

St. Brendan's Episcopal Church

Juneau, Alaska

"A Harbor for God's Love"

Holy Communion with Reserve Sacrament

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 26, 2025 ~ 10:30 a.m.



The Mission of the Church:

The mission of the Church is to restore all people to
unity with God and each other in Christ.

Catechism, Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 855

Welcome visitors. Take time to sign the guest
book in the narthex and join us for coffee hour after the service.
Please join us in worship again, and may God bless your week.

*Before the service, speak to the Lord;
during the service, let the Lord speak to you;
after the service, speak to one another.*

Holy Communion with Reserve Sacrament

Led by Worship Leaders trained and licensed by the Diocese of Alaska

Dave Muldoon~ Officiant

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Sunday, October 26, 2025

Liturgy of the Word

Please stand as able for the Opening Hymn.

Opening Hymn

O God, our help in ages past

Hymnal 680

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;

1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pening day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,

be thou our guide while life shall last,
and our eternal home.

All standing, the Officiant says

People Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.

Confession of Sin

All kneel or stand as able.

The Officiant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

The officiant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Officiant and People together say

**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 Officiant says

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. **Amen.**

The Officiant says

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 perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria

Glory & Praise 100

Refrain

(clap) (clap)

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o.

Verses

1. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, peace you bring to
2. Je - sus, Sav - ior of all, Lord God, Lamb of
3. At the Fa - ther's right hand, Lord, re - ceive our
4. Glo - ry, Fa - ther and Son, Glo - ry, Ho - ly

1. us; _____ we wor - ship you, we _____ give you thanks,
2. God, _____ you take a - way our _____ sins, O Lord,
3. prayer, _____ for you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
4. Spir - it, to you we raise our _____ hands up high,

to Refrain

1. we sing our song of ____ praise.
 2. have mer - cy on us ____ all.
 3. and you a - lone are the Lord.
 4. we glo - ri - fy your ____ name.

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Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

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. Amen.

First Reading

Joel 2:23-32

Rob Smith

All sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Joel.

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your

sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Remain seated.

Psalm 65

Stephanie Hall

Te decet hymnus

- 1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; *
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
- 2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, *
because of their transgressions.
- 3 Our sins are stronger than we are, *
but you will blot them out.
- 4 Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there! *
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
by the holiness of your temple.
- 5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,
O God of our salvation, *
O Hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the seas that are far away.
- 6 You make fast the mountains by your power; *
they are girded about with might.
- 7 You still the roaring of the seas, *
the roaring of their waves,
and the clamor of the peoples.

- 8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your
marvelous signs; *
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.
- 9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous; *
the river of God is full of water.
- 10 You prepare the grain, *
for so you provide for the earth.
- 11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.
- 12 You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.
- 14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.

Second Reading 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18 Barbara Learmonth

A Reading from Paul's Second letter to Timothy.

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

Sequence Hymn

All stand as able.

Thy kingdom come! on bended knee

Hymnal 615

1 “Thy king - dom come!” on bend - ed knee the pass - ing a - ges pray;
2 But the slow watch - es of the night not less to God be - long;
3 And lo, al - rea - dy on the hills the flags of dawn ap - pear;
4 the day to whose clear shin - ing light all wrong shall stand re - vealed,
5 when know - ledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth a - broad;

1 and faith - ful souls have yearned to see on earth that king - dom's day.
2 and for the ev - er - last - ing right the si - lent stars are strong.
3 gird up your loins, ye pro - phet souls, pro - claim the day is near:
4 when jus - tice shall be throned in might, and ev - ery hurt be healed;
5 the day of per - fect right - eous - ness, the prom - ised day of God.

Holy Gospel

Luke 18:9-14

Dave Muldoon

Congregation may remain seated.

Officiant

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Jesus told his parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast

twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Officiant

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Dave Muldoon

Nicene Creed

All stand as able.

**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 man.**

**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: *Tell out my Soul*

Brita Rice

From TENS (The Episcopal Network for Stewardship)

All remain standing as able.

Officiant: As we prepare to bring our gifts to the altar, let us raise our voices in prayer and praise, thanking God for the opportunity to tell out our souls in joy.

Leader: I ask your prayers for the Church, God's greatest gift to us. For all who worship and serve this day. For the wisdom and teaching of our bishops, priests, deacons, and laypeople. Tell Out my Soul,
The Greatness of our House of Prayer.

