



Great Day” New Member Welcome Service For Casie Yoder

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

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 25, 2022

Holy Eucharist:

Rite Two Prayer A

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The Word of God

Prelude: Vorspiel zu dem Choral

by G Körner

The Congregation stands, as you are able

ENTRANCE HYMN - Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve (Blue Hymnal 546)

VS 1,2 & 4

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Congregation and Priest Pray Together:

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.

OPENING ANTHEM OR SONG OF PRAISE – Gloria – Blue Hymnal S- 280

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The congregation sits.

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Andrew Hales

A Reading from the book of the prophet Amos.

^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,

⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,

and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;
⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;
⁶who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

*People :*Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Casie Yoder

A Reading from Paul's First letter to Timothy.

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. ¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. ¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The congregation stands, as able:

SEQUENCE HYMN- VS. 1 & 4 *Before thy throne, O God, we kneel (St. Petersburg) (Blue Hymnal 574)*

GOSPEL: Luke 16:19-31

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

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

[Jesus said,] ¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

Priest: The Gospel of our Savior.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon- The Rev. Tim Black

A LITURGY OF WELCOME

Celebrant: Let us join together in renewing our 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 WELCOMING OUR NEW MEMBER

Celebrant: We now welcome Casie Yoder, who wishes to join with this body of Christ, the people of St. John's Episcopal Church Episcopal Church. Dear Sibling-in-Christ, Is it your wish to make this community of faith, St. John's, your church family, and the people with whom you will share your journey of faith? Is this the place and are these the people with whom you will seek to make sense of the issues of your life; your dreams, your faith, who you are, what you are to do, who God calls you to be? Is it your wish to make this the place where you continue your journey into greater health and wholeness; where you listen to the story of God's salvation and the Good News of Jesus Christ, allowing Jesus to be an example and teacher to you, where you are called to a life of ministry and justice; and where you are fed at the table of new life?

New Member: Yes, that is my wish.

Celebrant to New Member: Will you commit yourself to seek and serve Christ in union with this community of faith?

New Member: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant to New Member: Will you pledge your spiritual, social, and financial support to this parish family?

New Member: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant to the congregation: Will you who are members of this faith community who are witnessing these promises, share the joys and sorrows, and do all in your power to support Casie in her life in Christ:

Congregation: We will.

Celebrant to the congregation: Will you welcome Casie into St. John's, embrace her gifts, her needs, and her dreams? Will you recognize that her presence and participation will change the shape of the body and help it grow in new ways? Will you support her in her journeys, and assist her in her ministries?

Congregation: Yes! Yes! Yes!

Everyone: Loving God, send your Holy Spirit to be among us, knitting us one to another. Help us to grow with each other, to love each other, to support each

other. That by our common life in this community we may come to know and serve you and all people, in Jesus name, we pray.

Celebrant: As Priest of this parish, and speaking for the entire congregation, I welcome you As an active member in the body of St. John's. May the Holy Spirit be with us all now and always. AMEN

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of God be always with you.

People And also with you.

We close The Passing of the Peace by singing, together:

We are one in the bond of love

We are one in the bond of love

We have joined our spirits with the spirit of God

We are one in the bond of love

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

The Congregation remains seated

OFFERTORY HYMN: *As those of old their first fruits brought (Forest Green) (Blue Hymnal 705)*

The Congregation stands, as able, as the offering is brought to the altar

DOXOLOGY

The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. It contains the melody for the first line of the doxology. Above the staff, the chords D, A, and D are indicated. The lyrics "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise" are written below the staff. The bottom staff is also in treble clef with the same key signature and time signature. It contains the melody for the second line of the doxology. The lyrics "God, all creatures high and low. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -" are written below the staff.

lu - ia! Praise God, in Je-sus ful-ly known: Cre -
a-tor, Word, and Spir-it one. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -
lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

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: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS – Holy, Holy, Holy-

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:

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Maker of all. Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he 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 shed 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:

Celebrant and People

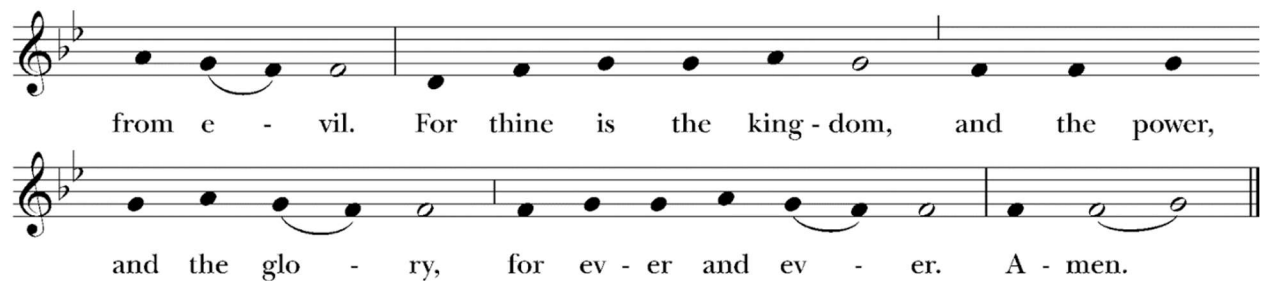
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. *AMEN.* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing:

