

Welcome

Whether you are a first-time visitor, longtime member, or somewhere in-between, welcome to this place where together we sing, read, pray, listen, and break bread in thanksgiving and praise of the living God whose love brings new life for us and for the world.

For more information

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The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

September 8, 2024 10:30A.M

Voluntary

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele, BWV 645

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn 432



Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821–1877), alt.; based on Psalms 148 and 150 Music: *Laudate Dominum*, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848–1918)

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

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

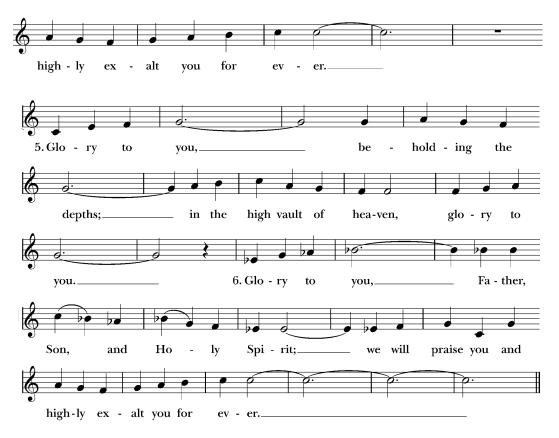
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

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.**

Song of Praise





Setting: John Rutter (b. 1945)

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Children desiring to go to children's chapel are invited to join the procession.

The people are seated for the lessons

The Lessons

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

Nancy Litton

A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold. The rich and the poor have this in common: the Lord is the maker of them all. Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail. Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor. Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate; for the Lord pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sung by the Choir Psalm 125

Anglican Chant: Peter Hurford (1930-2019)

- Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, * which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
- The hills stand about Jerusalem; *
 so does the Lord stand round about his people,
 from this time forth for evermore.
- The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, * so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.
- Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good * and to those who are true of heart.
- As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, the Lord will lead them away with the evildoers; * but peace be upon Israel.

James 2:1-10, 14-17 Manette Sammons

A reading from the letter of James.

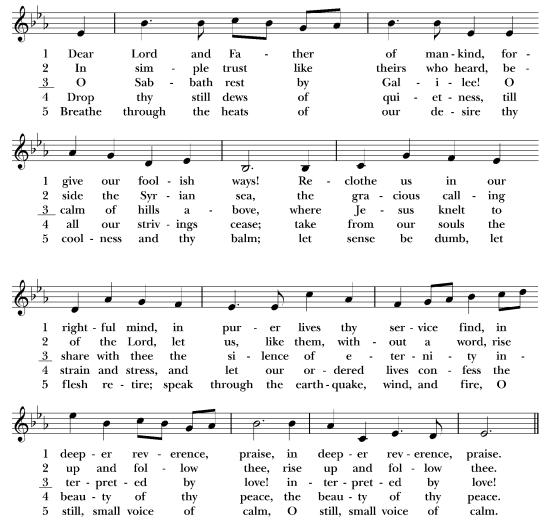
My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers

and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 653



Words: John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892), alt.

Music: Repton, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848–1918), alt.

Mark 7:24-37

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Christopher R. Duncan

The Nicene Creed

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 - Form III

Adelaide Russo

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; Sean, the Presiding Bishop-Elect; Shannon, our Bishop; Chris, Drew, Don and Lynn, our priests; and Casey, our seminarian. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the clergy and people of St. Andrew's, Clinton and for the Youth Ministry and Youth Leadership

Commission.

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

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; especially Joe, our president; Jeff, our governor; Sharon, our mayor; our family and friends serving in the military and law enforcement; that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the

world.

People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

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

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially Carlos, Paul and his family, Connie, those on our prayer list, and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need,

sickness, or any other adversity.

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We also pray for expectant mothers, especially Ally, Caitlin, Jamie, Nico, and Maggie, that they may happily come to the time of birth, and serving you in all things may rejoice in your providence. We thank you, Lord, for the birth of Thomas Henry

Massman, Jr. and Hayes Henry Drumm.

We will exalt you, O God our King.

People And praise your name for ever and ever.

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Gay Town, Dorothy Brupbacher, David Addie, and Evalyn

Lank, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

The People may add their own petitions. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession & Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

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

All stand

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

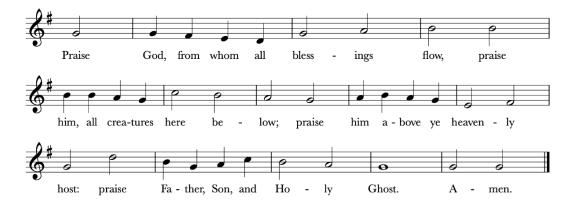
People And also with you.

Birthday Blessings

I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is builded as a city, that is at unity in itself. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.

All stand

Hymn at the Presentation



Words: Thomas Ken (1637–1711)

Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.;

harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

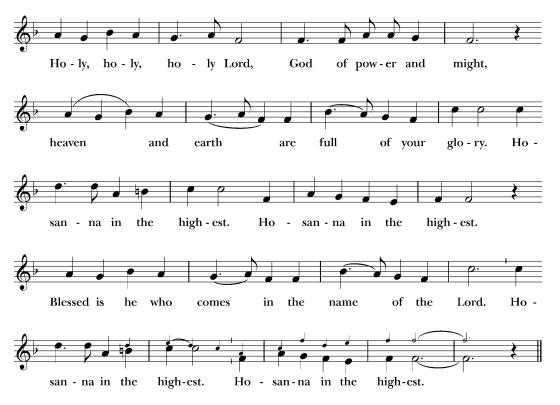
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is said.

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 & Benedictus



Setting: From A Community Mass; Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

The people may stand or kneel

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all.

He 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 Lord 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 many 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.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

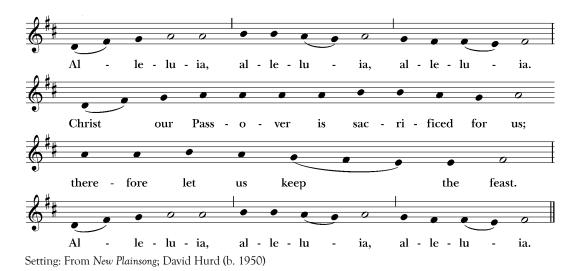
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.



Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.]

Music during Communion

Music: David Hurd (b. 1950) Words: Psalm 119:33-38, 40

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes; and I shall keep it to the end. Give me understanding and I shall keep your law; I shall keep it with all my heart. Make me go in the path of your commandments, for that is my desire. Incline my heart to your decrees and not to unjust gain. Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; give me life in your ways. Fulfill your promise to your servant which you make to all who fear you. Behold, I long for your commandments; in your righteousness preserve my life.

Hymn 339 Schmücke dich

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

The people may stand or kneel

The Postcommunion Prayer

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

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The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

Finale

from Symphonie Nº 6

Hymn 420



Words: F. Pratt Green (b. 1903)

Music: Engelberg, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Today's flowers are given to the greater glory of God and in thanksgiving for our grandchildren, Lily & Jack Little by Chuck & Sally Plattsmier



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