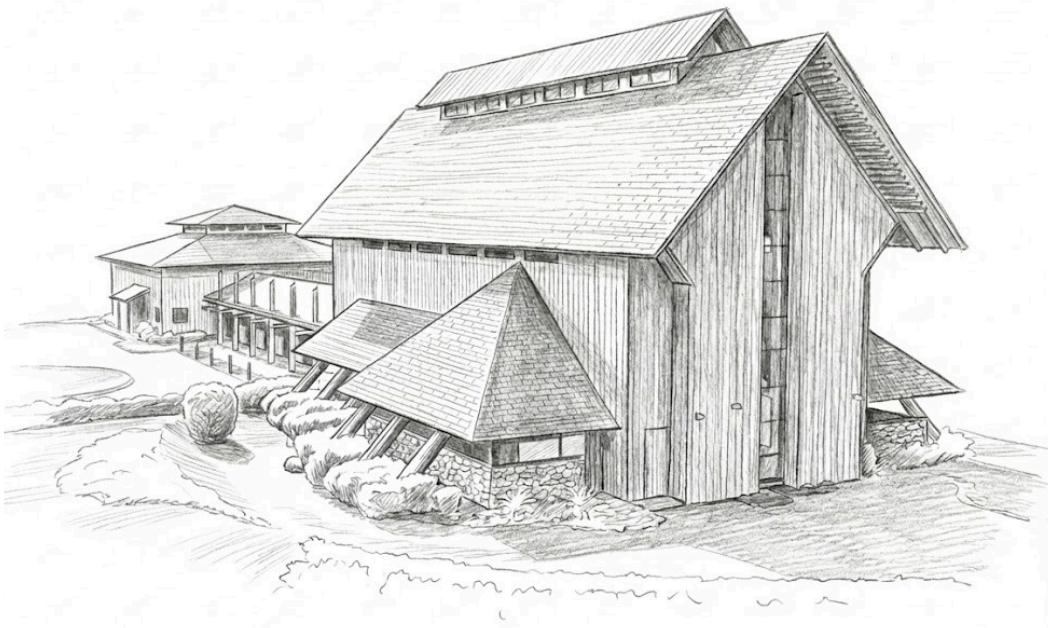


EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
OF THE  
HOLY FAMILY



THE 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER  
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II  
10:30 AM, MAY 3, 2026



## A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

*We're glad you are here! If you have questions about Holy Family, please speak to an usher, a clergy person, or the person giving the announcements – they will be glad to help. If you will register in the Guest Book in the gallery or, alternately, fill out one of the Guest Cards located on the back of the second pew chair from the center aisle and place it in the offering plate, that will give us an opportunity to know you better. Please join us in the Parish Hall at the other end of the building for refreshments after the service.*

# The Word of God

## PRELUDE

### ENTRANCE HYMN 1

*All stand*

CHRISTIE SANCTORUM

1 Father, we praise thee, now the night is over,  
active and watchful, stand we all before thee;  
singing we offer prayer and meditation:  
thus we adore thee.

2 Monarch of all things, fit us for thy mansions;  
banish our weakness, health and wholeness sending;  
bring us to heaven, where thy saints united  
joy without ending.

3 All-holy Father, Son, and equal Spirit,  
Trinity blessed, send us thy salvation;  
thine is the glory, gleaming and resounding  
through all creation.

### EASTER ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

### 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 IN EXCELSIS S 280

Powell

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 God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING: Acts 7:55-60

*All seated*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16. *Sung responsively between Choir and Congregation*



In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be | put to shame;  
**deliver me | in your righteousness.**

Incline your | ear to me;  
**make | haste to deliver me.**

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag | and my stronghold;  
**for the sake of your Name, lead | me and guide me.**

Take me out of the net that they have se- | cretly set for me,  
**for you are my | tower of strength.**

Into your hands I com- | mend my spirit,  
**for you have redeemed me, O LORD, O | God of truth.**

My times | are in your hand;  
**rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from | those who persecute me.**

Make your face to shine up- | on your servant,  
**and in your loving- | kindness save me.**

## SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:2-10

A Reading from the First letter of Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner", and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### SEQUENCE HYMN 243

*All stand*

SALVATION

1 When Stephen, full of power and grace,  
went forth throughout the land,  
he bore no shield before his face,  
no weapon in his hand;  
but only in his heart a flame  
and on his lips a sword  
wherewith he smote and overcame  
the foemen of the Lord.

