

St. Elisabeth's Episcopal Church

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

June 9, 2024 10:00 AM

Welcome to Saint Elisabeth's. We are delighted to have you with us this today.



Cara B. Hochhalter, 2019

This faith community invites all persons to all levels of participation, leadership and decision-making within the church regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, socioeconomic and marital status. We seek to establish meaningful connections with one another through work and play and worship as we strive to understand God's purpose for us in the church and in the world.

Ordinary Time: Creation

The Season after Pentecost is not actually a season with a single common focus, but is simply the weeks between the Day of Pentecost and the First Sunday of Advent. It is often called "Ordinary Time." These weeks hold both the slower pace and peaceful quality of summer months and the quicker pace and flurry of activity in the early fall. These are our "ordinary" days, in which we live the Christian faith in our daily lives.

During these weeks, as the liturgical scholar Leonel Mitchell puts it, we celebrate "the time in which we actually live — the period between the Pentecost and the Second Advent." Two thousand years after the first Pentecost, the church still lives in this "in between" time before the fulfillment of time in Christ's second coming. You might also hear these weeks called "the long, green season," referring both to the green color of the vestments and altar hangings for these weeks as well as to the summertime of year in which many of the weeks fall in the northern hemisphere.

After Pentecost we settle into the growing season, nourishing the seeds planted at Easter and putting down roots in our faith.

From Daily Prayer for All Seasons

Entering in

God is the newest thing there is, the youngest thing there is. God is the beginning and if we are united to God we become new again.

Meister Eckhart 1260-1328

Practice (Orthopraxy)

Mary sang, "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my savior" expressing the new thing in her. What song would you sing today to express such newness in you?

Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Please stand, as you are able, and join in singing.

Opening Hymn

Hymnal 438

"Tell out, my soul"

Woodlands

(Music on the next page)



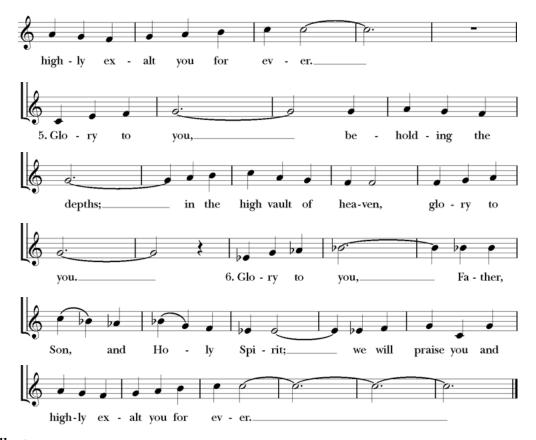
Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

Assembly Amen.

Song of Praise





Collect

Presider God be with you.

Assembly And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Our God in heaven, by your grace the virgin mother of your incarnate Son was blessed in bearing him, but still more blessed in keeping your word: Grant us who honor the exaltation of her lowliness to follow the example of her devotion to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Assembly Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

First Reading 1 Samuel 2:1-10

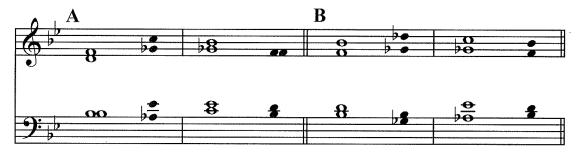
A Reading from the First Book of Samuel.

Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the Lord; my strength is exalted in my God. There is no Holy One like the Lord, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God. Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed. The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength. Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil. The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn. The Lord kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up. The Lord makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts. He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor. For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and on them he has set the world. He will guard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness; for not by might does one prevail. The Lord! His adversaries shall be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven. The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king, and exalt the power of his anointed."

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

Assembly Thanks be to God.

Psalm Canticle 15



Assembly

A My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my <u>Savior</u>; * for he has looked with favor on his lowly <u>servant</u>.

- B From this day all generations will call me <u>blessed:</u> * the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his <u>Name</u>.
- A He has mercy on those who <u>fear him</u> * in every gene<u>ration</u>.
- B He has shown the strength of his <u>arm, *</u> he has scattered the proud in their <u>conceit</u>.
- A He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, * and has lifted up the lowly.
- B He has filled the hungry with good <u>things</u>, * and the rich he has sent away <u>empty</u>.
- A He has come to the help of his servant <u>Israel</u>, * for he has remembered his promise of <u>mercy</u>,
- B The promise he made to our <u>fathers</u>, * to Abraham and his children for ever.
- B Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Reading

Romans 12:9-16b

A Reading from the second letter of Paul to the Romans.

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke" —we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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Please stand as you are able.

