

ST. FRANCIS' INGATHERING

WELCOME TO THE "ORDINARY TIME" OF PENTECOST!

There are six liturgical seasons in the church year: Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost or "ordinary time." The term "ordinary time" is not used in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), but the season after Pentecost can be considered ordinary time.

In the church year "ordinary" does not mean "regular." Instead it refers to the word "ordinal" as in "ordinal numbers." (first, second, third, fourth, etc.) This is the time of year when we count the Sundays as they go by. It is the season of growth in our faith and relationship with God and one another.

COLORS

The liturgical color for the season—green—signifies growth.

SEATING

Our seating for the season of Pentecost returns to a position in which we gently face toward one another as we look for the movement of the Spirit in the midst of our community, our lives, and our very selves.

THE BULLETIN COVER ART

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BACKGROUND TO TODAY'S READING FROM HEBREW SCRIPTURE

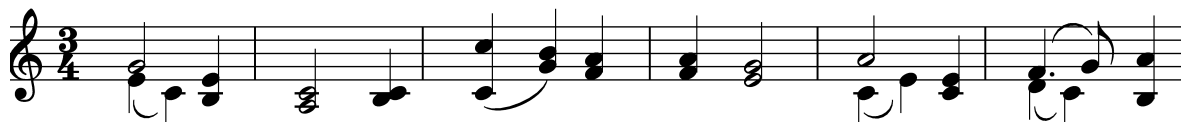
Today we pause from our Pentecost season progression through the Prophets. Instead, we turn to a reading from the book of Leviticus. This reading helps us explore the roots of the term "ingathering" that we hear so frequently in Protestant denominations and explains why our stewardship season comes in the fall. Our sermon today will dive into these connections.

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

GRACIOUS SPIRIT, GIVE YOUR SERVANTS

WLP 782



1. Gra - cious Spir - it, give your ser - vants joy to set sin's
 2. Word made flesh, who gave up glo - ry to be - come our
 3. Lov - ing God, who birthed cre - a - tion from the noth - ing -
 4. Tri - une God, e - ter - nal Be - ing, nev - er end - ing,



cap - tives free, hope to heal the bro - ken - heart - ed,
 great high priest, tak - ing on our hu - man na - ture
 ness of space, kin - dling life where all was emp - ty,
 un - be - gun, bound - less grace and per - fect jus - tice,



peace to share love's li - ber - ty. Through us bring your balm of
 to re - deem the last and least: let your cour - age and com -
 turn - ing cha - os in - to grace: when we feel con - fused and
 right - eous and for - giv - ing One: so en - fold us in you



glad - ness to the wound - ed and op - pressed; help us claim and
 pas - sion shape and guide our min - is - tries; as our Sav - ior
 fruit - less, dawn up - on our rest - less night; give us faith's im -
 mer - cy that our wills and yours u - nite; through us may the



show God's fa - vor as a peo - ple called and blessed.
 and our Shep - herd, lead us to the truth that frees.
 ag - i - na - tion, hope's re - new - ing, love's de - light.
 world be - hold you, find your love, your truth, your light.

