



St. Mary's Episcopal Church

NOVEMBER 19, 2023

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



A SERVICE OF HOLY EUCHARIST AT 10AM

Welcome.

We are glad that you are here today. We hope that you feel right at home, whether you are a first-timer or an old-timer. Relax; you are among friends.

Lift your heart and voice to the God who loves you.

However you found us, and by whatever means you are here, we are delighted to share this Way with you. If you'd like more information about St. Mary's, or would like a call from our clergy, please let us know - either in person, or by visiting www.GodsView.org/Connect/.



MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

The ministers of St. Mary's are all the people of St. Mary's

Preacher: [The Rev. Michael Burke](#), Rector

Celebrant: [The Rev. Dawn Allen-Herron](#), Associate Rector

Gospel Reader: [The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gómez](#), Associate Rector

Reader: Amy Gruber

Voice of the People: Deb Kennedy

Prayers of People: Sara Stoops

Musicians: Praise Singers

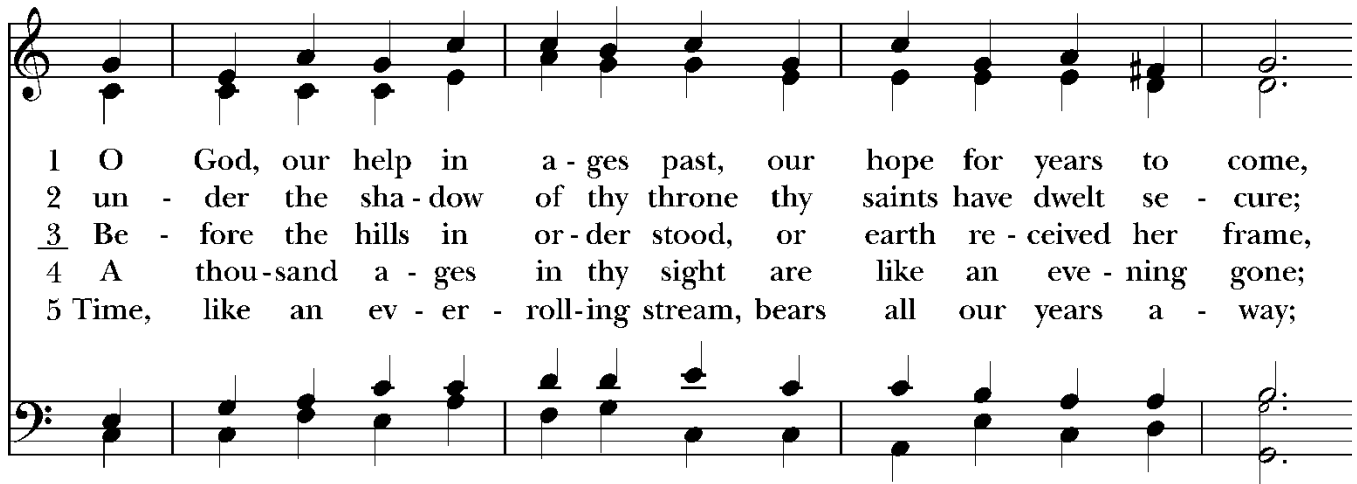
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GATHERING IN THE NAME OF GOD

