



SEASON OF CREATION

All Are Welcome at St. Alban's Episcopal Church
8am & 10:30 am Sunday October 5, 2025
The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

St. Alban's seeks to be an open and welcoming, Christ-centered community committed to sharing Christ's love, empowering all people to grow spiritually, deepening our relationship with Christ, and living out our faith in our community and the world.

St. Alban's Episcopal Church

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Sunday Worship 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

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Serving in Today's Worship

Celebrant & Preacher

Deacon

Music Director & Organist

Crucifer

8am Lector

10:30am Lectors, Chalice & Arms Bearers

10:30am Cruet Bearer

Altar Guild

A/V Ministry

Fr. Greg Peters

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Denise Robertson

Brad Goergen

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Betsy Newnum
in thanksgiving for my parents, Dr. Raymond and Betty Newnum, who both passed over in early fall
a few years back. Loving and wise parents, who still teach me and the family

Weekly Sunday Outreach Basket Offerings

1st week—Food Bank

2nd week—Discretionary Fund

3rd week—Quarterly Outreach Offering

4th week—International Relief Offering

5th Week—Indigenous Women's Offering



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www.StAlbansEdmonds.org and click on
"Donate Now" or use QR code above.

Scripture Readings for October 12th

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; Psalm 66:1-11; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

Prelude

Opening Hymn:

Awake My Soul

Hymn 11

Welcome to St. Alban's Episcopal Church. We're here in Edmonds, WA, and wherever you are in the world we're honored that you have welcomed us into your home today, as together we worship the God of all creation as incarnate in Jesus of Nazareth. Whether you're with us for an hour or a lifetime, we hope and trust that you will find this a refuge that nourishes the Holy Spirit within you.

Before we begin, let us acknowledge that we are situated on traditional and ancestral Snohomish, Coast Salish land. They cared for this land for millennia before it was taken from them. We honor them, pray for the wisdom to care for it as well as they, recognize that they are here among us, and are seeking ways of working together to be better stewards of this place and its people.

Opening Acclamation

Presider This is the day the Creator has made.

People *Let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

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.*

Song of Praise:

All Creation Danced in Answer

Bulletin p 4-5

1 All cre - a - tion danced in an - swer when God's
 2 Je - sus gave the tune new tex - ture, love song
 3 And the Spir - it comes, com - pos - ing mu - sic
 4 Come, my friends, sing, dance in an - swer as God's

voice first touched the air and the great e - ter - nal
 for a world set free: gos - pel sung in full, rich
 made of wind and fire, in its new - found tones dis -
 mu - sic fills the air and the great e - ter - nal

can - tor called a u - ni - verse to prayer, called to
 meas - ure, earth's voice, but God's mel - o - dy; pas - sion
 clos - ing all the heart and soul re - quire, forg - ing
 can - tor calls us yet to praise and prayer, bids us

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praise and to thanks - giv - ing all that filled the space a -
 mu - sic, sad and som - bre, dis - cord on a cross was
 from day's hum and thun - der, from that mix - ture sweet and
 join the end - less, sing - ing, till all earth - ly song shall

bout, sought a hymn from all things
 built, giv - ing way to bright new
 strong, psalms and hymns of awe and
 cease; heav - en's voice a - lone goes

liv - ing, bid the stones them - selves cry out.
 tim - bre in the Eas - ter morn - ing's lilt.
 won - der: dai - ly life as sa - cred song.
 ring - ing through a u - ni - verse at peace.

Salutation

Presider May God, the Creator of all things, be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Presider Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Scripture Insert

Hebrew Scripture

Lamentations 1:1-6

Scripture Insert

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to all God's Creation.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 137

Scripture Insert

Christian Scripture

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Scripture Insert

Hear what the Spirit is saying to all God's Creation.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn:

Great is Thy Faithfulness
(10:30am only)

See Music Insert

The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel Reading

Luke 17:5-10

Scripture Insert

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Creed

Deacon or Priest: Please stand as you are able as we reaffirm our faith by saying and adaptation of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in God, who creates all things, who embraces all things, who celebrates all things, who is present in every part of the fabric of creation. We believe in God as the source of all life, who baptizes this planet with living water.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one, the malnourished one, the climate refugee, who loves and cares for this world and who suffers with it. And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life, who came to reconcile and renew this world and everything in it.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God, who moves with God and who moves among and with us today.

