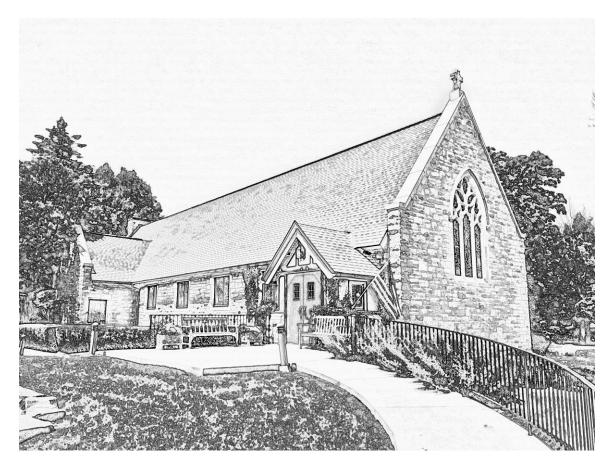


St. Elisabeth's Episcopal Church

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 22, 2024 10:00 AM

Welcome to Saint Elisabeth's. We are delighted to have you with us today.



This faith community invites all persons to all levels of participation, leadership and decision-making within the church regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, socioeconomic and marital status. We seek to establish meaningful connections with one another through work and play and worship as we strive to understand God's purpose for us in the church and in the world.

Ordinary Time: Creation

The Season after Pentecost is not actually a season with a single common focus, but is simply the weeks between the Day of Pentecost and the First Sunday of Advent. It is often called "Ordinary Time." These weeks hold both the slower pace and peaceful quality of summer months and the quicker pace and flurry of activity in the early fall. These are our "ordinary" days, in which we live the Christian faith in our daily lives.

During these weeks, as the liturgical scholar Leonel Mitchell puts it, we celebrate "the time in which we actually live — the period between the Pentecost and the Second Advent." Two thousand years after the first Pentecost, the church still lives in this "in between" time before the fulfillment of time in Christ's second coming. You might also hear these weeks called "the long, green season," referring both to the green color of the vestments and altar hangings for these weeks as well as to the summertime of year in which many of the weeks fall in the northern hemisphere.

After Pentecost we settle into the growing season, nourishing the seeds planted at Easter and putting down roots in our faith.

From Daily Prayer for All Seasons

Entering in

Ultimately our greatest joy is when we seek to do good for others. It's how we are made. We're wired to be compassionate. -- Desmond Tutu

Orthopraxy (Practice)

Go out of your way to be compassionate this week. Reap the joy of being caring and generous to another.

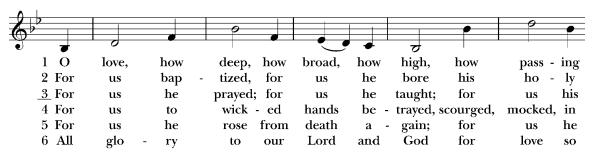
The Holy Eucharist: Rite II The Word of God

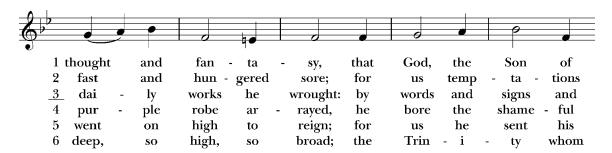
Prelude Jim Baur

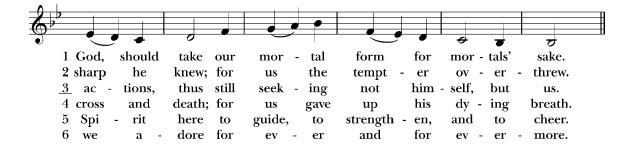
Please stand, as you are able, and join in singing.

Opening Hymn

"O love, how deep, how broad, how high" The Hymnal 1982 #448, *Deus tuorum militum*







Opening Acclamation

All Creation Sings

Presider

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

Assembly

Amen.

Collect for Purity

All Creation Sings

Presider

To you, O God, all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**



The Collect

Presider God be with you.

Assembly And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us beloved children. Help us to lay aside our envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your peace. Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Reading

Jeremiah 11:18-20

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds.

