

Welcome home to St. Mary's Episcopal Church

"To build up one another in Christ."

The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Leanne Beaumont, Rector

November 8, 2026

10:00 am



Prelude *Christian Klauss, viola*

The Word of the Lord.

Processional Hymn ***My country 'tis of thee*** *(Hymn 717)* *America*

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.

Gloria *S280*

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

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

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20 *Lector*: *A reading from the Wisdom of Solomon.*
The beginning of wisdom is the most sincere desire for instruction, and concern for instruction is love of her, and love of her is the keeping of her laws, and giving heed to her laws is assurance of immortality, and immortality brings one near to God; so the desire for wisdom leads to a kingdom.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 70 *Lector: The psalm will be sung responsively by half verse, lead by the choir.*

1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; *
O Lord, make haste to help me.

2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed and altogether dismayed; *
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.

3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, *
because they are ashamed.

4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; *
let those who love your salvation say for ever, "Great is the Lord!"

5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; *
come to me speedily, O God.

6 You are my helper and my deliverer; *
O Lord, do not tarry.

The Epistle 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 *Lector: A reading from the first Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.*

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn ***Rejoice! Rejoice, believers*** *(Hymn 68, 1,2)* *Llangoffan*

Rejoice! rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear!
The evening is advancing, and darker night is near.
The Bridegroom is arising, and soon he will draw nigh.
Up, watch in expectation! at midnight comes the cry.

See that your lamps are burning, replenish them with oil.
Look now for your salvation, the end of sin and toil.
The marriage feast is waiting, the gates wide open stand.
Rise up, ye heirs of glory, the Bridegroom is at hand!

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:1-13

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

Jesus said, “Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

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. Paul'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 ***Christ be our light*** *Bernadette Farrell*

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 Hymn ***You satisfy the hungry heart*** *(The gifts of finest wheat)* *Robert E. Kreuts*

Refrain: You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat.
Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
So when you call your fam'ly, Lord, we follow and rejoice. (Refrain)

With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude,
That you should count us worthy, Lord, to share this heav'nly food. (Refrain)

Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out-poured?
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare our oneness in the Lord? (Refrain)

You give yourself to us, O Lord, then selfless let us be,
To serve each other in your name in truth and charity.

Communion Hymn ***Turn your eyes upon Jesus*** *(Hymn 335)* *Helen Lemmel*

Turn your eyes upon Jesus; look full in his wonderful face;
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.

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 ***I heard the voice of Jesus*** *Kingsfold, with new lyrics, Michael Kravchuck*

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest,
Lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn and sad.
I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light.
Look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll wait till trav'ling days are done.

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

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.





Feeding the 5,000

In the spirit of Thanksgiving,
during November, we will collect the following food items for our patrons:

- Boxed mashed potatoes
- Stuffing mix in a box
- Cream of mushroom soup
- Canned ham
- Cans of gravy
- Corn bread mix
- Crispy Fried onions
- Canned sweet potatoes

Your donations are deeply appreciated.

Please join us as we give

thanks

at our
THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE

Wednesday,
November 25th
at noon
in Parish Hall

Everyone is welcome!



Breakfast is now 11:00am *Brunch!*

Starting in December we will resume the rotation of the Sunday morning Brunch providers.

December 6th	–	Men's Group
December 13th	–	ECW
December 20th	–	Potluck
December 27th	–	DOK & Vestry

We hope you will stay after worship and join us.

Everyone is welcome!





Stewardship at St. Mary's

We wish to thank all of you who have turned your 2027 pledges in to the office. We sincerely appreciate your support of St. Mary's.

As a gentle reminder, you are invited to turn in your pledge cards this fall as you are able. We will celebrate Pledge Sunday on Sunday, January 17th, followed by our Annual Church Business Meeting on Sunday, January 24th, 2027.

We continue to hold all of you, and our dear St. Mary's, in our prayers as we recover and restore after Hurricane Isaias.
God bless you, and God bless St. Mary's.





Veteran's Day—Wednesday, Nov. 11, the office will be closed in recognition of Veteran's Day. Centering Prayer, Bible Study and Noon Worship, and Youth Group will not meet.





Sunday Ministers in Service.

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

November 22, 10am service
Eucharistic Minister: Ann Cole Acolytes: Wayne Keen/Angel Zandikarimi
Lector: Alice Grillo Intercessor: Marguerite Murray Ushers: Dustin & DJ Long (Cliff Emerson)

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.
Live stream/video: Liko Entertainment Technologies

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Worship with us every Sunday at 10am
and Wednesday at Noon.

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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

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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 Mobile County Metro Jail, Mobile, Alabama.