



MISSION STATEMENT

A Worshipping Community serving as a beacon of God's love by exemplifying the two great commandments; love God with our whole heart and love our neighbors as ourselves

**Sacrament of Holy Baptism
Halheem Williams Farrell**

**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 21, 2022**

Holy Eucharist:

Rite Two Enriching our Worship Prayer Two
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THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE: Simple Gifts, Shaker Hymn

played by Debra Cole

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

I come with joy to meet my Lord (Land of Rest) (Blue Hymnal 304)- VS 1,2 and 5.

OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 299)

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.
Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People There is one hope in God's call to us;
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People One God and Father of all.
Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:9b-14

Flo Webster

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

^{9b}If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. ¹³If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call

the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; ¹⁴then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 103:1-8

Remain seated.

¹Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.

**²Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits.**

³He forgives all your sins
and heals all your infirmities;

**⁴He redeems your life from the grave
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;**

⁵He satisfies you with good things,
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

**⁶The LORD executes righteousness
and judgment for all who are oppressed.**

⁷He made his ways known to Moses
and his works to the children of Israel.

**⁸The LORD is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and of great kindness.**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29

Pat Roberts

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.")

²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made

perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” ²⁷This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN- *Glorious things of thee are spoken (Abbot's Leigh)*
(Blue Hymnal- 523)- VS 1 and 4.

GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17

All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹⁰Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.” ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?” ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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

THE SERMON- THE REV. TIM BLACK

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES (BCP p. 301)

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented

Parents and Godparents

I present Halheem to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented 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.

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

Parents and God
Parents: I renounce them.

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

Parents and God
Parents: I renounce them.

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

Parents and God
Parents: I renounce them.

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

Parents and God
Parents: I do.

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

Parents and God I do.
Parents:

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

Parents and God I do.
Parents:

After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support *these persons* in *their* life in Christ?

People: We will.

The Celebrant then says these or similar words

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

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT (BCP p. 304)

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 the 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 (BCP p. 305)

The Celebrant says to the congregation

Let us now pray for Halheem who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver Halheem, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open Halheem's *heart* to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill Halheem with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep Halheem in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach Halheem to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send Halheem into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring Halheem to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant says

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 (BCP p. 306)

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

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 Celebrant 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 (BCP p. 307)

The Celebrant baptizes the child and anoints Halheem with Baptismal Oil

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

Celebrant- Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon Halheem the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain *him*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him 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.*

WELCOME THE NEWLY BAPTIZED (BCP p. 308)

The Celebrant 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.

THE PEACE (BCP p. 310)

The Peace is now exchanged

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE (BCP p. 376)

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2

OFFERTORY HYMN- DANCE OF THE BLESSED SPIRITS

PLAYED BY DEBRA COLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The People remain standing.

Celebrant God 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.*

PROPER PREFACE

The Celebrant continues:

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 – Holy, Holy, Holy- LEVAS 255
(Red and Black Hymnal)

The Holy Eucharist II
 Holy, holy, holy Lord

Sanctus

S 129

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. _____

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Celebrant:

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 The Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed John, 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*

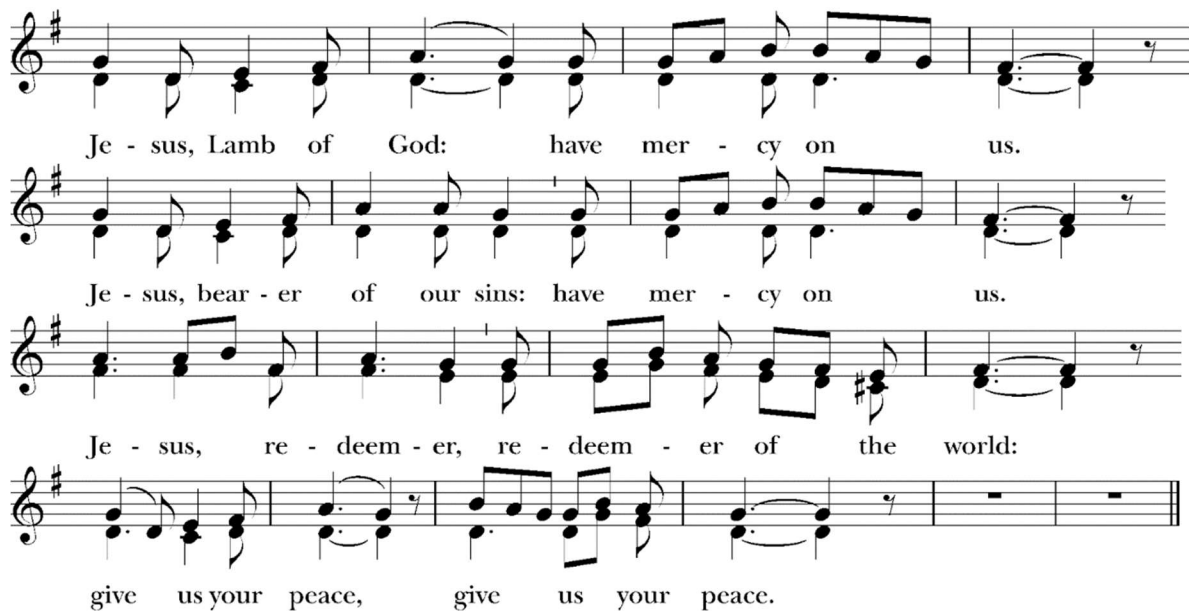
THE LORD’S PRAYER S 119 *The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)*
(Plainsong/Douglas) (BCP p. 336)

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to sing,

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
 be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
 dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
 as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
 us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
 from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
 and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM – *Blue Hymnal S-164*



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Whoever you are, wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome at God's table.

DISTRIBUTION

We will be sharing communion in both kinds. If you want bread, hold out one hand, if bread and wine, hold out two hands. The server will intinct (dip) the bread for you and place it in your hands.

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

COMMUNION HYMN *There is a Balm in Gilead* (LEVAS 203)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 (BCP p. 366)

The Priest blesses the people, saying

The Wisdom of God the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. *Amen.*

POST-COMMUNION HYMN- *Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise*
(Eillers) (Blue Hymnal- 345)- VS 1,2 and 4

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

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POSTLUDE: What a Friend We Have in Jesus

by C. Converse

PARISH NOTES

Join us this morning for a reception honoring Halheem Farrell Williams and his family after church in Bott Hall (fellowship hall- downstairs). All are welcome. To get downstairs via the elevator, please see one of the ushers in the lobby of the church.

Make Prayer Requests Online-

We have a link to our prayer request form on the St. John's website and in the weekly email. Please submit prayer requests through this and feel free to send it to friends in the community who need prayer. It is our hope that this will make our prayer ministry more comprehensive and responsive. For the link, please sign up for the weekly email or go to <https://forms.gle/UTa6iMfrukh furgD8>

Wednesday Night Bible Study will resume after Labor Day with The Gospel of John: Our first bible study will be Wednesday, September 7, 7:00- 8:30 on zoom (online). Remember, with zoom there are always call in options if you are 'screen challenged' for some reason. More information soon!

Morning Prayer on Zoom Tuesday and Thursday- 10 AM

One of the vastly underutilized gifts of the Episcopal Church is morning prayer. Start your day off with prayer with our online community each week on Tuesday and Thursday. Meeting ID: Meeting ID: **869 7767 5734** Password: **752305**

Compline (Night Prayer) Online Thursdays at 7 PM

End your day on a peaceful note and pray Compline with St. John's each Thursday evening. Meeting ID: **843 7684 4017** Password: **848486**

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At 10:00am on Sunday morning: Join us via Zoom August 21, 2022 10:00am

You may be prompted to enter the following: Meeting ID: 890 4465 2335 Password: 704817. If you do not have a camera-enabled device, but want to participate via audio

only, then call (toll-free) **1-929-205-6099** and use the same meeting ID and password as above.

Assisting with the service today

Organist	Toku Kawata
Readers	Flo Webster and Pat Roberts
Prayers of the People	Jane Gresham
Coordinator	Val Valverde
Church Administrator	Terry Glover
Vestry Members:	The Rev. Tim Black, Priest in Charge
	Paul Brady, Communications
	Linda Cage, Outreach
	Sherran Davis, Clerk
	Richard Pflieger, Treasurer
	Archie Polk, Evangelism
	Michael Proscia, Jr. Warden
	Pat Roberts, Sr. Warden



Join us for Tri-Cities First Responders Sunday Sunday, September 11, 2022

Service- 10:00

Cookout Picnic- 11:00

Saint John's Episcopal Church cordially invites the Mayors and Council members of College Park, East Point and Hapeville, The Chiefs of Police, Fire, EMS, Command Staffs and all Police Officers, Fire-fighters, and Paramedics to a special service honoring the outstanding community service and sacrifice that our heroes give every day.

Please RSVP before September 5 with an approximate number of your group who will be attending by calling 404-761-8402 or emailing info@stjohnscollegepark.com



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