But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind,

let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

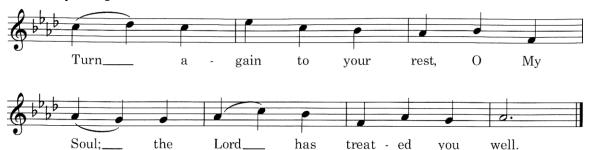
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Assembly Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

The assembly sings the Antiphon, and the Choir chants the verses of the Psalm.

Assembly Antiphon



Save me, O God, by your Name; *
in your might, defend my cause.
Hear my prayer, O God; *
give ear to the words of my mouth.

Antiphon

For the arrogant have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life, * those who have no regard for God.

Behold, God is my helper; * it is the Lord who sustains my life.

Render evil to those who spy on me; * in your faithfulness, destroy them.

Antiphon

I will offer you a freewill sacrifice *
and praise your Name, O Lord, for it is good.
For you have rescued me from every trouble, *
and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

Antiphon

The Second Reading

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

A Reading from the letter of James.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Assembly Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Sequence Hymn

"Let All Creation" Wonder, Love and Praise #885, Whitehead



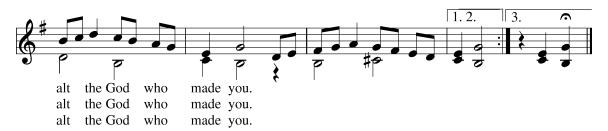
- 1. Let all cre a tion bless the Lord, till heav'n with praise is ring ing.
- 2. All liv-ing things up on the earth, green fer tile hills and moun-tains,
- $3. \ O \quad \text{men and} \quad \text{wo-men} \quad \text{ev-ery-where, lift} \quad \text{up} \quad \text{a hymn of} \quad \text{glo-ry;}$



Sun, moon, and stars, peal out chord, stir an - gels' sing - ing. up the the God who birth; be joy - ful, springs and foun-tains. sing to gave you all who know God's let stead - fast care tell our sal - va - tion's sto - ry.



Sing, wind and rain! Sing, snow and sleet! Make mu - sic, day, night, cold and heat: ex - Lithe wa - ter life, bright air-borne birds, wild rov - ing beast, tame flocks and herds: ex - No tongue be si - lent; sing your part, you hum-ble souls and meek of heart: ex -



All face the Gospel Book.

The Gospel Mark 9:30-37

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Assembly Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

Assembly Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Adam Spencer

A period of silence follows. Please stand as you are able for the creed and prayers.



Prayers of the People

Common Worship: Times and Seasons, adapted

Intercessor

Gracious God, fountain of all wisdom, we pray for your church; for Paula our bishop, and for all who teach and guard the faith. May the word of Christ dwell richly in our hearts, and knit us together in the bond of your love.

Intercessor

Let us pray.

Assembly

Hear us, O God.

Intercessor We pray for the leaders of nations, and for those in authority under them.

Give them the gift of your wisdom, and a right discernment in all things.

Intercessor Let us pray.

Assembly Hear us, O God.

Intercessor We pray for this village of Glencoe and for the surrounding towns, for those

who live, work and visit here, and for all who seek the common good. Speak your word of peace in our midst, and help us to serve one another as Christ

has served us.

Intercessor Let us pray.

Assembly Hear us, O God.

Intercessor We pray for those bowed down with grief, fear or sickness, and we pray for

the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially

Benjamin Whipple and family

Walter Tuohy Katherine

Susan Chadd

Patricia

Emily Becker

Lizzy Arnell

<u>Cheryl</u>

Sally Graver

Izzy Thomson

<u>Gerald</u>

Denny Scully

The people of Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine

Are there others?... (Silence)

May Christ the living Word bring them comfort and healing.

Intercessor Let us pray.

Assembly Hear us, O God.

Intercessor We give thanks for all who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose

faith is known to you alone, and we rejoice with Elisabeth and all your saints,

trusting in the promise of your word fulfilled.

Assembly Lord of the Church, hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and

mind to serve you with joy for ever. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Enriching Our Worship

Presider Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

All God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you,

opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace

of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy

Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Assembly Amen.

Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

Assembly And also with you.

The ministers and congregation greet one another in the peace of God.

Please be seated for the announcements.

Welcome and Announcements

Blessings for Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Travelers

Those traveling and those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Emily Shanley-Roberts – September 27

Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

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Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2

Thank you for your generous giving to the mission and ministry of St. Elisabeth's church. You can leave a donation in the offering plate or use your phone to scan the QR code to donate online.



Offertory Hymn "Lord of all Hopefulness" The Hymnal 1982 #482 1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy, 2 Lord of all Lord ea - ger - ness, of all faith, 3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace, 4 Lord of all Lord of all gen - tle - ness, calm, whose child - like, cares could de trust, ev er no stroy, strong hands were skilled whose the plane and the lathe, hands swift your to wel - come, your arms em brace. to whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose balm, pres - ence is be there wak-ing, and give at our us, we pray, there be lab - ors, and give at our us, we pray, give be there at our hom-ing, and us, we pray, be there sleep-ing, and give at our us, we pray, bliss hearts. Lord, at the break of your in our the day. your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

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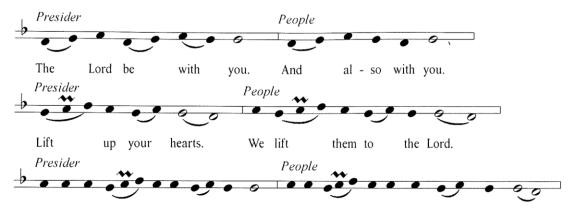
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The Great Thanksgiving

All Creation Sings, adapted

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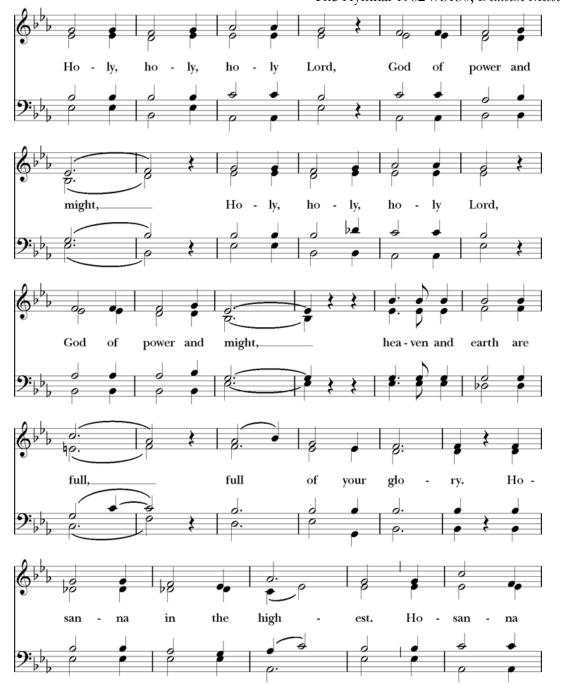
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

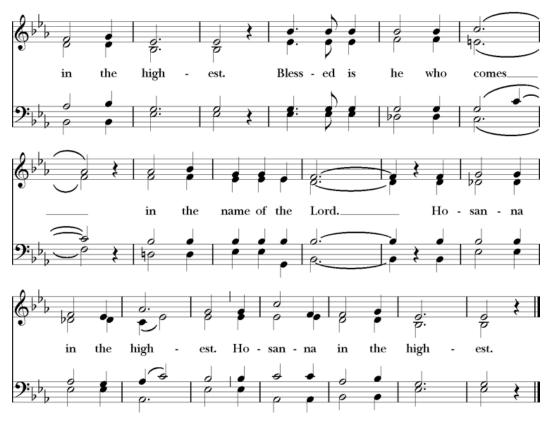
Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, O God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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

"Holy, Holy, Holy" The Hymnal 1982 #S130, *Deutsche Messe*





Presider

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: you we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore.

You formed the earth from chaos; you encircled the globe with air; you created fire for warmth and light; you nourish the lands with water. You molded us in your image, and with mercy higher than the mountains, with grace deeper than the seas, you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own.

