



# St Mark's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## love is our tradition

**The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost:  
July 30, 2023, Rite 2 Year A**

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Thank you for joining us in worship.  
We are glad you are here.

Please let us know what questions you might have  
And if you would like to be on our mailing list.

### We Love God

St. Mark's is a community of people who believe in the power of God's love as expressed through God's son, Jesus Christ.

### We Love Each Other

Our love for God compels us to love and welcome others with open arms regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or social status.

### We Love Our Community

Our love for God compels us to serve our community by being active in service to those in need.

### We Love Our Faith

We celebrate our God, for each other and for our community through Episcopal worship that keeps us grounded in our faith.

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The season after Pentecost is referred to as “ordinary time,” because we turn now to a host of short stories intended to aid us understand how we are to live as a people formed by God’s story. For six months we will explore the implications of Good Friday and Easter and strive to live into our baptisms, to be faithful bearers of God’s good-news, the story of God’s redemptive entering into our human lives and history, and of our vocation to live so that all others well know what God has made true for them also. — John Westerhoff

### **Basic Liturgics**

**Liturgy:** "Liturgy" comes from the Greek word *leitourgia*, which literally means "work of the people." It was used to refer to a public work done at private expense and could be used to classify projects like a privately-financed bridge that was being built for the use of a whole town. The public libraries built by Andrew Carnegie could also be considered a *leitourgia*. In church usage, **liturgy** is the act of worship that we do on behalf of ourselves, the wider Church, and the world.

**Eucharist:** The word Eucharist comes from the Greek word *eucharistia*, which means "thanksgiving." For this reason the Prayer Book also calls the Eucharistic Prayer by the label "The Great Thanksgiving." The service of Holy Communion is our great act of thanksgiving to God.

### **The Structure of the Eucharistic Liturgy:**

The Eucharistic Liturgy is divided into two main parts:

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| (1) The Liturgy of the Word        | (2) The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table |
| - The Gathering Rite               | - The Offertory                                    |
| - The Lessons & Sermon             | - The Eucharistic Prayer                           |
| - The Creed                        | - The Lord's Prayer                                |
| - The Intercessions and Confession | - The Fraction or The Breaking of the Bread        |
| - The Peace                        | - Holy Communion                                   |
|                                    | - The Post-Communion Prayer                        |
|                                    | - Blessing and Dismissal                           |

### **Terms for Those Who Help With Worship:**

*Celebrant, Presider, Officiant:* A priest, bishop, or deacon who presides at the liturgy.

*Deacon:* A person ordained to the diaconate can help with reading the gospel, leading the Prayers of the People, leading the Confession, setting the Altar at Offertory, distributing Communion, cleaning up after Communion, or the Dismissal.

*Crucifer:* Someone who carries the processional cross.

*Acolyte:* Literally this means "torch-bearer."

*Lay Eucharistic Ministers:* Lay people who have been authorized by the Bishop and the Rector to help distribute Communion, usually by being *chalice-bearers*.

*Book-bearer:* The person who carries the Gospel Book in procession and holds it during the Gospel Reading.

*Preacher:* A person who gives a sermon or homily.

*Lector:* A person who reads a lesson from the Bible.

*Intercessor:* A person who leads the Prayers of the People.

*Oblation-bearers:* Those who bring up the gifts of bread and wine at Offertory.

*Ushers:* Those who help people find their seat and the bulletin, who collect the offering and present it, and who help direct people during Communion.

*Greeters:* Those who, after the Dismissal, welcome new people and invite them to coffee and social time.

*Altar Guild:* The team of people who help prepare the Altar area and are responsible for cleaning the vessels and linens.

*Floral Guild:* Those who create the floral arrangements for worship.

## Preparing for Worship

In today's hectic world, it is good to have time for silence. Take time to sit quietly and open yourself through silent prayer, meditation, or reading over the bulletin.

# Holy Baptism and Eucharist-Rite Two The Word of God or The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

*Jesus, lead thou on*

Paul Manz

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Hymn 416 (1982 Hymnal-Blue Book)

*For the beauty of the earth*

*Lucerna Laudoniae*

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,  
2 For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,  
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,  
4 For the joy of hu-man love, bro-ther, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
5 For the Church which ev - er - more lift - eth ho - ly hands a - bove,

1 for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,  
2 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,  
3 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight,  
4 friends on earth, and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,  
5 of - fering up on ev - ery shore thy pure sac - ri - fice of love,

*Refrain*  
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

6 For each perfect gift of thine  
to the world so freely given,  
faith and hope and love divine,  
peace on earth and joy in heaven,

*Refrain*

## The Lectern



The lectern is the stand from which the Hebrew Scripture (First or Old Testament), the Psalm, and the Epistle (New or Second Testament) are read. It is a visible expression of the significance of Holy Scripture to the life of the church. In colonial churches, the lectern was often incorporated as the middle level of a multi-tiered pulpit.

