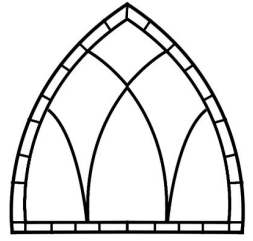


# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER Shelby, NC



Sunday, September 8th, 2024: Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## WELCOME

*We use two books during services. The Book of Common Prayer (red) and the Hymnal (blue). The Hymnal is in two parts. The first hymns (service music) begin with the letter S followed by numbers. Standard hymns are second and listed only by numbers.*

Opening Voluntary

Processional Hymn

*Praise to the Living*

Hymnal 372

The Word of God

Opening Prayers

BCP p. 355

Gloria in Excelsis

Hymnal S236 or see insert

The Collect

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.

*Please sit*

**First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a**

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water;

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks Be to God**



## Psalm 146

*(Italics: repeat 2nd half of melody)*

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my / soul! \*

I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my / being.

2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of / earth, \*  
for there is no help in / them.

3 When they breathe their last, they return to / earth, \*  
and in that day their thoughts / perish.

4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their / help! \*  
whose hope is in the Lord their / God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is / in them; \*  
who keeps his promise for / ever;

6 Who gives justice to those who are op -/pressed, \*  
and food to those who / hunger.

7 The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the / blind; \*  
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed / down;

8 The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the / stranger; \*  
he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the / wicked.

9 The Lord shall reign for / ever, \*  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Halle-/lujah!

## Second Reading: James 2:1-10, [11-13], 14-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

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**(continued: Second Reading: James 2:1-10, [11-13], 14-17)**

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.[ For the one who said, “You shall not commit adultery,” also said, “You shall not murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.]

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks Be to God**

**Sequence Hymn**

*On this Day*

**Hymnal 47**

**The Gospel Reading: Mark 7:24-37**

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

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

**Nicene Creed**

**BCP p. 358**

**Prayers of the People**

Creationtide

**See insert**

**The Confession**

**BCP p. 360**

**The Peace**

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

**And also with you**

**Offertory Hymn**

*God it was*

**Presentation Hymn**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow*

**Hymnal 380 vs 3**

## **The Holy Communion**

*Please come forward to the Altar Rail. You may choose to come to the Pulpit side of the rail and sip from the chalice, or to the lectern side and your bread will be dipped for you. If you need gluten free, please tell us when you come up. Our wine contains alcohol; if you do not want any, please just cross your arms across your chest before the chalice gets to you.*

**Eucharistic Prayer B**

**BCP p. 367**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP p. 364 or see insert**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

**Communion Meditation**

**Sanctus et Benedictus**

**Hymnal S130 or see insert**

**Post Communion Prayer**

**BCP p. 365**

**Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn**

*Tell Out my Soul*

**Hymnal 437**

**Closing Voluntary**

**Please join us for coffee after the service!**

### **Servers: Sept 8**

#### **Ushers**

Angie France Leader  
David Chadwick  
Reynold Chadwick  
Judy Hopkins

#### **1st Reading**

Mary Howe

#### **2nd Reading**

Mark Howe

#### **1st Chalice**

Donna Logan

#### **2nd Chalice**

Becca Causby

#### **Crucifer**

Donna Logan

#### **Altar Guild**

Martha Moore