



St. Lawrence

Episcopal Church

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
HOLY EUCHARIST WITH BAPTISM
September 27, 2026 at 9 AM

Prelude

Trumpet Voluntary, Henry Heron

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn

The head that once was crowned with thorns

Hymnal 483

1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
2 The high - est place that heaven af - fords is his, is his by right,
3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low,
4 To them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given;
5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove,

1 a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
2 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's e - ter - nal Light;
3 to whom he man - i - fests his love and grants his name to know.
4 their name, an ev - er - last - ing name; their joy, the joy of heaven.
5 their prof - it and their joy to know the mys - tery of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,
though shame and death to him:
his people's hope, his people's wealth,
their everlasting theme.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
All **Glory to God forever and ever. Amen.**

Presider There is one Body and one Spirit;
All **There is one hope in God's call to us;**
Presider One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
All **One God and Father of all.**

Collect of the Day

Presider May God be with you.
All **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Please be seated.

First Reading

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Reader The word of the LORD came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25:1-8

Refrain



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- 1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

Refrain

- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.

Refrain

- 5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

Refrain

- 7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

Refrain

Reader

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
 did not regard equality with God
 as something to be exploited,
 but emptied himself,
 taking the form of a slave,
 being born in human likeness.
 And being found in human form,
 he humbled himself
 and became obedient to the point of death--
 even death on a cross.
 Therefore God also highly exalted him
 and gave him the name
 that is above every name,
 so that at the name of Jesus
 every knee should bend,
 in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
 and every tongue should confess
 that Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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

All

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

All children are invited to join the Gospel procession! Take an instrument from the basket and with joy & enthusiasm herald the proclamation of the Gospel!

Sequence Hymn

Zimbabwe Alleluia (sung before and after the Gospel)



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Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:23-32

Gospeler
All

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospeler

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

Gospeler
All

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

Homily

The Rev. Kristin Saylor

Procession to the font

Take, o take me as I am



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Presider The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Presentation of Candidate

Parents and Godparents

We present Archer Timothy to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Presider Will you be responsible for seeing that Archer is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Answer I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you by your prayers and witness help him to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Answer I will, with God's help.

Presider Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Presider Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Presider Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Presider Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Presider Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Presider Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

Presider Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Archer in his life in Christ?

All **We will.**

Presider Dear People of God: Our Lord Jesus Christ sealed the paschal mystery of his death and Resurrection in his ascension and gift of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost. That same Spirit continues to give birth to God's people by the waters of Baptism. I call upon you, therefore, to join with Archer who is now to receive the Holy Spirit in Baptism, and to renew your own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Presider Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All **I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers ?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
All **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
All **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
All **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
All **I will, with God's help.**

Prayers for the Candidate

Presider Let us now pray for Archer who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open his heart to your grace and truth.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.
All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever.
All **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

Presider The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

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

Presider We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

All To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Baptism

Presider Archer, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

Presider Archer, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

All **Amen.**

Presider Receive the light of Christ, a sign of the new life enkindled within you.

Presider Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

All **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

Return to the front and Asperges

Born, Reborn

Refrain



Born, re - born! Born, re - born! Formed, re - formed!



Souls with glad - ness now a - dorned! Born, re - born! Born, re - born!



Formed, re - formed! Praise our God for-ev - er - more!



1 Drown us. Drown us. Raise us. Raise us.
2 Name us. Name us. Heal us. Heal us.



Refrain

Mark us. Mark us. Claim us! Claim us!
Wash us. Wash us. Seal us! Seal us!

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

Offertory Anthem

At the Name of Jesus, Ralph Vaughan-Williams
(the congregation is invited to join in on the final verse, Hymnal 435, verse 6)

Eucharistic Prayer A



The musical notation is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff is for the Priest, with lyrics: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts." The second staff is for the Assembly, with lyrics: "We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God." The third staff is also for the Assembly, with lyrics: "It is right to give God thanks and praise."

Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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:

Sanctus



The musical notation is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The first staff begins with a 4-measure rest, followed by the lyrics: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,". The second staff has lyrics: "God of pow - er, God of might, heav - en and". The third staff has lyrics: "earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -". The fourth staff has lyrics: "san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is". The fifth staff has lyrics: "he who comes in the name of the Lord."



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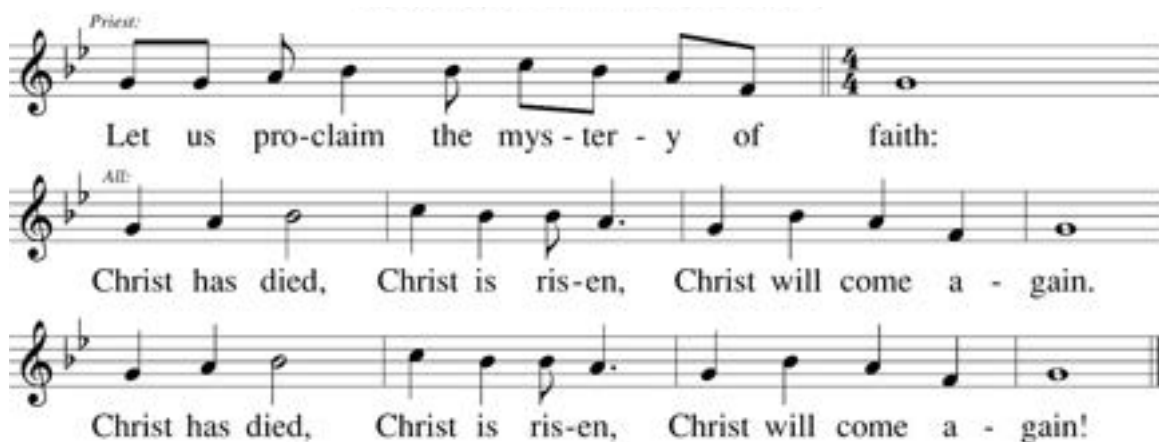
Presider Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the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

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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."

Memorial Acclamation

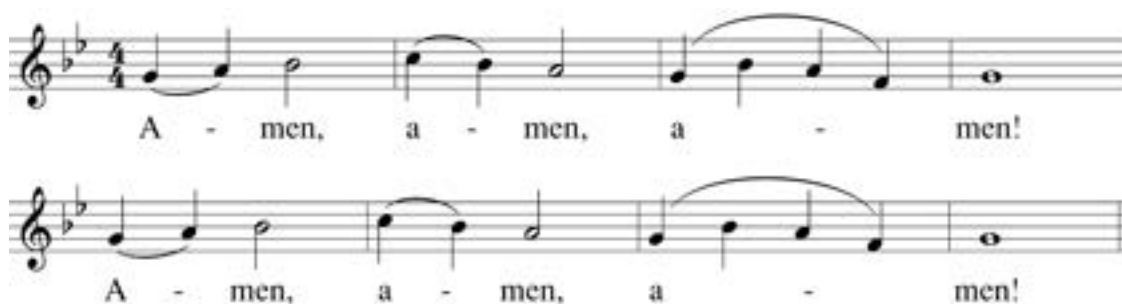


Presider

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Lawrence and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.



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The Lord's Prayer

Presider

As our Savior taught us, let us pray,

All

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

The musical score for the Fraction Anthem is written for a Cantor and an All. The Cantor part is in 3/4 time, and the All part is in 2/4 time. The lyrics are as follows:

Cantor:
1. Je-sus, Lamb of
2. Je-sus, Bread of
3. Je-sus, Prince of

All:
God,
Life,
Peace,
you take a-way the sins of the world: have

Last time
Cantor:
mer-cy on us. Je-sus, Lamb of God; you

All:
take a-way the sins of the world: grant us your peace.

