

HOLY SPIRIT
Episcopal
CHURCH
Gulf Shores, Alabama



Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

10:30am

The Rt. Reverend Russell Kendrick, Bishop
The Reverend William M. Lowry III, Rector

The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

ENTRANCE HYMN

Praise to the Holiest in the height

Hymnal 445



1 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the
2 O lov - ing wis - dom of our God! When all was
3 O wis - est love! that flesh and blood, which did in
4 and that the high - est gift of grace should flesh and
5 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the



1 depth be praise; in all his words most
2 sin and shame, a sec - ond Ad - am
3 Ad - am fail, should strive a - fresh a -
4 blood re - fine: God's pres - ence and his
5 depth be praise; in all his words most



1 won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!
2 to the fight and to the res - cue came.
3 gainst the foe, should strive, and should pre - vail;
4 ve - ry self, and es - sence all - di - vine.
5 won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!

The Word of God

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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The Celebrant may say

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.*

SONG OF PRAISE

Glory to God

Hymnal S 280

The following is sung, all standing as able

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
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. 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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people sit.

FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

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

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 130

Please read with me the Psalm responsively by half verse. (Responses in bold.)

¹Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD; LORD, hear my voice; *

let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

²If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, *

O Lord, who could stand?

³For there is forgiveness with you; *

therefore you shall be feared.

⁴I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; *

in his word is my hope.

⁵My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen for the morning, *

more than watchmen for the morning.

⁶O Israel, wait for the LORD, *

for with the LORD there is mercy;

⁷with him there is plenteous redemption, *

and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—
” I believed, and so I spoke”—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know
that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us
with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it
extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So
we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature
is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for
an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be
seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot
be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we
have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

1. Sing the won-drous love of Je-sus, Sing His mer-cy and His grace;
 2. While we walk the pil-grim path-way, Clouds will o-ver-spread the sky;
 3. Let us then be true and faith-ful, Trust-ing, serv-ing ev-'ry day;
 4. On-ward to the prize be-fore us! Soon His beau-ty we'll be-hold;

1. In the man-sion bright and bless-ed, He'll pre-pare for us a place.
 2. But when trav-'ling days are o-ver, Not a shad-ow, not a sigh.
 3. Just one glimpse of Him in glo-ry Will the toils of life re-pay;
 4. Soon the pearl-y gates will o-pen; We shall tread the streets of gold.

When we all get to heav-en, What a
 day of re-joic-ing that will be! When we all see
 Je-sus, We'll sing and shout, and shout the vic-to-ry.

GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35

All stand as able.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and his disciples] could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he

called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. “Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”— for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.” Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Will Lowry

Brief moment of silence to follow.

THE CREED

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All stand as 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing as able.

Celebrant: Holy God, ruler of heaven and earth, you have raised us into your eternal life, and you have invited us into Christ's family: Strengthen us as we pray for the needs of your creation, saying: We wait for you, O God; in your word is our hope.

Litanist: You have filled the Church with your Spirit, O Holy One, and you renew us day by day: Empower our mission of witness and service, so that your grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. We pray especially for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Russell, our Bishop; Will, our Rector; and all other clergy and ministers of your church.

We wait for you, O God;

in your word is our hope.

If you were to note what is done amiss, O God, who could stand? Look upon those in positions of power and authority in the world and lead them in your ways of justice and peace. We pray especially for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine and Russia, in Israel and Palestine and all victims of violence. Bring your peace to our world. We pray especially for Joe, our President; Kay, our Governor; Robert, our Mayor and Tony, Mayor of Orange Beach.

We wait for you, O God;

in your word is our hope.

Let your gracious healing be released toward those throughout the world suffering from poverty, oppression, illness and violence, for with you there is mercy and plenteous redemption.

We wait for you, O God;

in your word is our hope.

Visit this community with your compassion and judgment, that we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them. We pray for all First Responders, Law Enforcement and Members of the Armed Forces, both at home and abroad, especially our parishioner Chris.

We wait for you, O God;

in your word is our hope.

Our souls wait for you, more than sentries for the morning, more than sentries for the morning: Out of the depths we call to you on behalf of those who need our intercession, especially our parishioners Cal, Carol, Mike, Norma, Betty, Al, Fred, Norma, Kimberly, Wiley, Jane, Jackie, Ava, Dawn, Pam, Ellie, Daphne, Anne, Sonya and all on our prayer list.

We give thanks to you for your goodness, O God, as we offer our words of gratefulness and praise.

We know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us into his presence. Hear our prayers for those who have died, especially Jayne Mackey.

We wait for you, O God;

in your word is our hope.

