

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: PROPER 20A

September 24, 2023

11:00 AM





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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. Ushers (wearing the purple welcome lanyards) can answer your questions or concerns, or provide a hearing assist device. All-gender restrooms are available in the northwest stairwell and on the 5th floor of Cathedral House, accessible by elevator or southwest stairwell.

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Welcome to Saint Mark's Cathedral. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here! We invite you to complete a newcomer form, visit <u>saintmarks.org/newcomers</u> or connect with one of the clergy.

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

The service usually begins with an organ prelude or other music designed to call us into worshipful presence.

PRELUDE

Pastorella, BWV 590

J.S. Bach

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

All stand, as able.

INTROIT

God be in my head

Words: Sarum Primer, 1514; Music: Lytlington, Sydney H. Nicholson

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in mine eyes, and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking; God be at mine end, and at my departing.

As a gathered community, we join together in praising God in song.

HYMN 9

Not here for high and holy things ◆ *The Hymnal* 1982

TUNE: Morning Song

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 A 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.

SONG OF PRAISE Glory to you

John Rutter



The collect is the prayer designated for each Sunday that "collects" or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

COLLECT OF THE DAY Proper 20

The Book of Common Prayer 1979, p. 234

Presider The Lord be with you.

Assembly And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

GRANT US, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

The first reading is usually drawn from the Hebrew Scriptures, inviting us to trace our heritage in God's historical covenant with the People of God.

READING

Jonah 3:10-4:11

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

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

Assembly Thanks be to God.

The Psalm is a sung response to the previous reading. Psalms are the songbook of the Hebrew Scriptures. They express every emotion known to humankind.

PSALM Psalm 145:1-8 ◆ The Book of Common Prayer 1979 Psalter

Peter R. Hallock

The choir introduces the Antiphon, all repeat it.

The choir chants the verses, all repeat the Antiphon as indicated.



The LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

Exaltabo te, Deus

Iwill exalt you, O God my King, * and bless your Name for ever and ever.

Every day will I bless you * and praise your Name for ever and ever. **ANTIPHON**

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; * there is no end to his greatness.

One generation shall praise your works to another * and shall declare your power. **ANTIPHON**

I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty * and all your marvelous works.

They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, * and I will tell of your greatness. ANTIPHON

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; * they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, * slow to anger and of great kindness. **ANTIPHON**

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

READING Philippians 1:21-30

To ME, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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The sequence hymn or Gospel acclamation moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means "good news"—specifically the "good news of Jesus Christ."

All stand, as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia #7

Mel Butler

The choir introduce the alleluias, all repeat them. The choir sing the verse below, then all repeat the alleluias.



Verse: Those who are last will be first, and those who are first will be last.

This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus's words and actions.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 20:1-16

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

Assembly Glory to you, Lord Christ.

TESUS said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

Assembly Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The homily directly follows the Gospel because it is grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

HOMILY The Right Reverend Ernie Moral, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of the Southern Philippines

Following the homily, the assembly is invited into a period of silence, reflecting on the scriptures and sermon. Please stand, as able, when the Presider stands as the liturgy continues.

The word "creed" comes from the Latin "credo" for "I believe." First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 CE and confirmed in 381 CE, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: The Holy Trinity.

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.

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.

We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. Each week, we pray for the Universal Church, the nation and its leaders, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.

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

The Book of Common Prayer 1979, p. 360

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

You are invited to stand or kneel for the confession.

Deacon 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 exchange of peace within the gathered community is an ancient Christian practice. It is a sign of reconciliation, love, and renewed relationships prior to coming to God's table for Eucharist.

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

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, confessed our sins, received forgiveness, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the mystery and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

OFFERTORY

An offering of money is received. Everyone participating in worship is invited to make an offering in gratitude for God's generosity. Together, these gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service. Those worshiping in person may to place their offering in baskets as they are passed through through the rows.



Words: Matthew 20:1, 3, 4;

Music: Cristobal Morales

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ANTHEM

Simile rest regnum

Simile est regnum caelorum homini patrifamilias, qui exiit primo mane conducere operarios in vineam suam. Et egressus circa horam tertiam, vidit alios stantes in foro otiosos, et dixit illis: Ite et vos in vineam meam et quod justum fuerit dabo vobis. The kingdom of heaven is like a householder who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard.

And he went out about the third hour and saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them:

"Go also into my vineyard,

and I will pay you whatever is just."

