neigh - bors are near and far a - way.
3. love; all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
4. slaves, this is the way we should live with you.
5. feet, this is the way we should live with you. **D.C.**

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 18:21-35

Deacon: the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

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

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

Deacon: the Gospel of our Lord.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

LEVAS74

Kneels at the feet of his friends

Vs. 3

THE SERMON

*Please be seated for
the sermon.*

A pause for silent reflection immediately follows the sermon.

*The Nicene Creed is
the most ancient and
important corporate
confession of our faith.
We are joining ourselves
to the great heritage
of the holy (of God)
catholic (universal) and
apostolic (witnessing to
the resurrection) church
down through the
centuries.
This heritage is vaster,
richer, and more
mysterious than any
one individual can
understand, but we, as
the community of the
members of the Body of
Christ, share and commit
ourselves to it.*

THE NICENE CREED

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

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Kristin our Diocesan Bishop, all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

...We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

...Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

...Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

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

The Peace is an extension of Christian greeting and teaching. It symbolizes our intent to forgive as we are forgiven, to live in peace shalom, harmony with all persons.

THE PEACE

Officiant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The offertory sentence reminds us that our offerings are our response to God's care and nurture.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

M. Durufle

Ubi Caritas

THE DOXOLOGY

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Lift 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 God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive

power to become your children. 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:

Celebrant and People:

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) exemplifies that the Eucharist is the action of the whole Church, even of the whole creation, by sharing the song of the angels and the company of heaven (Isaiah 6:13, Psalm 118:2526, Revelation 4:8)

The people may stand or kneel, then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ 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 he 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 Cove-

The Institution Narrative recalls the particular mighty act that is the focus of the service: the gift of Christ's body and blood to be our spiritual food and drink (1 Corinthians 11:2326, Matthew 26:2628, Mark 14:2224, Luke 22:1920).

nant, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We ask that the Holy Spirit sanctify (bless or make holy) the bread and wine and also us who are to receive the sacrament of Christ's body and blood. Because it gives our assent ("So be it") to all the Eucharistic Prayer, the people's response is called the Great Amen.

Celebrant and People

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

People and Celebrant:

**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

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Jane Marshall

Blessed is the Man

COMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant: In the name of God and on behalf of this congregation,
I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom
you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's
body and blood.
People: We who are many are one body, because we all share one
bread, one cup.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.
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.

THE BLESSING

Following the Blessing, the people respond
Amen.

*Please be seated until
directed forward by
the ushers.*

*If you wish to receive
the bread the body of
Christ, please come to
the altar and hold out
your hand to take the
bread.*

*You may eat the bread
immediately, and if you
wish to receive the wine
from the chalice, please
assist the chalice to your
lips for a sip of wine.
You may also leave the
bread in your hand and
dip it in the wine.*

*If you wish to receive
the bread only, please
know it is the historic
position of the Church
that receiving one of the
elements is sufficient to
complete communion*

*Please stand as you
are able for the
Closing Hymn.*

CLOSING HYMN

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Abide with me; fast falls the eventide

1 A - bid with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide;
 2 I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;
 3 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
 4 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;

the dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bid:
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's - bid:
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness?
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;

when o - ther help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain sha - dows flee;

help of the help - less, O a - bid with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bid with me.
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bid with me.
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bid with me.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The dismissal asserts the relationship between worship and living. It is a call to mission, a call to live the baptismal and Eucharistic life in the world.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

The FLOWERS that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth Coley by her choir and MEAC Ministry buddies, the Darlings.



NEW TO CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER? - Ready to learn more about our ministries? Considering membership? Use the QR code at the left to join our Newcomer group and receive information about ministries, events, membership and access to our CoR App.

TODAY'S OFFERING - We encourage you to give your offering electronically to-day through our CoR App. (Search Redeemer Cincy in your app store.) Or you may choose to give online via our secure online system using the QR Code at right. There are also two collection spots in the narthex (look for the Give Here signs) where you may deposit your offering



YOUR NAME
Here

REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAMETAG - As we gather together for worship today it is important to wear your nametag to help us all remember names or just meet for the first time. Don't have a nametag yet? Sign-up for one in the narthex/lobby near the entrance to the chapel. It will be ready for you next Sunday in the nametag

CALENDAR

Look for more details at redeemer-cincy.org/connect/event-directory/

Church of the Redeemer offers a variety of worship, education, and fellowship events for all ages. A quick glance at our Events Page provides a look at both our recurring opportunities, as well as those special events we have throughout the year. You can access the church Events Page on our website



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PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

Welcome to The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer!

We love the sounds of children in our service.

Here are some ideas to keep them engaged:

RELAX

It's okay for kids to be kids. we offer coloring pages, worship bags, and books they can use during the service.

SIT CLOSE

Consider sitting up front where it's easier for kids to see

EXPLAIN

Kids are curious! Explain what's happening in the service.

PARICIPATE

Kids learn by mimicking what you do. So sing, prayer, respond, etc. and kids will follow your lead.

WANDER

It's okay to move around. Sometimes it's easier to let figdety kids wander.

NEED TO LEAVE?

No problem! There are spaces to take a break.

Kids need that sometimes. Come back when you are ready!

ASK

Questions or need help? Just ask our ushers

JESUS SAID

"Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs."



VISION STATEMENT

We have a vision of a worshiping community
that **knows Jesus and grows in love:**

- **United** in relationships of holy connection and communion;
- **Growing** with people of every age, race, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic situation, and political persuasion;
- **Inspired** by our understanding of why we are Christian, why we are Episcopalian, why Redeemer matters to us;
- **Sent** into the world, rooted and grounded in love, to serve all people with humility, compassion, and faithfulness.

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