

The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 22, 2025 9:30 AM

Baptism and Holy Eucharist



*The Church of the Redeemer
120 Mauldin Road Greenville, SC 29605*

Prelude

Holy Baptism: Liturgy of the Word

At the start of the hymn, all stand in body or spirit and sing:

Processional hymn: "All my hope on God is founded" Hymn 665 Verses 1-3

The service continues on p. 299 in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant continues

	There is one Body and one Spirit;
<i>People</i>	<i>There is one hope in God's call to us;</i>
Celebrant	One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
<i>People</i>	<i>One God and Father of all.</i>
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	<i>And also with you.</i>
Celebrant	Let us pray.

Almighty God, by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you turn us from the old life of sin: Grant that we, being reborn to new life in him, may live in righteousness and holiness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Ezekiel 36:24-28

Say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

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

Psalm 15

1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
who may abide upon your holy hill?

2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
who speaks the truth from his heart.

3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his friend; *

he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
but he honors those who fear the Lord.

5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
and does not take back his word.

6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

7 Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown.

Second Reading

Romans 6:3-5

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

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

Gospel

John 3:1-6

Celebrant	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People	<i>Glory to you, Lord Christ.</i>

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is

born of the Spirit is spirit.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon

The Rev. Catherine L. Tatem

The choir sings “Cradling children in his arms” while the family and sponsors gather at the baptismal font.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

BCP 301

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents

I present **Caroline Campbell Ethridge** to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks the parents and godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer *I renounce them.*

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer *I renounce them.*

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer *I renounce them.*

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer *I do.*

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer *I do.*

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer *I do.*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

People *We will.*

The Celebrant then says

Let us join with those who are committing Caroline to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People *I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.*

*He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.*

*He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People *I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion
of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life
everlasting.*

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the
breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,
repent and return to the Lord?
People *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in
Christ?
People *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as
yourself?
People *I will, with God's help.*

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect
the dignity of every human being?
People *I will, with God's help.*

Prayers for the Candidates

The Celebrant then says to the congregation
Let us now pray for Caroline who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader	Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Open her heart to your grace and truth.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Send her into the world in witness to your love.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>
Leader	Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People	<i>Lord, hear our prayer.</i>

Celebrant: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

	<i>The Priest blesses the water, first saying</i>
	The Lord be with you.
People	<i>And also with you.</i>
Priest	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	<i>It is right to give him thanks and praise.</i>

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through

his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Priest touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Baptism

The candidate is presented to the Priest, who pours water upon her, saying

Caroline Campbell, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking the sign of the cross on his forehead using Chrism and saying

Caroline Campbell, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

Then the Priest says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: “I the Lord of Sea and Sky”

Daniel Schutte

During the anthem, representatives of the congregation bring the people’s offerings of bread and wine and place them on the altar. After the choir anthem, the people stand and sing:

Doxology

Hymn 380 Verse 3

Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

The celebrant says:

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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. 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

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The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

*We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.*

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

People and Celebrant

*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.*

Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

A period of silence is kept. Then is said

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Agnus Dei

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The ministers and people share communion.

Communion Hymn “The King of love my shepherd is”

Hymn 645 Verses 1,2,5,6

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 365

The people stand. Celebrant and People 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.*

Blessing

The priest blesses the people.

Recessional Hymn: “O bless the Lord, my soul!”

Hymn 411

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Today we welcome **Caroline Campbell Ethridge** into the church through the sacrament of baptism. Her parents are Trip and Jeanmarie Ethridge.

Godparents: Matthew & Kathryn Swilley; Jeffrey & Elizabeth Brunette

***The Daughters of the King invite everyone to a reception in the transept
after the service to celebrate Caroline’s new life in Christ!***