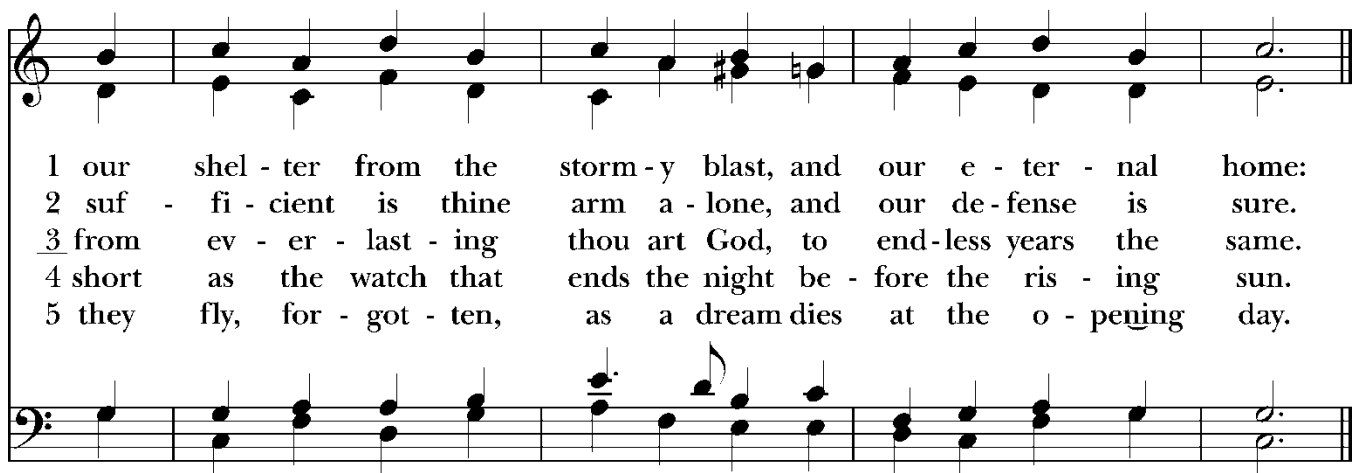
GATHERING MUSIC • *Various Selections from the Liturgical Music* • Praise Singers

WELCOME • The Rev. Michael Burke

***OPENING HYMN • O God, Our Help In Ages Past • Hymnal #680, v. 1,4, 6**



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
 5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;



1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
 4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pen - ing day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,

be thou our guide while life shall last,
 and our eternal home.

***OPENING SENTENCES**

Priest Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People ***Glory to God for ever and ever.***

Priest Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you and 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 Savior. ***Amen.***

SERVICE OF THE WORD

*THE COLLECT

Priest God be with you.

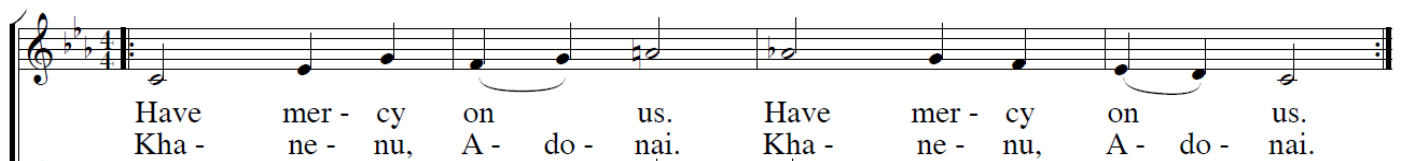
People ***And also with you.***

Priest Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

PSALM 123

ANTIPHON



To you I lift up my eyes,

to you, enthroned in the heavens.

As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters,

and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

so our eyes look to you, our God,

awaiting favor.

Have mercy upon us, O God,

have mercy!

We have had more than enough of contempt,

Too long have we endured,

the scorn of the indolent rich,

the derision of the proud.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

FIRST READING • 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Reader A Reading from 1 Thessalonians.

Now concerning the times and the seasons, siblings, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him.

Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

***GOSPEL HYMN • This Little Light of Mine • Harry D. Loes**

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Won't let Satan blow it out . . .

Hide it under a bushel, NO! . . .

Let it shine 'til Jesus comes . . .

***THE GOSPEL • Matthew 25:14-30**

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

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

Priest Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received

the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy servant; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy servant; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy servant! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents.

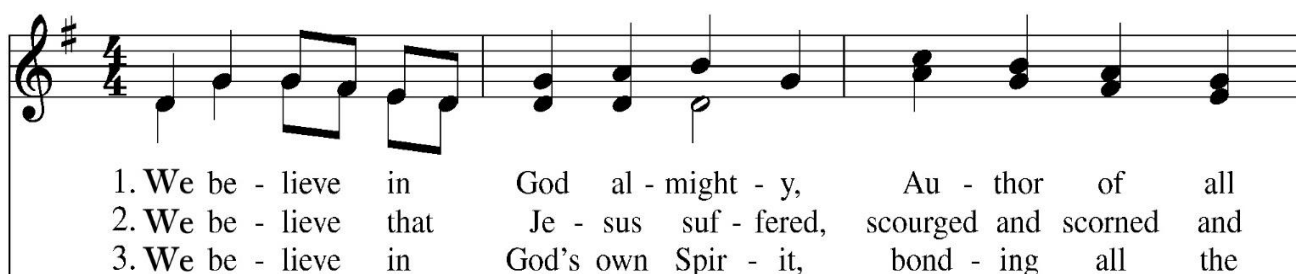
For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless servant, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