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Gospel Acclamation





All face the Gospel Book.

Gospel Luke 1:39-57

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Assembly Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever." And Mary remained with her about three months and then returned to her home. Now the time came for Elizabeth to give birth, and she bore a son.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

Assembly Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Adam Spencer

A period of silence follows. Please stand as you are able for the creed and prayers.

Creed

"We Believe in God Almighty"

Aldrich/Spencer

Please stand as you are able.



Prayers of the People

Common Worship, adapted

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the

Father. Hear our prayers, O Lord our God.

Assembly Hear us, O God.

Intercessor Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it

that unity which is your will.

Assembly Hear us, O God.

Enlighten Paula our bishop, all Deputies and Bishops of the General Intercessor

Convention of the Episcopal Church, and all your ministers with

knowledge and understanding, that by their teaching and their lives they

may proclaim your word.

Assembly Hear us, O God.

Intercessor Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice.

Assembly Hear us, O God.

Intercessor Guard and strengthen your servant Joseph our President, that he may put

his trust in you, and seek your honor and glory.

Assembly Hear us, O God.

Endue the Congress of the United States and all who serve in public office Intercessor

with wisdom and understanding.

Hear us, O God. Assembly

Intercessor Bless those who administer the law, that they may uphold justice, honesty,

and truth.

Hear us, O God. Assembly

Intercessor Give us the will to use the fruits of the earth to your glory, and for the

good of all creation.

Assembly Hear us, O God.

Intercessor Help and comfort the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed

Lord, have mercy. Assembly

Keep in safety those who travel, and all who are in danger. Intercessor

Assembly Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor Heal the sick in body and mind, and provide for the homeless, the hungry,

and the destitute. We pray for the special needs and concerns of this

congregation, especially:

Susan Chadd

Benjamin Whipple and family

Daranee Teapthong <u>Izzy</u> Thompson

Peg Williams, friend of Larry Handwerk The people of Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine are there others?... (Silence)

Let us pray.

Assembly Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor Show your pity on prisoners and refugees, and all who are in trouble.

Assembly Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

Assembly Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor Hear us as we remember those who have died in the peace of Christ, both

those who have confessed the faith and those whose faith is known to you

alone, and grant us with them a share in your eternal kingdom.

Assembly Lord, have mercy.

Confession and Absolution

New Zealand Prayer Book.

Presider Happy are those whose sins are forgiven, whose wrongs are pardoned. I

will confess my sins to the Lord. I will not conceal my wrongdoings.

Silence.

God forgives and heals us.

Assembly We need your healing, merciful God: give us true repentance. Some

sins are plain to us; some escape us, some we cannot face. Forgive

us; set us free to hear your word to us; set us free to serve your.

Presider God forgives you. Forgive others; forgive yourself. Through Christ, God

has put away your sin: approach your God in peace.

Assembly Amen.

Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

Assembly And also with you.

The ministers and congregation greet one another in the peace of God. Please be seated for the announcements.

Welcome and Announcements

Blessings for Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Travelers

Those traveling and those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Birthdays		Anniversaries
6-10	Jim Ferry	
6-14	Elizabeth Tilton-Kohl	
6-15	Skip Cline	

Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2

Collection

Thank you for your generous giving to the mission and ministry of St. Elisabeth's church. You can leave a donation in the offering plate or use your phone to scan the QR code to donate online.

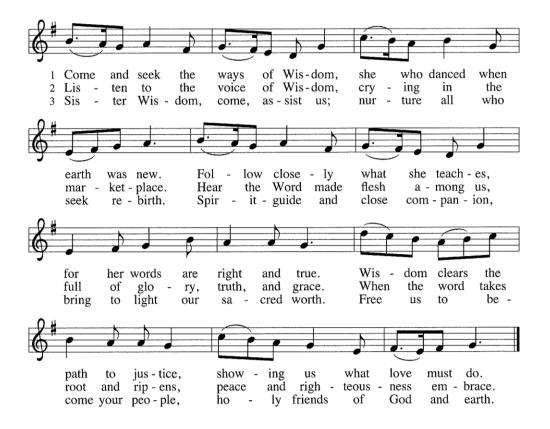


Offertory Hymn

All Creation Sings 971 "Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom"

Madeleine

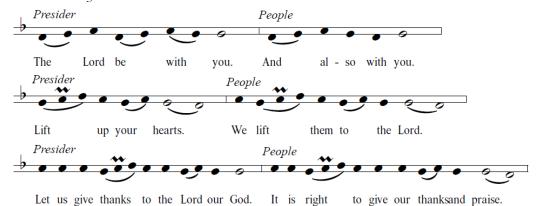
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The Great Thanksgiving

All Creation Sings

Please stand as you are able.