That also we, estranged and dying, might be adopted to live in your Spirit, you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This is my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Together as the body of Christ, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Assembly

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Son, the first-born of your new creation. We remember his life lived for others, and his death and resurrection, which renews the face of the earth. We await his coming, when, with the world made perfect through your wisdom, all our sins and sorrows will be no more.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and compassionate, send upon us and this meal your Holy Spirit, whose breath revives us for life, whose fire rouses us to love. Enfold in your arms all who share this holy food. Nurture in us the fruits of the Spirit, that we may be a living tree, sharing your bounty with all the world.

Holy and benevolent God, receive our praise and petitions, as Jesus received the cry of the needy, and fill us with your blessing, until, needy no longer and bound to you in love, we feast forever in the triumph of the Lamb; through whom all glory and honor is yours, O God, O Living One, With the Holy Spirit, In your holy church, Now and forever.

Assembly

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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

Assembly 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,

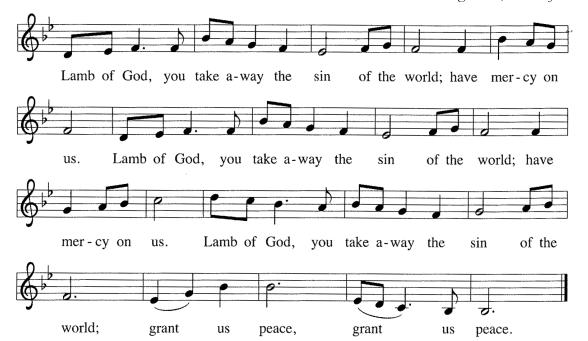
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Fraction Anthem

"Lamb of God" All Creation Sings #40, Lamb of God



Invitation to Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing at this time.

Gluten-free host available upon request. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, simply cross your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward for any reason, please inform an usher so our clergy can bring communion to you in the pew.

Music during Communion

"Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ" Common Praise #557, Sursum Corda





Post Communion Prayer

All Creation Sings

Please stand as you are able.

Presider

Let us pray.

Assembly

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Presider

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

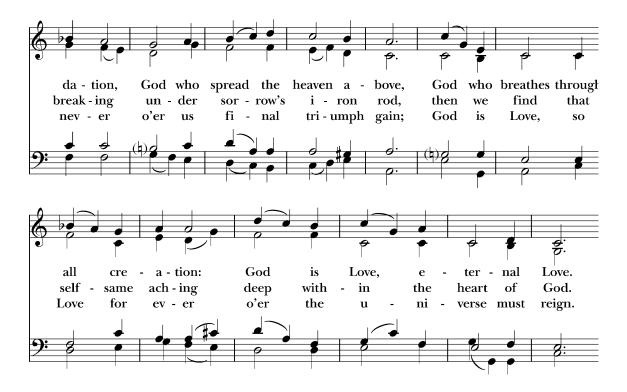
Assembly

Amen.

Closing Hymn

"God is Love, let heaven adore him" The Hymnal 1982 #379, Abbot's Leigh





Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Assembly Thanks be to God.

Postlude Jim Baur

You are invited to come forward to listen to the postlude.

All are invited for coffee hour and conversation in the dining room down the hall immediately following the service. Sunday School for children is offered on the second floor.

Assisting Today

First Reading
Second Reading
Prayers
Altar Guild
Usher
Coffee Hour

Anne Tuohy
Linda Illes
John Tuohy
Polly Baur
Phil Miller

This Week at St. Elisabeth's

Sunday, September 22

8:00 a.m. – Spoken Eucharist (Rite I)

9:00 a.m. - Choir Rehearsal

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist (Rite II)

11:00 a.m. - Fellowship, Forum, and Children's Sunday School

Monday, September 23

8:00 p.m. – AA Meeting in the Guild Room

Thursday, September 26

7:30 a.m. – Spoken Eucharist (Rite II)

7:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 27

11:00 a.m. – Bible Study

Saturday, September 28

5:00 p.m. – AA Meeting in the Guild Room

Sunday, September 29

8:00 a.m. – Spoken Eucharist (Rite I)

9:00 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist (Rite II)

11:00 a.m. - Fellowship, Forum, and Children's Sunday School

Happening Today

Sunday Forum & Fellowship

We gather weekly at Coffee Hour after the 10:00 AM service in the Guild Room. We will discuss the day's readings, sermon, liturgy, music and whatever else is on folks' minds. These conversations will be facilitated by the Rector. On select Sundays, we will continue to have guest speakers and teachers on various topics.

