

LOVE GOD. LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR. CHANGE THE WORLD.



All Are Welcome at St. Alban's Episcopal Church

8am Sunday October 25, 2026

The Twenty-Second 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.

Scripture Summaries
The Twentieth-Second Sunday after Pentecost
8am Sunday October 25, 2026

The First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

The Holiness Code in Leviticus urges people to be holy because God is holy. Holiness is lived out as God's people exercise justice and love in their dealings with one another. We are to love our neighbors as ourselves.

The Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Paul uses intimate maternal imagery to depict the caring and nurturing relationship he shares with the Thessalonians Christians. When he first came to their city it was not to benefit himself, but to share the gospel with them, which was his responsibility as an apostle of Christ.

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:34-46

Put on the spot by the Pharisees, Jesus displays wisdom by summarizing the law of God in just two commandments and by demonstrating the Messiah must be more than the son of David.

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Prelude

Opening Hymn *Rise Up, Ye Saints of God* Hymn 551

Opening Acclamation BCP 323

Gloria BCP 324

The Collect of the Day Scripture Insert

The First Reading *Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18* Scripture Insert

The Psalm *Psalms 1* Scripture Insert

The Second Reading *1 Thessalonians 2:1-8* Scripture Insert

The Gospel *Matthew 22:34-46* Scripture Insert

Sermon Father Greg Peters

The Nicene Creed BCP 326

The Prayers of the People Bulletin pp. 4-6

The Confession and Absolution BCP 331

The Peace BCP 332

Announcements, Birthday and Anniversary Prayers

Offertory (*seated*) *Before Thy Throne, O God, We Kneel* Hymn 574

Doxology (*stand*) Hymn 380, vs. 3

Eucharistic Prayer 2 BCP 340

Sanctus BCP 341

The Lord's Prayer BCP 336

The Breaking of the Bread BCP 337

Invitation to Communion BCP 338

Post Communion Prayer BCP 339

The Blessing

Closing Hymn *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* Hymn 680

Dismissal

Postlude

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: Jesus said, “In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places.” Trusting in God’s abundance and welcome, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all creation.

Leader: Gracious God, you have made plenty good room for us in your household. Inspire your church to be a place of welcome, generosity, and love.

We ask you to bless:

Archbishop of Canterbury Sarah and the Anglican Church of the Province of Central Africa;
Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe and the Episcopal Church; and
Our Bishop Phil LaBelle and Huston Camp and Conference Center in Gold Bar, the Refugee Resettlement Office, the Sacred Waters Center and the Chaplains of the Harbor in Montesano.

We thank you for the resources you have entrusted to us, and we pray for wisdom to use them in service of your mission.

Fill us with your grace, most generous God.

Open our eyes and ears, open our minds and hearts, open our arms in love.

Leader: God of community, you bind us together in relationships of care and compassion. Strengthen the bonds within this congregation. In particular, we ask you to bless Maryellen Young, our Parish Life Ministries, the Episcoplayers, and Kaye Castro, the Legacy Society and those who generously support and lead this congregation. Guide us to extend hospitality to our neighbors near and far.

Fill us with your grace, most generous God.

Open our eyes and ears, open our minds and hearts, open our arms in love.

Leader: God of abundance, you invite us to respond with gratitude for all your gifts. Bless this stewardship campaign, that our pledges of time, talent, and treasure may be faithful signs of our trust in you.

Fill us with your grace, most generous God.

Open our eyes and ears, open our minds and hearts, open our arms in love.

Leader: God of creation, you have made a world with plenty good room for all living things. Teach us to care for the earth and to share its resources with justice and joy.

Fill us with your grace, most generous God.

Open our eyes and ears, open our minds and hearts, open our arms in love.

Leader: God of mercy, your dwelling place has room for all who suffer. Be present with those who are sick, lonely, grieving, or in any kind of need especially Gretchen, Kären, Dee, Barbara Halterman, Robin, Howard, Shirley Clark, Bob Chaffee, John Rowan, and those we now name Surround them with your healing and your peace.

Fill us with your grace, most generous God.

Open our eyes and ears, open our minds and hearts, open our arms in love.

Leader: God of hope, you prepare a place for us in your eternal home. We remember before you those who have died, confident that they now rest in your embrace [especially N.].

Fill us with your grace, most generous God.

Open our eyes and ears, open our minds and hearts, open our arms in love.

Celebrant: Loving God, you call us into your abundant life and promise that there is plenty good room for all your children. Hear our prayers and accept the offerings of our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

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The Peace

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*The flowers are given to the glory of God by Teddi Balagot
in memory of Cory Stringer (her daughter Jenny's fiancé) on his birthday,
and in memory of Teddi's grandson Sydney Allen on his 16th heavenly birthday.*

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 November 1st

Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 34:1-10, 22; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

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

The Traveler & The Bishop: American Democracy & Christian Nationalism –

Recommendation from Fr. Greg: My Mother and Mother-in-law and I went to see Rick Steves and Bishop Shelley Wee speak last night at PLU. Both presentations were amazing. This coming Tuesday, they will be giving them again, live streamed, so that it is available to a much broader audience. Really good things to think about in preparation for the elections. The event is free, however you must register at: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_9azCtFJIRKuXuLArW_Dy_A#/registration

All Saints Day Sunday, November 1st: Sunday, November 1st is All Saints Day. If you would like to bring photos or other mementos of loved ones to church, they can be placed on the altar for blessing at both services.

St. Alban's Participates in the Mission to Seafarers through November 10th: 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 – November 14th ~ 10am - Noon at St, John the Baptist Episcopal Church: 3050 California Avenue SW, Seattle, Washington.

Pie Fundraiser for West Edmonds Co-Op Preschool: WECF is having their annual Willamette Valley pie sale! These pies are made with all fresh ingredients and baked for the first time by you! This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year. If you are interested in ordering, let Jeannie know at jeannie.stalbansedmonds@gmail.com and she will direct your email to the chair of WECF. Pies will be ready for pick up before Thanksgiving on or around November 16th. Last day to order is Thursday, October 29th.



Hospitality is at the heart of Plenty Good Room. We open our doors, our hearts, and our tables – trusting that in welcoming others, we welcome Christ.