3 When Stephen, young and doomed to die,  
fell crushed beneath the stones,  
he had no curse nor vengeful cry  
for those who broke his bones;  
but only in his heart a flame  
and on his lips a prayer  
that God, in sweet forgiveness' name,  
should understand and spare.

2 When Stephen preached against the laws  
and by those laws was tried,  
he had no friend to plead his cause,  
no spokesman at his side;  
but only in his heart a flame  
and on his eyes a light  
wherewith God's daybreak to proclaim  
and rend the veils of night.

4 Let me, O Lord, thy cause defend,  
a knight without a sword;  
no shield I ask, no faithful friend,  
no vengeance, no reward;  
but only in my heart a flame  
and in my soul a dream,  
so that the stones of earthly shame  
a jeweled crown may seem.

### GOSPEL: John 14:1-14

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## THE SERMON

*The People are seated at the direction of the Preacher.*

The Rev. Mark Winward

## THE CREED

*All stand.*

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**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *All remain standing or kneel.*

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Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons including Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Rob our own Bishop, and Mark our Rector;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, including our President Donald and our Governor Brian;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; especially CARES, Good Samaritan, ACES, Angels on Horseback, Boys and Girls Club, the Weekend Snack Program, Arrendale Women's Prison Ministries, Habitat for Humanity, Serve Pickens, The Community Thrift Store, Cheryl's Place and all other agencies

supported by our parish. Guide and support our mission with the LAMB Institute in Honduras, our mission with St. Mark's School in Haiti and the relationships with our companion diocese of Cape Coast, Ghana and our partner parish, St. James the Apostle, Elmina. For all of the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad and all those who place themselves in harm's way for our sake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble including those who are in need of prayer: Christopher Garner, Jennifer Welder, Deb Freebury, Mark Ramlow, those on our long-term prayer list found on the back of the service leaflet, and those that we name either silently or aloud.

*Names may be added aloud.*

Pray for those in any grief or trouble.

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest.

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The Celebrant adds the concluding Collect.*

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

**CONFESSION OF SIN**

*All remain standing or kneeling.*

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*Minister* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**THE PEACE**

*All stand.*

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

*People* **And also with you.** *The People may greet each other in the name of the Lord, and are then seated.*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Your gifts support the life and ministry of Holy Family. Online giving is available by scanning this QR code.*



# The Holy Communion

*All baptized Christians, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive Communion at Holy Family. Communion is offered at the altar rail and may also be brought to anyone in the pews unable to move to the altar rail. Alternatively to drinking from the common cup you may 1) receive only the bread, or 2) dip the wafer in the wine before consuming it (intinction). Gluten-free wafers and wine-infused wafers are available at the altar rail upon request.*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Come, my way, my truth, my life:  
such a way as gives us breath;  
such a truth as ends all strife;  
such a life as killeth death.

Come, my light, my feast, my strength:  
such a light as shows a feast;  
such a feast as mends in length;  
such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my joy, my love, my heart:  
such a joy as none can move;  
such a love as none can part;  
such a heart as joys in love.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## SANCTUS S 125

PROULX

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

## FRACTION ANTHEM

*Alleluia. Christ our Passover*

Susan Calvin Fletcher

A - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us

keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*The Celebrant says the following Invitation*

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.

## COMMUNION HYMN 464

NEW DANCE

He is the Way.  
 Follow Him through the Land of Unlikeness;  
 You will see rare beasts,  
 and have unique adventures.

