Harcourt Parish

Season after Pentecost
November 15, 2026



The Word of God

All stand in body or spirit

Processional Hymn *sung by all*
Now Thank We All Our God Blue Hymnal, **#397**

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirt.
People *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

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.

***Gloria*, S 280 (Blue Hymnal)** *sung by all*

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.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson Zephaniah 1:7,12-18

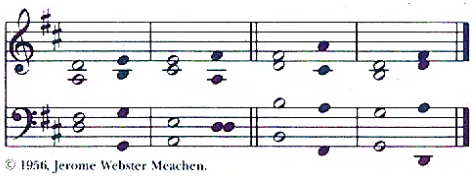
Be silent before the Lord God!
For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time, I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, “The Lord will not do good,
nor will he do harm.”

Their wealth shall be plundered,
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

***The Response*, S 415 (Blue Hymnal)**



Psalm is sung 2 verses by cantor then 2 verses by the people.

***The Psalm*, Psalm 90:1-12**

1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.
2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.

*3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."

4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday
*when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.
5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.
6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.

*7 For we consume away in your displeasure; **
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.
*8 Our iniquities you have set before you, **
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

9 When you are angry, all our days are gone; *
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
10 The span of our life is seventy years,
perhaps in strength even eighty; *
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow,
for they pass away quickly and we are gone.
*11 Who regards the power of your wrath? **
who rightly fears your indignation?
*12 So teach us to number our days **
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Second Lesson 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate

of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

Sequence Hymn
Eternal Ruler of the Ceaseless Round Blue Hymnal, **#617**

The Gospel Matthew 25:14-30
Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time, the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent

also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return, I would have received what was my own with interest. So, take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

All stand in body or spirit and say:

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

The Leader and People pray responsively

Intercessor In joy and hope, let us pray to the source of all life for the needs of the church and the world.
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for our spiritual leaders: Rachel, our priest and chaplain, and Anne, our bishop. In the diocesan cycle of prayer, we remember _____. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace, that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for all victims of war and violence, especially Ukraine, Russia, Lebanon, and Iran. We continue to pray for Palestinians in Gaza and the West Bank and the people of Israel. May there be a just resolution and true peace for all those in the Holy Land. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us, especially the individuals and organizations we support, Interchurch Social Services, the Immigrant Worker Project, and _____. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. We remember especially those names offered up by our congregation _____.
Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled. We pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom, especially _____. Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.
The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Confession of Sin
Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. S*ilence*

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
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*
The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements may be shared at this time.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Lord, for Thy Tender Mercy's Sake -John Hilton

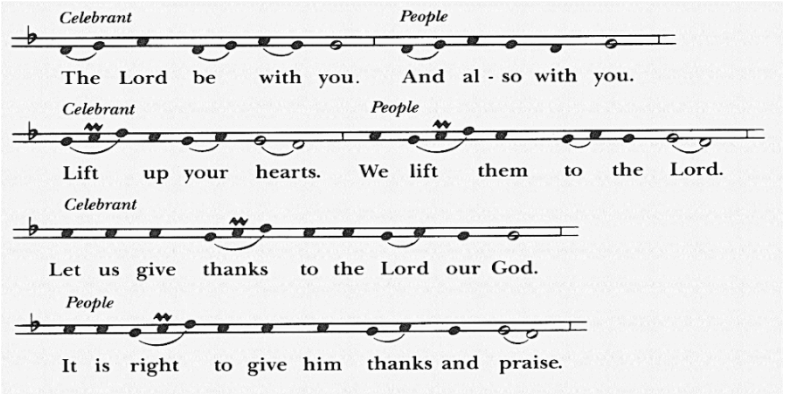
Ushers collect monetary offerings, and the bread and wine are brought forward.

Presentation Hymn

All stand in body or spirit and sing

For the Fruit of All Creation Blue Hymnal, **#424**

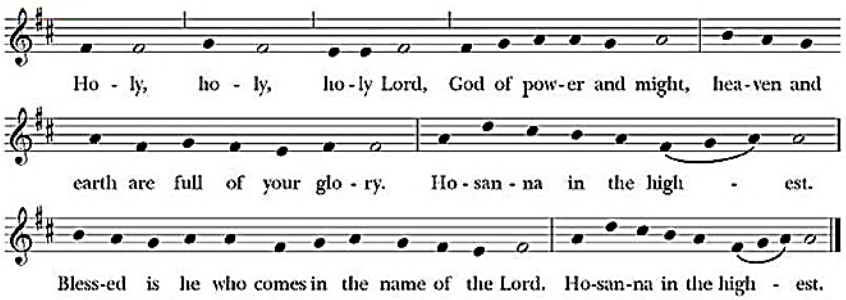
Sursum Corda, S 120 (Blue Hymnal)



Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you… Who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus, S 124 (Blue Hymnal)

sung by all



Celebrant Holy and gracious Father… Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Celebrant and People *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption… And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

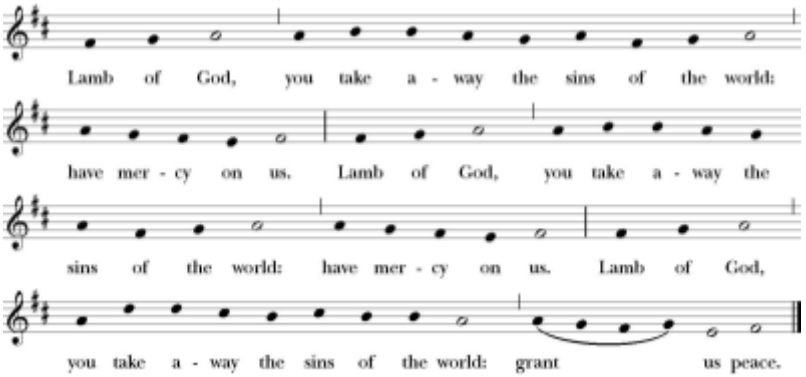
People and Celebrant *Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from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

The Breaking of the Bread

C*elebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People *Therefore, let us keep the feast.*

Anthem, S 161 (Blue Hymnal)

sung by all



The Invitation to Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.
At the time of Communion, all people are called to Christ's Holy Table to receive the bread of the Eucharist or to receive a blessing.

Those not receiving the bread may indicate so by crossing the arms over the chest. Alert an usher to be served in your pew.

Communion Hymn *sung by all*
Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God Blue Hymnal, **#711**

Post Communion Prayer
Celebrant Let us pray.
Celebrant and People *Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Blessing

Recessional Hymn *All stand in body or spirit*
Christ for the World We Sing Blue Hymnal, **#537**

Dismissal
Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

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Please join us for coffee hour in the crossing
to greet one another

Harcourt Parish, a historic Episcopal congregation, is a prayerful, thoughtful, serving community. We worship in the Church of the Holy Spirit, the chapel of Kenyon College. Fed here by Word and Sacrament, we go out—some to the college, some to the village and county, some to the larger Church and world— as heralds of Christ's peace and love. We joyfully practice the Episcopal Church's Baptismal Covenant which calls us to "respect the dignity of every human being." Seeker or believer or both or neither, from the Kenyon Community or beyond, straight or LGBTQ+, single or partnered, married or divorced, progressive or conservative or apolitical, of any ability, of any racial or ethnic or national identity–you are welcomed as part of God's diverse creation.

A note about language: Whenever Israel is referenced in scripture, music, or liturgy, it is important to distinguish Israel as the People of God from the modern State of Israel.

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