### Opening Acclamation

*Presider:* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*All:* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. AMEN.**

*Presider:* There is one Body and one Spirit;

*All:* **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

*Presider:* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

*All:* **One God and Father of all.**

### The Collect of the Day

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

*All:* **And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

*Presider:* 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.**

*(Please be seated)*

### The Lessons

#### A Reading from the Book of Genesis

*Genesis 29:15-28*

Kate Williams

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her

Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.)

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When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, “What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?” Laban said, “This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years.” Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

Hear what the spirit is saying to God’s people.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 105:1-11, 45b**

*Confitemini Domino*

Kate Williams

1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; \*  
make known his deeds among the peoples.

**2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, \*  
and speak of all his marvelous works.**

3 Glory in his holy Name; \*  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**4 Search for the Lord and his strength; \*  
continually seek his face.**

5 Remember the marvels he has done, \*  
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

**6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, \*  
O children of Jacob his chosen.**

7 He is the Lord our God; \*  
his judgments prevail in all the world.

**8 He has always been mindful of his covenant, \*  
the promise he made for a thousand generations:**

9 The covenant he made with Abraham, \*  
the oath that he swore to Isaac,

**10 Which he established as a statute for Jacob, \*  
an everlasting covenant for Israel,**

11 Saying, "To you will I give the land of Canaan \*  
to be your allotted inheritance."

**45b Hallelujah!**

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 711 (Blue Book)

Seek ye the kingdom of God

Seek Ye First



1 Seek ye — first the king - dom of God  
2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you,



and its right - eous - ness, and all these things shall be  
seek, and ye shall find, knock, and the door shall be

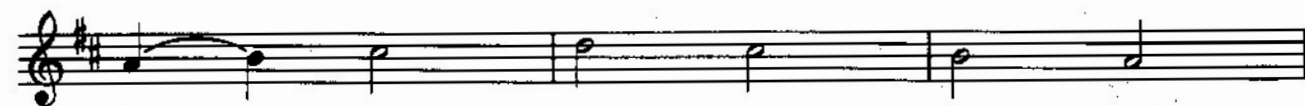


add - ed un - to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
o - pened un - to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

Refrain



2 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!



## The Pulpit

The pulpit is reserved for the sermon suggesting the important role of reflecting on scripture. The canopy is designed to reflect sound and comes from the time when that was the means of amplification to the congregation.

### The Gospel

*Matthew 13:31-33,44-52*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew  
**All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**All: Praise to you Lord Christ.**

*(Please be seated)*

### The Sermon

The Rev. Benjamin Badgett

*(Please stand as you are able)*

# Holy Baptism

## Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

*Presider:* The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*The candidate who is able to speak for themselves is presented by their sponsor, as follows*

*Sponsor:* I present Agnes Elizabeth Hahn to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*Presider:* Do you desire to be baptized?

*Candidate:* I do.

*Then the Presider asks the following questions of the candidate*

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

*Candidate:* I renounce them.

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

*Candidate:* I renounce them.

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

*Candidate:* I renounce them.

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

*Candidate:* I do.

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

*Candidate:* I do.

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

*Candidate:* I do.

*The Presider addresses the congregation, saying*

*Presider:* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in their life in Christ?

***Congregation:* We will.**

*Presider:* Let us join with this person who is committing herself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## The Baptismal Font



Through the sacrament of baptism we become members of Christ's family – the church. The presence of the baptismal font in the church is a reminder of our own baptism and the commitments that we made or that were made on our behalf.

*(Please stand as you are able)*

### The Baptismal Covenant

*Presider:* Do you believe in God the Father?

***All:* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Presider:* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

***All:* 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.**

*Presider:* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

***All:* 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.**

*Presider:* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

*Presider:* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

*Presider:* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

*Presider:* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

*Presider:* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

## Prayers for the Candidate

Douglas D'Urso

*Presider:* Let us now pray for this person who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*Intercessor:* Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Open her heart to your grace and truth.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Send her into the world in witness to your love.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Bring her, to the fullness of your peace and glory.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Presider:* 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

*(Please be seated)*

## **Thanksgiving Over the Water**

*The Presider blesses the water, saying*

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

*Presider:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All:** It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Presider:* 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 Presider 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**

*The candidate is presented by name to the Presider, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying*

*Presider:* Agnes Elizabeth, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

*Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying*

Agnes Elizabeth, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **AMEN.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her 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.**



*Presider:* Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**All:** 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.

