SAINT MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Mission of St Margaret's:

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church is a joyful community, grounded in the love of Christ that welcomes and includes ALL with meaningful worship, service to the community, and commitment to growing as faithful Christians.

The Why of St Margaret's:

We exist to honor people's stories so that we can all share our authentic selves journeying as transformed people of God.

THE 22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 20, 2024 • 8 & 10:00a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

WELCOME!

- ₩ We at St. Margaret's are excited by the new life and transformation in this place, and we are delighted that you are here to worship with us. We are a congregation committed to celebrating Christ's enduring love and respect for the dignity of all.
- ₩ We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, gay, dirt poor, filthy rich, yo no habla Ingles. We extend a special welcome to those who are crying new-borns, skinny as a rail or could afford to lose a few pounds.
- We welcome you if you can sing like Andrea Bocelli or like some clergy who can't carry a note in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Anglican than the Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, or haven't been in church since little Joey's Baptism.
- ₩ We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems or you're down in the dumps or if you don't like "organized religion," we've been there too.
- ₭ If you blew all your offering money at the horse track, you're welcome here. We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church.
- ₩ We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts...and you!

As we celebrate the second half of the Season after Pentecost, we are honored to use the vestments created for St. Margaret's in tribute to our beloved Norma and Fr. Denny Allman. These vestments feature the Louisiana Tartan, connecting us to our local heritage.

During this season, our liturgy will also highlight our Celtic roots through the Mass setting. We will be using parts of the "Mass of the Celtic Saints" by Liam Lawton, reflecting our patron, St. Margaret of Scotland.

To the Parents of Our Young Children:

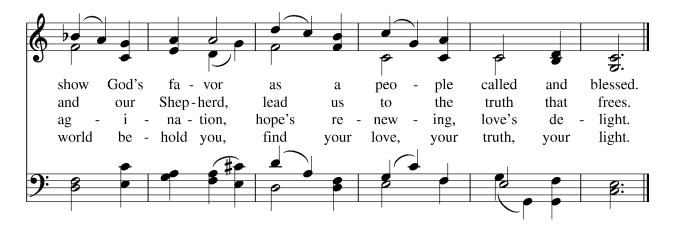
Relax! God puts the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome! Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar: they tire of seeing the backs of other's heads. Quietly explain the parts of the service and actions of the priest, altar servers, musicians, etc. Say the prayers and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behaviors by copying you. If you must leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me." Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

To Our Parishioners:

The presence of children is a gift to the Church, and they are a reminder that our parish is growing. Please welcome our children and give their parents a smile of encouragement. If the wiggles and giggles of children distract you for the 10 am service, you are invited to attend the 8 am service.

THE WORD OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN GRACIOUS SPIRIT, GIVE YOUR SERVANTS give 1. Gra - cious Spir - it, your ser - vants joy sin's to set 2. Word made flesh, who glo - ry be - come our gave up to God, who 3. Lov - ing birthed cre a - tion from the noth ing -4. Tri - une Be - ing, God, e nal nev - er end ing, ter cap tives free, hope to heal the bro ken heart - ed, high tak - ing na - ture great priest, on our hu man kin - dling emp - ty, life where all ness of space, was bound - less jus - tice, un be gun, grace and per fect share li - ber - ty. bring your balm of love's Through us peace to re deem the last and least: let your cour - age and comto turn - ing feel con-fused cha os in - to grace: when we and right - eous and for giv - ing One: so en - fold us in you claim and glad - ness wound - ed op - pressed; help to the and us pas - sion guide min - is - tries; Sav - ior shape and our as our fruit - less, night; faith's imdawn up our rest - less give on us mer - cy yours u that our wills and nite; through may the



OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider: This is the day the Creator has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

KYRIE



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: May God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, IN CHRIST YOU HAVE REVEALED YOUR GLORY AMONG THE NATIONS: PRESERVE THE WORKS OF YOUR MERCY, THAT YOUR CHURCH THROUGHOUT THE WORLD MAY PERSEVERE WITH STEADFAST FAITH IN THE CONFESSION OF YOUR NAME; 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 FIRST READING.

JOB 38: 1-7, (34 - 41)

A reading from Job

¹The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

²"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

³Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

4"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.
5Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?
6On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone
7when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

34"Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you?
35 Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, 'Here we are'?
36Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind?
37Who has the wisdom to number the clouds?
Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens,
38when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together?

39"Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions,
40when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert?
41Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?"