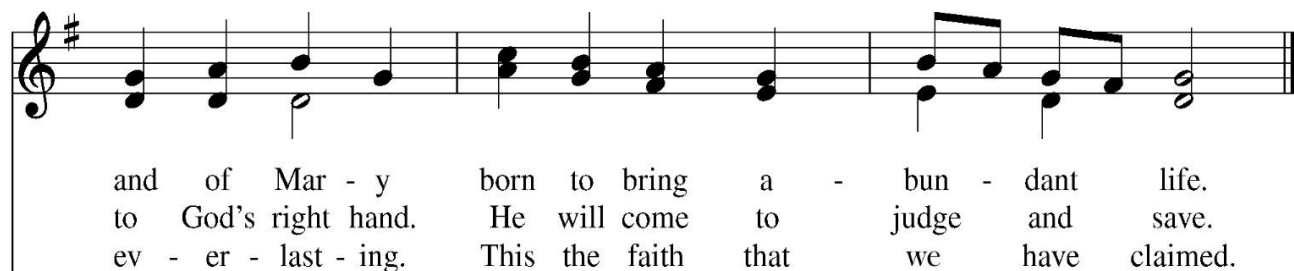
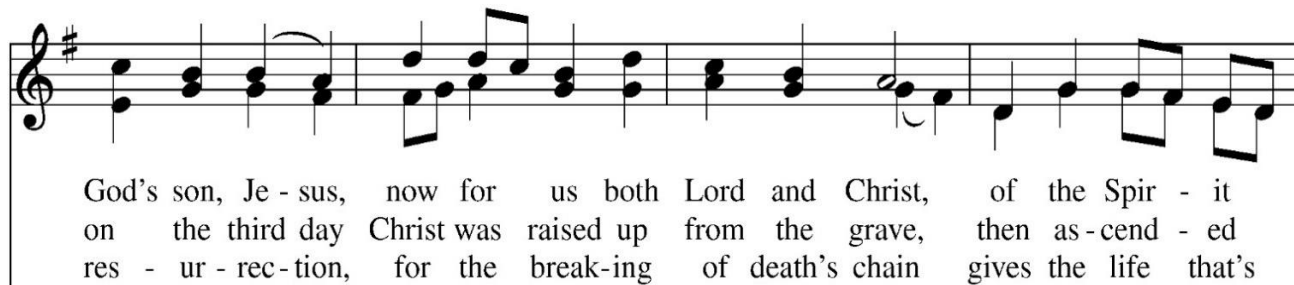
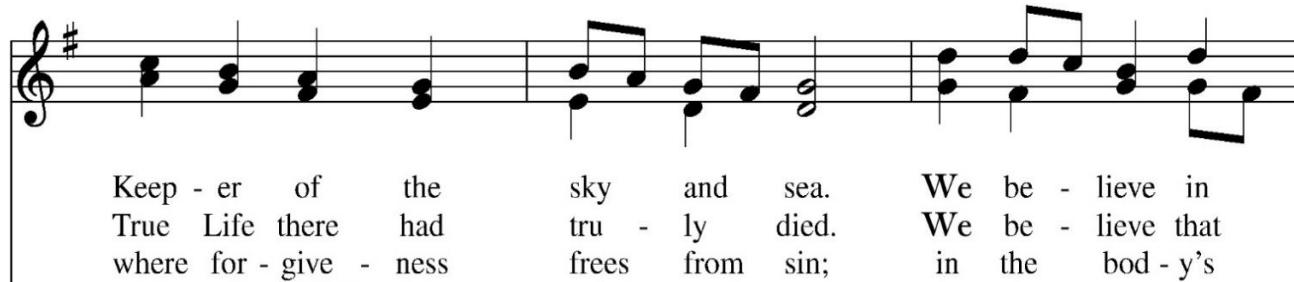
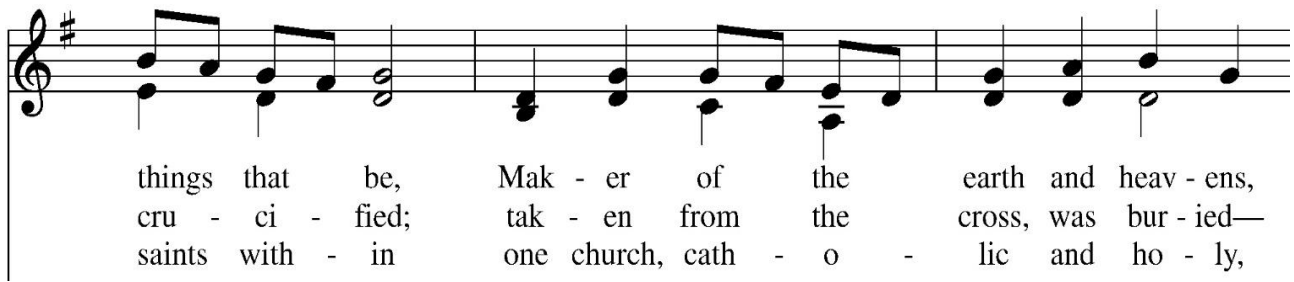
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON • The Rev. Michael Burke

