

HOLY COMMUNION



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 20

September 20, 2026 | 10:00AM

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, Ally Goulette, Catriana Hall, Rob Hiller, Bernie Klim Sr., Libby Klim, Richard Laine, Maria Nunes, Bobbie Perry, Wayne Porter, Jean & Kevin Pulsifer, Cathy Roberts, Betty Savery, Shirley Thomas, Rowland Rice Egerton-Warburton, Nash Waterman, John Verrier, Andrew, Vanessa

Men & Women serving in our Armed Services: Ben Hall

The Word of God

When the prelude begins, please practice silence and ready your heart for worship.

PRELUDE

Prière à Notre-Dame (from Suite Gothique)

Leon Boëllmann

Entrance Rite

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Not here for high and holy things

#9 vv. 1, 4, 5, 6 *Morning song*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant

Blessed be God: Most Holy, Glorious, and Undivided Trinity.

People

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

GLORIA

Glory to God (Canticle 20)

WLP 900 *John Rutter*

The following is sung, all standing

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, —
— and peace to his peo-ple on earth. — Lord God,
heav'n-ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, — we wor - ship
you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. —

Lord Je - sus Christ, — on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right
hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. For
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the
Lord, you a-lone are the Most High,
Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit,
in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Exodus 16:2-15

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Exodus.

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. ⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the

land of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?” ⁸And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD.” ⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²“I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’” ¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

Remain seated.

¹Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.

²***Sing to him, sing praises to him, ****
and speak of all his marvelous works.

³Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

⁴***Search for the LORD and his strength; ****
continually seek his face.

⁵Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

⁶***O offspring of Abraham his servant, ****
O children of Jacob his chosen.

³⁷He led out his people with silver and gold; *
in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.

³⁸***Egypt was glad of their going, ****
because they were afraid of them.

³⁹He spread out a cloud for a covering *
and a fire to give light in the night season.

⁴⁰***They asked, and quails appeared, ****
and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.

⁴¹He opened the rock, and water flowed, *
so the river ran in the dry places.

⁴²***For God remembered his holy word ****
and Abraham his servant.

⁴³So he led forth his people with gladness, *
his chosen with shouts of joy.

⁴⁴***He gave his people the lands of the nations, ****
and they took the fruit of others' toil,

⁴⁵That they might keep his statutes *
and observe his laws.
Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Philippians 1:21-30

The people sit.

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

²¹To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. ²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN

O Master, let me walk with thee

#660 v 1 *Maryton*

GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16

All stand.

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

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

[Jesus said,] ¹“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

O Master, let me walk with thee

#660 v 4 *Maryton*

THE SERMON

The Rev. Deacon Kristine Holmes

THE CREED (BCP p. 358)

All stand.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

This morning we pray especially for Sean our Presiding Bishop; for Julia our Bishop; for David our interim priest and Kris our deacon; and for all the baptized of this congregation whose ministries sustain the life of this parish.

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.

We pray for all world leaders, especially for our president, for the Congress of the United States and all who govern the courts, for our governor and all our state and local officials.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

This morning we pray for those on our parish prayer list and those we remember now either silently or
aloud....
Silence

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

This morning we give thanks and gratitude for family and friends, in whose honor the altar flowers have been given.
Silence

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
Silence

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

The celebrant adds the concluding collect

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and 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.

The priest stands and says the absolution.

THE PEACE

The Peace is now exchanged

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People ***And also with you.***

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

***O God, Thy goodness reacheth far
St. Gabriel's Choir***

Ludwig van Beethoven

O God, Thy goodness reacheth far,
As far as winds are blowing;
With tender mercies crowning us
and helpful grace bestowing.

Lord, Thou my rock, my castle strong!
To Thee my praise, my prayers belong.
As, meek, I kneel before Thee;
As, meek, I kneel before Thee.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

#380 v. 3 Old 100th

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

Celebrant 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 our thanks and praise.***

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glorify to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy

S 124 *David Hurd*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and

earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

***We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.***

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 364)

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

COMMUNION HYMN *O Food to pilgrims given* #309 *O Welt, ich muss dich lassen*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people.

RECESSIONAL HYMN *Singing songs of expectation* #527 *Ton-y-Botel*

DISMISSAL

People Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Menuet gothique (from Suite Gothique)* Leon Boëllmann

The flowers are given in gratitude and thanksgiving for family and friends by Corinne & Jim Marlow.

Clergy & Staff

Interim Priest: The Rev. David Fredrickson;
Deacon: The Rev. Kristine Holmes;
Director of Music: David N. Burnham
Children & Youth Minister: Wendy Reardon

Assisting at Today's Liturgy

Ushers: Ron Wisner; Jamie Knight;
Chalice Bearer: Doug Leatham;
Lector: Aaron Novy;
Altar Guild: Cathy Cowell, Priscilla Wheatley, & Joan Roller

Welcome to Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church

Weekly Reminder

Wed 23 rd	11:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
Thurs 24 th	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast Group
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sun 27 th	8:00 a.m.	Rite I Chapel Service
	9:00 a.m.	Breakfast Club
	9:30 a.m.	Faith Formation
	10:00 a.m.	Rite II Church Service



*Join us in the parish hall after
church for coffee.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ October 4th - Blessing of the Animals at both services.
- ❖ October 4th – Evensong at 4:30 pm in the Chapel.
- ❖ October 7th – Vespers returns Wednesdays at 6pm.
- ❖ October 24th – Choral Workshop at 10am (all are invited)
- ❖ November 22nd – Christmas Craft Fair and Pie Sale

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