We are in need of volunteers for Coffee Hour. Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway outside the church to indicate your willingness to host a coffee hour, or you may speak with Mark Tilton.

Children's Sunday School

Sunday School for Children, upstairs after the 10:00 am service every Sunday. Children of all ages are invited to come learn about the Bible and have some fun with our Director of Children's Formation Abigail Pribble.

Special Events in the Weeks Ahead

Episcopal Charities Autumn Soiree – Friday, September 27

Episcopal Charities will hold it's fall gala event at the Epiphany Center for the Arts. More information about this event can be found at episcopalcharities.org.

The CAT is Back – Hear the Results of the Survey on Sunday, September 29

In May 2024, 64 parishioners completed the Church Assessment Tool or CAT. This survey was designed to give us information about how the Church is doing in the eyes of its members. The Vestry has been reviewing the compiled results over the Summer, and it's now time to share them with everyone.

After the 10:00 AM service on **Sunday, September 29**, The Rev. Andrea Mysen, Canon to the Ordinary in the Diocese of Chicago, will present an overview of the results. With the Rector and Wardens, she will answer questions and lead a discussion of what the CAT results mean for us going forward. We'll have a light lunch available so hunger pangs don't cut the discussion short, and we'll extend Sunday School a bit so children are happily occupied.

The CAT results give us useful information and will guide the Vestry in moving the Church forward. Your reactions and input will be very helpful. Please plan to join this important meeting on September 29.

Blessing of Animals

On the first weekend of October each year, we celebrate the life of St. Francis of Assisi, the

patron saint of animals. We invite you to bring your pet companions with you to our 10:00 am Outdoor Sung Eucharist Rite II on **October 6** to be blessed during the service. We hope you'll join in this special service of blessing with your pet companions.

Festive Gathering of Baehr Legacy Fund Society Members – Sunday, October 6 This gathering on Sunday, October 6, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the church, If you are not currently a member of the Baehr Legacy Fund Society and would like to become a member and/or know more about this ministry of St. Elisabeth's, please contact Anne Tuohy at atuohy@aol.com.

Learn About Work of Episcopal Charities

Join Adam and Rev. Matt Berryman after coffee hour (at our usual Sunday Forum time) on **Sunday, October 13,** for a presentation on the work of Episcopal Charities. A number of our St. Elisabeth's parishioners have been active in the work of Episcopal Charities - the social outreach arm of the Diocese of Chicago.

Living in Community

Weekday Worship

Join us before work or school at **7:30 am every Thursday** for a short service of Holy Communion with a brief homily on the readings assigned for the day.

St. Elisabeth's Choir

All are invited to join the St. Elisabeth's Choir for rehearsals at **7:30 pm on Thursday nights.** All are welcome - and no experience, background, or skill is required. If you don't regularly sing with the choir, but want to give it a try or just want to learn more about your voice, attending a rehearsal would be a perfect opportunity. If you have any questions, you can reach Walter at music@steglencoe.org or catch him after a Sunday service. Hope to see you there!

St. Elisabeth's Bible Study

The St. E's Bible Study group meets weekly on **Fridays at 11:00 am in the room formerly known as the Baehr Library.** We are studying the Gospel of Matthew, this week focusing on Matthew 5 and 6. For more information, contact Larry Whipple.

Pastoral needs, hospital calls, nursing/rehab and home-bound parishioners

If you have a pastoral need or emergency and would like to speak to Fr. Spencer, or know of someone who would like to schedule a pastoral visit, please contact Adam by phoning the office at 847-835-0458 and leave a private message in the rector's voicemail. You can also email Adam at rector@steglencoe.org.

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Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday - 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

We at St. Elisabeth's share an adventurous spirit and a commitment to radiate God's love within and beyond our red doors.