



All Are Welcome at St. Alban's Episcopal Church

10:30 am Sunday June 28, 2026

The Fifth 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.

Opening Hymn:

Come Away to the Skies

Hymn 213

Priest: 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 this morning, as together we worship the God of all creation 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.

As we begin, we acknowledge that we are blessed to be 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, and pray for the wisdom to care for it as well as they. We recognize that we are living among them still, so we are seeking ways of building relationships so that, working together, we can be better stewards of this place and all its people.

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

Priest: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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

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Descant

5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord

1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine,
 2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;
 3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
 4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou
 5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord

Je - sus Christ is Lord;

1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine,
 2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought;
 3 who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,
 4 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,
 5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord;

and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.

1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine.
 2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought.
 3 hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry.
 4 and given the Name to which all knees shall bow.
 5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.

Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

The Collect of the Day

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send your blessing upon Susan and Eric, who come to renew their promises to each other, and grant them your grace, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their lives together may be a witness to your love and forgiveness, and 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.*

The First Reading

A Reading from Song of Solomon chapter 2 beginning with the 10th verse

Song of Solomon 2:10-13

¹⁰My beloved speaks and says to me:

"Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away;

¹¹for now the winter is past,
the rain is over and gone.

¹²The flowers appear on the earth;
the time of singing has come,
and the voice of the turtledove
is heard in our land.

¹³The fig tree puts forth its figs,
and the vines are in blossom;
they give forth fragrance.

Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away.

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 67

BCP 675

¹May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
Selah

²*that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.*

³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

⁴*Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.*

Selah

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

⁶*The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.*

⁷May God continue to bless us;
let all the ends of the earth revere him.

The Second Reading

A Reading from 1 Corinthians chapter 13 beginning with the 1st verse

1 Corinthians 13:1-7, 13

¹If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Hymn 686

The Gospel

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John 15:9-12

⁹As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ¹²This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Father Greg Peters

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

*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

Priest: As you heard the prayer of Isaac and Rebekah, O God,
and guided them in the way of your love,
so listen now to those who call upon you.

Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! With grateful hearts we
pray to our Living God, saying, “We thank you, Gracious and
Compassionate One; you hear the voice of your beloved.”

O Gracious God, you call your Church “my love” and “my beauty.” Look
upon your Church with eyes of great compassion and love.

Along with our Anglican Siblings in **The Anglican Church in Southern
Africa**, and Archbishop Sally, with the Episcopal Church and Presiding
Bishop Sean, and with **Holy Spirit on Vashon, All Saints in Tacoma, All
Saints Goshe in Tacoma** and Bishop Phil, with **The Diocese of Olympia**,
with the Legacy Society, particularly **Sheilah Reidburn**, with those who
serve you in this place, especially **Buildings and Grounds Ministries** and

with the congregation of Templo Emanuel, may we generously share the love with which we have been so greatly blessed.

I invite you to add your own thanksgivings

We thank you, Father;

You hear the voice of your beloved.

Loving God, you have blessed our nation with great freedoms. Grant us, and all the people of this land, the grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace.

I invite your prayers for our nation, the world, and all creation.

We thank you, Father;

You hear the voice of your beloved.

Loving God, all that you have created tells of your love for us. May flowers and birds, but even more so our human relationships, especially with Scout Troop 300, Girl Scout Troop 46254, the West Edmonds Preschool and Chase Lake Community School, remind us of your great care and presence.

I invite your prayers for those with whom you minister beyond this place.

We thank you, Father;

You hear the voice of your beloved.

Loving God, you promise to give rest to all those who carry heavy burdens. Through the AA groups that meet here, the Blessing Pantry, the Edmonds Food Bank, Domestic Violence Services, the Washington Kids in Transition, World Vision, and Women's Spirit Coalition help us lift

up those who are weighed down by the burdens of violence, depression, and despair.

For whom else should we pray?

We thank you, Father;

You hear the voice of your beloved.

Loving God, your Son Jesus revealed your heart to be gentle and humble. We pray for **Allegra, Bob, Liza, Howard, who has entered Hospice Care, Suzanne, Bob C., Marge, Marilee, Susan D., Jenny, Aida, Tyler,** and all those who have restless souls, injured bodies, and wounded hearts, and those who care for them.

I invite your prayers for all those in any need.

We pray that all the sorrowful and all the suffering may find their rest in you.

We thank you, Father;

You hear the voice of your beloved.

Loving God, you rescue us from death. We pray that all who have died, especially **Joe,** and those who strived for freedom and peace, may come to know that heavenly comfort you have prepared us.

I invite your prayers for those who have died and those who grieve.

For all these beloved one, we thank you, Father;

You hear the voice of your beloved.