We believe in everlasting life in God.

And we believe in the hope that one day

God will put an end to death and all destructive forces.

Amen.

The Prayers of the People: *Creationtide Form*

Priest: Creator God,
you call us to love and serve you
with body, mind, and spirit
through loving your creation
and loving our sisters and brothers.
Open our hearts in compassion
and receive these petitions
on behalf of the needs of the church and of the world.

Intercessor: Eternal God:
We thank you for the beauty of the World:
for the teeming life of the seas, the flight of birds, and the diversity of
animal life. Grant us grace to treat Creation with respect and care; to
protect endangered species, to preserve the variety of habitats, and to
honor the delicate balance of nature.

God of life: *hear our prayer.*

We thank you for the wealth of blessings from land and sea; for the power
of wind, and the warmth of sun. We pray for the nations of the earth, give
us the will to cherish this planet and to use its resources sustainably for the
welfare of all.

God of justice: *hear our prayer.*

We pray for the faithful witness of the Church, called to reconcile and
heal:

For the Anglican Communion, led by the Interim Archbishop of
Canterbury

For the Episcopal Church, led by Presiding Bishop Sean
For this diocese led by Phil LaBelle, and for [Diocesan prayer list]
For this parish, especially [Congregational Members], [Ministry
Group], and for Greg and all who serve God through this church.

God of grace: *hear our prayer.*

We pray for the human family. We exult in our diversity and giftedness, we repent of our sins, divisions and violence. By the power of your Spirit, restore your image within us. As every human being is known and loved by you, may we care for one another with love and respect. We pray for those you have commended to our care: [Congregational Prayer List]

God of compassion: *hear our prayer.*

We pray for those who have died, especially, whom we entrust to your eternal love; may we support and comfort those who mourn.

God of peace: *hear our prayer.*

The Presider: Bountiful God, you call us to labor with you in tending the earth: Where we lack love, open our hearts to the world; where we waste, give us discipline to conserve; where we neglect, awaken our minds and wills to insight and care. May we with all your creatures honor and serve you in all things for you live and reign with Christ, Redeemer of all, and with your Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

Book of Occasional Services, 2018, 339

Confession of Sin

Deacon or Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation.

*Merciful and sustaining God,
we have sinned against you.*

*We confess our lack of gratitude for the beauty and bounty of your
creation: teach us to see that your earth sustains us and all that lives.*

*We confess that we have misused your earth:
grant us amendment of life.*

*We confess that we have been intemperate in our appetites: strengthen us
in self-control.*

*We confess that we have taken the abundance of your world for granted:
make us urgent now for its protection.*

*Forgive and renew us now through our Savior Jesus Christ, by the power
of the Holy Spirit, with whom you live and reign, one God, now and
for ever. Amen.*

“Liturgical Materials for Honoring God in Creation,”
Reports To The 78th General Convention: Supplemental Materials
(Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music: SCLM, 2015), 246 - 247

Absolution

Through the cross of Christ,
God have mercy on you,
pardon you
and set you free.

Know that you are forgiven
and be at peace.

God strengthen you in all goodness
and keep you in life eternal.

Amen.

The New Zealand Book of Common Prayer, page 408

The Peace

Presider The God of heaven has made a home on earth.

People ***Christ dwells among us and is one with us.***

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

“A Service of Welcome,”

*The Iona Community, “Iona Abbey Worship Book”
(Glasgow, UK: Wildgoose Publications, 2001), 246 - 247*

Birthdays, Anniversaries, Thanksgivings

Announcements

Offertory Sentence

God said, “I did not intend my creatures to make themselves servants and slaves to the world’s pleasures. They owe their first love to me. Everything else they should love and possess, as I told you, not as if they owned it, but as something lent them.”

Catherine of Siena (1347-1380), The Dialogue

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

The Offertory

Offertory Hymn: *Make Me A Channel of Thy Peace* See Music Insert

Doxology

Hymn 380, vs 3

Eucharistic Prayer with Creation III

Presider God is with us.