Presider

O God triune, how majestic is your name in all the earth. Over the eons your merciful might evolved our home, a fragile tree of life. Here by your wisdom are both life and death, growth and decay, the nest and the hunt, sunshine and storm, darkness and light. Sustained by these wonders, we creatures of dust join in the ancient song:

Sanctus

All Creation Sings 1089

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Argentine Santo

(Music on the nxt page)





Presider

O God triune, you took on our flesh in Jesus our healer. In Christ you bring life from death; we remember his cross, we laud his resurrection. Broken like bread, he enlivens our body. Outpoured like wine, he fills the earth with goodness. Receiving this mystery, we mortals sing our song;

Assembly

The earth is full of your glory.

Presider

We praise you for the heart of Jesus, so filled with your love for this earth.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying; This is my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Gathered around this table, we your children unite in this song;

Assembly

The earth is full of your glory.

Presider

O God triune, you create the worlds, you uphold the living, you embrace the dead. Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. Strengthen us for our journey with this holy meal, the body and blood of Christ. Give us a future that trusts in you and cares for your earth. Empowered by your promises, we rise from our deaths to praise you again:

Assembly

The earth is full of your glory. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Presider

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Assembly

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.

Breaking of the Bread

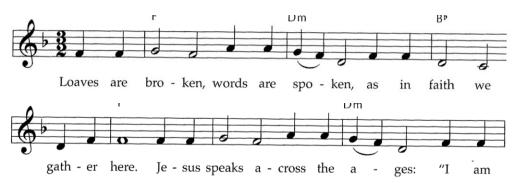
The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

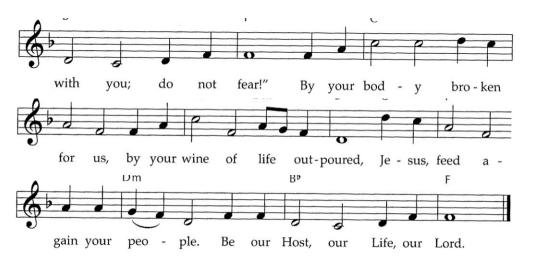
Fraction Anthem

Glory to God 498

"Loaves Were Broken"

Beach Spring





Invitation to Communion

Presider

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing at this time.

Gluten-free host available upon request.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, simply cross your arms over your chest.

If you are unable to come forward for any reason,

please inform an usher so our clergy can bring communion to you in the pew.

Music during Communion

All are invited to sing.

St. E's Choir

"Come, Come Unto Me"

By Ken Dosso

Come, come unto Me, All you who are weary, All who are weak, tired and lonely. Come, come unto Me Strong arms will enfold you, And lift you up, Oh come unto Me. Come, come unto Me, Bring me all your burdens. Show Me your wounds and I'll soothe them. Come, come unto Me. Drink now of My goodness, And rest your soul. Oh, Come unto Me.

All are invited; there's none who aren't welcome To know of my comfort and peace. My arms are opened and My voice is calling to come, simply trust and believe.

Come, come unto Me. Live with Me forever. All those who seek Me will find Me! Come, come unto me. Come and strong arms will enfold you, and lift you up. Oh, come unto me..

Post Communion Prayer

All Creation Sings

Please stand as you are able.

Presider

Let us pray.

Assembly

Most loving God, creator and redeemer, we give you thanks for this foretaste of your glory. Through Christ, and with all your saints we offer ourselves and our lives to your service. Send us out in the power of your Spirit, to stand with you in your world. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the servant, our friend and brother. Amen.

Blessing

Presider

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 among you and remain with you always.

Assembly

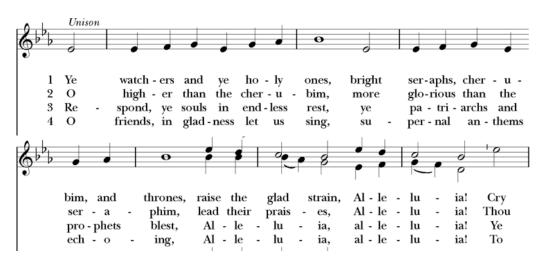
Amen.

