

Welcome home to St. Mary's Episcopal Church

"To build up one another in Christ."

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Leanne Beaumont, Rector

October 25, 2026

9 a.m. & 11a.m.



The Word of the Lord.

Processional Hymn ***Fairest Lord Jesus*** *(Hymn 383)* *St. Elizabeth*

Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *Book of Common Prayer, pg. 355*
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

All
The Collect for Purity
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

All
Gloria *S280*

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
Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 *Lector*: *A reading from the book of Leviticus.*
Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1 *Lector: The psalm will be sung responsively by half verse, lead by the choir.*

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed..

The Epistle 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 *Lector: A reading from the first Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.*
You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn ***Blessed the Lord, my soul*** *Jacques Berthier*
Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:15-22

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

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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

Sermon The Rev. Leanne Beaumont

The people are invited to observe a moment of reflection.

The Nicene Creed *Book of Common Prayer, pg. 358*

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, t
rue 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 & 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 word 'catholic' means universal or world-wide.*

Celebrant
Heavenly Father, hold the prayers that we speak and the prayers of our hearts tenderly in your care, we pray .
Amen.

Prayers of the People—Form III *Book of Common Prayer 387*
Stand or kneel as you are able.

Father, we pray for your holy catholic church;
That we all may be one.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Luke's, Mobile, that every member of the Church and ministries may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, deacons, and lay ministers.
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;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for those on our prayer list; for those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

Celebrant
Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin *Book of Common Prayer, pg., 360*

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **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

The Peace of God be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

All are invited to come forward to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive is invited to kneel at the rail, cross their arms over their chest to receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to you or someone in the pews, please notify the ushers. All are welcome.

Holy Communion

Offertory *Scan this QR code as an additional way to give to St. Mary's.*

Offertory Anthem ***Thy Word*** *Amy Grant & Michael W. Smith*

St. Mary's Choir

Doxology *Old 100*

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

The Great Thanksgiving—Eucharist Prayer A *Book of Common Prayer, pg. 361*

The people remain standing.

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus *S129*

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

Please stand or knee as able.

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues
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 pray;

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 *Book of Common Prayer, pg. 364*

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Hymn: ***Take, O take me as I am*** *John L. Bell*

Take, O take me as I am; Summon out what I shall be.
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me. *(3x)*

Celebrant
The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymns ***Let us break bread together*** *(Hymn 325)* *African-American Spiritual*

I am the Bread of Life *(Hymn 335)* *Suzanne Toolan*

Post-Communion Prayer

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

Hymn in Procession into the world ***Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*** *(Hymn 460)* *Hyfrydol*

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

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Announcements

Vestry will meet October 27, 5:30pm, in the rectory.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS AT ST. MARY'S

TUESDAYS **Food Pantry Volunteer time—9am—**join us in the Parish Hall as we gather to help unload, sort & bag food in preparation for the Wednesday distribution. Thank you!

WEDNESDAYS **St. Mary's Food Pantry—** the food distribution is every Wednesday, from 8am to 9am for the community drive-thru. Volunteering is a blessing & needed on distribution day at 7am. Volunteers are welcome Monday & Tuesday at 9am. Please contact the office. 850-623-2905.



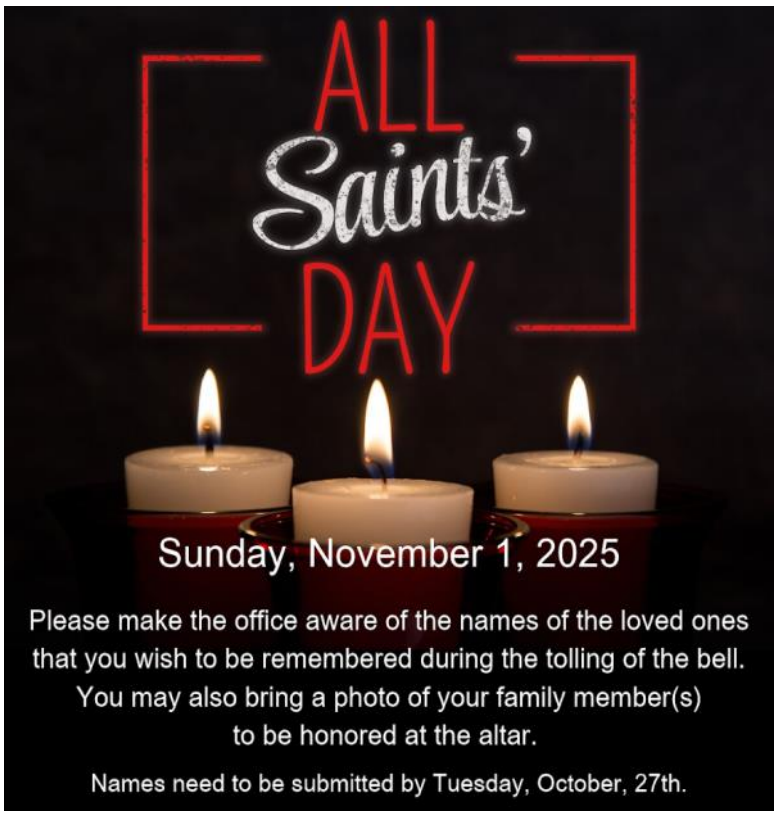
Resumes Weds. October 28th! All are welcome.





