

OCTOBER 15, 2023
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. - Jeremiah 17:8

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: <u>The Rev. Dawn Allen-Herron</u>, Associate Rector Celebrant: : The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gómez, Associate Rector

Gospel Reader: The Rev. Michael Burke, Rector

Readers: Rich Dyson
Voice of the People: Amy Gruber
Prayers of the People: Sherrie Simmonds

Musicians: Luke Honeck, Rachel Morgan, and the St. Mary's Choir (Emilee Smith will be filling in today as choir director)

Media Specialists: Seth Eggleston, Nicki Thurwanger, and Jamie Aiden Green

Flowers: Puyong Brelsford - in thanksgiving for Jimin's birthday

Flowers: Alex Schutz

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE • Rachel Morgan, organ

WELCOME • The Rev. Michael Burke

*OPENING HYMN • The King of Love is My Shepherd • Hymnal #645, v. 1,2,5,6



*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 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.*

*GLORIA WLP 901



SERVICE OF THE WORD

*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest God be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

FIRST READING • Exodus 32:1-14

Reader A reading from Exodus.

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'"

The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are.

Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

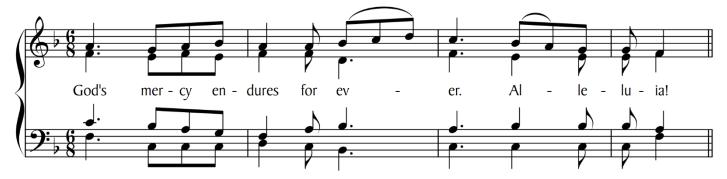
But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 106:1-6, 19-23 • Nancy Nowak, cantor • arr. by Luke Honeck

ANTIPHON



Alleluia! Give thanks, for the Holy One is good; God's mercy endures for ever.

Who can declare the mighty acts of God

or show forth rightful praise?

Happy are they who act with justice

and always do what is right!

Remember me, O God, with the favor you have for your people, and visit me with your saving help,

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

That I may see the prosperity of your elect and be glad with the gladness of your people;

that I may glory with your inheritance.

We have sinned as our forebears did;

we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb and worshiped a molten image;

And so they exchanged their Glory for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.

They forgot you, their Savior, who had done great things in Egypt,

Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, and fearful things at the Red Sea.

So you would have destroyed them, had not Moses your chosen stood before you in the breach, to turn away your wrath from consuming them.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

SECOND READING • Philippians 4:1-9

Reader A reading from Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL HYMN • As We Gather at Your Table • WLP #763



*GOSPEL • Matthew 22:1-14 from Inclusive Bible

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to Matthew. People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Priest Then Jesus spoke to them again in parables. He said, "The kingdom of heaven is like this: there was a ruler who prepared a feast for the wedding of the family's heir; but when the ruler sent out workers to summon the invited guests, they wouldn't come. The ruler sent other workers, telling them to say to the guests, 'I have prepared this feast for you. My oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding.' But they took no notice; one went off to his farm, another to her business, and the rest seized the workers, attacked them brutally and killed them. The ruler was furious and dispatched troops who destroyed those murderers and burned their town.

"Then the ruler said to the workers, 'The wedding feast is ready, but the guests I invited don't deserve the honor. Go out to the crossroads in the town and invite

everyone you can find.' The workers went out into the streets and collected everyone they met, good and bad alike, until the hall was filled with guests.

"The ruler, however, came in to see the company at table, and noticed one guest who was not dressed for a wedding. 'My friend,' said the ruler, 'why are you here without a wedding garment?' But the guest was silent. Then the ruler said to the attendants, 'Bind this guest hand and foot, and throw the individual out into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

"Many are called, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON • The Rev. Dawn Allen-Herron

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION by Cathy Davis

*AFFIRMING OUR FAITH WLP 769



*THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Gather us together, O God, that we might share the prayers, intentions, and thanksgivings of our community.

We are generous with our gifts,

because we are rooted in abundance.

I ask your prayers for the Church, for all who worship God this day. For clergy, diocesan leaders, and for this congregation. We pray especially for this season in which we celebrate stories of our shared mission and ministry.

We are generous with gifts of leadership,

because we are rooted in abundance.

I ask your prayers for our nation and all nations; for refugees fleeing climate change and war; for conflicts of resources and land; for lawmakers, peacekeepers, and informed citizens. We pray for a distribution of wealth that supports justice for the poor and the marginalized, and right relations among all people.

We are generous with gifts of peace,

because we are rooted in abundance.

I ask your prayers for the sick, the lonely, the lost, and those who grieve. We remember those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now in silence or aloud.

[Here prayers are shared in the chat box, or by voicing them aloud.]

We are generous with gifts of healing,

because we are rooted in abundance.

I ask your prayers for those who have died, those who are dying, and those who mourn. For those on our parish prayer list, and for those we name now in silence or aloud.