People God is present here.

Presider Rejoice! Lift up your hearts.

People We lift our hearts to the Most High.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Holy One.

People It is right to offer thanks and praise.

We do praise you, our intimate God, the one who is with us, and with all of creation, the source of this magical, mystical, sensual, beautiful, earth. From microbes to whales you have created all of us. We are privileged to be a strand in all of your creation, including this strange and wonderful home, our earth, the open sky above, the dazzling array of stars and planets, and the unfathomable galaxies beyond us. You have blessed us with a world of infinite variety and beauty, a land of mountains and meadows, canyons and valleys, deserts and jungles. Over and through this land you have provided oceans teeming with life, streams and rivers, crystal clear lakes, and cascading waterfalls. We share this land with all of your creatures, from mosquito to mountain lion, from seal to scorpion. You have formed all of this, this land of such intense wildness and beauty. Therefore, we praise you, O Sacred One, joining our voices with the cry of your animals, the rocks, the stars, the Moon, the Sun, and all the universe as we shout with joy:

Sanctus

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

We bless you and thank you Gracious God for all of these gifts, and for weaving us, the web of humanity, into this world. But instead of caring deeply for this most perfect of creations, the universe beyond our comprehension and this earth in which we live, we have rebelled against it, against ourselves, against You. We disregarded the interconnected web of life in which we live. Instead of loving it as a mother loves her child, we put ourselves above it, as if it was something we could own. It became something to control rather than a part of us and a part of you. Each time you have called us back, called us to understand that we are not masters of the earth, but instead a part of the earth. You continually remind us that caring for you means caring for your earth and for each other.

The People and Presider say together

Then, All-Holy God, you sent Jesus Christ to be among us. Through His incarnation, You taught us that You are always with us and all of the world. He showed us the way to grace and freedom, and how to show compassion to each other and the world. He gathered a people as your own and filled us with longing for justice and peace for all of creation. Keep us ever vigilant to follow his example so that we may bring about Your reign that He opened for us, through his life, his death, and his resurrection. It is a reign where all your creation will be one.

The Presider continues

On the night before he died, Jesus came to table with those he loved. Recalling his own actions of feeding the poor and eating with the outcast, he took bread, gave thanks to You, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in memory of me.” When supper was ended, he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to You, and passed the cup among his friends and said: “Take this all of you and drink from it, this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant, do this in memory of me.”

Presider Therefore, let us pray:

Gracious God among us, help us to feel your presence, and give us the strength to serve your creation and your people this day and every day.

The Presider continues

Now gathered at your table, God of Creation, and remembering what Jesus Christ taught us, we offer to you this bread and this wine, a gift of your creation and work of human hands. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts, O Sacred One. May they become for us the Body and Blood of Christ, just as we, your people, are that same Body. Breathe your Spirit upon us also and upon the entire earth. Make us one with your earth, so that all of creation may become one with your body.

The People and Presider say together

Bring all of us, from every clan, tribe, and nation together, to feast upon your abundant banquet, prepared from the fruits of your earth and made possible by the redemption of your Christ.

The Presider continues

Through Jesus Christ, in the unity of the entire Universe, all glory and honor to God and Creator, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

from Grace St. Paul Episcopal Church, Tucson, AZ

The Lord's Prayer

As the Wisdom before Creation teaches us, we pray.

Leader Our Father [and/or: Mother] in heaven

People *You are also at home in the air, soil, forests and oceans*

Leader Hallowed be your name

People *By the care we take of your Creation*

Leader Your kingdom come

People *All that you see is good*

Leader Your will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven

People *Your will to till and care*

Leader Give us this day our daily bread

People *That all may have enough to live life in fullness*

Leader Forgive us our trespasses

People Our greed, our exploitation, our lack of concern for other species and for future generations

Leader As we forgive those who trespass against us

People By reconciliation with justice and peace.