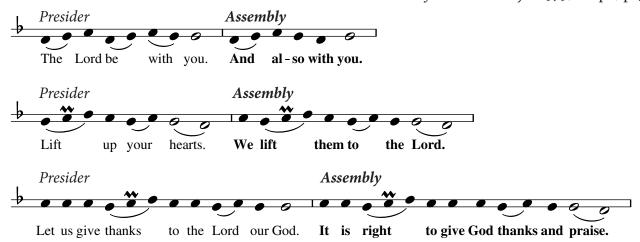
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In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a lengthy prayer with several intentions. We recount the story of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

All stand, as able.

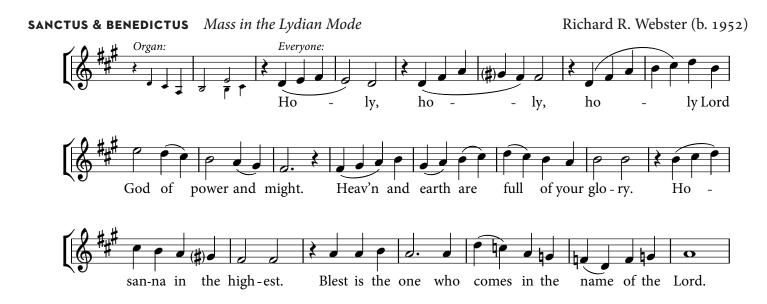
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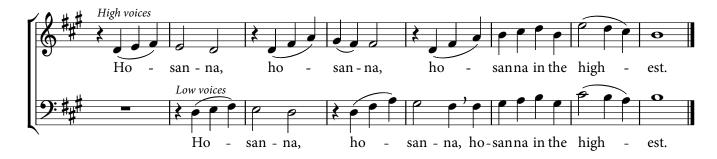
The Book of Common Prayer 1979, adapt., p. 360



Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, the 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:

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.





We recall God's acts of salvation history. The presider says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age.

During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

Presider O God, you are holy and gracious: 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, our Rock and our Foundation.

Jesus 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, Jesus 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, Jesus 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:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Presider We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Most Holy God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Reign.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Most Blessed One, now and for ever.

The Great Amen unites the congregation in one great voice as we concur with all that the presider has prayed. It is the only "AMEN" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the importance of the congregation's response.



We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Ambrosian chant (Choir Harmony by Mark Howe)



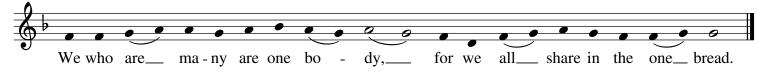
In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD We who are many

Plainsong, Mode 6

The cantor introduces the Antiphon, all repeat it.

The cantor chants the verses, all repeat the Antiphon as indicated.



Verse: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ. ANTIPHON

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider 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 and wine are distributed at standing stations at the head of three aisles. The bread will placed into your outstretched palm. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply ask for one at the time of Communion. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please cross your arms in front of your chest.

Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not available at this time. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your arms in front of your chest as you pass by the chalice. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.

After singing the hymn, the assembly is invited to remain seated for a period of silence, contemplating the gifts of God given and received.

From the earliest days of the Church, members of the congregation took bread to those who were ill or could not be present in person.

All stand, as able.

HYMN 659

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider One body are we.

Assembly For, though many, we share one bread and one cup.

Deacon Go in peace, bearing holy gifts for holy people.

Before concluding the service, we give thanks to God for the gifts received, and the Presider pronounces a blessing in God's name upon the assembly. A closing hymn and the dismissal conclude the liturgy.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The Book of Common Prayer 1979, p. 365

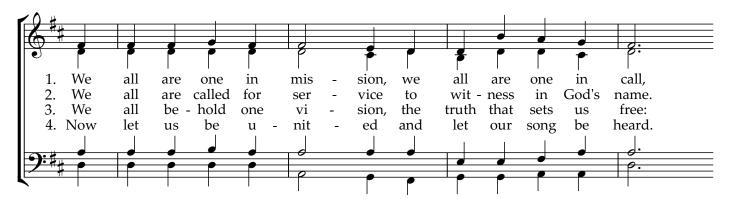
Presider Eternal God, heavenly Father,

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 We are all one in mission





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DISMISSAL

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

VOLUNTARY Praeludium in G minor, BuxWV 149

Dieterich Buxtehude

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