Leader: I bid your prayers for our Nation and for all nations; for all refugees, for an end to terror and war, for a spirit of Goodwill. We pray for our national institutions that they will work together in justice. Tell Out my Soul,
The Greatness of the Promise of Liberty.

Leader: I ask your prayers for our neighbors, for the mission of our church and the ways we change the world with our gifts. Tell Out my Soul,
The Greatness of our Love.

Leader: I invite your prayers for those who are sick, who are isolated, who are in despair. We pray for caregivers and healers who care for those we love. Please pray for those on our parish prayer list, and who we name now either silently or aloud...*We pray for: James, Daisy, Mary & Stan, Marilyn, Jeannie, Caroline, Laurie, Tamira, Joyce, Heather, Missy & family, Fred, Sara & family, Henry, Sharon & family, David & Jackie, Gavin, Dee, Sam, John, Judi, Linda, Heaven, John, Mike, Ashu, Karen, Ann, Eyerus, Maria, Justine, John, Don A.,*

Mariah, Miryam, Rudy, David, Steve, Julie, Linda, Marilyn, Stephanie, Penny, Marlene, Jim, Cyndy, Anne, Aaron & Devonne, Dwayne, Constance, Troy, Cheryl, Jordan, Jeremy; for the victims of domestic violence and gun violence; all who live and work at the Johnson Youth Center, SEARHC'S: Ravens Way, and Lemon Creek Correctional Center; all who live with addictions; all who suffer from long term illnesses; and for those who love and care for them.

Tell Out my Soul,
The Greatness of our Compassion.

Leader: I ask your prayers for the dead and the dying, and for those who mourn. We pray for those we name now with our voices or in our hearts...
Tell Out my Soul,
The Greatness of our stories.

Leader: I invite your celebrations, remembrances, and the naming of our many blessings, innumerable and filled with Grace. ... May we be inspired to share our wealth, works, and wisdom with our neighbors and our Church as we Tell out of Soul,
The Greatness of the Lord.

Officiant: Hear the prayers of your people, O God, and inspire us with gratitude and abundance as we share our many gifts with You and the world You made. ***Amen.***

Peace

All stand as able.

<i>Officiant</i>	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.

The People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Holy Communion

The Officiant says

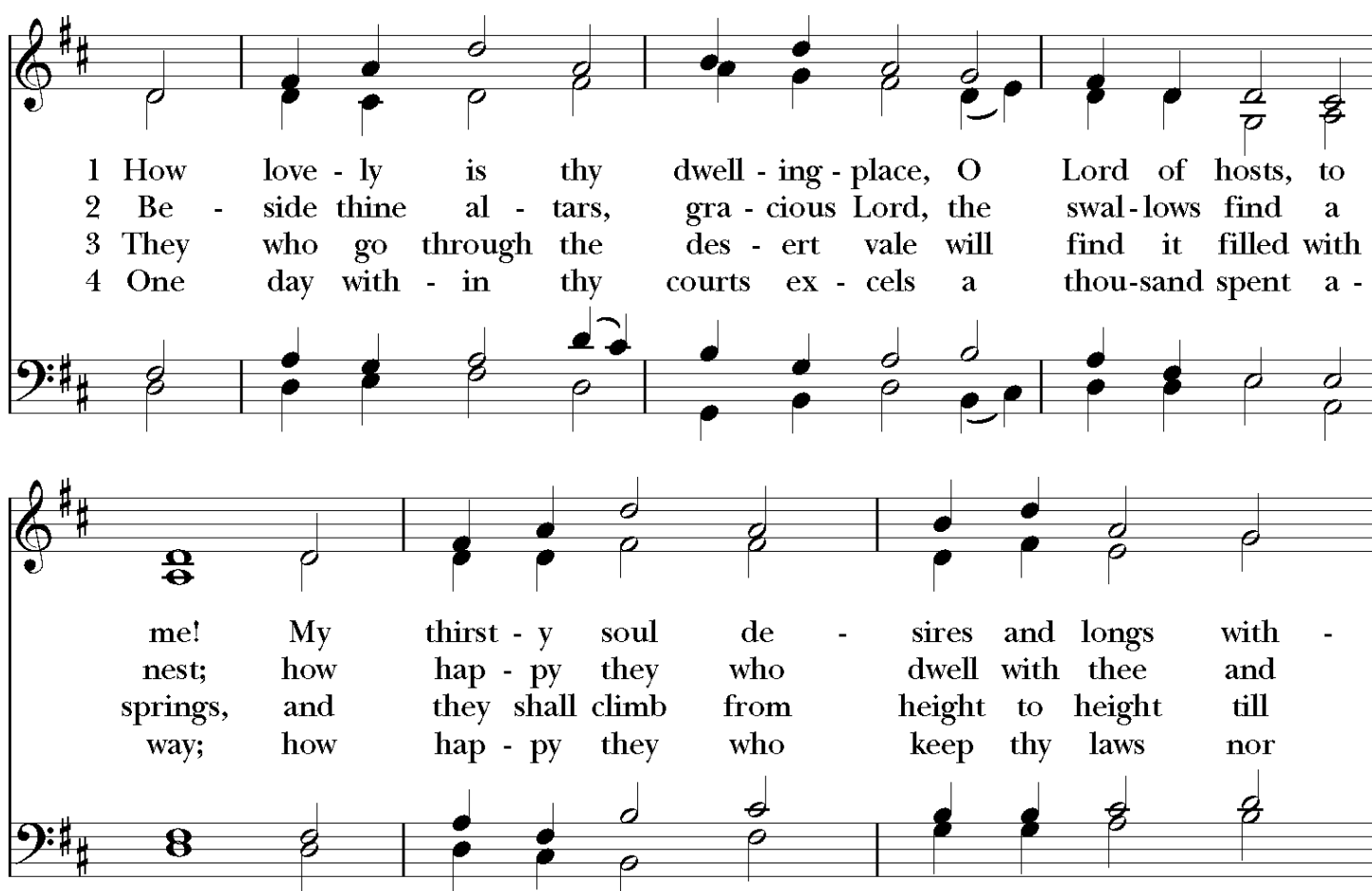
Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Today's loose offering will go into the Vestry Discretionary Fund.