Celebrant: We believe and so we pray, O Gracious One, that your glory may enter our lives and infuse the world with resurrection power, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you, and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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 Priest stands and says

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

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All stand as able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING OF JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

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The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

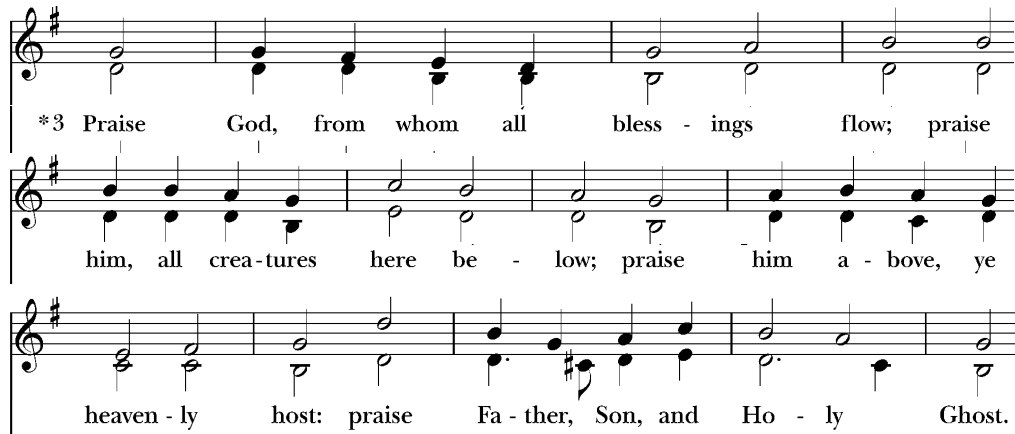
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

On eagle's wings

by Joncas arr by Hayes

Celebrant All things come of thee O Lord
People And of thine own have we given thee.

DOXOLOGY



*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise
him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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The People remain standing as able.

Celebrant The Lord be 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 him thanks and praise.

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy

Hymnal S 129

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 People stand or kneel as able. 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 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior 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,
forever and ever. Amen.

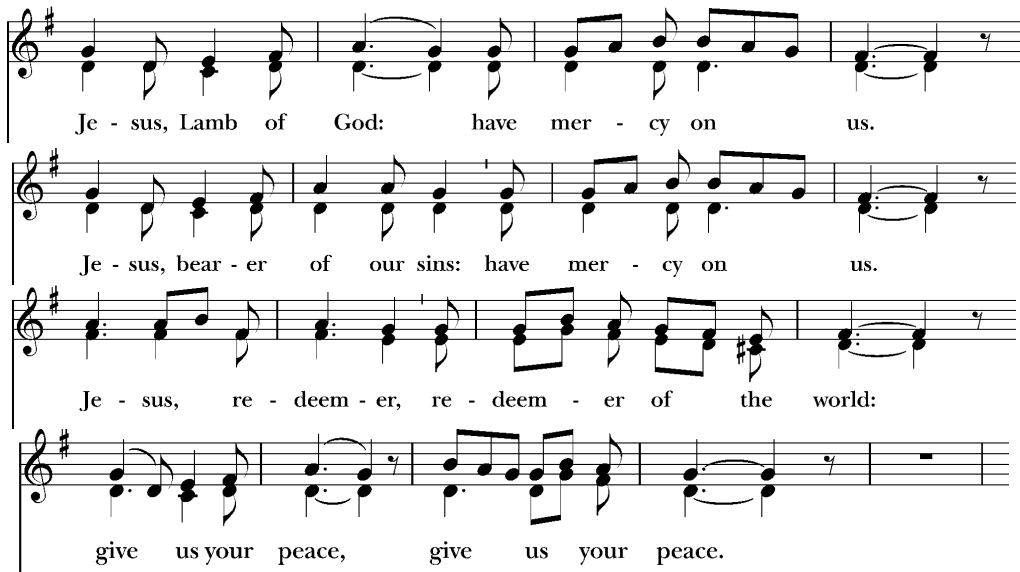
The Breaking of the Bread

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

FRACTION ANTHEM

Jesus, Lamb of God

Hymnal S164



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

INVITATION

The Celebrant says

This is the table, not of the Church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love God and who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before, You who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because the Church invites you; It is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.

DISTRIBUTION

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people. Wine may be received by drinking from the chalice or by intinction.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

COMMUNION HYMN *Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face* Hymnal 318



1 Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;
2 Here would I feed up - on the Bread of God;
3 I have no help but thine; nor do I need
4 Mine is the sin, but thine the right - eous - ness;



here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;
here drink with thee the roy - al Wine of heaven;
an - oth - er arm save thine to lean up - on;
mine is the guilt, but thine the cleans - ing Blood.



here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,
here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,
it is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;
Here is my robe, my re - fuge, and my peace;



and all my wea - ri - ness up - on thee lean.
here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - given.
my strength is in thy might, thy might a - lone.
thy Blood, thy right - eous - ness, O Lord, my God.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, saying

As you leave this place, go forth in peace. Be assured that the past is forgiven and know that the future is in God's hands. Return no evil for evil, remember the poor, pray for the sick, and make no peace with injustice in this world. May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

God of grace and God of glory

Hymnal 595



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour thy power; crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the gift of thy sal - va - tion



bring her bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom,
 free our hearts to faith and praise: grant us wis - dom,
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these days.
 grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

WELCOME TO HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

All who seek to know God in a deeper and more meaningful way are welcome to receive Communion. If you do not wish to receive the Sacraments, just cross your arms and a blessing will be given instead. Gluten free communion wafers are available. Please ask the priest as communion is distributed.

