



ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I
SEPTEMBER 6, 2026 – 8:00am

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, we pray thee, to trust in thee with all our heart; seeing that, as thou dost alway resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so thou dost not forsake those who make their boast of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A READING FROM EXODUS 12:1-14

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 149 Responsively by half verse

Cantate Domino

- 1 Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
- 3 Let them praise his Name in the dance;
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his people
and adorns the poor with victory.
 5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;
let them be joyful on their beds.
 6 Let the praises of God be in their throat
and a two-edged sword in their hand;
 7 To wreak vengeance on the nations
and punishment on the peoples;
 8 To bind their kings in chains
and their nobles with links of iron;
 9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed;
this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

SECOND LESSON/EPISTLE

ROMANS 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

 *Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.*

MATTHEW 18:15-20

Clergy: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

People: **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Clergy: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

OUR CLERGY, STAFF & VESTRY

Rector: The Rev. Katie Leuba
Associate Priest: The Rev. Dr. Andrew Benko
Assisting Deacon: The Rev. Bill Holder
Assisting Priest: The Rev. Jerry Chapman
Assisting Priest: The Rev. Seth Deleery
Seminarian: Elia Zonio
Seminarian: Luke Waters
Director of Music: Dr. Jeff Vanderlee
Organist: Yung Sil Chun
8am Pianist: Lucy Zhu
Children & Families Musician: Mary Smith

Assistant to the Rector: Lena Carson
Director of Family Ministries: Rachel Thomas
Finance Manager: Pat Brajnikoff
Office Manager: Susan Kerr
Parish Administrator: Lisa Kay Pfannenstiel
Communications Assistant: Amanda Gentry
Sextons: Carly & Gabriel
Chef: Robert Mayberry
Head of Day School: Page Race
Wardens: Doug Webster & Pat Naeve
Vestry of the Month: Debra Erck & Emily Schatzle

Contact information can be found on our website, www.stmattsaustin.org, or by calling the church office.

UPCOMING EVENTS - See the Weekly Word for more details on these, and other parish events!

- The 2026 Bible Challenge continues! see <https://stmattsaustin.org/st-matts-2026-bible-challenge/>
- Sept. 12 - 9am-10:30am, Brotherhood of St. Andrew Men's Fellowship - Youth Center Main Room
- Sept. 13 - 9:15am-10:15am, Topical Sunday School Class - The Psalms, Dean Busboom - B18/19
- Sept. 17 - 6pm-8pm, Day School - Back to School Night
- Sept. 20 - St. Matthew's Day photo and Lunch - Remember to wear red if possible!

WEEKLY WORD



Interested in becoming an Episcopalian, or curious to learn more about the Episcopal Church?

- Contact Fr. Andrew Benko if you would like to know more, at: (318) 415-8131, or abenko@stmattsaustin.org

MAKE A ONE-TIME GIFT



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9:00am - 4:00pm – Appointments to meet with clergy and staff are recommended. Please contact office@stmattsaustin.org or (512) 345-8314 to set an appointment with clergy, and for staff, one may contact the staff member directly. Your clergy typically take Friday as their sabbath. During office hours, the receptionist can assist you in an emergency: (512) 345-8314. For after-hours pastoral emergencies, call or text the Rev. Katie Leuba directly: (440) 985-8982.

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday: 8:00am, Traditional Holy Eucharist (Rite I), Sanctuary
10:30am, Holy Eucharist with Music (Rite II), Sanctuary
Wednesday: 12:00pm, A Service of Public Healing with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
Every Evening: 6:00pm, Evening Prayer, Zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88579583087>)



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