***AFFIRMING OUR FAITH**



1. We be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all
 2. We be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and
 3. We be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the



*THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael Curry our Presiding Bishop, Mark our Bishop; and all bishops and ministers;

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions, aloud or via chat boxes

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings, aloud or via chat boxes

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions, aloud or via chat boxes

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Priest: Hear the prayers of your people, Creator God. May we who are entrusted with so much share with a world in need. *Amen.*

A priest says Together, praying,

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.*

Priest 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.*

***THE PEACE**

Priest The peace of Christ be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

Then the People may greet one another in the name of God.

SERVICE OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERING

*Offerings toward the work and ministry of St. Mary's may be made by texting **StMarysAK** to **73256**, at GodsView.org, or by using the QR code to the right of this message.*



Open. Aim. Tap.

OFFERTORY HYMN • *Thanksgiving Eve* • Praise Singers

*It's so easy to dream of the days gone by,
 It's a hard thing to think of the times to come,
 And the grace to accept every moment as a gift,
 Is a gift that is given to some.*

[CHORUS]

*What can you do with your days but work and pray?
 Let your dreams bind your work to your play,
 What can you do with each moment of your life,
 But love till you've loved it away?
 Love till you've loved it away.*

*There are sorrows enough for the whole world's end,
 There are no guarantees but the grave,
 And the lives that we lead and the times we have spent,
 Are treasures too precious to save.*

[REPEAT CHORUS]

[INSTRUMENTAL BREAK, IF NEEDED]

*As it was so it is, as it is shall it be,
 And it shall be while lips that kiss have breath,
 Many waters indeed only nurture Love's seed,
 And its flower overshadows the power of death.*

[REPEAT CHORUS]

***DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
 Praise God, all creatures here below,
 Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!*

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Priest God be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.


The priest continues

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of power and
might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image
and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care
that we might be your faithful stewards
and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image
in one another and in ourselves;
we would not see your goodness in the world around us;
and so we violated your creation,
abused one another,
and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us,
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah
you called us into covenant with you.
You delivered us from slavery,
sustained us in the wilderness,
and raised up prophets
to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time,
you sent your eternal Word,
made mortal flesh in Jesus.
Born into the human family,
and dwelling among us,
he revealed your glory.

Giving himself freely to death on the cross,
he triumphed over evil,
opening the way of freedom and life.
On the night before he died for us,
Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

“Take, eat:


This is my Body which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.” 

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sin.

Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.” 

Priest Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People ***Christ has died.***

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.


A priest continues

Remembering his death and resurrection,
we now present to you from your creation
this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us
the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts
may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

At the last day, bring us with all your saints,
past, present, and yet to come,
into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and ever. **AMEN.** 

Priest As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, singing:

Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your
Name, your king-dom come, your
will be done, on earth as in heav-en.
Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For -

give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a -
 gainst us. Save us from the time of trial, —
 and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the
 king - dom, the pow - er, and the glo - ry are
 yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men, A - men. —

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Priest Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People *therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE LORD'S TABLE

This is Christ's Banquet. It is made ready for those who love
 God, and for those who want to love God more.

So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you
 who have been here often, and you who have not been here long,
 you who have tried to follow, and you who feel you have failed.

Come, because it is Christ who invites you.