NURSERY: We provide a nursery for your convenience for infants and children up to 4 years old. We invite you to bring your child back from the nursery for communion, preferably during the Peace and Announcements.

Those for whom we pray: Cal & Carol Hanson, Mike & Norma Minchew, Katherine Stribling (Jan Waggoner), Marilyn Lewis (Lillian Bemis), Carrietta Nelson (Lillian Bemis), Al Vondrasek, Fred Waggoner, Norma Black-Glossop, Kathi Dolder (Sue Wiggins), Judi Kuntz (Ann Lofaro), Kimberly Worthy, Deloma Bigham (Rhonda Barber), Wiley Ashley, Laura Hermezc (Lillian Bemis), Jane Taylor, Jayne Sharp (Lillian Bemis), Abe & Dianne Kattawar (Rose Johnson), Lisa Kanuth (Kimberly Worthy), Mikki Stanley (Kimberly Worthy), Nancy Jones (Marilyn & Bobby Quinn), Terry Kilpatrick (Lillian Bemis), Jackie Jabour, Ava Trivett, Debbie, Dave, Eloise & Gigi Welch (Margaret Divito), Mary Ruth Burnes (Lillian Bemis), Valerie Kot (Lillian Bemis), Valerie Wilk (Lillian Bemis), Dawn Johnson, Braxton Lipscomb (June Hayles), Pam Webster, Ellie Brandon, Daphne Grimsley, Seeley Lewis (Marilyn Quinn), Bryan Family (Nancy & Steve Campbell), Anne Meydrech, Matthew Gilbertson (Sam Nelson), Sonya Urquhart, Kimberly Brand (Jan Waggoner), Justin Requena (Carolyn Towery), Peggy Wierick (Linda Daniels), Finis H. Black (Norma Black-Glossop)

For all First Responders, Law Enforcement and Members of the Armed Forces: Phil Gurney (USN), Blake Buskens (USA), Charlie Conner (USA), Chris Miller (GSPD), Joseph Callaway (USN), Savannah Kichler Isenburg (USAF), Jacob Wetzler (USN), Luc Lau (USM), Jack Taylor (USN), Snap Nelson (USMCR), Callaway Williamson (USN), Zachary Russell (USAF), Cailan Ross Ashley (USCG), Joshua Cooper (USA), Margaret Lloyd (USN)

In Thanksgiving for Birthdays in June: Dec McClelland (1st), Ellie Pierce (3rd), Paula Massey (4th), Richard Pardue (10th), Elton Howell (13th), Alysha Miller (14th), Dick Reid (26th), Pamela Webster (29th)

In Thanksgiving for Anniversaries in June: Millie & Bill Ericson (12th), Bev & Dave Liebenow (12th), Jan & Fred Waggoner (14th), Ashby & Ci Jones (18th)

Servers

Youth Acolyte- Elton Howell

Chalice Bearer- David Adams

Lectors- Nancy Campbell & Millie Ericson

Ushers- Steve & Nancy Campbell

Altar Guild- Judy Allen, Joy Branch, Nancy Campbell, June Hayles,
Fr Bill Ericson, Leah Reader

Flower Guild- Brenda Johnson

Beadle- Nancy Campbell

Vestry

Dick Reid ('24), Sr. Warden

Sam Nelson ('25), Jr. Warden

Joy Branch ('24)

Gene Poole ('24)

Nancy Campbell ('25), Clerk

John Stomps ('25)

David Adams ('26)

Joe Barber ('26)

Dave Liebenow ('26)

Staff

The Rev. Will Lowry-Rector

Dr. Julian Jesubatham-Music Director

Greg Engell-Assistant Music Director

Morgen Szapiel-Parish Administrator

Ivee Lowry-Day School Director and Children & Families' Coordinator

Pam Huerd-Thrift Shop Manager

Attendance

June 2 8am-26 10:30am-60

Church Financial Status through the month of April

Church expenses exceeded contributions received in April by \$13,325;

The quarterly commercial insurance premium was paid this month which caused the deficit.

The church used \$19,613 from the reserve to pay for the quarterly insurance expense. Your giving allows the church to operate at its full potential. Thank you for supporting the Holy Spirit Episcopal Church.

Income \$32,837

Expenses \$46,162

Net Loss \$13,325

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