Offertory Hymn

How lovely is thy dwelling place

Hymnal 517



1 How love - ly is thy dwell - ing - place, O Lord of hosts, to
2 Be - side thine al - tars, gra - cious Lord, the swal - lows find a
3 They who go through the des - ert vale will find it filled with
4 One day with - in thy courts ex - cels a thou-sand spent a -

me! My thirst - y soul de - sires and longs with -
nest; how hap - py they who dwell with thee and
springs, and they shall climb from height to height till
way; how hap - py they who keep thy laws nor

in thy courts to be; my ve - ry heart and
 praise thee with - out rest, and hap - py they whose
 Zi - on's tem - ple rings with praise to thee, in
 from thy pre - cepts stray, for thou shalt sure - ly

flesh cry out, O liv - ing God, for thee.
 hearts are set up - on the pil - grim's quest.
 glo - ry throned, Lord God, great King of kings.
 bless all those who live the words they pray.

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The People stand as able and sing the Doxology as the offering is brought forward and placed on the Credence Table.

Doxology (a hymn of praise)

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

The service continues with the authorized Thanksgiving Prayer all stand, as able.

Prayer of Preparation for Communion

BCP pg. 836

Together, the Officiant and People say

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. *Amen.*

The Officiant continues

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

People and Officiant

**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 Officiant says

Let us make our Holy Communion in the Body and Blood of Christ given to his people and received by faith.

*All are welcome at the Lord's table. We are no longer strangers or guests but one family in the Lord.
Let the Chalice Bearer know if you prefer alcohol free wine. Chalice Bearers – Rob & Barbara*

Communion Music

Stephanie Hall

Let us pray.

The Officiant and People together say

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
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.**

Please stand as able for any birthdays or anniversaries and together say

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Prayer for Birthdays (*BCP 830, prayer 50*)

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant *N.* as *he* begins another year. Grant that *he* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *his* trust in your goodness all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for Anniversaries (*BCP p. 431*)

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, *N.* that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness. That their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Announcements...See pages 18-20.

Announcements may be made at this point in the service.

Closing Hymn

***Put forth, O God, thy Spirit's
might***

Hymnal 521

The image shows the musical notation for the hymn 'Put forth, O God, thy Spirit's might'. It is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. The melody is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are as follows:

1	2	3	4
Put forth, O God, thy Spi - rit's might and	Let works of dark - ness dis - ap - pear be -	Let what a - pos - tles learned of thee be	O Judge di - vine of hu - man strife! O

bid thy Church in - crease, in breadth and length, in
 fore thy con - quering light; let ha - tred and tor -
 ours from age to age; their stead - fast faith our
 Van - quish - er of pain! To know thee is e -

depth and height, her u - ni - ty and peace.
 ment - ing fear pass with the pass - ing night.
 u - ni - ty, their peace our her - it - age.
 ter - nal life, to serve thee is to reign.