[Here prayers are shared in the chat box, or by voicing them aloud.]

We are generous with gifts of support,

because we are rooted in abundance.

I ask for your thanksgivings and blessings, for we are given time, talent, and treasure to share with the world.

We are generous with gratitude,

because we are rooted in abundance.

Silence may be kept.

A Priest says Together, praying,

Minister 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.

A Priest 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*.

*THE PEACE

The Peace is now exchanged

Priest The peace of God be always with you.

People Also with you.

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

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERING

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



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*DOXOLOGY

People

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

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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,

for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant You created us to love you with all our heart,

and to love each other as ourselves,

but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

In Jesus, your Son,

you bring healing to our world

and gather us into one great family.

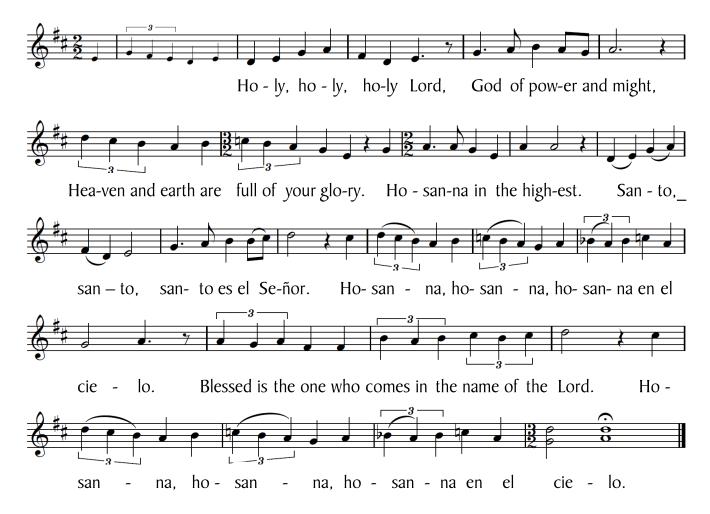
Therefore, with all who serve you

on earth and in heaven,

we praise your wonderful name, as we sing,

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SANCTUS WLP 854



Celebrant

We give you thanks and praise, loving God, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected. Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross

he defeated the power of sin and death.

By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends,

took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for all, so that sins may be forgiven.

Do this in memory of me."

People Glory to you for ever and ever

Celebrant Gracious God,

with this bread and wine
we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus,
and we offer ourselves to you in him.
Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts,
that we may know the presence of Jesus
in the breaking of bread,
and share in the life
of the family of your children.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant God, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom.

We sing your praise, almighty God, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen. 🔔 🔔 👶

Priest As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, each in the language of their heart,

People and Celebrant,

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
forever. Amen.

DEG XINAG VERSION

Dinaxito' ngi'ezre' yan' ngizrenh. Yitots'in' yoye dhedo.

Yitots'in ngutl'ogh xiye Tr'ididl'tth'e.

Go dranh nighantl'itthin dinadhong he'on.

Tr'ixet'ixdi xits'in' dinatighelalin. (Yitots'in) trixet'xdi xits'in Dinak'odz xudingilnek

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 • My God Thy Table Now is Spread • Hymnal #321



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: (N	<i>me</i>), in the name of this congregation, we send you to share our
Eucharist wi	n May you take the prayers of all of us as you deliver the
sacrament o	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 your 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 • Rejoice the Lord is King



DISMISSAL

A priest says Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia! People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE • Rachel Morgan, organ

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THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

OCTOBER 15-22, 2023

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Sunday, October 15

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Chapel

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189

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10 am Godly Play

Room 1 (downstairs)

11 am Third Sunday Potluck Lunch

Waldron Hall

11:20 am Stewardship & Budget

Forum

Sanctuary

11:20 am Sermon Circle & Sunday

School

Cay's Room, Classrooms

4 pm Evening Prayer

Sanctuary

Monday, October 16

5:30 pm Worship Team Meeting

Cay's Room & online;

ID 813 6639 3982

7 pm Budget Conversation #2

Cay's Room

Tuesday, October 17

5:30 pm **Dreaming Our Future**

Meeting

Cay's Room

6:30 pm Spanish Class

Online; register for the link

Wednesday, October 18

7 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online; ID 584 949 088

6:15 pm Choir Practice

Sanctuary

Thursday, October 19

7 am Men's Group

Waldron Hall

6:pm Midweek@St.Mary's

Waldron Hall

7 pm **Taizé Service**

Chapel

7 pm Bible Workbench

Online; ID 821 8564 8348

Friday, October 20

No scheduled events

Saturday, October 21

10 am St. Mary's Dreamers

email <u>SMCdreamers907@gmail.com</u>

<u>Sunday, October 22 – Ingathering</u> Sunday

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Chapel

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

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