



SAINT MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 26, 2021 ♦ 11:00 AM

Welcome to Saint Mark's Cathedral. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, and whether you are joining in the nave or via the livestream, you are welcome here!

Per the governor's current requirement, all are asked to wear masks during the service (except when leading worship).

Signs in the nave indicate the distanced and undistanced sections. Ushers are available during the liturgy should you have any questions or concerns, or if you need a hearing assist device.

We'd like to extend a special welcome to the Vergers of the Episcopal Church joining us today at the conclusion of the Annual Conference.

If you are new to Saint Mark's and would like to learn more, please consider completing a newcomer form, visit saintmarks.org/newcomers or simply contact one of the clergy. Grace and peace to you!

The Assembly speaks aloud the **text in boldface**.

A brief organ voluntary offered a few minutes before the hour invites all into quiet prayer and preparation.

PRELUDE Arietta

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875-1912)

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of the Duwamish Tribe.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

All stand, as able.

HYMN 376 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee ♦ The Hymnal 1982

TUNE: Hymn to Joy

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;

giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

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 Music: *Hymn to Joy*, Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827); adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867), alt.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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.**

Organ *Everyone*

1. Glo-ry to you, Lord God of our fa-ters; you are worthy of praise; glo-ry to you.

2. Glo-ry to you for the rad-i-ance of your ho-ly Name; we will praise you and highly ex-alt you for ev-er.

3. Glo-ry to you in the splendor of your tem-ple; on the throne of your ma-jesty, glo-ry to you.

4. Glo-ry to you, seated be-tween the Cher-u-bim; we will praise you and highly ex-alt you for ev-er.

5. Glo-ry to you, be-holding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glo-ry to you. 6. Glo-ry to you, Father, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit; we will praise you and highly ex-alt you for ev-er.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY *Proper 21*

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 234

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

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.**

Please be seated for the readings.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING *Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22*

THE KING and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me – that is my petition – and the lives of my people – that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king." Then

King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?" Esther said, "A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen.

Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, "Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high." And the king said, "Hang him on that." So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated.

Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sor-

row into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Psalm 124*

Peter R. Hallock (1924-2014)

The choir introduces the antiphon, all repeat it. The choir sings the verses, all repeating the antiphon as indicated.

The musical notation is on a single staff in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It begins with a treble clef and a common time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Above the staff, 'Organ:' is written above the first measure and 'Everyone:' above the second measure. Below the staff, the text 'Our help is in the Name of the Lord.' is written in a bold, sans-serif font.

Nisi quia Dominus

IF THE LORD had not been on our side, let Israel now say; If the LORD had not been on our side, when enemies rose up against us; **ANTIPHON**

Then would they have swallowed us up alive in their fierce anger toward us; Then would the waters have overwhelmed us and the torrent gone over us; **ANTIPHON**

Then would the raging waters have gone right over us. Blessed be the LORD! he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth. **ANTIPHON**

We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; the snare is broken, and we have escaped. Our help is in the Name of the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth. **ANTIPHON**

READING *James 5:13-20*

ARE ANY among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not

rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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

Thanks be to God.

All stand, as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mel Butler

The choir introduces the alleluias; all repeat them. The choir chants the verse, and all respond with the alleluias.

The musical notation is on a single staff in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats. It begins with a treble clef. Above the staff, 'Organ:' is written above the first measure and 'Everyone:' above the second measure. Below the staff, the text 'Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, alle-lu-ia!' is written in a bold, sans-serif font. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes.

Verse: Whoever is not against us is for us.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 9:38-50*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

JOHAN said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

"For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOMILY

The Reverend Mark Miller

At the end of today's homily, the following versicle and response will be said:

Let us go forth in peace. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

All stand, as able.

THE NICENE CREED

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

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 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

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *The Assembly speaks aloud the text in boldface.*

In peace, we pray to you, O God: In gratitude for this community, especially for [...] and for all the blessings of this life, **we praise and exalt you for ever and ever.**

For the mission and ministry of the Church of God, **for all who serve the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For all who seek the outward signs and inward grace of your Holy Spirit, **for all who hunger and thirst for your presence.**

For those we greet comfortably and love readily, **for those we ignore, diminish, or exclude.**

For this community, city, nation, and world, **for all who labor for justice, equity, health, and wholeness.**

For the just and proper use of your creation, **for the will to choose the common good.**

For all who are sick, suffering, displaced or detained, **for all who heal, soothe, grant refuge and release.**

For those on our prayer list and those on our hearts, especially [...]; hear us, O God, **for your mercy is great.**

For those who have died, especially [...] and for all the saints, **for eternal rest and peace.**

The Presider adds a concluding collect; all respond: Amen.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 359

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept. You are invited to stand or kneel for the confession.