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



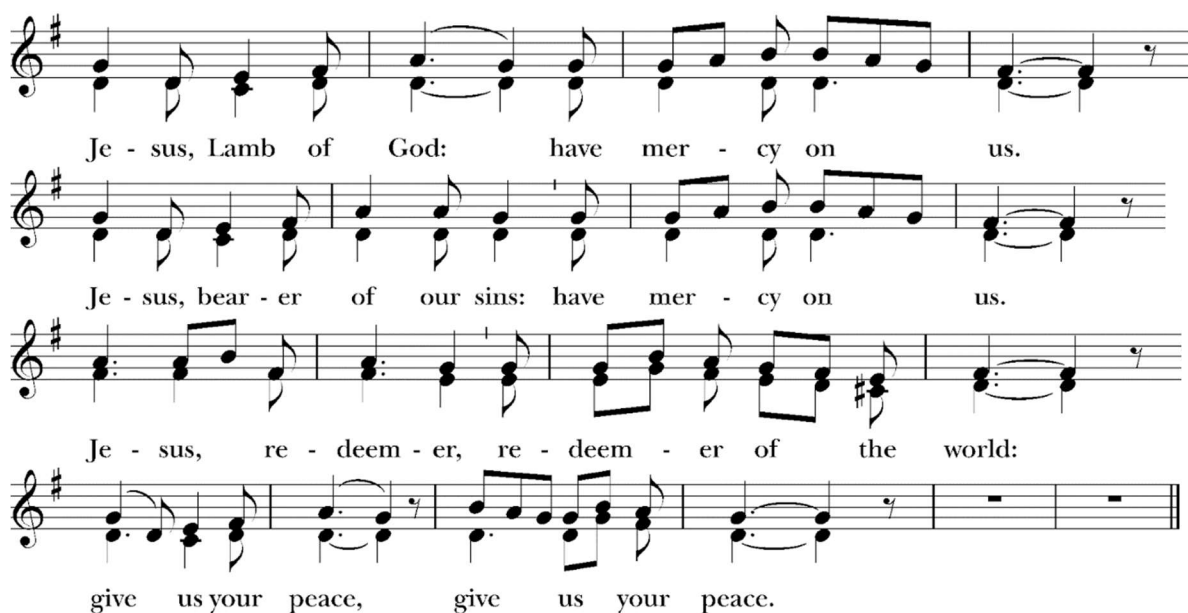
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Priest: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

People: Therefore let us keep the feast, alleluia

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.

COMMUNION HYMN Is Your All on the Altar (LEVAS-Red and Black Hymnal- 135)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

Life is short. And we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So: be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit is with you and will be with you now and always. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN- VS 1,2 AND 5 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord (Birmingham) (H 437)

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

Celebrant: Go, in peace, to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Shooting Stars in Summer by N. Ikeda

“Great Day” Service for Casie Yoder

Today is a “great day” because we welcome new member Casie Yoder to St. John’s. Please join us in praying for her and with her today. Also, be sure to come to the reception in her honor after the service.



Hi everyone, I'm Casie (sounds like *Casey*) Yoder. I was born in Manila, Philippines and grew up in Atlanta. My Filipina mother made sure I was baptized Roman Catholic, but I grew up attending services at Berea Mennonite Church in Atlanta with my paternal grandparents. I live in Jefferson Park, East Point and have two dogs, Bubba (95 lbs) and Trixie (40 lbs). I was confirmed in the Episcopal Church in 2014. I'm so happy to have found a church family so close to home and hope to contribute to St John's as an active parishioner, bringing food to the church potluck and eventually serving in a lay leadership role.

PARISH NOTES

DATE CHANGE- BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS NOW ON OCTOBER 9 at 10 AM : Father Tim apologizes, but he got the date wrong in last week's announcements. Please bring your leashed, harnessed, caged or otherwise well-controlled animal companions to the 10 AM service on October 9th for a blessing. We will be holding the service outside (weather permitting) and in Bott Hall if it is rainy (with pets!) The October 2 service will be our usual "First Sunday Rite One" service.

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 Continues- Wednesdays at 7 PM. We are reading the Gospel of John together. Come join us, especially if you have never come before, and learn more about the “fourth” gospel. John’s gospel is unique in structure, character, language and so many other ways. Join us on zoom. Zoom ID: 716 256 9754 Passcode: 12345

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

Assisting with the service today

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Readers	Andrew Hales and Casie Yoder
Coordinator	Richard Pflieger
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

At 10:00am on Sunday morning: Join us via Zoom September 25, 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.

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**On Sunday, October 9 at the 10 AM Service
we will be blessing our animal companions
in honor of St. Francis' Day.**

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Bring your (leashed or caged) dog, cats,
gerbils, hamsters, snakes, & selves
for an outdoor service (in Bott Hall if it rains)
for more information email info@stjohnscollegepark.org