



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

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 17, 2022

Holy Eucharist:

Rite Two Enriching our Worship Prayer One

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Welcome in the Name of Jesus Christ:

No matter whether you are looking for a permanent church home or are with us just for today, you are welcome home to St. John's. If this is your first time worshipping with us in The Episcopal Church, please know that *all of* what we do together today is prayer. Our worship practices can take some time to grow accustomed to, so remember that your presence is all that is required and that there are numerous members willing to answer any questions.

We work to make our liturgy (common prayer) as accessible as possible, so take a moment to familiarize yourself with the service bulletin. All responses for the congregation will be in italics, along with "rubrics" (instructions) for kneeling, standing, and other ways of participating. We use two hymnals- the *1982 Hymnal* (BLUE HYMNAL) and the *Lift Every Voice and Sing* hymnal (RED AND BLACK HYMNAL). All other hymns and prayers are in the bulletin.

We believe that when we pray, we are blessed through the real presence of our Risen Christ in the Bread and Wine of the Holy Eucharist. Our practice is to receive communion after we have been baptized into this church (or any church). However, no one will ever be turned away from our altar. If you are interested in being baptized and becoming a part of The Episcopal Church, please let our priest (or anyone) know.

We are blessed by your presence with us today. So we can know more about you, we ask that you sign our guest book found in the narthex (lobby) of the church. We also invite you to join us for coffee hour in the hospitality suite, found just to the left of the sanctuary.

Peace and Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Black' with a stylized flourish at the end.

The Rev. Tim Black
Priest-in-Charge
Saint John's Episcopal Church

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE: O Waly Waly by M. Sobaje

The Congregation stands, as you are able

OPENING HYMN- *Judge eternal, throned in splendor*
(Blue Hymnal 596)

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 LEVAS 243
(Red and Black Hymnal)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The congregation sits.

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING Genesis 18:1-10

Val Valverde

The people sit.

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 52

Quid gloriaris?

1 You tyrant, why do you boast of wickedness against the godly all day long?

2 You plot ruin; your tongue is like a sharpened razor, O worker of deception.

3 You love evil more than good and lying more than speaking the truth.

4 You love all words that hurt, O you deceitful tongue.

5 Oh, that God would demolish you utterly, topple you, and snatch you from your dwelling, and root you out of the land of the living!

6 The righteous shall see and tremble, and they shall laugh at him, saying,

7 "This is the one who did not take God for a refuge, but trusted in great wealth and relied upon wickedness."

8 But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God;

I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.

ALL: I will give you thanks for what you have done and declare the goodness of your Name in the presence of the godly.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:15-28

Richard Pflieger

The people sit.

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him-- provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord.*People* Thanks be to God.*The Congregation stands, as you are able***SEQUENCE HYMN- *O day of God, draw nigh (St. Michael)*
(Blue Hymnal 601)****GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42***All stand.**Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.*People* *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered

her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

THE SERMON- THE REV. TIM 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

Susan Schubert

All who desire prayers for any reason are invited to the rail at this time to meet the Priest. You are invited to kneel, stand, sit or take whatever posture for prayer that is best for you.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP p. 359)

All remain standing.

Friends, let us come before the Lord in prayerful reverence saying, "God of Glory, *reveal yourself to us.*"

Grant, Almighty God, that we your Church, the body of your Son in this world, may present ourselves holy and blameless and irreproachable before you.

Silence

God of Glory,

Reveal yourself to us.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may generously welcome both friend and stranger.

Silence

God of Glory,

Reveal yourself to us.

Lord God, open our hearts. Inspire us to be generous with all we have and all we are. May our own generosity reflect the generosity that you show us.

You are invited to add your prayers of thanksgiving, followed by silence

God of Glory,

Reveal yourself to us.

Bless all those we have long loved and those we are learning to love and those who are yet strangers in our lives; grant that we may honor the Christ in them, that our kindness may refresh and bless all we meet.

Silence

God of Glory,

Reveal yourself to us.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer any affliction; give them strength and courage in their troubles, and remind them of the hope of glory they find in Christ. We pray today for: _____

You are invited to add your petitions, followed by silence

God of Glory,

Reveal yourself to us.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that they may be eternally reconciled to you through Jesus Christ; and we pray that we may forever dwell with Mary and Martha and all your faithful servants in your blessed presence.

Silence

God of Glory,

Reveal yourself to us.

Celebrant: Hasten, O God, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says : Let us confess our sins to God.

The congregation continues standing or is invited to kneel, as able:

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant: 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

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord! We enjoy “passing the peace” at St. John’s and we take our time doing it. Say hello to someone you do not know. Let us know who you are if you are visiting by signing the guest register in the Narthex (back lobby) of the church.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

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 stands, as able:

OFFERTORY HYMN-

Hail, thou once despis'd Jesus (In Babilone)

(Blue Hymnal 495)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The People remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord 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)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly
ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo -

ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is He who comes in the name

of the Lord, of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high -

est, ho - san - na in the high - est

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

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant : *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, forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Congregation: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

The Celebrant says:

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

(Blue Hymnal 711)

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 *Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing* ***(Sicilian)*** ***(Blue Hymnal 344)***

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Evening Hymn by R. Federer

Assisting with the service today

Organist	Toku Kawata
Readers	Val Valverde and Richard Pflieger
Prayers of the People	Susan Schubert
Coordinator	Michael Proscia
Church Administrator	Terry Glover
Vestry Members:	The Rev. Tim Black, Priest in Charge Paul Brady, Communications Linda Cage, Outreach Coor. 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 JULY 17, 2022 10:00am

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