

The Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit

“A community of faith seeking to love and serve in the Spirit of Jesus Christ”



THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 30, 2025

10:45 a.m.

*The Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit
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Welcome to Our Parish

We are glad to have you with us for our worship today. If you would like to learn more about life here at Holy Spirit, please fill out a welcome card found in your row and join us for fellowship, coffee, and refreshments after the service. You may also find more information by calling the church office at 770-887-8190, or by visiting our website at www.ecohs.net.

Communion

All baptized people of all ages and church backgrounds are welcome to receive Holy Communion in this church. Gluten-free wafers are available, just ask when the bread is presented to you.

Christian Formation

Children: On Sundays, ECOHS offers spiritual formation for children 4 years old through 5th grade. We look forward to our weekly time together where we follow the lectionary, most often centering our lesson on the Gospel of the week. Sunday School meets downstairs in the preschool area at 9:30 am.

Contact Julie Wilson: jwilsonjat@gmail.com

Youth: Youth Group meets Sundays at 9:30 am downstairs in the Youth Room.

Contact Shannon David: youth@ecohs.net

Adults: Adult Sunday School led by The Rev. Brandon Mozingo, meets weekly in the Parish Hall at 9:30 am.

Nursery and Toddler Care

Children's Nursery: We have a nursery available for children - newborn through age 4. We have two volunteers available weekly. The Nursery is located downstairs in the preschool area.

Our Ushers

Our ushers are always glad to be of assistance, including answering questions, giving directions to the restrooms, church school, and nursery.

The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Beside Still Waters

Joe Utterback

Silent Procession

A Penitential Order: Rite Two

BCP 351

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People

His mercy endures for ever.

The Decalogue: Contemporary

Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.
You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant 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 Celebrant then 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.**

Kyrie S86

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



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- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are for / given, *
and whose sin is put a / way!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no / guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no / guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered a / way, *
because of my groaning all day / long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and / night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of / summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my / sin to you, *
and did not conceal my / guilt.
- 6 I said, " I will confess my transgressions to the / Lord." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my / sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of / trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not / reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from / trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of de / liverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should / go; *
I will guide you with my / eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no under /standing; *
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay / near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the / wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the / Lord.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the / Lord; *
shout for joy, all who are true of / heart.

The Second Reading

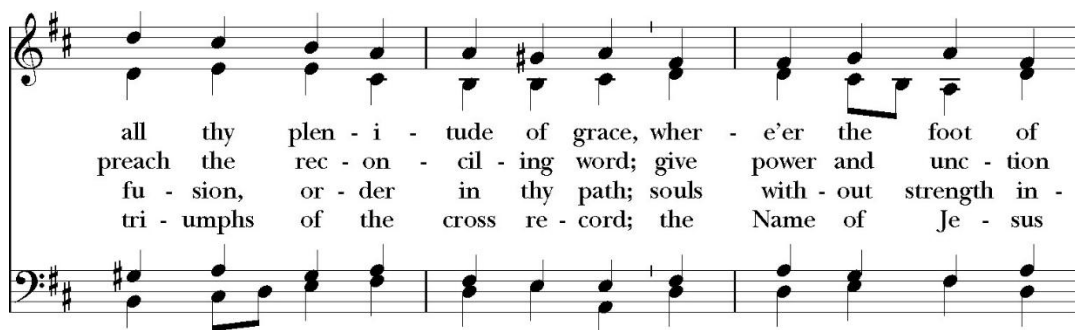
2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**



1 O Spi - rit of the liv - ing God, in
 2 Give tongues of fire and hearts of love, to
 3 Be dark - ness, at thy com - ing, light; con -
 4 Con - vert the na - tions! far and nigh the



all thy plen - i - tude of grace, wher - e'er the foot of
 preach the rec - on - cil - ing word; give power and unc - tion
 fu - sion, or - der in thy path; souls with - out strength in -
 tri - umphs of the cross re - cord; the Name of Je - sus



man hath trod, de - scend on our a - pos - tate race.
 from a - bove, when - e'er the joy - ful sound is heard.
 spire with might, bid mer - cy tri - umph o - ver wrath.
 glo - ri - fy, till ev - ery peo - ple call him Lord.

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe – the best one – and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

Sermon

The Rev. Brandon Thomas Mozingo

*A period of silence is kept after the sermon***Nicene Creed**

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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.

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city of Cumming, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

I ask your prayers for those on our Parish Prayer List.

We remember those in our Parish Cycle of Prayer this week.

We remember those celebrating birthdays this week.

We remember those celebrating anniversaries this week.

We pray for expectant parents.

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Offertory Anthem

Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling
Soloist Bob Hitch

D. Cherwein

Presentation Hymn #166 (v.1&6)

Sing my song the glorious battle

Pange lingua



1 Sing, my tongue, the glo - rious bat - tle; of the might - y con - flict
2 Thir - ty years a - mong us dwell - ing, his ap - point - ed time ful -
3 He en - dures the nails, the spit - ting, vin - e - gar, and spear, and
4 Faith - ful cross! a - bove all o - ther, one and on - ly no - ble
5 Bend thy boughs, O tree of glo - ry! Thy re - lax - ing sin - ews
*6 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or to the



1 sing; tell the tri - umph of the vic - tim, to his
2 filled, born for this, he meets his pas - sion, this the
3 reed; from that ho - ly bo - dy bro - ken blood and
4 tree! None in fo - liage, none in blos - som, none in
5 bend; for a - while the an - cient ri - gor that thy
6 Son, praise and hon - or to the Spi - rit, ev - er