OPENING ACCLAMATIONS *Standing*

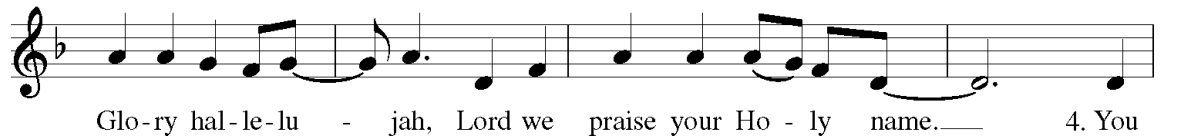
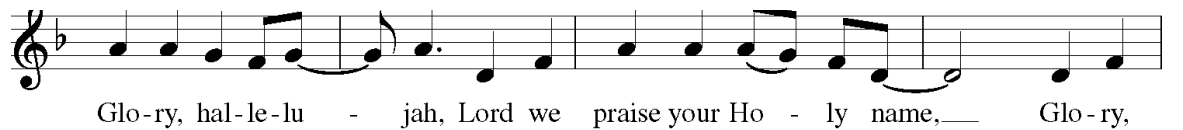
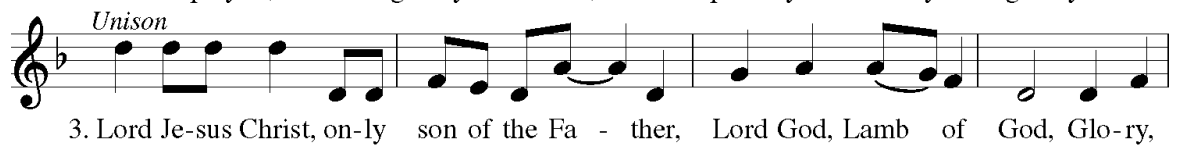
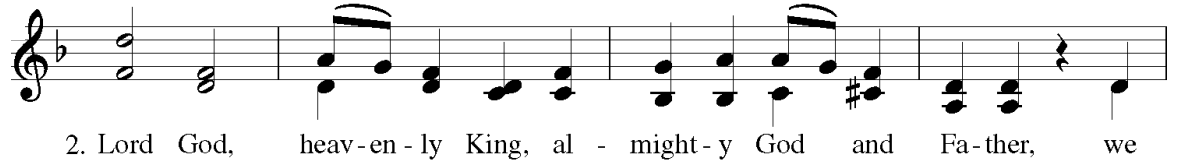
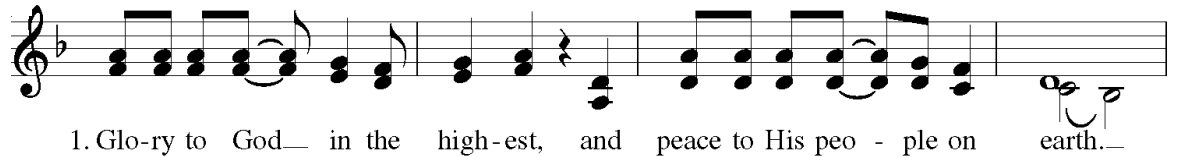
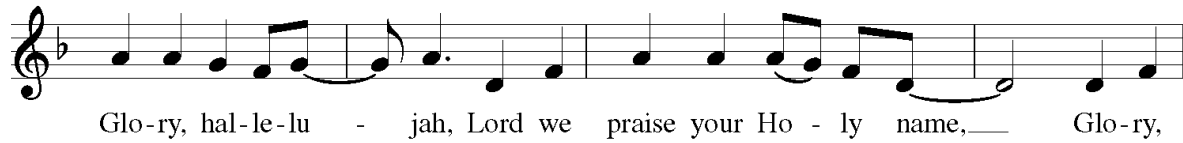
Presider Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer and Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider 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 truly love you, and worthily praise your holy name; through our Savior Jesus Christ.

People **Amen.**



glo-ry of the Fa - ther. Glo-ry, Glo-ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we
 praise your Ho - ly name, — Glo-ry, Glo-ry hal-le-lu - jah, Lord we
 Praise your Ho - ly name.
 A - - - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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.

People **Amen.**

WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES *Seated*

THE FIRST LESSON

Reader A reading from the Book of Leviticus.

23:33-43

The Lord said to Moses: Say to the Israelites: The Festival of Booths to the Lord will start on the fifteenth day of the seventh month and will last for seven days. The first day is a holy occasion. You must not do any job-related work. For seven days you will offer food gifts to the Lord. On the eighth day you will have a holy occasion and must offer a food gift to the Lord. It is a holiday: you must not do any job-related work.

These are the Lord's appointed times that you will proclaim as holy occasions, offering food gifts to the Lord: entirely burned offerings, grain offerings, communal sacrifices, and drink offerings—each on its proper day. This is in addition to the Lord's sabbaths and in addition to your presents, all the payments for solemn promises, and all the spontaneous gifts that you give to the Lord.

Note that on the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when you have gathered the land's crops, you will celebrate the Lord's festival for seven days. The first day and the eighth day are days of special rest. On the first day you must take fruit from majestic trees,[a] palm branches, branches of leafy trees,[b] and willows of the streams, and rejoice before

the Lord your God for seven days. You will celebrate this festival to the Lord for seven days each year; this is a permanent rule throughout your future generations. You will celebrate it in the seventh month. For seven days you must live in huts. Every citizen of Israel must live in huts so that your future generations will know that I made the Israelites live in huts when I brought them out of the land of Egypt; I am the Lord your God.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY

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All are invited to sing the antiphon and the verses.

Your com - mand - ments are my de - light, O LORD.

A B

- 137 You are righteous, O / Lord,
and upright are your / judgments.
- 138 You have issued your de/crees
with justice and in perfect / faithfulness. **ANTIPHON**
- 139 My indignation has con/sumed me,
because my enemies forget your / words.
- 140 Your word has been tested to the / uttermost,
and your servant holds it / dear. **ANTIPHON**
- 141 I am small and of little ac/count,
yet I do not forget your com/mandments.
- 142 Your justice is an everlasting / justice
and your law is the / truth. **ANTIPHON**
- 143 Trouble and distress have come up/on me,
yet your commandments are my de/light.
- 144 The righteousness of your decrees is ever/lasting;
grant me understanding, that I may / live. **ANTIPHON**

THE SECOND LESSON

Reader A reading from the second letter to the Thessalonians .

1:1-4, 11-12

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring.

To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ANTIPHON *Stand* IF YOU BELIEVE AND I BELIEVE

WLP 8o6

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The lyrics are: "If you be-lieve and I be-lieve and we to - geth - er pray, the Ho - ly Spir - it must come down and set God's peo - ple free, and set God's peo - ple free, and set God's peo - ple free; the Ho - ly Spir - it must come down and set God's peo - ple free." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are placed below the notes on each staff.