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Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

Ushers will guide you to the front of the congregation, where you will have the option to receive regular or gluten-free bread.

We offer two options for receiving wine. If you wish to drink directly from the common cup, please proceed to the communion ministers holding chalices, directly next to the bread stations. If you wish to receive by intinction (dipping the bread into the wine), please proceed to the external communion stations, where you will find Eucharistic ministers holding intinction bowls.



1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the
 2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who
 3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me



gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's
 dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y
 glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -



splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der
 know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth;
 vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;



un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this
 at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me
 from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how

won-drous ban-quet found-ed- high o'er all the heavens he
be a fit par-ta-ker of this bless-ed food from
vast and deep its trea-sure; through the gifts thou here dost

reign-eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign-eth.
hea-ven, for our good, thy glo-ry, giv-en.
give me, as thy guest in heaven re-ceive me.

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The sending forth of Eucharistic Visitors

When Eucharistic Visitors are sent out the following words are used.

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

Postcommunion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

All 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

Descant

5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord.

1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine,
 2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;
 3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
 4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou
 5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord.

Je - sus Christ is Lord;

1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine,
 2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought;
 3 who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,
 4 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,
 5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord;

and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.

1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine.
 2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought.
 3 hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry.
 4 and given the Name to which all knees shall bow.
 5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.

Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

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Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Postlude on What a Friend I have in Jesus, Charles Ore

WELCOME!

New to St. Lawrence? Please complete the top part of the newcomers card found in the pews and either drop it in the collection plate or hand it to an usher.

If you need assistance with the Hearing Aid Loop, please see an usher.

Welcome to the **Soft Space!**

This special area is for children age 5 and under a cozy place to wiggle, wonder, and worship.
Here, little ones can experience our liturgy, worship, and communion
in a comfortable and engaging way.
Here, little ones can feel at home in God's presence just as they are!

Join us for coffee hour in the narthex immediately following the service.

Those attending a worship service at St. Lawrence are entering an area where photography, video, and audio recording may occur on behalf of St. Lawrence. Please be aware that these images may be used for promotional purposes, including on our website or social media, without obtaining express written permission.

Community Prayers

The Universal Church, its members and its mission; Commissions of the Diocese: Congregations Commission; Commission on Ministry; Antiracism Commission

Those who suffer and are in any trouble and those who have requested our prayers: Sherry, Joe, Celeste, Danny, Kristine, Valorie, Jane, Evelyn, Cara, Debi, Ellen, Fred, Jack, Betsy, Melanie, Fr. John, Carl, Steve, Jennie, Ryan Li, Sharon, Robin, Duke, Mike, Phyllis, Ruth, Teddy, Dirimar, Danielys, Wilquer, MJ, Richard, Willis family, Tim, Nancy, Tony, Jim, Nancy, Christy, Don,

We pray for those who are incarcerated, especially: Karlondo, Jermain, Christino, Maurice, Rickie, Apolinar

We pray for those preparing for marriage, especially: Allyson and Taylor, Ben and Alicia

We pray for those awaiting children, especially: Diana and Shane, Claire and Kyle, Molly and Kyle, Melody and Devon

We pray for those who have died, especially: Cassidy

We pray for those who have lost loved ones, especially: the Smith family, the Frank family

We pray for our beloved animal companions

We pray for peace and healing in our nation and the world

We pray that peace and justice may come soon in places of war and conflict, and for all whose life of service puts them at risk; and for all victims of religious, racial and gender oppression throughout the world.

If you have a loved one you would like mentioned in the Prayers of the People list, please write their first name on the clipboard located at the rear of the church. You may also visit www.stlawrencechurch.org and click on "worship" and look for "Online Prayer Group". Names are checked and updated weekly and refreshed every month.



Godly Play 2026!

After receiving the Eucharist, children are invited to go to their assigned classrooms according to age groups. Our dedicated Godly Play teachers are ready and excited to welcome them!