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 Presider pronounces God's forgiveness of our sins. All respond: Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

All exchange a sign of peace, respecting others' desires for distance to be maintained.



THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY

An offering of money is received. Everyone participating in Saint Mark's Cathedral's worship at this time in any way is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Together, our gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service. All worshipping in person are invited to place their offering in baskets as they are passed through through the rows.

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ANTHEM

O for a closer walk with God

WORDS: William Cowper (1731-1800);
MUSIC: C. Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

O for a closer walk with God,
A calm and heavenly frame;
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy Dove, return!
Sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,
And drove thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God,
Calm and serene my frame:
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb.

All stand, as able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer A

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 361

The Lord be with you. **And al - so with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God 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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 Mass in the Lydian Mode

Richard R. Webster (b. 1952)

Organ: Ho - ly, ho - - ly, ho - - ly Lord

Everyone: God of power and might. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san-na in the high - est. Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

High voices Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Low voices Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

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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:

**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.

A - MEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, ha-llowed be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea-ven.
 Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-against us. Save us from the time of tri-al,
 and de-li-ver us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the po-wer, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *We who are many*

Plainsong Mode 6

The cantor introduces the antiphon, all repeat it. The cantor sings the verse; all repeat the antiphon as indicated.

We who are__ ma-ny are one bo - dy,__ for we all__ share in the one__ bread.

Verse: Happy are they who come to the Supper of the Lamb. **ANTIPHON**

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All may be seated for the time of Communion. All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.

Please follow the directions of the Liturgical Ministers. Bread is distributed by priests at standing stations at the head of three aisles. Before receiving the bread, please sanitize your hands. The priest will place the bread into your outstretched palm taking care not to touch your hand. Communion is currently being offered in one kind. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply ask the priest for one at the time of Communion.

HYMN

Guide my feet Lord ♦ Wonder, Love, & Praise

TUNE: *African-American Spiritual*

Guide my feet Lord, Guide my feet Lord,
 Hold my hand Lord, while I run this race. Hold my hand Lord, while I run this race.
 Stand by me Lord, Stand by me Lord,
 Guide my feet Lord,
 Hold my hand Lord, while I run this race, 'cause I don't want to run this race in vain.
 Stand by me Lord,

Wonder, Love, & Praise #819; African-American Spiritual, arr. Carl Harris, Jr. (b. 1935).

All stand, as able.

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

On some Sundays, ministers take Holy Communion to sick or housebound members of the community.

One body are we. For though many, we share one bread and one cup.
Go in peace, bearing holy gifts for holy people.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 365

Let us pray. 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.

BLESSING *The Presider asks God's blessing on the Assembly. All respond: Amen.*

HYMN 347 *Go forth for God; go to the world in peace* ♦ *The Hymnal 1982*

TUNE: *Litton*

1 Go forth for God; go to the world in peace;
2 Go forth for God; go to the world in love;
3 Go forth for God; go to the world in strength;
4 Go forth for God; go to the world in joy,
be of good cour - age, armed with heaven - ly grace,
strength - en the faint, give cour - age to the weak;
hold fast the good, be ur - gent for the right;
to serve God's peo - ple ev - ery day and hour,
in God's good Spi - rit dai - ly to in - crease,
help the af - flict - ed; rich - ly from a - bove
ren - der to no one e - vil; Christ at length
and ser - ving Christ, our ev - ery gift em - ploy,
till in his king - dom we be - hold his face.
his love sup - plies the grace and power we seek.
shall o - ver - come all dark - ness with his light.
re - joic - ing in the Ho - ly Spi - rit's power.

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DISMISSAL *The Deacon dismisses the Assembly. The Assembly responds: Thanks be to God.*

VOLUNTARY Postlude on *Song 22*
(Tune of Hymn 703: “Lead us, O Father, in the paths of peace”)

C. Villiers Stanford



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