

HOLY COMMUNION



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost:
Proper 12

July 26, 2026 | 8:00AM

Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church | Marion, Massachusetts

W E L C O M E

Here for the first time? We're glad you have joined us!
You're welcome here just as you are.

The Episcopal Church

Our tradition is part of the global Anglican Communion, a diverse, worldwide fellowship of roughly 85 million Christians spread across 165 countries united through communion with the See of Canterbury in England. We follow the teachings of Jesus Christ, and trace our origins back to Christ, his disciples, and the early church. We affirm that the One God is known in the three persons of the Trinity - the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit as expressed in the Apostle's Creed, the Nicene Creed, and the Athanasian Creed. As part of our Anglican heritage we believe in the centrality of Holy Scripture, tradition, and reason in our worship and life of faith. The Holy Eucharist is the heart of our faith communities.

Who We Are

Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Parish welcomes all people and meets everyone where they are on their spiritual journey with Christ. We do our best to be a community of faith celebrating and sharing Christ's love with one another, our communities, and the world. There are many ministries and programs here which help us all to better know Christ. St. Gabriel's is open and affirming community that welcomes everybody regardless of race, color, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identification, political affiliation, religious heritage or anything else that divides and separates us.

The Liturgy & Books

Worship in the Episcopal Church is drawn from both contemporary and ancient sources, and is aided by books and a bulletin. *The Book of Common Prayer* is the red book and the two hymnals are marked as *Hymnal 1982*, the blue one, and *Lift Every Voice and Sing*, the black and red one.

Church School

Youth Formation (Church School) is available for all children and youth ages 4 and up from Sept - June starting at 9:30AM. During the 10 AM worship service, parents and young children are welcome to the library where the worship service is being streamed. An Usher can help you and your family locate both spaces.

Newsletter

St. Gabriel's newsletter, Tidings, is a weekly email with reminders about important events in the life of our parish. Please call the parish office (508) 748-1507 and give us your email address so we can keep you abreast of all that is happening in our parish community.

Parish Prayer List

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the week:

For Healing: Kalila Barnett, Ryan Conant, Sheila Converse, Deborah Dines, Cynthia Evans, Kathy Feeney, Catriana Hall, Rob Hiller, Bernie Klim, Sr., Libby Klim, Richard Laine, Wayne Porter, Jean & Kevin Pulsifer, Cathy Roberts, Betty Savery, Shirley Thomas, Rowland Rice Egerton-Warburton, Nash Waterman, John Verrier, Vanessa

Men & Women serving in our Armed Services: Ben Hall

The Word of God

Entrance Rite

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY & GREAT COMMANDMENTS (BCP p. 323)

OPENING ANTHEM (BCP p. 324)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy, that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 3:5-12

The people sit.

A Reading from the First book of Kings.

⁵At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." ⁶And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

¹⁰It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 119:129-136

Remain seated.

¹²⁹Your decrees are wonderful; *
therefore I obey them with all my heart.

¹³⁰***When your word goes forth it gives light; *
it gives understanding to the simple.***

¹³¹I open my mouth and pant; *
I long for your commandments.

¹³²***Turn to me in mercy, *
as you always do to those who love your Name.***

¹³³Steady my footsteps in your word; *
let no iniquity have dominion over me.

¹³⁴***Rescue me from those who oppress me, *
and I will keep your commandments.***

¹³⁵Let your countenance shine upon your servant *
and teach me your statutes.

¹³⁶***My eyes shed streams of tears, *
because people do not keep your law.***

SECOND READING: Romans 8:26-39

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

²⁶The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Silence may follow.

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

All stand.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People ***Glory be to thee, O Lord.***

³¹[Another parable Jesus put before the crowds:] "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." ³³He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." ⁴⁴"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ⁴⁵"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁵¹“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” ⁵²And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People ***Praise be to thee, O Christ.***

THE SERMON

The Rev. David Fredrickson

THE CREED (BCP p. 326)

All stand.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. This morning we give thanks for the wedding anniversary of Laura & John Soares in whose honor the altar flowers have been given.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. This morning we pray for those on our parish prayer list and those we remember now either silently or aloud.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We pray for our Rector Search Committee; we ask the Holy Spirit to guide them with wisdom and discernment in transitioning this parish to where God intends to take us. We pray for our future rector. We ask the Holy Spirit to stir in their heart and mind a call towards this parish. We pray for our interim priest Dave, as he leads us through

this transition. We ask the Holy Spirit to give him patience, wisdom, strength, tenderness and boldness. We pray for our deacon, Kris. We ask the Holy Spirit to give her peace, healing, comfort and strength. We pray for all of us here at St. Gabriel's. We ask the Holy Spirit to give each of us patience, open-mindedness and grace. Help us to support each other and create community. We ask that not our will, but yours, be done. May we grow together in Christ towards seeking and sharing your Kingdom with others.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 331)

The priest stands and says the absolution.

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Great Thanksgiving (BCP p. 340)

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

SANCTUS (BCP p. 341)

Celebrant and People

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 336)

Celebrant and People

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

INVITATION

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people.

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

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The altar flowers are given in celebration of Laura and John Soares' anniversary.

Clergy & Staff

Interim Priest: The Rev. David Fredrickson;

Deacon: The Rev. Kristine Holmes;

Director of Music: David N. Burnham

Children & Youth Formation Minister: Wendy Reardon

Assisting at Today's Liturgy

Usher: Cathy Cowell; **Chalice Bearer:** Judy Lamson; **Lector:** Judy Lamson;

Altar Guild: Suzy Titus & Priscilla Wheatley

Welcome to Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church

Weekly Reminder

Mon 27 th	7:00 p.m.	Land's End Concert
Wed 29 th	11:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
Thurs 30 th	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast Group
	12:30 p.m.	Deacon Book Club
Sun 2 nd	8:00 a.m.	Rite I Chapel Service
	10:00 a.m.	Rite II Church Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Land's End Concert at St. Gabriel's on Monday, July 27th at 7pm. All invited to attend this free concert.
- ❖ Book Club - "The Cup of Our Life" by Joyce Rupp is scheduled for Thursdays at 12:30 PM in the Parish Library.
- ❖ The summer choir will sing the Sunday morning service on August 16th. Rehearsals will be before the service at 9:00 am in the church.
- ❖ Hold the Date - Saint Gabriel's Admiral Harwood Endowment Committee invites you to a Seaside Reception on Sunday, August 9th from 5-7pm.

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The Episcopal Church



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I'm New Here
"About the Parish"



Stewardship
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