

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit

1305 Thomas Dr. Bellevue, NE 68005



October 4th, 2026

9:30 am

19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Rite II

WELCOME EVERYONE!

If you are a guest today or are a member who has been away for a while, we are glad you joined us for worship today! Please let us know if you are joining us online by leaving a comment, or by emailing us so that we can say welcome and thank you.

Blessings! *Mother Margaret+*

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

OPENING HYMN

"Christ is made the sure foundation"

Hymnal 518

¹ Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone, chosen
of the Lord, and precious, binding all
the Church in one; holy Zion's help for
ever, and her confidence alone.

³ To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of Hosts, today; with thy
wonted loving-kindness hear thy
servants as they pray, and thy fullest
benediction shed within its walls always.

² All that dedicated city, dearly loved of
God on high, in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody; God the One
in Three adoring in glad hymns
eternally.

⁴ Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what
they ask of thee to gain; what they gain
from thee, for ever with the blessed to
retain, and hereafter in thy glory
evermore with thee to reign.

WELCOME

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

People: **And blessed be his 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.***

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**

receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST LESSON – Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.
He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.
And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah,
judge between me and my vineyard.
What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?
And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.

I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown
with briers and thorns;
I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.
For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting;
he expected justice, but saw bloodshed;
righteousness, but heard a cry!

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 80:7-14

⁷ Restore us, O God of hosts; *

show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

⁸ You have brought a vine out of Egypt; *

you cast out the nations and planted it.

⁹ You prepared the ground for it; *

it took root and filled the land.

¹⁰ The mountains were covered by its shadow *

and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

¹¹ You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea *

and its branches to the River.

¹² Why have you broken down its wall, *

so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

¹³ The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, *

and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

¹⁴ Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;

behold and tend this vine; *

preserve what your right hand has planted.

THE EPISTLE – Philippians 3:4b-14

Reader: A Reading from the Apostle Paul to the Philippians.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

“Lo! What a cloud of witnesses”

Hymnal 545

¹ Lo! what a cloud of witnesses
encompass us around! They, once like
us with suffering tried, are now with
glory crowned.

² Let us, with zeal like theirs inspired,
strive in the Christian race; and, freed
from every weight of sin, their holy
footsteps trace.

³ Behold a Witness nobler still, who trod
affliction’s path: Jesus, the author,

finisher, rewarder of our faith.

⁴ He, for the joy before him set, and
moved by pitying love, endured the
cross, despised the shame, and now he
reigns above.

⁵ Thither, forgetting things behind, press
we to God’s right hand; there, with the
Savior and his saints, triumphantly to
stand.

THE GOSPEL - Matthew 21:33-46

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures:

"The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord's doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes?"

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

MESSAGE

"Behold and tend this vine"

MM+

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: Please stand as we affirm our faith in the words of 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.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(Form I)*

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.

We pray for **Sarah**, the Archbishop of Canterbury; **Sean**, our Presiding Bishop; **Scott**, our Bishop; **Margaret**, our Rector; and **Terri**, our Deacon, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, pray for _____. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, pray for _____. In the DR cycle of prayer, pray for _____. And in the Parish cycle of prayer, pray for _____, for this gathering, and for all ministers and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We pray for our President, **Donald Trump**; our Governor, **Jim Pillen**; and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air: _____. Are there others? Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We ask you to watch over all the members of our armed forces, those who are deployed: _____. Are there others? Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For your continued blessings on those celebrating birthdays this week: _____, Are there others? And those celebrating anniversaries: _____ Are there others? 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: _____. Are there others? Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those with special concerns: _____. 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: _____. Are there others? 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.

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

To thee, O Lord our God.

Celebrant:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. ***Amen.***

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: 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.*

Celebrant: 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

Almighty God, whose will it is to hold heaven and earth in the peace of your kingdom, give peace to your church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Amen.*

OFFERTORY HYMN

“Ev’ry time I feel the spirit ”

WLP 751

(Refrain)

Ev’ry time I feel the spirit,
moving in my heart, I will pray.
Every time I feel the spirit,
moving in my heart, I will pray.

¹ Up on the mountain my Lord spoke,
out of his mouth came fire and smoke.
All around me looked so fine,
asked my Lord if all was mine.

(Refrain)

2 Jordan river chilly and cold,
chills the body but not the soul.
'There ain't but one train runs this track,
runs to heaven and runs right back.

(Refrain)

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer B

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.**

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.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

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

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People:

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant and 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, 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.**

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.

ONLINE COMMUNION BLESSING

Celebrant and Deacon: We pray that those online will receive a Spiritual Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ. ***Amen.***

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

"My song is love unknown"

Hymnal 458

¹ My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me, love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be. O who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?

² He came from his blest throne salvation to bestow, but men made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would know. But O my friend, my friend indeed, who at my need his life did spend.

³ Sometimes they strew his way, and his strong praises sing, resounding all the day hosannas to their King. Then "Crucify!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.

⁴ Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight.