Note for Parents:

You are warmly invited to join us for Coffee Hour after the service while the children participate in Godly Play. Please pick up your children at **10:45 AM** from the Godly Play Room.

faith in action

SHARED CONVERSATION AND DISCERNMENT

Sunday, September 27:

Explore both the needs of the community and what gifts and passions we bring to the table. A listening session, designed to populate the map of what is possible

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY FORUMS FIRESIDE ROOM 10:15 AM

Sunday, October 18:

Betsy Barnett, the director of Hope Food Pantry will lead a discussion about the work that we are already doing in the community and discern whether we can deepen our existing work.

What are the points of intersection between the needs of our broader community and the gifts and capacity of St. Lawrence?



Coffee Hour is easy and fun to host!
Everything is stocked in the kitchen off the narthex.
For more information contact
Linda Bowers, lfbowers@comcast.net



ST LAWRENCE CHURCH

BOOK GROUP

Meets on the
second Monday of the month
in the Fireside Room
7 PM

For more information
st.lawrencechurch.org

EVERYONE IS WELCOME
OCTOBER 12, 2026
FOR A DISCUSSION OF

THE GREAT DIVIDE
BY
CHRISTINA HENIRQUEZ



**If you are able, please consider a
\$50 donation to the
Hope Food Pantry**

**More people than ever
are struggling to make ends meet**

**A \$50.00 DONATION WILL FEED
A FAMILY OF 4 A COMPLETE
TURKEY DINNER AT THANKSGIVING AND
A HAM DINNER AT CHRISTMAS!**

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**— ST LAWRENCE CHURCH —
AT STORYPOINT LIBERTYVILLE**

**Tuesday, October 13 at 2 PM
901 Florsheim Dr.
Libertyville**

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN!



OCTOBER 17
9 AM

Bring your gloves.



SAVE THE DATE **Fall Clean-up**

We will be cleaning and moving,
scraping and painting inside.

While cleaning up, raking leaves, and
prepping the beds, for the winter outside.

Come on out and help make our church
beautiful and ready for the winter.



**Acolyting is a wonderful way
to have an active role in worship**

Join us for training
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18
10:15 AM in the Sanctuary
Ages 8 and up
Kids and adults welcome!



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2026 Little Zippy 5k Fun Run

We honor Kyra Smith by carrying her spirit forward. Every step we take, every mile we run, and every dollar we raise helps support families facing childhood cancer and advances the search for better treatments and, ultimately, a cure for rare pediatric brain tumors.

Thank you for supporting this cause, and for helping us ensure that Kyra's legacy continues to make a difference in the lives of children and families everywhere. Now, let's get moving—for Kyra.

5K Fun Run
Sunday, October 4 9 AM
Old School Forest Preserve Shelter C



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Happening at STL (*see the entire calendar on the STL website, stlawrencechurch.org*)

Sunday, September 27 - Faith in Action Forum, Fireside Room, 10:15 AM

Thursday, October 1 - Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary, 7 PM

Saturday, October 3 - Seeking Sophia, Fireside, 9 AM

Friday, October 9 - Hope Food Pantry, Narthex, 5-6 PM

Saturday, October 10 - Hope Food Pantry, Narthex, 8 –10 AM

Sunday, October 11 - 2027 Stewardship Kick Off Sunday; Worship Committee Meeting, Fireside Room, 10:15 AM

Monday, October 12 - Church Offices Closed; STL Book Group, Fireside Room, 7 PM

Tuesday, October 13 - Service at StoryPoint, Libertyville, 2 PM

Saturday, October 17 - Parish Workday, Narthex, 9 AM; Seeking Sophia, Fireside Room, 9 AM

Sunday, October 18 - Acolyte Training, Sanctuary, 10:15 AM; Outreach Forum, Fireside Room, 10:15 AM

Tuesday, October 20 - Young Episcopal Seniors (YES) Group English Tea, Narthex, Noon



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