Priest: Move us to praise your gracious will,
for in Christ Jesus you have saved us from the deeds of death
and opened for us the hidden ways of your love.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

All stand, and the Presider addresses the congregation

Priest: Friends in Christ, we are gathered together with Eric and Susan,
who have come today to give thanks to God for his blessing upon their
marriage, and to reaffirm their marriage covenant.

Priest: I require and charge you both in the Name of God, from whom no
secrets are hid, that if either of you know any impediment, why you may
not continue to be lawfully joined in Matrimony, you do now confess
it. For be ye well assured, that so many as are coupled together otherwise
than God's Word doth allow are not joined together by God; neither is
their Matrimony lawful.

Eric, wilt thou continue to have this woman to be thy wedded wife, to live
together according to God's ordinance in the holy estate of
Matrimony? Wilt thou love her, comfort her, honour, and keep her, in
sickness and in health; and forsaking all other, keep thee only unto her,
so long as you both shall live?

I will.

Susan, wilt thou continue to have this man to be thy wedded husband, to
live together according to God's ordinance in the holy estate of
Matrimony? Wilt thou love him, comfort him, honour, and keep him, in
sickness and in health; and forsaking all other, keep thee only unto him,
so long as you both shall live?

I will.

I, Eric Arnold Hanson again take thee Susan Jean Honey Hanson to be my wedded wife, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death do us part, according to God's holy ordinance; and thereto I give thee my troth.

I, Susan Jean Honey Hanson again take thee Eric Arnold Hanson to be my wedded husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death do us part, according to God's holy ordinance; and thereto I give thee my troth.

Priest: O Eternal God, Creator and Preserver of all mankind, Giver of all spiritual grace, the Author of everlasting life: Continue to send thy blessing upon these thy servants, this man and this woman, whom we bless in thy Name; that they may surely perform and keep the vow and covenant betwixt them made, and may ever remain in perfect love and peace together, and live according to thy laws; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.

Forasmuch as Susan and Eric have again consented together in holy wedlock, and have witnessed the same before God and this company, and thereto have given and pledged their troth either to other, and have declared the same by giving and receiving ring(s), and by joining of hands; I pronounce that they be continue to be man and wife together, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

Susan and Eric: We thank you, most gracious God, for consecrating our marriage in Christ's Name and presence. Lead us further in companionship with each other and with you. Give us grace to live together in love and fidelity, with care for one another. Strengthen us all our days, and bring us to that holy table where, with those we love, we will feast for ever in our heavenly home; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Presider then blesses them, saying:

May God the Father, who at creation ordained that man and woman become one flesh, keep you one. ***Amen.***

May God the Son, who adorned this manner of life by his first miracle, at the wedding in Cana of Galilee, be present with you always. ***Amen.***

May God the Holy Spirit, who has given you the will to persevere in your love and in your covenant with each other, strengthen your bond. ***Amen.***

And may God the Holy Trinity, the source of all unity, bless you this day and for ever. ***Amen.***

The Peace

Celebrant: Please stand as you are able.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Birthday & Anniversary Prayers

Announcements

Offertory Hymn:

Be Thou My Vision

Hymn 488

Doxology

Hymn 380, vs 3

Eucharistic Prayer 1

Enriching Our Worship

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: ***We lift them to the Lord.***

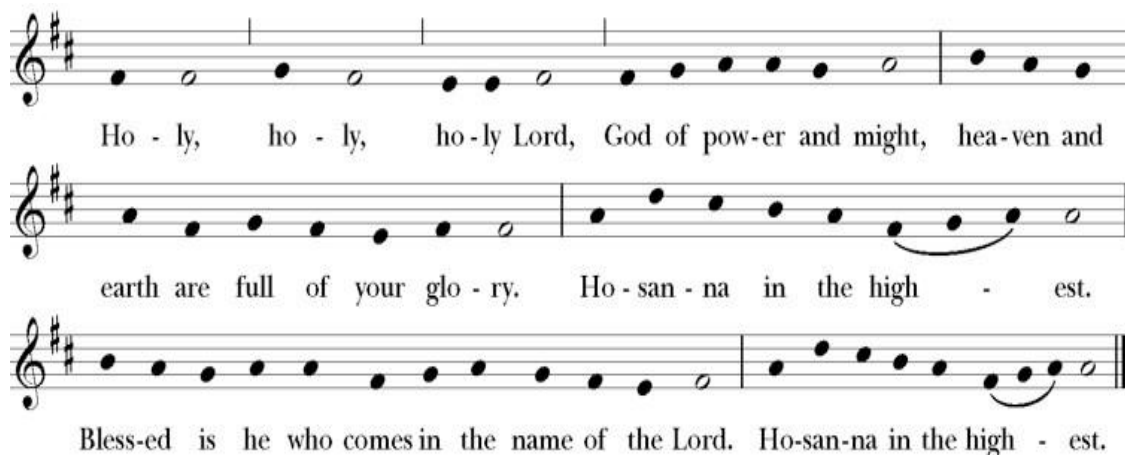
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

Celebrant: It is truly right, and good and joyful,
to give you thanks, all-holy God,
source of life and fountain of mercy.