Leader Lead us not into temptation

People The temptation to equate dominion with exploitation

Leader And deliver us from evil

People The evil of destroying your gift of creation

Leader For yours is the kingdom

People Yours, Lord, not ours

Leader The power and the glory

People In the cross and resurrection

Leader For ever and ever

*People You are the beginning and you are the end.
So be it.*

Creation Care Prayers, The Church of England Environmental Programme

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Fraction Anthems

Presider This is Living Bread, given for all Creation.
People *All who eat this bread share in Christ's Body.*

John 6:51

The Prayer of Spiritual Communion

For those who unable to attend worship in person.

Beloved Jesus,
I believe that you are present in the
Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.
I love you above all things, and I
desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive
you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood,
come spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you.
Let me never be separated from you in this life
or in the life to come. Amen.

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Communion Hymn:	<i>Amazing Grace</i>	Hymn 181
	(10:30am only)	

Post Communion Prayer

Create in us a new heart and a new vision, O God, that the gifts of your Spirit may work in us and renew the face of the earth. May we be one with you so that our work is yours and your work is ours. Lead us to

transform our lives to reflect your glory in Creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior who is alive with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. Amen.

"Prayers of Intercession for Creation Time", 2012

Closing Prayers and Blessings

Presider: Deep peace, pure white of the moon to you. Deep peace, pure green of the grass to you. Deep peace, pure brown of the earth to you. Deep peace, pure gray of the dew to you. Deep peace, pure blue of the sky to you. Deep peace of the Son of Peace to you. ***Amen.***

Fiona MacLeod,
"The Dominion of Dreams: Under the Dark Star,"
(New York, Duffield, 1910)

Closing Hymn: *O Jesus I have Promised* Hymn 655

Dismissal

As we conclude our service, I invite you to join me in dedicating ourselves to care of the Earth.

Deacon We join with the Earth and with each other
People *To bring new life to the land*
 To restore the waters
 To refresh the air.

Deacon We join with the Earth and with each other
People *To renew the forests*
To care for the plants
To protect the creatures.

Deacon We join with the Earth and with each other
People *To celebrate the seas*
To rejoice in the sunlight
To sing the song of the stars.

Deacon We join with the Earth and with each other
People *To recreate the human community*
To promote justice and peace
To remember our children.

Deacon We join with the Earth and with each other
All *We join together as many and diverse*
expressions of one loving mystery:
for the healing of the Earth
and the renewal of all life. Amen.

“U.N. Environmental Sabbath Program”
Elizabeth Roberts and Elias Amidon ed.,
Earth Prayers (Harper, San Francisco, 1991), 94 – 95

Postlude

Announcements

Adult Bible Study Sundays at 9:30am: Join us for Adult Bible Study classes each Sunday in the Annex and online. This session we'll be looking at "Women in the Bible," focusing on those who have been overlooked. Please join us in this class led by Eric Hanson. The Zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86545992628?pwd=d08vTmZNbmhk1SW1PUXFybmdpMXNYdz09>

Blessing of the Animals Sunday October 5th: Please join us in celebration of our pets and animal companions today for the Feast of St. Francis. This day we honor Francis who preached praise for the Creator and Redeemer of all things and saw his fellow creatures as sisters and brothers. People who brought your animals or plants that are part of your families, or a picture to hold, will be invited to come forward for a special blessing. And if you have a pet you wish to be remembered who is no longer with us, we will gladly honor their memory.

Stew Fest October 15th: On Wednesday, October 15, 2025, starting at 6:30 pm, St. Alban's Stewardship committee will be sponsoring the 12th annual "Stew Fest." Please NOTE: THIS IS THE 3rd WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH. The dinner will feature a variety of stews. Salad, bread and dessert will be provided along with beverages including wine and beer. If you would be willing to donate a pot of stew, please contact Debby Wilson 206-683-4251 (dgzrus@gmail.com).

St. Alban's Participates in the Mission to Seafarers through November 12th: Please go shop as you are able, and help fill-up the "ditty bags". See complete list in the Parish Hall, along with a container to put your purchases in. Ditty Bag Stuffing Day ~ Saturday 22nd ~ 10am - Noon at St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church: 3050 California Avenue SW, Seattle, Washington.