PSALM OF THE WEEK

PSALM 104: 1-9, 25. 37B

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<sup>1</sup>Bless the Lord, O my soul; *
    O LORD MY GOD, HOW EXCELLENT IS YOUR GREATNESS!
    YOU ARE CLOTHED WITH MAJESTY AND SPLENDOR.
  <sup>2</sup>YOU WRAP YOURSELF WITH LIGHT AS WITH A CLOAK *
    AND SPREAD OUT THE HEAVENS LIKE A CURTAIN.
  ^3YOU LAY THE BEAMS OF YOUR CHAMBERS IN THE WATERS ABOVE; *
    YOU MAKE THE CLOUDS YOUR CHARIOT;
    YOU RIDE ON THE WINGS OF THE WIND.
  <sup>4</sup>YOU MAKE THE WINDS YOUR MESSENGERS *
    AND FLAMES OF FIRE YOUR SERVANTS.
  <sup>5</sup>YOU HAVE SET THE EARTH UPON ITS FOUNDATIONS, *
    SO THAT IT NEVER SHALL MOVE AT ANY TIME.
  <sup>6</sup>YOU COVERED IT WITH THE DEEP AS WITH A MANTLE: *
    THE WATERS STOOD HIGHER THAN THE MOUNTAINS.
  <sup>7</sup>AT YOUR REBUKE THEY FLED; *
    AT THE VOICE OF YOUR THUNDER THEY HASTENED AWAY.
  ^{8}\mathrm{T}hey went up into the hills and down to the valleys beneath, ^{*}
    TO THE PLACES YOU HAD APPOINTED FOR THEM.
  <sup>9</sup>YOU SET THE LIMITS THAT THEY SHOULD NOT PASS; *
    THEY SHALL NOT AGAIN COVER THE EARTH.
  <sup>25</sup>O LORD, HOW MANIFOLD ARE YOUR WORKS! *
    IN WISDOM YOU HAVE MADE THEM ALL;
    THE EARTH IS FULL OF YOUR CREATURES.
  <sup>37B</sup>HALLELUJAH!
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THE SECOND READING

HEBREWS 5: 1-10

A reading from Hebrews

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; ⁶as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchizedek."

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to

the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE HOLY GOSPEL

MARK 10: 35-45

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" ³⁷And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" ³⁹They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON Sr. Dorothy Byrd

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

O GOD, CREATOR, REDEEMER, SPIRIT—THE ONE WHO KNOWS AND LOVES US BEST—WE THANK YOU FOR THE GREAT GIFT OF YOUR PRESENCE AMONG US. HOLD US CLOSE WHEN WE STRUGGLE WITH THE NOISE OF LIFE. CALL US TO A QUIET PLACE SO THAT WE CAN HEAR YOUR VOICE AND COME TO UNDERSTAND YOUR WILL.

LORD, IN YOUR MERCY

HEAR OUR PRAYER.

KEEP YOUR CHURCH ROOTED IN YOUR WORD AND GROUNDED IN YOUR LOVE. GUIDE OUR LEADERS AS THEY WALK BESIDE US, SUPPORTING US IN OUR JOURNEY OF FAITH. WE PRAY FOR N. OUR BISHOP, ETC.

LORD, IN YOUR MERCY

HEAR OUR PRAYER.

GIVE THOSE IN AUTHORITY AN IMAGINATION AND DETERMINATION FOR PEACE BETWEEN PEOPLES, OF PLENTY FOR ALL, OF JUSTICE FOR EVERYONE, EVEN THOSE WHO ARE FORGOTTEN.

LORD, IN YOUR MERCY

HEAR OUR PRAYER.

IN PLACES WHERE FAMINE AND WEATHER DISASTERS HAVE DESTROYED LIVES AND DRAINED PEOPLE OF HOPE, WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER LOSS AS WELL AS THOSE WHO SEEK TO RELIEVE THEIR DISTRESS.

LORD, IN YOUR MERCY

HEAR OUR PRAYER.

WE PRAY FOR HEALING FOR THOSE CLOSE TO US WHOM WE NOW NAME:
______. ASSURE THEM OF YOUR GOODNESS THAT NEVER ENDS, YOUR GRACE
THAT SURROUNDS THEM ON EVERY SIDE. WE PRAY ALSO FOR THOSE WHO ARE
VOICELESS, WHO HAVE NEVER KNOWN YOU, WHO ARE IMPRISONED BY FEAR, THAT WE
WITNESS TO THEM YOUR STEADFAST LOVE.

LORD, IN YOUR MERCY

HEAR OUR PRAYER.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE BORN TODAY AS WELL AS THOSE WHO ARE BEING WELCOMED HOME TO YOUR ETERNAL KINGDOM. MAY YOUR WILL FOR EACH OF THOSE YOU LOVE BE FULFILLED HERE ON EARTH AND IN THE LIFE TO COME.

LORD, IN YOUR MERCY

HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Presider

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 for ever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon/Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation.

Silence

All: Holy and merciful God, we confess that we have failed to honor you by rightly claiming our kinship with all your creatures.

We have walked heavily on your earth, overused, and wasted its resources, taken for granted its beauty and abundance, and treated its inhabitants unjustly, holding future generations hostage to our greed.