1 cross thy tri - bute bring. Je - sus Christ, the world's Re -
2 Sa - vior free - ly willed: on the cross the Lamb is
3 wa - ter forth pro - ceed: earth, and stars, and sky, and
4 fruit thy peer may be: sweet - est wood and sweet - est
5 birth be - stowed, sus - pend; and the King of heaven - ly
6 Three and ev - er One: one in might and one in



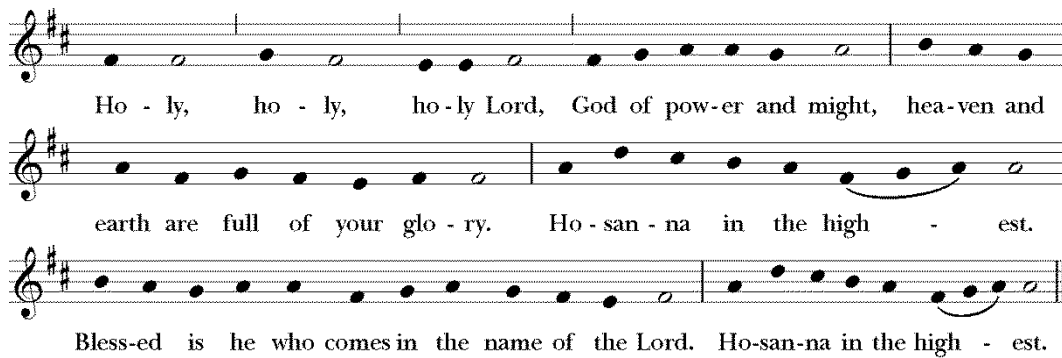
1 deem - er from that cross now reigns as King.
2 lift - ed, where his pre - cious blood is spilled.
3 o - cean, by that flood from stain are freed.
4 i - ron! sweet - est weight is hung on thee.
5 beau - ty gent - ly on thine arms ex - tend.
6 glo - ry while e - ter - nal a - ges run.

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.**

Then, 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. 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 S-124



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.

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.**

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Fraction Anthem S-161

Jesus, Lamb of God

BCP 364

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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.

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya
 * 3 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight, rich - es,
 4 Just as I am: thou wilt re - ceive; wilt wel - come,
 5 Just as I am, thy love un - known has bro - ken

1 blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me
 2 con - flict, man - ya doubt; fight - ings and fears with -
 3 heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in
 4 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve, be - cause thy prom - ise
 5 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,

1 come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 2 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 3 thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 4 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 5 thine a - lone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am, of thy great love
 the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
 here for a season, then above:
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 366

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.

The Blessing

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor-dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
 fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
 lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
 land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
 strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
 shield, be thou still my strength and shield.
 thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

Dismissal

Postlude

“Postlude on Aberystwyth”

Ashley Grote

BISHOP – The Rt. Rev. Robert C. Wright
RECTOR – The Rev. Brandon Thomas Mozingo

Vestry

SENIOR WARDEN– Bob Hitch
JUNIOR WARDEN – Jeri Ellis
Alice Bryan • Melinda Carey • Cathy Middleton
Ashley McKenna • Debbie Onderko • Dee Rausin • Melanie Webb
Treasurer –Ray Williams • Clerk – Sue Ellen Williams

Staff

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR/BOOKKEEPER – Cathy Schlecht
INTERIM MUSIC MINISTER – John Hutchinson
CHILDREN’S MINISTRIES DIRECTOR – Julie Wilson
PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR – Julie Wilson
YOUTH MINISTER – Shannon David

Father Brandon is available to meet in person on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, by appointment. On Mondays he is available via phone or Zoom, by appointment. He would love to meet with you about any pastoral needs, theological questions, or simply to get to know each other better.

Today’s Ministers

Altar Guild – **Debbie McLean, Cathy Middleton**
Flowers – **Lenten Branches**
Coffee Hosts- **Cheryl & Steve Howell 8:30**
Carmen Smith 10:45
Lectors – **Jeri Ellis, Joanie Anderton 8:30**
Russ McClelland, Sandra Culver 10:45
EM –**Jeri Ellis 8:30 Russ McClelland 10:45**
Intercessors –**Jeri Ellis 8:30**
Marina Slemmons 10:45
Ushers – **TBD 8:30**
Sandra Culver,
Fred Viele, Julie Ford 10:45
Vergers – **Joanie Anderton 8:30, Ashley McKenna10:45**
Crucifer –**Jeri Ellis 8:30,**
Patrick McKenna10:45
Acolytes – **N/A**
Oblation Bearers – **TBD 8:30**
TBD 10:45
Children’s Chapel – **TBD**
Vestry Person of the Day – **Alice Bryan**
Nursery –**Carol Ver Steeg**
Counter – **Debbie Onderko**
Monday Counter – **Donna Kukarola**

Sunday’s Ministers – April 6, 2024

Altar Guild – **Debbie McLean, Cathy Middleton**
Flowers – **Lenten Branches**
Coffee Hosts- **Pat & Gregg Harbison 8:30**
Melissa Roehm 10:45
Lectors – **Julie Wilson, Carol Ver Steeg 8:30**
Becky Hitch, Emile Foisy 10:45
EM –**Julie Wilson 8:30 Carole Rudder 10:45**
Intercessors –**Julie Wilson 8:30**
Jeanie Lipscomb 10:45
Ushers – **TBD 8:30**
Sandra Culver,
Carmen Smith, Scot Roehm 10:45
Vergers – **Shannon David**
Crucifer –**Shannon David 8:30,**
Jack Kashin 10:45
Acolytes – **N/A**
Oblation Bearers – **TBD 8:30**
TBD 10:45
Children’s Chapel – **Dee Rausin**
Vestry Person of the Day – **Jeri Ellis**
Nursery –**Chris Kennedy**
Counter – **Debbie Onderko**
Monday Counter – **Midge Printz**