

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HOLY EUCHARIST

Third Sunday after Pentecost • June 9, 2024 • 10:30 a.m.

*Welcome to St. John's. We are happy you are joining us in worship today. Our service is printed here, with congregational responses printed in **bold**. Hymns are printed in the hymnals in the pews. Mask wearing is optional.*

PRELUDE

HYMN • 8

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Morning has broken

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

HYMN • **Let all things now living** (*insert*)

THE COLLECT

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A READING FROM THE 1st BOOK OF SAMUEL

1 Sam. 8:4-20, 11:14-15

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the LORD, and the LORD said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only – you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and

to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day.”

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.”

Samuel said to the people, “Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship.” So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the LORD in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the LORD, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 138 (*Read responsively*)

1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.

**2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;**

3 For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.

**4 When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.**

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.

**6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *
that great is the glory of the LORD.**

7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.

**8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.**

9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures forever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

A READING FROM THE 2nd LETTER TO THE CORINTHIANS

2 Cor. 4:13-5:1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture – “I believed, and so I spoke” —we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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HYMN • 757 (*green hymnal*)

Mary Alexandra

Will you come and follow me?

THE GOSPEL

Mark 3:20-35

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

The Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Sharon Sheridan Hausman

THE NICENE CREED

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray now for our own needs and the needs of others.

God of all, bless your universal Church, and especially our presiding bishop, Michael, our own bishop, Carlye, the members of our diocese and those who worship with us today. Fill us with your Spirit as we share your love and spread your Good News in the world around us.

God of Resurrection,
Hear our prayer.

Guide the leaders of this and every nation in using their authority wisely and seeking the common good. We especially pray for the leaders of Ukraine and Russia, of Israel and Gaza, and all other countries facing war or political upheaval.

God of Wisdom,
Hear our prayer.

In our nation, help us to overcome our divisions, to see your image in each other's faces and to remember our baptismal promise to respect the dignity of every human being.

God of Life,
Hear our prayer.

Help us to be good stewards of the air, water and earth around us and all their inhabitants, that all may share in their bounty and sustenance.

Creator of All,
Hear our prayer.

Provide for your children throughout the world. Help all obtain the resources they need to nourish their bodies, minds and souls to live the abundant lives you have prepared for them.

Champion of the Poor,
Hear our prayer.

Protect all people suffering from violence or oppression. Comfort those who live in fear or loneliness. Bless prisoners and their families. Aid those who are sick, those suffering from addiction and those dear to our congregation, especially Sylvent, Carl, Joan P., Elmada, Jackie, Brett, Lori S., Charlotte M., Michelle J., Nathan, Donna, Steve D., Bruce and Jack.

Eternal Healer,
Hear our prayer.

Bring all who have died into your heavenly mansion, remembering especially all victims of gun violence. Comfort those who grieve their loss, even as we rejoice at their rebirth into your eternal life.

Lord of Life,
Hear our prayer.

We pray in thanksgiving for the life you have given us, the families and friends you have given us to love, and the healing and new opportunities you offer to us.

God of Abundance,
Hear our prayer.

We invite you to offer your own petitions and thanksgivings, either aloud or in the silence of your hearts.

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

THE OFFERTORY

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HYMN • I Choose love (*see insert*)

Lyrics by Lindy Thompson, music by Mark Miller

PRESENTATION HYMN

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above ye heavenly host,
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost,

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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

God of all power, Source and Sustainer of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,
source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation.
Your Spirit moved over the deep
and brought all things into being:
sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image,
 and taught us to walk in your ways.
 But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;
 and yet, as a mother cares for her children,
 you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us
 to live in the fullness of your love.
 And so this day we join with Saints and Angels
 in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,
 lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS

The musical score is written in 4/4 time. The first system consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The lyrics are: San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My. The second system also consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The lyrics are: cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor. heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a fermata over the final chord in the bass staff.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.
 To deliver us from the power of sin and death
 and to reveal the riches of your grace,
 you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,
 that she might conceive and bear a son,
 Jesus the holy child of God.
 Living among us, Jesus loved us.
 He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,
 healed the sick and proclaimed good news to the poor.
 He yearned to draw all the world to himself
 yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross
the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends.

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 for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again, he gave thanks to you,
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.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,
who was and is and is to come,
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth
and make us your new creation,
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us,
with St. John the Evangelist and all your saints,
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
to feast at the banquet prepared
from the foundation of the world.

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

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 • S155

by Gerald R. Near

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HYMN • 324

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Let all mortal flesh keep silence

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, 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 Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

HYMN • 780 *(green hymnal)*

Abbot's Leigh

Lord, you give the great commission

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

LEADING AND SUPPORTING OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

The Rev. Sharon Sheridan Hausman *Celebrant and preacher*

The Rev. John H. Van Dine Sr. *Deacon*

Mr. Kevin Bidwell *Server*

Ms. Ellen Bomser *Lector*

Mr. Carl Hausman *Cellist*

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Let all things now living

1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 His law he en - for - ces, the stars in their cours - es and

God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise, who fash - ioned and
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine; the hills and the

made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who still guides us
moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the deeps of the

on to the end of our days. God's ban - ners are o'er us, his
o - cean pro - claim him di - vine. We too should be voic - ing our

light goes be - fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the
love and re - joic - ing; with glad a - dor - a - tion a song let us

night, till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is
raise till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks -

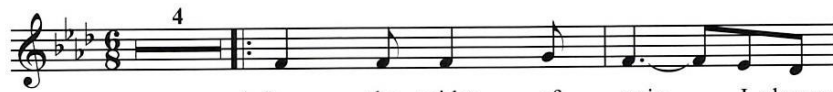
ban - ished, as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
giv - ing: "to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

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I Choose Love



1. In the midst of pain, — I choose
 2. In the midst of war, — I choose
 3. When my world falls down, — I will
 4. In the midst of pain, — I choose



love. _____ In the midst of
 peace. _____ In the midst of
 rise. _____ When my world falls
 love. _____ In the midst of



pain, — I choose love. _____
 war, — I choose peace. _____
 down, — I will rise. _____
 pain, — I choose love. _____



In the midst of pain, — sor - row
 In the midst of war, — hate and
 When my world falls down, — ex - pla -
 In the midst of pain, — sor - row

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fall - ing down like rain, I a - wait the sun a -
 an - ger keep - ing score, I will seek the good once
 na - tions can't be found, I will climb to ho - ly
 fall - ing down like rain, I a - wait the sun a -



gain, — I choose love. _____ I choose
 more, — I choose peace. _____ I choose
 ground, — I will rise. _____ I will
 gain, — I choose love. _____ I choose



love. _____
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 love. _____