Have mercy on us and forgive us our sin.

Renew in us the resolve to keep and conserve your earth as

you desire and intend, with grateful and compassionate hearts, through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Presider: 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

Presider: Peace with yourself.

Peace with Creation.

Peace with one another.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE MADE AND BLESSINGS FOR BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES ARE GIVEN.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

PSALM 50:14



Plate offerings are the funds collected during the services of our church. They are a way that our gratitude and generosity make incarnate the mission and ministry of God as lived through St. Margaret's, for local ministries as well as community, diocesan and international ministries. To give a gift now to the ministries of St Margaret's, you may put cash or checks in the collection plate by the entrance to the church or you can scan the QR code at the left with your mobile phone. THANK YOU!

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Presider: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:



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,

Deacon/Presider and People

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

The Presider continues

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, with 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*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

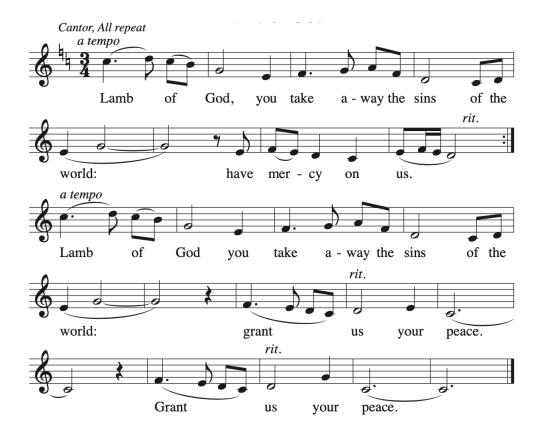
People and Presider: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Lamb of God



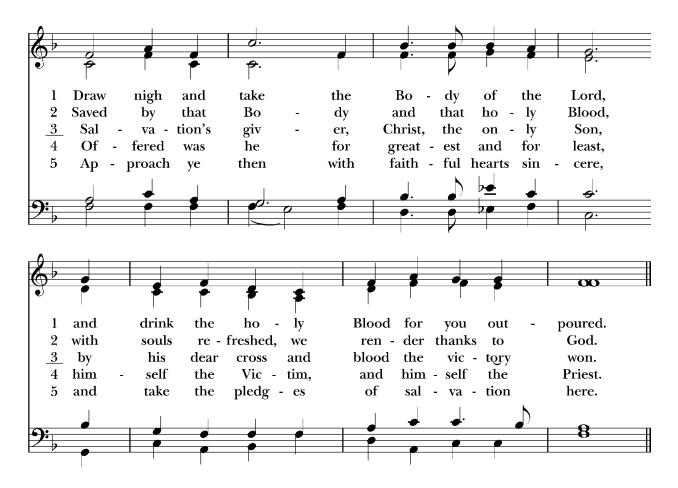
Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Instructions for Communion

All persons are welcome at the Lord's table; to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. To receive a blessing rather than the elements, cross your arms over your chest as you stand as you come forward. To receive communion please hold out your crossed hands, open palms up, for the bread, and then help guide the chalice to your lips to receive the wine; cross your arms over your chest if you do not wish to receive the wine. Please blot lipstick before drinking from the chalice. At this time wine will be consumed by drinking from the chalice; Intinction (the dipping of the consecrated bread into the chalice) is not encouraged but if needed the eucharistic minister will dip the host in the wine for you.

Intercessory Prayer and Anointing During Communion.

Members of the Healing Ministry will be available for private and confidential sharing of prayer needs in the side chapel to the left of the altar just after you receive Communion at the 10a.m.



- 6 He that his saints in this world rules and shields to all believers life eternal yields;
- 7 with heavenly bread he makes the hungry whole, gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
- 8 Alpha-Omega, unto whom shall bow all nations at the doom, is with us now.

GREAT SILENCE AFTER COMMUNION

We are invited to share the sounds of silence with one another. The quiet will begin and end with a bell after everyone has sung the post communion hymn. For all of us, young and otherwise, these simple moments of stillness are offered as a chance to find ourselves held in the timeless presence of God.

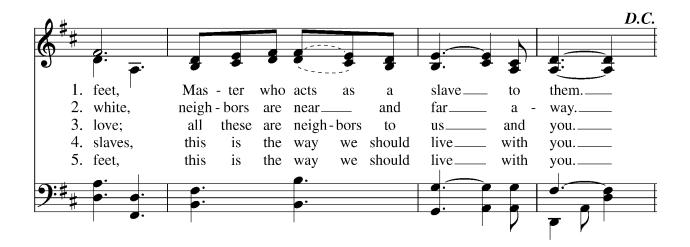
POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider: Let us pray.

All: Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING





THE DISMISSAL

Deacon/Presider: Let us go forth into all Creation, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

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Please Join us for Coffee Hour following this service in Lyle Hall

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