



SAINT MARK'S  
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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:  
PROPER 27A

November 12, 2023

8:00 AM





#### LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT & WELCOME

*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 all the Coast Salish tribes.*

#### QUESTIONS?

*Please ask one of the liturgical ministers. Restrooms are available in the narthex; all-gender restrooms are available in the northwest stairwell of the nave and on the 5th floor of Cathedral House, accessible by the elevator or southwest stairwell.*

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#### ABOUT THE LITURGY

*Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. We encounter God within worship and are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the hallmarks of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy literally is "the work of the people," and refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**PRELUDE** Prelude on *Picardy* (Tune of Hymn 324, “Let all mortal flesh keep silence”)

Craig Phillips

## LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

*All stand, as able.*

**HYMN 436** *Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates* (sts. 1-3) ♦ *The Hymnal 1982*

*Truro*

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*The Book of Common Prayer 1979, p. 355*

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

*Assembly* **And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Presider* **A**LMIGHTY 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.

*All* **Amen.**

**GLORIA**

*Presider* Glory to God in the highest,  
*Assembly* **and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY** *Proper 27*

*The Book of Common Prayer 1979, p. 236*

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

**O** GOD, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**All Amen.**

*Please be seated for the readings.*

**READING***Amos 5:18-24*

**T**HUS says the Lord, the God of hosts, the Lord:  
 Alas for you who desire the day of the Lord!  
 Why do you want the day of the Lord?  
 It is darkness, not light;  
 as if someone fled from a lion,  
 and was met by a bear;  
 or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall,  
 and was bitten by a snake.  
 Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light,  
 and gloom with no brightness in it?  
 I hate, I despise your festivals,  
 and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.  
 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,  
 I will not accept them;  
 and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals  
 I will not look upon.  
 Take away from me the noise of your songs;  
 I will not listen to the melody of your harps.  
 But let justice roll down like waters,  
 and righteousness like an everflowing stream.

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

*Assembly* **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM***Psalm 70 ♦ Deus, in adiutorium**The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 682*

*Please join the lector in reading the Psalm aloud, starting after the first asterisk.*

**B**E pleased, O God, to deliver me; \*  
 O LORD, make haste to help me.  
 Let those who seek my life be ashamed  
 and altogether dismayed; \*  
 let those who take pleasure in my misfortune  
 draw back and be disgraced.  
 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, \*  
 because they are ashamed.  
 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; \*  
 let those who love your salvation say for ever,  
 "Great is the LORD!"  
 But as for me, I am poor and needy; \*  
 come to me speedily, O God.  
 You are my helper and my deliverer; \*  
 O LORD, do not tarry. ♦

**READING***1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*

**W**E do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

*Assembly* **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand, as able.*

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** *Matthew 25:1-13*

*Presider* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*Assembly* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**J**ESUS said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

*Presider* The Gospel of the Lord.

*Assembly* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**HOMILY**

The Reverend Canon Doctor Marda Steedman Sanborn

*All stand, as able.*

**THE NICENE CREED**

*The Book of Common Prayer 1979, p. 358*

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.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*After each petition:*

*Intercessor* God of love,  
*Assembly* hear our prayer.

*The Presider concludes the prayers with a collect. All respond: Amen.*

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*You are invited to stand or kneel for the confession.*

*Presider* Most merciful God,

**All** 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

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

*Assembly* **And also with you.**

*All greet one another in the name of the Lord.*



# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## OFFERTORY

*An offering of money is received. All worshipping in person are invited to place their offering in the plates as they are passed through through the rows.*

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*All stand, as able.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer B*

*The Book of Common Prayer 1979, p. 367*

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*Assembly* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*Assembly* **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

*Assembly* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Presider* 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:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Presider* We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**All We remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory;**

*Presider* And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, Mark, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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.

**All AMEN.**

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**All Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

*Assembly* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

*All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.*

*If you need communion brought to your seat, please let any of the liturgical ministers know.*

*Rice wafers for those who do not eat wheat are available; simply ask for one at the time of communion.*

- ◆ *You are welcome to stand or kneel to receive communion.*
- ◆ *Hold out your hand to receive the bread and then eat. Guide the chalice of wine to your mouth and then drink.*
- ◆ *Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not available at this time.*
- ◆ *To receive a blessing instead of the bread or wine, simply cross your arms over your chest.*

*All stand, as able.*

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*The Book of Common Prayer 1979, p. 365*

*Presider* Eternal God,

*All* **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 68**     *Rejoice! rejoice, believers (sts. 1 & 3) ♦ The Hymnal 1982*

*Llangloffan*

**DISMISSAL**

*Presider*    Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*Assembly*    **Thanks be to God.**

**VOLUNTARY**    Postlude on *Llangloffan* (Tune of Hymn 68, "Rejoice! Rejoice, believers")

Aaron David Miller

## MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

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