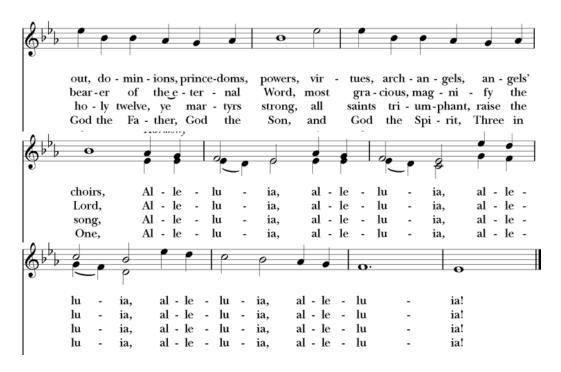
Closing Hymn

Hymnal 618

"Ye watchers and ye holy ones"

Lass tuns erfreuen





Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Assembly Thanks be to God.

Postlude

You are invited to come forward to listen to the postlude. If you need to leave before the conclusion, please do so quietly.

All are invited for coffee hour and conversation down the hall in the dining room immediately following the service. Sunday school for children is offered on the second floor.

Assisting Today

First Reading Robert Fischer
Second Reading Anne Tuohy
Prayers John Tuohy

Altar Guild Lauren Edelston, Carrie Mygatt, Polly Baur

Usher Chuck Chadd Coffee Hour Parish Picnic

This Week

Monday, June 10 AA Meeting (8:00 PM)

Tuesday, June 11 St. E's Book Group (12:00 PM)

Lizzy Appleby Event at the Library (7:00 PM)

Wednesday, June 12 Boy Scout Meeting (7:15 PM)

Thursday, June 13 Spoken Eucharist Rite II (7:30 AM)

Friday, June 14 Zoom Bible Study (11:00 AM)

Saturday, June 15 AA Meeting (5:00 PM)

Up Next

Sunday, June 16 Spoken Eucharist: Rite I (8:00 AM)

Outdoor Worship Choral Eucharist: Rite II (10:00 AM)

Parish Picnic (11:00 AM)

June 18 Vestry Meeting (7:00 PM)

June 20 Spoken Eucharist: Rite II (7:30 AM)

June 21 Zoom Bible Study (11:00 AM)

Sunday, June 23 Pride Sunday Service and Picnic (10:00 AM)

Announcements

TODAY is the Annual **Parish Picnic** at after the 10:00 AM service on the Lawn.

Pride Event: Mark your calendars for Tuesday evening June 11 as St E's LGBTQ Team joins forces with the Glencoe Public Library for a Pride month event focusing on Trans and Non-binary questions and issues. With our support, the library will feature our favorite facilitator Lizzy Appleby, Pride/Share Director of Youth Services of Glenview/Northbrook, to host a panel discussion in honor of Transgender Day of Visibility aka TDOV, whose official date fell on Easter Sunday. Lizzy has put together a Transgender and Non-binary panel to engage the community in open and deeper conversation around these timely and relevant issues. The event will take place at 7:00 PM at the library. We hope to see you there. More details to follow!

St. Elisabeth's Pride Sunday is June 23!

Please join us for the 10:00 AM service featuring special prayers and music followed by fun and games and a sumptuous picnic hosted by Team LGBTQ.

Weekday Worship: Come join Adam before work or school at 7:30 AM every Thursday for a short service of Holy Communion with a brief homily on the readings assigned for the day.

St. Elisabeth's Bible Study The St. E's Bible Study group meets weekly on **Fridays at 11:00 am.** During the summer months, we will be reading the Acts of the Apostles **on Zoom** beginning June 7th and continuing through the first Friday in September. (Following the missionary journeys of Paul as we embark on our own summer adventures) The Zoom link is available in the weekly parish e-news. We will return to in-person meetings on September 13th. For more information, contact Larry Whipple. This week we are reading Acts Chapters 3-4.

Sunday Forum We will gather **weekly at Coffee Hour after the 10:00 AM service** in the Guild Room. We will discuss the day's readings, sermon, liturgy, music and whatever else is on folks' minds. These conversations will be facilitated by the Rector. On select Sundays, we will continue to have guest speakers and teachers on various topics.

Pastoral needs, hospital calls, nursing/rehab and home-bound parishioners: If you have a pastoral need or emergency and would like to speak to Fr. Spencer, or know of someone who would like to schedule a pastoral visit, please contact Adam by phoning the office at 847-835-0458 and leave a private message in the rector's voicemail. You can also email Adam at rector@steglencoe.org.

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Sunday Schedule



8:00 AM Spoken Eucharist: Rite I 9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal

9:00 AM Choir Renearsal

10:00 AM Choral Eucharist: Rite II

11:00 AM Coffee Hour, Forum, and Sunday School

Summer Office Hours June, July and August

Tuesday by appointment, Wednesday, and Thursday 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM Pastoral Care Number: 847-786-3082

We at St. Elisabeth's share an adventurous spirit and a commitment to radiate God's love within and beyond our red doors.

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