COMMUNION HYMN • *Sometimes I Feel Like A Motherless Child (Instrumental)*

(Second Communion Hymn on next page)

COMMUNION HYMN • *Not Here for High and Holy Things* • Hymnal #9



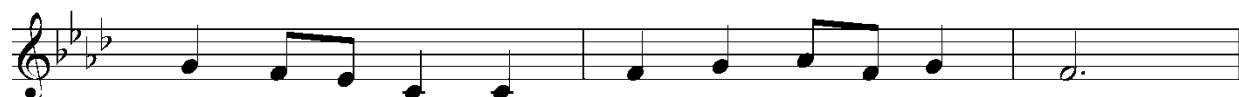
*1 Not here for high and ho - ly things we ren - der thanks to
 *2 the ro - yal robes of au - tumn moors, the gold - en gates of
 *3 of faith and hope and love un - dimmed, un - dy - ing still through
 4 A - wake, a - wake to love and work! The lark is in the
 5 Come, let thy voice be one with theirs, shout with their shout of
 6 to give and give, and give a - gain, what God hath giv - en



1 thee, but for the com - mon things of earth, the
 2 spring, the vel - vet of soft sum - mer nights, the
 3 death, the re - sur - rec - tion of the world, what
 4 sky, the fields are wet with dia - mond dew, the
 5 praise; see how the gi - ant sun soars up, great
 6 thee; to spend thy - self nor count the cost; to



1 pur - ple pa - gean - try of dawn - ing and of
 2 sil - ver glis - te - ring of all the mil - lion
 3 time there comes the breath of dawn that rus - tles
 4 worlds a - wake to cry their bles - sings on the
 5 lord of years and days! So let the love of
 6 serve right glo - rious - ly the God who gave all



1 dy - ing days, the splen - dor of the sea,
 2 mil - lion stars, the si - lent song they sing,
 3 through the trees, and that clear voice that saith:
 4 Lord of life, as he goes meek - ly by.
 5 Je - sus come and set thy soul a - blaze,
 6 worlds that are, and all that are to be.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest Let us pray.

People *God of Abundance and Grace,*
by the provision of this feast,
the Sacrament of our Savior, Jesus Christ
you have united us together in purpose and place.

*May we who have gathered and broken bread
now live in the abundance of your grace,
grow in liberating, life-giving love,
and serve you with joy and steadfast faith,
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.*

BLESSING

SENDING OUT EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant: (Name), in the name of this congregation, we send you to share our Eucharist with _____. May you take the prayers of all of us as you deliver the sacrament of Christ's presence.

ALL: We who are many are one body, because we all share in the one cup!

Celebrant: Go forth in the name of God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS

Watch over your child, O God, as their days increase; bless and guide them where ever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful, raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding, abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNIVERSARIES

Send, O God, your blessing upon these your servants. Sustain them in their love and commitment to each other, that their home may be a place of peace and hospitality now and always. Amen.

SOBRIETY

Bless, O God, your servant in their work or recovery; defend them in their sobriety; and bless them with strength and wisdom now and always. Amen.

WORK TRANSITION OR RETIREMENT

Gracious God, we thank you for the work and witness of this servant who has enriched this community and brought gladness to friends and family; now bless and preserve them at this time of transition. Guide them in the continued use of your gifts; provide sustenance for temporal and spiritual needs, friends to cheer the way, and a clear vision of the ministry to which you are now calling them. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

BLESSING SONG

*May the blessing of God be upon you, the blessing of the Father and the Son.
And may the Spirit of God, the Spirit of Love*, be with you all your days.*

**Spirit of Peace [second verse]*

*RECESSIONAL HYMN • Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee • Hymnal #376

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.

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

THANK YOU FOR YOUR 2024 PLEDGES

Al and Sally Alvarez
Bill and Jeri Anderson
Rilene Ann
Victoria Ault
Eric Backman and Lana Ramos
Allen and Marilyn Bailey
Leigh Ann Belloli
Thea and Will Bemben
Gretchen Bersch
Sue Blei
Joel Bolger
Jonathan Bower
Judy Brady
Greg and Puyong Brelsford
Rhett and Emily Brown
Michael and Nancy Burke
Tracey Burke
Richard Burton
Murray Buttner
Marcus and Leisl Carter
Frank Chandler
Ellen Chirichella
Myrna Clarke
Chris Cooke
Jim and Penny Cowan
Ben Crafton