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Dismissal

Officiant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant says

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Note on Today's *Readings Proper 25: Sunday closest to October 26—Year C*

Welcome to our worship service today. The gospel reading in the liturgy today has to do with our approach to God in prayer. It is not the proud Pharisee's bragging prayer but the humble confession of the sinner which brings God's response.

We continue to read through the prophets, which we began doing in June. Now we hear from Joel, who lived well after the time of Jeremiah. Joel rejoices in God's goodness and the blessings the Lord has given them. He says that in the days to come God will also pour out the Spirit upon the people and all who call on God will be saved.

The second reading is presented as Paul's final words to Timothy when Paul was in prison and facing his imminent death. That approaching martyrdom finds Paul confident in the good he has done, but, like the tax collector, he is aware of his total dependence upon God.

We, the community of faith, are put into right relationship with God not because of our success being good, but because we place our whole trust and confidence in God. We strive to give up all and follow Jesus not in order to earn God's favor, but as our response to the unswerving love God has for us.

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October Outreach

(ends 10/31)

Hats, Gloves, & Socks for the Glory Hall

Use the clothespins on the tree in Adams Hall to attach your items to the branches, or place items in the barrel.

Reminder:

St. Brendan's annual stewardship ingathering is
next Sunday, November 2.

Episcopalians invited to first Veterans Day Holy Eucharist and Commissioning of Chaplains

Episcopalians are invited to join a first-time churchwide Veterans Day Holy Eucharist service at **7 p.m. ET Nov. 11**—via **livestream** or in person at the Church Center chapel in New York City—to honor those who have served in the military and specially recognize the Episcopal chaplains who support them.

Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe will preside, and the Rt. Rev. Ann Ritonia, bishop suffragan for the church's **Armed Forces and Federal Ministries**, will preach. The service will include a special “commissioning for further service” of chaplains who serve military veterans in all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces.

"Relief"

*Taken from Episcopal 10/24/2025 Diocese of Alaska E~News
by The Rt. Rev. Mark Lattime, VIIIth Bishop of Alaska*

The images and news from the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta in the wake of typhoon Haplong are devastating. While I am thankful that our villages along the Lower Yukon and the Chukchi Sea did not experience the same levels of destruction as communities like Kipnuk and Kwigillingnok, I ask all of us in the Diocese of Alaska to remain persistent in prayers for these our siblings in Christ, and to consider contributing to the relief efforts in the hardest hit areas.

The Diocese of Alaska has pledged \$2,000 to the Western Alaska Disaster Relief Fund through the Alaska Community Foundation.

I am grateful for the response from Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD), who contacted me to ask how ERD might assist with relief efforts. Since we do not have any established church contacts in the Y-K Delta, it is difficult for ERD to work directly with needs in the area. I suggested that ERD partner with the Alaska Community Foundation in support of the Western Alaska Disaster Fund.

ERD is now also aware of the flooding and potential relief and recovery needs in Kivalina and Kotzebue from the first storm that blew through

Northwestern Alaska three days before typhoon Haplong. I am waiting to hear from Kivalina and Kotzebue after they have an opportunity to assess relief and recovery needs. The Diocese of Alaska and ERD stand ready to assist with direct support to those communities as requested and directed by their church and community.

A vertical poster with a dark blue background featuring a swirling, storm-like pattern. The title 'WESTERN ALASKA DISASTER RELIEF' is prominently displayed in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Below the title, a paragraph of white text describes the impact of Typhoon Halong on coastal communities. Further down, the text 'ONLINE FUNDRAISER:' is followed by a QR code. To the right of the QR code, more white text encourages donations. At the bottom, a list of community names in all caps is provided, followed by a small white logo consisting of a circle with radiating lines, and a solid yellow horizontal bar at the very bottom.

WESTERN ALASKA DISASTER RELIEF

Alaska's Western coastal communities are experiencing devastating impacts from Typhoon Halong, with families displaced and villages facing severe flooding and loss.

ONLINE FUNDRAISER:



Join us in supporting relief efforts. Scan the QR code to donate online. All funds raised will go directly to assisting communities.

**QUYANA CAKNEQ - QUYANAQPAK - QAGAASAKUNG - TAIKUU
- MAHSÌ CHO - GUNALCHÈESH - HÀW'AA - THANK YOU**

