



### **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**

**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 31, 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. If you are visiting, 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,



The Rev. Tim Black  
Priest-in-Charge  
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## THE WORD OF GOD

**PRELUDE:** Prelude: Adagio

by R. Gri

*The Congregation stands, as you are able*

**OPENING HYMN- ENTRANCE HYMN** *How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise (Lyons)*  
(Blue Hymnal 533)

*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**  
**(RED AND BLACK HYMNAL- 243)**

*Celebrant:* God be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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.*

**FIRST READING: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23**

Lisa Norton-Rotella

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the book of Ecclesiastes.

<sup>2</sup>Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. <sup>12</sup>I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, <sup>13</sup>applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. <sup>14</sup>I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. <sup>2:18</sup>I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me <sup>19</sup>—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup>So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, <sup>21</sup>because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. <sup>22</sup>What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? <sup>23</sup>For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-11**

Betsy Daniell

*The people sit.*

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Colossus.

<sup>1</sup>If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup>Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup>On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup>These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup>But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup>and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup>In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.

*People*           Thanks be to God.

*The Congregation stands, as you are able*

**SEQUENCE HYMN *In your mercy, Lord, you called me (Halton Holgate)***

**(Blue Hymnal 706)**

**GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21** *All stand.*

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

<sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup>But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator

over you?”<sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.”<sup>16</sup> Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly.<sup>17</sup> And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’<sup>18</sup> Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.<sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’<sup>20</sup> But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’<sup>21</sup> So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

*Deacon*        The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **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**

Sherran Davis

*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.*

*All remain standing.*

Sisters and brothers, children of God, let us come before the Most High with humility, saying, “Great and holy God, *incline your ear to us.*” Set our minds on things divine, O God, that your Church may guard itself against the love of earthly things and instead be rich toward you.

*Silence*

Great and holy God, ***Incline your ear to us.***

May all who dwell in the world, those of both high degree and low, incline their hearts to wisdom and meditate on understanding.

*Silence*

Great and holy God, ***Incline your ear to us.***

Give us grace to be wise and generous stewards, O God. Open our eyes to see your abundance and our reliance.

*You are invited to add your prayers of thanksgiving, out loud or silently*

Great and holy God, ***Incline your ear to us.***

Bless all those to whom we are connected. May we value our relationships more than our possessions. May we realize that in Christ all human distinctions cease to matter. We pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

Great and holy God, ***Incline your ear to us.***

Comfort and heal all those who are in pain or sorrow or any kind of trouble. May we, who have known sorrow, pain, and trouble, show them mercy and compassion and remind them of the hope we have in Christ.

*You are invited to add your intercessions, out loud or silently*

Great and holy God, ***Incline your ear to us.***

We acknowledge our mortality before you, Everlasting God, and we rejoice in the hope of being raised with your Christ. We remember before you the lives of our forebears; may they find, in you, rest from their labors.

*Silence*

Great and holy God, ***Incline your ear to us.***

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

*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 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*

## **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 *Christ is the world's true Light (St. Joan)* (Blue Hymnal 542)**

**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 image shows the musical notation for the Sanctus hymn. It consists of two staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody starts with a whole rest, followed by a series of chords and notes. The lyrics "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly" are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics "ho - ly Lord God of hosts." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with clear lyrics.



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**

*Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen (LEVAS- Red and Black Hymnal- 175)*

### **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** *God of grace and God of glory (Cwm Rhondda)*  
(Blue Hymnal 594)

## **DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE:** When They Ring the Golden Bells

by D. Marbelle

## **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/UTa6iMfrukh furgD8>

**Wednesday Night Bible Study is ON BREAK for the summer-** We will be meeting again in August. Look for the schedule for the year 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](mailto:info@stjohnscollegepark.org)

**Assisting with the service today**

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