St. Mary's Annual Parish Meeting—January 17, 11am.










Youth Group News
Youth Group Will Resume November 4th


Vestry Meeting
Tuesday, October 27th @ 5:30pm
in the Rectory


FALL BACK
November 1st
Don't forget to set your clock back one hour!


Let's Celebrate
Happy Birthday
10/27 Maureen O'Donnell
10/28 Nick Campo
10/28 Faith O'Gara
10/29 Lucy Rookey
10/31 Wesley McCray
HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
Happy Anniversary
No anniversaries this week.

Sunday Ministers in Service.

October 25, 10am service—11am Lunch—All are welcome!
Eucharistic Minister: Heather Milliron
Acolytes: Liam & Angel Zandikarimi
Lector: Wesley McCray
Intercessor: Daniel Savage
Ushers: Cliff Emerson/Vicki Whitfield

November 1, 10am service—All Saints Sunday
Eucharistic Minister: Wayne Keen
Acolytes: Neil Rowe & Ann Cole
Lector: Jack Bilbo
Intercessor: Adam Willis-Meche
Ushers: Melodie Rowland & Maureen O'Donnell

November 8, 10am service
Eucharistic Minister: Candy McGuyre
Acolytes: Julie Hotmer-Drao & Liam Zandikarimi
Lector: Wayne Keen
Intercessor: Angel Zandikarimi
Ushers: Charles & Adam Willis-Meche

Rector: The Rev. Leanne Beaumont—prieststmarys@gmail.com
Vestry Sr. Warden: Heather Lindsay—dragonflypuma@gmail.com
Vestry Jr. Warden: Joel Hamilton—jhamilton237@gmail.com
Organist: Carol Culton *Choir:* Mary Starr, Mark Starr, Heather Lindsay, Susan Bilbo, Jack Bilbo, Rudman Stevens, Alice Grillo, Jennifer Reeves, Jean Gillis, Cheryl McCray, Marguerite Murray
Guitar: Jim Beaumont, Jean Gillis, Mark Starr *Flute:* Jennifer Reeves

**Lift Every Voice and Sing* (LEVAS), one of two supplemental hymnals of the Episcopal Church.
**Songs for the People of God* (SFPOG), a popular supplemental hymnal used in many churches.
**With One Voice (WOV),* supplemental hymnal of the Lutheran church.

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Worship with us every Sunday at 10am.

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The Rt. Rev, Russell Kendrick, Bishop

Prayer Requests

Family
Beth & Emma Reeves
Brenda Rigdon
Carol Culton
Carol Stewart
Charlie
Christina McNeil
David Manassa
Deanna H.
Harold Whalen
Jim & Julia Longshore
Jesse & Jennifer Reeves
Jim Johnson
Jim Tucker
Ken & Kristi Odom
Kolby & Brittany Odom
Lorraine Whalen
Mandie
Mary & Eric Benson
Melissa Rowland
Merrill Keen
Pam White
Phillip Odom
Robert Lenzo
Sam Klauss
Susan Armstrong
Sylvia Stern
Ted & Mary Peaden
Teddy Taylor

Our Friends
Lauren Drake
Liz Ohlhorst
Mariah Shontz
Maryann Hoopingarner
Rachel Kaiser

Military
Bradley James
Cade Campbell
Colin Cline
Gabriel Bustillo
Caleb Parks
Edward Estrada
Fischer Morgan Lay Gage
Kevin Murphy
Lena Ryan
Leo
Lou Andrade
Joshua Krause
Nick Rinaire
Phillip Holmes
Taylor Emerson
Tyler Hart
Tom Ryan

For victims of crime and violence throughout the world.

For inmates, officers and their families at Butler County Correctional, Greenville, Alabama.