He is the Truth.  
 Seek Him in the Kingdom of Anxiety;  
 You will come to a great city  
 that has expected your return for years.

He is the Life.  
 Love Him in the World of the Flesh;  
 And at your marriage all its occasions  
 shall dance for joy.

## SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

In the name of the congregation of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Family, I send you forth bearing these gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*All stand or kneel to pray.*

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Let us pray.

**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

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The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN 525 *Stanzas 1-2, 4-5 All stand.*

AURELIA

1 The Church's one foundation  
 is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
 she is his new creation  
 by water and the word:  
 from heaven he came and sought her  
 to be his holy bride;  
 with his own blood he bought her,  
 and for her life he died.

4 Mid toil and tribulation,  
 and tumult of her war  
 she waits the consummation  
 of peace for evermore;  
 till with the vision glorious  
 her longing eyes are blessed,  
 and the great Church victorious  
 shall be the Church at rest.

2 Elect from every nation,  
 yet one o'er all the earth,  
 her charter of salvation,  
 one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
 one holy Name she blesses,  
 partakes one holy food,  
 and to one hope she presses,  
 with every grace endued.

5 Yet she on earth hath union  
 with God, the Three in One,  
 and mystic sweet communion  
 with those whose rest is won.  
 O happy ones and holy!  
 Lord, give us grace that we  
 like them, the meek and lowly,  
 on high may dwell with thee.

## DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Nancy Fausson\*, Diane Douglas\*, Becky Jacobs, Larry Jones\*, Ann Hilpert, Derek Allen, Barbara Jones Black, Winship Durrett\*, Ted Hackett\*, Kim Winters, Janet L'Abbe, Mariellen Schultz\*, Paul Smith, Jamie Quinn\*, Sally Smith, Pam and Kirk Kondos\*, Matt Porter, Joyce Dewey\*, Ed Dewey\*, Corby Johnson Martin, Ellen Lloyd\*, Todd Nicholson, Mary Porter\*, David Vezzetti, Megan Elizabeth Hill, Teonila Arde Patel, Suzanne Quin Fojas, Mary Campbell Stromire, Hope Schultz, Ashley Waller, Liz, Bill Davis, Jaime, Sue Watters, Iris Harris, Wayne Mulkey, Megan Kendall, Bowman Crum\*, Glenna Stone\*, Tom Ciomek, Allison Sherrer Falinski, Lou Ellen Gibson\*, Lee Buffalo\*, Wayne Fausson, Shannon O'Keefe

\*parishioners

## MEMBERS' LOVED ONES SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Jaret Bosarge, US Military Academy

Jacob Price, US Navy

Jack Resetar, US Military Academy

Grace Resetar, US Army

Christopher Weaver, US Army

Joel Winters, US Army

Kevin Caney, US Navy

Brendan Zavesky, US Air Force

Jennie Sibley Sheffield, US Air Force

Taylor Everidge, US Navy

Mark Tootle, US Army

David Rudiger, US Army

James Tindall, US Army

Zachary Mauriello, National Guard

Joshua Mauriello, National Guard

Sean Duda, Space Force

Jameson Bragg, US Army

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Carolyn & Phil Anderson

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Coty Tootle

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Anne & Byron Tindall

David & Kimberly Mauriello

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Bob & Kathy Duda

Jeanette & Lee Buffalo

**UNRESTRICTED GIVING FOR MARCH 2026**

Anticipated Contributions for March	\$48,000
Actual Contributions for March	\$47,878
Budgeted Contributions January-March	\$144,000
Actual Contributions January-March	\$137,897

**EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY**

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**The Rev. Katharine Armentrout, Deacon**

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**Christie Beiring, Parish Administrator**

**Jacques LeBlanc, Sexton**

**Jim Braley, Head Verger**

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his love for us through our service to others*

**Mission:** *Creating Christian community: serving and engaging  
people in vibrant ministries*