**Sprinkling of Congregation** (*a reminder of our own baptism*)

**Hymn 296** (Blue Book)

*We know that Christ is raised*

*Engelberg*



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. \_\_\_\_\_  
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death. \_\_\_\_\_  
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life. \_\_\_\_\_  
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows \_\_\_\_\_



Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold; \_\_\_\_\_  
Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life \_\_\_\_\_  
The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God. \_\_\_\_\_  
as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. \_\_\_\_\_



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy. \_\_\_\_\_  
as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. \_\_\_\_\_ Al - le -  
Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One. \_\_\_\_\_  
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing: \_\_\_\_\_



lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

## The Peace

*Presider:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All:** And also with you.

*(Please stand as you are able. All greet one another in the name of the Lord.)*

*(Please be seated)*

## Announcements and News of the Church Community



## The Altar or Holy Table

The altar is a table, usually in the sanctuary which is the space that is generally behind the altar rail, on which the bread and wine used for the eucharist (or Holy Communion or the Lord's Supper) service are consecrated.

# The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table

## Invitation to Holy Communion

*(Remain seated)*

## Offertory

*Children of the Heavenly Father*

Children of the heav'nly Father  
Safely in His bosom gather;  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven,  
Such a refuge e'er was given.

God His own doth tend and nourish,  
In His holy courts they flourish;  
From all evil things He spares them,  
In His mighty arms He bears them.

Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord His children sever;  
Unto them His grace He showeth,  
And their sorrows all He knoweth.

Praise the Lord in joyful numbers,  
Your protector never slumbers;  
At the will of your defender  
Every person must surrender.

*The congregation is invited to join on the last verse:*

***Though He giveth or He taketh,  
God His children ne'er forsaketh;  
His the loving purpose solely  
To preserve them pure and holy.***



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Rob McTier, Tenor



## The Communion Vessels

The Eucharist (from the Greek meaning Thanksgiving), or Holy Communion, is a sacrament at the center of Episcopal worship. A sacrament is “an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace” in the words of *The Book of Common Prayer*. The vessels used are a chalice for wine, a paten for bread (or “host”), and a flagon for additional wine. They are placed on a square white linen cloth called the corporal.

*(Please stand as you are able)*

### At The Presentation, Doxology

*Old 100th*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN.*

*(Please stand as you are able)*

### The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer 3 *(from Enriching Our Worship Volume One)*

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

*All:* **And also with you.**

*Presider:* Lift up your hearts.

*All:* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

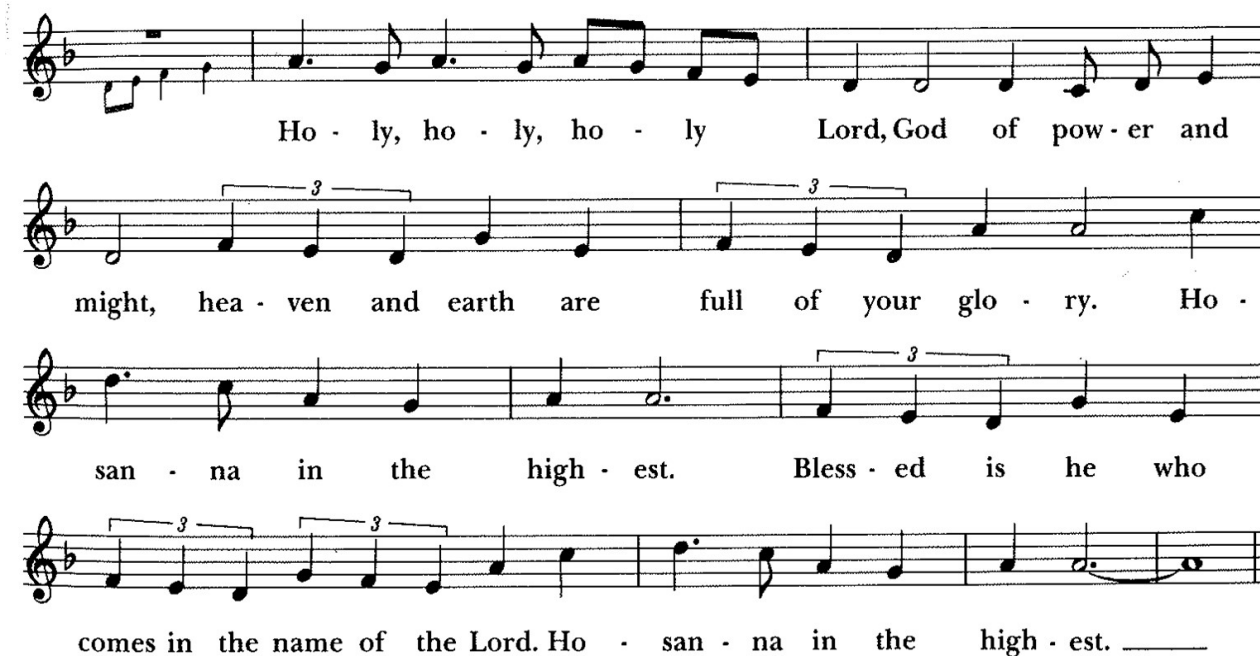
*All:* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Presider:* All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