Celebrant: You have filled us and all creation with your blessing
and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ
and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us
and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of
every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection,
we now present to you from your creation
this bread and this wine and ourselves as a living sacrifice.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us
the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Grant that we who share these gifts
may be filled with the Holy Spirit
and live as Christ's Body in the world.
Bring us into the everlasting heritage
of your daughters and sons,
that with Mary, Joseph, Alban, and all your saints,
past, present, and yet to come,
we may praise your Name for ever.
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lord's Prayer


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

*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

Antiphon
Cantor; then All




The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

Cantor




1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,




is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

Cantor



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died and is risen for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

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: *Spirit of the Living God* *Bulletin p. 20*

Spirit of the Living God

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Daniel Iverson, 1926

Acts 11:15; 2 Cor. 3:1-6; Gal. 5:25

F Gm D Gm F Dm C F

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me;

Detailed description: This system contains the first two lines of music. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me;".

F Gm D Gm F Bb/C C7 F

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Detailed description: This system contains the next two lines of music. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.".

Bb F G7 C

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Detailed description: This system contains the next two lines of music. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef. The melody features quarter notes and eighth notes with slurs. The lyrics are: "Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.".

F Gm D Gm F Dm C7 F

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Detailed description: This system contains the final two lines of music. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef. The melody concludes with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.".

Presbyterian minister Daniel Iverson was inspired to write this chorus one evening while attending revival services led by the George T. Stephans Evangelistic Party in Orlando, Florida, in 1926. It became widely popular at similar meetings before it was published several years later.

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Daniel Iverson, 1926

Post Communion Prayer

from *Enriching Our Worship*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

*Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth a people,
forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior.
Amen.*

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song* Hymn 513

Dismissal

Postlude

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Organist

Lectors

Chalice & Alms Bearers

Altar Guild

A/V Ministry

Father Greg Peters

Nat Bartels

Graeme Hanson

Christopher Hanson

Connie Forsberg

Mary Fowler

Pam Pomeroy

J.L. Krilevich

Phil McClelland

Denise Robertson

Brad Goergen

*Flowers are given to the glory of God by the Hanson family
in celebration of Eric and Susan's 50th wedding anniversary*

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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“Donate Now” or use QR code above.

Scripture Readings for July 5th

Zechariah 9:9-12; Psalm 145:8-15; Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Announcements

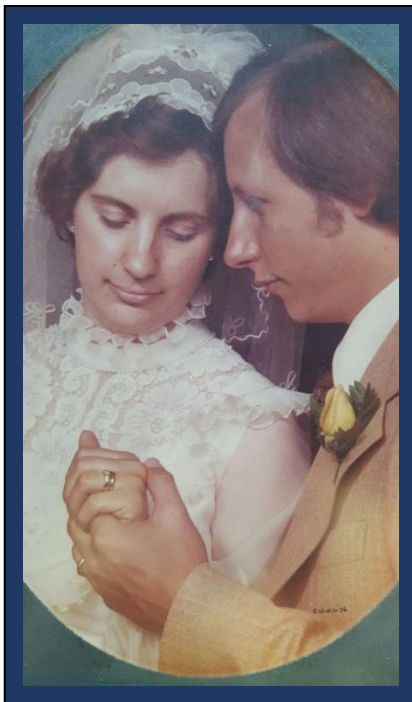
Adult Bible Study Sundays at 9:30am: Join us for Adult Christian Education class (Bible Study) led by Robin McClelland on Sundays at 9:30am in the Annex and also on Zoom (see link below).

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83625063228?pwd=bcgNjSKTjQaV8OTcwoeaNgIbbx30Er.1>

Vestry Clerk Needed: We are seeking a parishioner to serve as Clerk of the Vestry. The vestry clerk supports the leadership of the parish by keeping accurate records of vestry business. For more information or to express interest, please contact Debby Wilson (Vestry Clerk), Father Greg, or Jan Lee (JL) Krilevich, Senior Warden.

Vestry Meeting July 12th: Our next vestry meeting is Sunday, July 12th. If you have concerns, ideas or comments, see one of our vestry members. And please continue to pray for our leaders who faithfully serve our church.

Faith, hope, and love abide



Hanson Reception after Worship

*Please join Susan, Eric, and family
in the Parish Hall following the service
for a reception in celebration of their
50th wedding anniversary.*

and the greatest of these is love.