Jena Crafton
Jim Cross
Cathy Davis
Charlene Davis
Seth and Erica Deam
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Anne Donaghy
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Steve Ericson
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Tracy Fischbach
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Valanne Glooschenko
Betty Glover
Kris Green and Don Gilhousen
Amy Gruber
Mike and Jane Harper
Lesley and Simon Harrison
Betsy and Micky Hawley
Jim Henkelman
Duane and Carol Heyman
Lindsey Holmes and Jim Armstrong
Angela Hunt



Thad Hunter
Chris Hyde
Geraldine James
Linda Johnson
Mary Alice Johnson and Matthew Olson
Matt and Janel Kam-Magruder
Steve and Debra Kennedy
April Kuiper
Robbin LaVine and Kevin Tritt
Marie Lavigne
Adam Lees
Robert and Karol Libbey
Amy Lindsey
Audrey Jo and Brian Malone
Marty Margeson
Rachel Mason
Martha Massey
Mike and Kathryn McCormack
Maggie and Ross McKay
Andrea Medeiros and Blair Flannery
Ed and Karen Mighell
Debbie and Mark Moderow
Hannah Moderow and Erik Grafe
Patricia Moore
Michael and Sunshine Morrison
Marcia Natrass
Emily Nenon
Elizabeth Newell
Tom and Ruth Nighswander
Kathryn Elizabeth Nilsson
Nancy Nowak
Rashmika Paton
Ron and Nancy Pollock
Rebecca O'Keefe
Israel Portilla-Gomez and Linda Vosele

Kristina Reza
Lois Rockcastle and Eric Noble
Dave and Jill Rush
Pat Ryan
Alan Sandar
Brad and Susan Sewell
Bill and Margaret Sharrow
Bob and Jann Sherrill
John and A.J. Shively
Jack and Sherrie Simmonds
Andrew and Alice Smith
Ann Spohnholz
Sarah Stanley and Brian Hilmes
Barbara Stek
Deborah Steen
Sara Stoops
Jincy Swartzbacker
Francis Talbott and Bill Bankston
Christina Talbott-Clark
Jackie Tanghe
William Theuer
Jane Thomas
Stephen and Stacy Thorpe
Ammie Tremblay
Dick and Judy Veerman
Laura Vidrine
Linda D. Walker
Carmen and Haim Wenger
Cynthia Wentworth
Stephanie Whaley
Greg and Maggie Wilkinson
Donald Mark Williams
Jessica and Heidi Willoughby
Michael Wilson and Mateo Banggiacan



THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

November 19-26, 2023

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Sunday, November 19

- 8 am Service of Holy Eucharist
Chapel
- 10 am [Service of Holy Eucharist](#)
Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189
1877
- 10 am Godly Play
Room 1 (downstairs)
- 11:20 am Third Sunday Potluck Lunch
Waldron Hall
- 11:20 am Sermon Circle & Sunday School
Cay's Room, Classrooms
- 11:30 am Bazaar Last Chance Sale
Waldron Hall
- 4 pm Evening Prayer
Sanctuary

Monday, November 20

- 6 pm Yoga with Rashmika
Room 1 (downstairs)

Tuesday, November 21

- 12 pm Yoga with Rashmika
Room 1 (downstairs)
- 5:30 pm Dreaming Our Future
Cay's Room
- 6:30 pm Spanish Class and Dinner
Waldron Hall

Wednesday, November 22

- 7 am [Service of Holy Eucharist](#)
Sanctuary & online; ID 584 949 088
- 6:15 pm Choir Practice
Sanctuary

Thursday, November 23 – Thanksgiving Day

- Church office closed for Thanksgiving
- 9 am Thanksgiving Breakfast
Waldron Hall
- 10:30 am Thanksgiving Service
Sanctuary

Friday, November 24

- Church office closed for Thanksgiving

Saturday, November 25

- No scheduled events

Sunday, November 26 - Christ the King

Sunday

- 8 am Service of Holy Eucharist
Chapel
- 10 am [Service of Holy Eucharist](#)
Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189
1877
- 11:20 am Advent Treats & Wreath Making
Waldron Hall
- 11:20 am Sermon Circle
Cay's Room
- 4 pm Evening Prayer
Sanctuary