# Sanctus

Powell



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. \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please stand or kneel as you are able)*

*Presider:* Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

**All: Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

*Presider:* Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed St. Mark and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

**All: Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.**

### The Lord's Prayer

*Presider:* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All: 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

*Presider:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,

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

### Fraction Anthem

Powell

Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

*Presider:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## Holy Communion

Please come forward as the ushers direct you and put out your hands to receive the bread/wafer.

For a gluten free wafer please inform your serving priest.

You may then either consume it, dip it lightly into the chalice, or take a sip of wine from the chalice.

If you prefer a blessing only - cross your arms across your chest.

If you have any mobility concerns please alert the usher

and the clergy will bring communion to you.

## Post Communion Prayer

*(Please stand or kneel as you are able)*

*Presider:* Let us pray.

**All:** 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.

## The Blessing

**Hymn 607** (Blue Book)

*O God of every nation*

*Llangloffen*

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## The Dismissal

*Deacon:* Let us go forth in the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

*Fugue in C major ("Fanfare")*

J. S. Bach

***After this service, the altar flowers can be taken to anyone who would appreciate them.***

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***RECYCLE THIS BULLETIN*** by placing it on one of the tables at the side or front entrance.

1 O God of ev - ery na - tion, of ev - ery, race and land,  
 2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,  
 3 Lord, strength-en all who la - bor that we may find re - lease  
 4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,

re - deem the whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand;  
 from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc-tion through the night,  
 from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;  
 when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,

where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,  
 from pride of race and na - tion and blind-ness to your way,  
 when hope and cour - age fal - ter, your still small voice be heard;  
 till dawns the morn - ing glo - rious when truth and jus - tice reign

in love and mer - cy guide us and heal our strife - torn world.  
 de - liv - er ev - ery na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray!  
 with faith that none can al - ter, your ser - vants un - der - gird.  
 and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.





## The Ambry

The ambry is a cupboard located in the St. Mary Chapel which is at the right of the narthex (front entry of the church). It is used for reserving the consecrated hosts for communion in home or hospital visits for those who cannot attend Sunday worship and, in some Anglican Churches, to store the oil of chrism used for anointing. A light burns near it to indicate that it contains the sacrament.

### *Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:*

Parishioners: Sam Shute, Lisette Johnson, Margie Costas and family, Becky Lee, Robin Goodman, Carole Shahda, Mike Oliver, Steve Row, Ethel Kutteroff, Margaret Franklin, Gray Morris, Phyllis Iverson, Julette Iverson, Diane Hoover, David Christiana, Samantha Ridley, Bill Piercy, and Doris Enroughty.

Our extended family and friends: Shelby, the Hardison family, Nicholas, the Sonant family, the Whisonant family, the Fiedler family, the Lord and Walton family, Richard Wallace, Alice, Garry Land, Wayne and Sue, Marsha and David, Michelle, Olivia, Stefan, Teagan and the Kuehnle family, Will, Robin, Denise Early, Ron and Pam Catton, Oscar Cordova, Rod Bost, Gloria Wiley, William Higgins, Henry Pegram, Rick, Gene Shelton, Karen Sokohl, Rick McGeorge, Serenity, Shanae, Amy Burks, the Henderson family, Mary-Margaret, Lane Hopkins, Kristy Rose, Renee Reid, Emily Tafel, Martha, Carolyn Campbell, Randi Smith, Nancy Strite, Marion Broome, Hollis Daniels, and Donna Raubenstine.

Those celebrating birthdays: especially Beatrice Bogard, James Boisky-Rova, and Margaret Boisky-Riva.

Those celebrating anniversaries:

Those who have died:

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Pray for all Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Lay Leaders.

Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer: We pray for governments and governing bodies of Metropolitan Richmond: For the Supervisors of Hanover County, the County Administrators, and all county employees.



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*Diverse, Urban, Eucharist Centered, Service-Oriented*

**Thank you for joining us.**

Please let us know how we may encourage you to serve the Lord with us by filling out the “Welcome” card found in the rack in front of you and placing it in the Offering Plate.

You may also speak to any clergy or greeters following the worship service.

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