Sweet injuries! Yet they at these themselves displease, and 'gainst him rise.

⁵ They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made away; a murderer they save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet steadfast he to suffering goes, that he his foes from thence might free.

⁶ In life no house, no home my Lord on earth might have; in death no friendly tomb but what a stranger gave. What may I say? Heaven was his home; but mine the tomb wherein he lay.

⁷ Here might I stay and sing, no story so divine; never was love, dear King, never was grief like thine. This is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

**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

Celebrant: The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

GOING FORTH HYMN “O love how deep, how broad, how high” Hymnal 448

¹ O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how passing thought and fantasy, that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals’ sake!

² For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore; for us temptations sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew.

³ For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his daily works he wrought: by words and signs and actions, thus still seeking not himself, but us.

⁴ For us to wicked hands betrayed, scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed, he bore the shameful cross and death; for us gave up his dying breath.

⁵ For us he rose from death again; for us he went on high to reign; for us he sent his Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

⁶ All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad; the Trinity whom we adore for ever and for evermore.

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Birthday Prayer: O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on *this* your servant, as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness, all the days of *their* life through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Anniversary Prayer: O gracious and ever living God, look mercifully on these who have been joined together. Grant them your blessing, and assist them with your grace, that with fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep their promises and vows; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Birthdays:

Vincent Y.
 Addison Z.
 D'anna S.
 Frank Z.

Anniversaries:

The Nave Presence Candle is given by Charlotte Austin.

The Chapel Presence Candle is given by Brian & Jennifer Wilson for family and October birthdays.

WEEKLY MINISTRY TEAMS

		October 4th	October 11th	October 18th
VPOD		Brian C.	Kristi S.	Josh C.
Hospitality		Team 3	Team 4	Team 1
Altar Guild		Team 1	Team 2	Team 3
Spirit Hub		Bell Choir (Dcn. Terri)	Acolytes (Brian C.)	Altar Guild (Barb S.)
Altar Bread		Jan S.	Jan S.	Jan S.
LEMs	5:00pm	Kathy B./Toby W.	Charlotte A.	Kristi S.
	8:00am	Doug A.	Cindy P.	Doug A.
	9:30am	Vince C./Lori E.	Jen W./Brian W.	Jan S./Carol S.
LEV		Team 3	Team 1	Team 2
Recycle		Jan S.	Marcia A.	Susan H.
Acolytes 9:30am	C T T	Olivia H. Evelynn C. Amanda N.	Isaiah H. Mya H. Vincent C.	Evelynn C. Amanda N. Mackenzie C.

CHS VESTRY 2026

<u>MEMBERS</u>	
Judy Darrell – <i>Sr. Warden</i>	Josh Cain
Ken Gomeringer – <i>Jr. Warden</i>	Brian Caskie
	Margie Crawford
	Vince Cummings
	Rick Horejs
	Kristi Smith

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS & UPCOMING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pet Blessing: The Annual Pet Blessing will be today at 2pm on the church lawn. All pets must be in a leash or carrier! If you are unable to bring your pet to the blessings, Mother Margaret will come to them. We have many pets that are older, or if you are an online parishioner, please call the church office.

Bulletins: The Bulletins have changed to a larger paper size! This will make them easier to read because we have more space to use a larger font for the readings and the announcements. We will still have a few larger Bulletins for your use at the entrances.

Trunk-or-Treat: Sunday, October 25th, from 2-4pm will be our annual Trunk-or-Treat! Sign up at the Spirit Hub to volunteer; you can help with games inside the parish hall, or reserve a parking spot to decorate your trunk and hand out candy.

Church Office Volunteers: We are looking for people who would be willing to be in the office to greet people and cover the phones if both the Admin Assistant and Mother Margaret are out for the day. The office is open Monday to Thursday from 9:00am - 2:00pm. You may be needed for a part of a day or for the full day. Of course, we would like to be able to ask you in advance, but we would like to know if you are available with little notice. Please let Mother Margaret or Sam in the office know. We thank you in advance for your willingness to help us in this way.

Baker's Community Rewards: Please sign up for the Community Rewards Program at your local Baker's store. Your participation means you will earn money for your community organization when you use your loyalty card! You can sign up on the Baker's website by going to Community Rewards and choosing Church of the Holy Spirit. If you have any questions, please let Mother Margaret know.

DOK Service of Admission: The new members of our St. Margaret Chapter of the Daughters of the King will have their Service of Admission on Sunday, October 11th at the 9:30am Holy Eucharist. We welcome Mother Margaret Brack, Margie Crawford, and Cammy Warbleton!

Guest Minister: On the weekend of October 17th & 18th, Archdeacon Roy Phillips will be delivering the Messages for all of our Services. We are blessed to have him with us!

College Boxes: The Daughters of the King will be sending out the fall college boxes the first week of November. If you have a college student and would like for them to receive a college box, please submit their name and address to Karen Gray at dynamoquail@msn.com before November 1st.