THE GOSPEL

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

19:1-10

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

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE REV. LAURIE ANZILOTTI

Today's sermon is a children's sermon. All children are invited to come to the front and sit with Rev. Laurie+. It is important to note that children's sermons speak to all ages. They animate scripture's essential messages for us through our human senses. After the sermon, silence is kept for a time.

INGATHERING OF WATER AND PLEDGES

The Presider invites the congregation forward to pour water into the baptismal font and to place pledge cards in the gathering basket. Music plays as the congregation comes forward. After all have come forward, the presider blesses the water and pledges.

THE NICENE CREED *Stand*

**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 human.
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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider: Merciful God, you know our every need before we ask. In your loving presence, we lift our prayers to you saying; "Lord, in your mercy; *hear our prayer.*"

After each prayer, all say, "Hear our prayer."

Presider: Holy One, we bring our prayers to you, confident that you hear them; sure that you know even those prayers for which we do not yet have words. And all of these come to you through your Child, Jesus Christ, and the living Spirit that blows among us.

People: **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept for a time.

People **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.**

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

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

We invite you to extend the peace of God to those in the congregation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Sit*

GATHERING AT CHRIST'S TABLE

We return with thanksgiving the gifts God has given us. This includes bread and wine of the earth and financial offerings from our labor. Representatives of the congregation bring these to the common Eucharistic table.

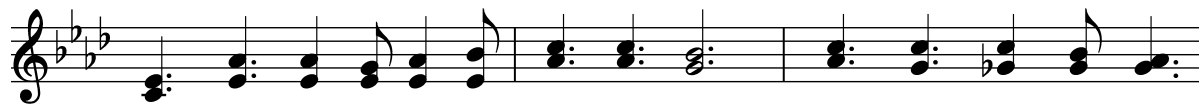
OFFERTORY

EVERLASTING ARMS

LEVAS 196



1. What a fel - low - ship, what a joy di - vine,
2. O how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way,
3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear,



1. Lean-ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms; What a bless - ed - ness,
2. Lean-ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms; O how bright the path
3. Lean-ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms; I have bless - ed peace



1. what a peace is mine, Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
2. grows from day to day, Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
3. with my Lord so near, Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.



Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se-cure from all a-larms;



Lean - ing, lean - ing, Lean-ing on the ev-er - last-ing arms.

DOXOLOGY

The following is sung as ushers present the offerings. Please stand.

H 380

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above you heavenly host:
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ.

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

LEVAS 255

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly
 ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
 Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo -
 ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless-ed is He who comes in the name
 of the Lord, of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na in the high -
 est, ho - san - na in the high - est

Presider

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command,

People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

Presider

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Francis, St. Clare, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

AMEN

LEVAS 233

A - men, A - men,

A - men, A - men, A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People **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

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

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

FRACTION ANTHEM

LEVAS 269

Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: grant peace.

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Our bread is gluten-, dairy- and nut-free. This Eucharistic table does not belong to the Episcopal Church or to St. Francis'. This is God's table, and all are welcome. In the Episcopal Church, we receive both the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Jesus. If you choose not to receive communion, please come forward and cross your arms over your heart to receive a blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN

BE THOU MY VISION

H 488



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,



all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!



thou my best thought,— by day or by night,
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;
Heart of my heart,— what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After all have received communion the Presider says

Presider Let us pray.

People **Eternal God, 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.**

Presider May God our creator,
 who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the air,
 bestow on you his care
 and increase the harvest of your righteousness;
 and the blessing of the One Holy and Undivided Trinity remain with you this day and al-
 ways.

People **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

GUIDE MY FEET LORD

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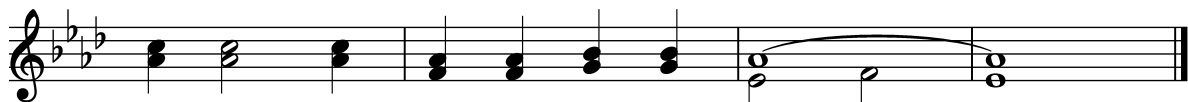
1. Guide my feet Lord, while I run this race.
 2. Hold my hand Lord, while I run this race.
 3. Stand by me Lord, while I run this race.



Guide my feet Lord, while I run this race.
 Hold my hand Lord, while I run this race.
 Stand by me Lord, while I run this race.



Guide my feet Lord, while I run this race, 'cause I
 Hold my hand Lord, while I run this race. 'cause I
 Stand by me Lord, while I run this race. 'cause I



don't want to run this race in vain. _____
 don't want to run this race in vain. _____
 don't want to run this race in vain. _____

DISMISSAL

Presider Go in peace, sharing God's gifts, as you love and serve the world.

People **We will continue to share God's gifts. Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE