



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

Mass on the Grass

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 28, 2022

Holy Eucharist:

Rite Two Enriching our Worship Prayer Two

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PRELUDE: Acoustic Music Selection- Rev. Tim Black and Mike Spring

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious
bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,
hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,
bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to
more, feed me now and ev - er -
shield, be thou still my strength and shield.
thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 355)

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP p. 355)

The Celebrant and People Pray:

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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: God be with you

People: And also with you

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; 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: Proverbs 25:6-7

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Proverbs.

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great;⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

¹Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the

marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, “I will never leave you or forsake you.” ⁶So we can say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?” ⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-29

Pat Roberts

The people sit.

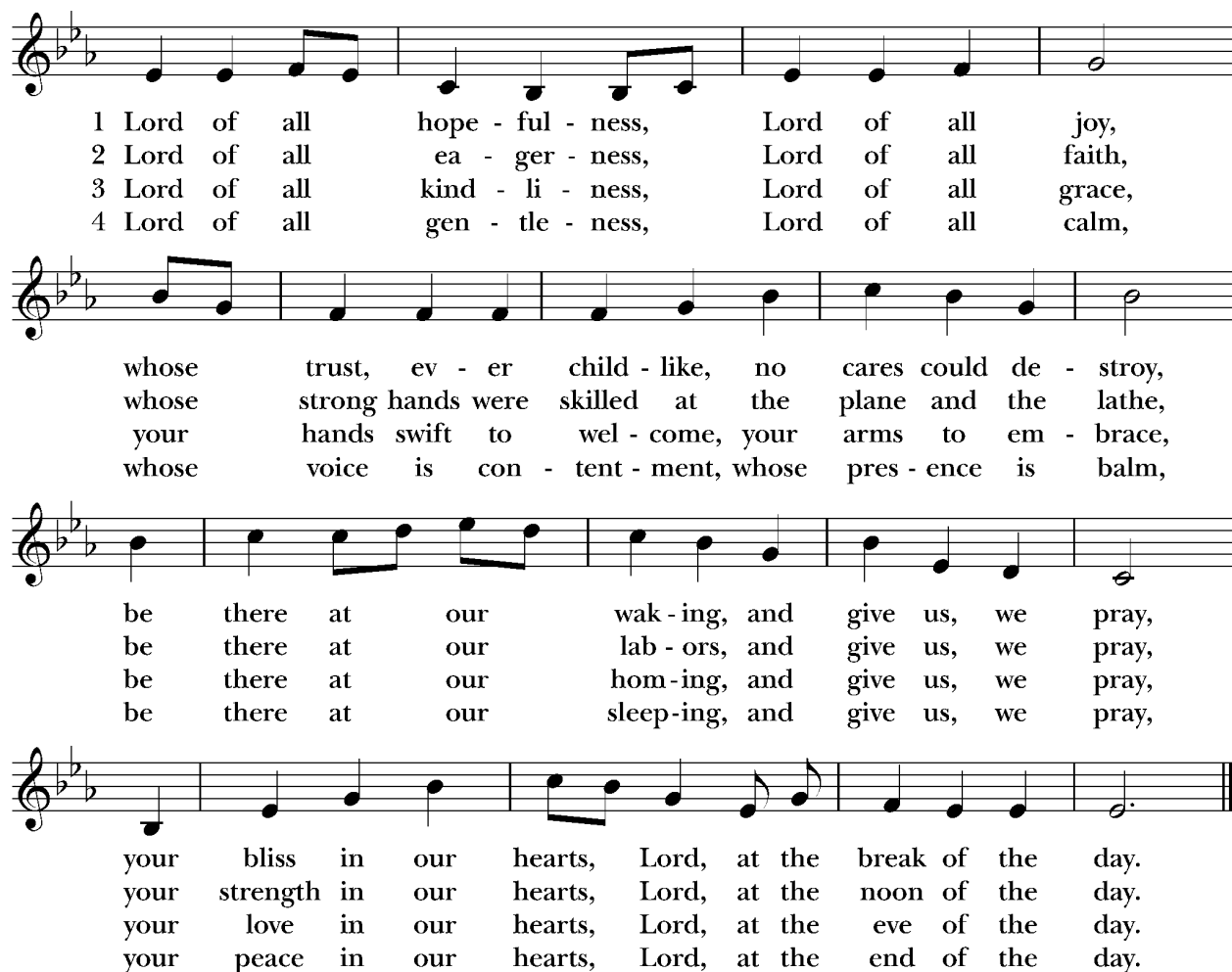
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Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN *Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy (Slane) (H 482)*



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,

whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,
whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,

be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our lab - ors, and give us, we pray,
be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,

your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14

All stand.

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. ⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of

you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOMILY- THE REV. TIMOTHY BLACK

THE CREED

All stand, as able.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP p. 359)

All remain standing.

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

CONFESSION-

Celebrant- Let us confess our sins to God.

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Minister and People

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

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

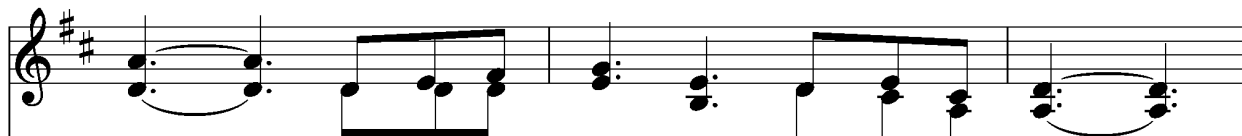
OFFERTORY HYMN- *BLESSED ASSURANCE- LEVAS 184*



1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! — O what a
2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, — Vi - sions of
3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, — I in my



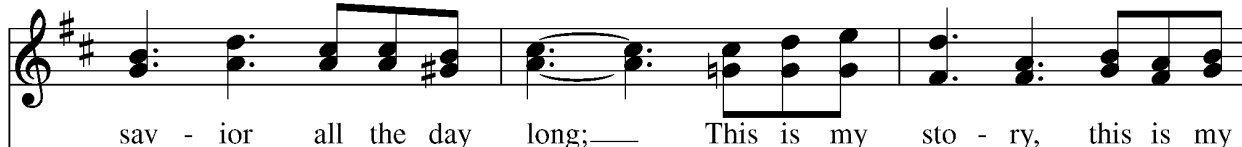
1. fore-taste of glo - ry di - vine! — Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of
2. rap - ture now burst on my sight; — An - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a -
3. sav - ior am hap - py and blest; — Watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a -



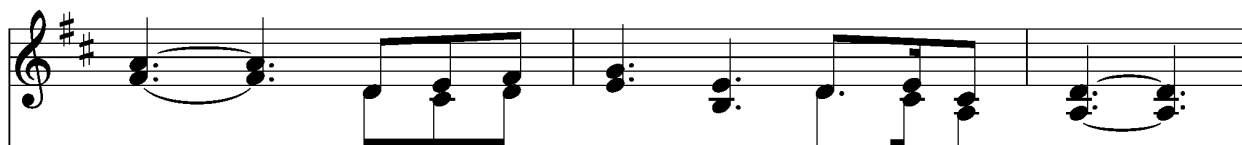
1. God, — Born of His spir - it, washed in His blood. —
2. bove — Ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. —
3. bove, — Filled with His good - ness, lost in His love. —



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, — Prais - ing my



sav - ior all the day long; — This is my sto - ry, this is my



song, — Prais - ing my sav - ior all the day long. —

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

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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

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 *Seek ye first the kingdom of God (Seek Ye First)*

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you- allelu-alleluia
Alleleuia- Alleleuia- Alleleuia- allelu-alleluia
Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find
Knock and the door shall be open unto you- allelu-alleluia
Alleleuia- Alleleuia- Alleleuia- allelu-alleluia

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 *The Priest blesses the people, saying*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Post-Communion Hymn- Love Divine, All loves excelling-

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
 2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
 3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

POSTLUDE: *St. Anne's Reel*_{[PK1][PK2]} - *Michael Spring and The. Rev. Tim Black-*
Traditional

PARISH NOTES

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/UTa6iMfrukhfurgD8>

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**

Give by Texting- You can use your phone's text messaging capabilities to give to St. Johns. **Just text 73256 and enter our code 3480 as the message.** You will be taken to the giving page where you can make your selections. You can also set up online giving through a link in our weekly email. To subscribe to the weekly email, please contact our administrator at info@stjohnscollegepark.org

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 Pfleger, 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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