

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

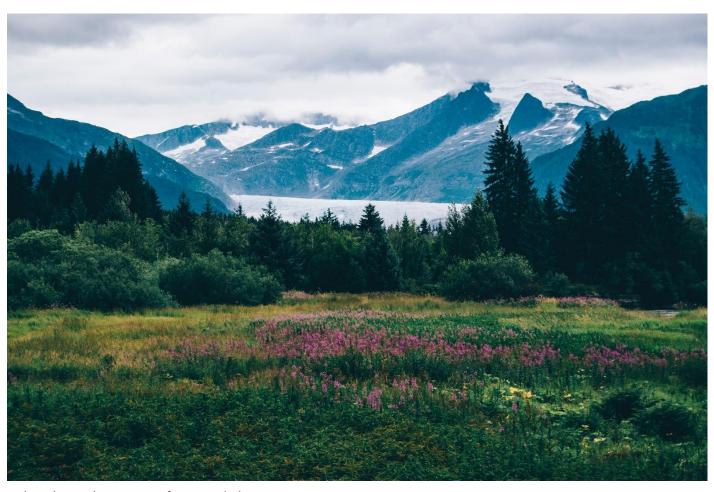


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A Service of Holy Eucharist at 10am

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

Gospel Reader: The Rev. Michael Burke, Rector

Reader: Kate McClellan

Voice of the People: Rebecca Knapp Prayers of the People: Sherrie Simmonds

Musicians: Luke Honeck, Rachel Morgan, and the St. Mary's Choir

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

Communion Bread Baker: Laura Hanrahan

Flowers: Ross McKay, in celebration of Maggie McKay's birthday Gregg & Puyong Brelsford, in celebration of Diane Brelsford's life Michael, Cassidy & Jess Burke, in thanksgiving for Nancy Burke's birthday

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE • Rachel Morgan, organ

WELCOME • The Rev. Michael Burke

*OPENING HYMN • Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation • Hymnal #390

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation: join the great throng, psaltery, organ, and song, sounding in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord; over all things he gloriously reigneth: borne as on eagle-wings, safely his saints he sustaineth. Hast thou not seen how all thou needest hath been granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend thee; surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee; ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly for ever adore him.

*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.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

FIRST READING • Genesis 50:15-21

Reader A reading from Genesis.

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 103:8-13 • Andrew Gonzalez, cantor • arr. by Luke Honeck

ANTIPHON



You are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and of great kindness.

You will not always accuse us,

nor will you keep your anger for ever.

You have not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so is your mercy great upon those who fear you.

As far as the east is from the west,

so far have you removed our sins from us.

As a parent cares for a child,

so do you care for those who fear you.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)



SECOND READING • ROMANS 14:1-12

Reader A reading from Romans.

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written.

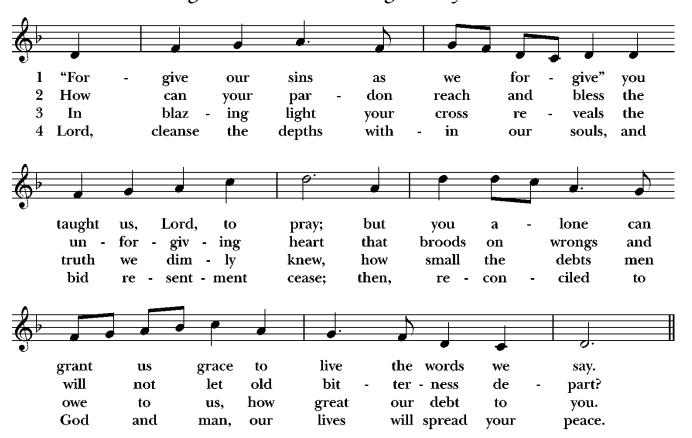
"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL HYMN • Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive • Hymnal #674



*GOSPEL • Matthew 18:21-35

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

Priest Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

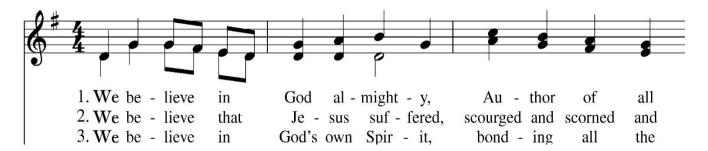
"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON • The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gómez

*AFFIRMING OUR FAITH WLP 769





*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.

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 using our online offering plate.



Open. Aim. Tap.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM • King of Glory, King of Peace • Harold Friedell *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.

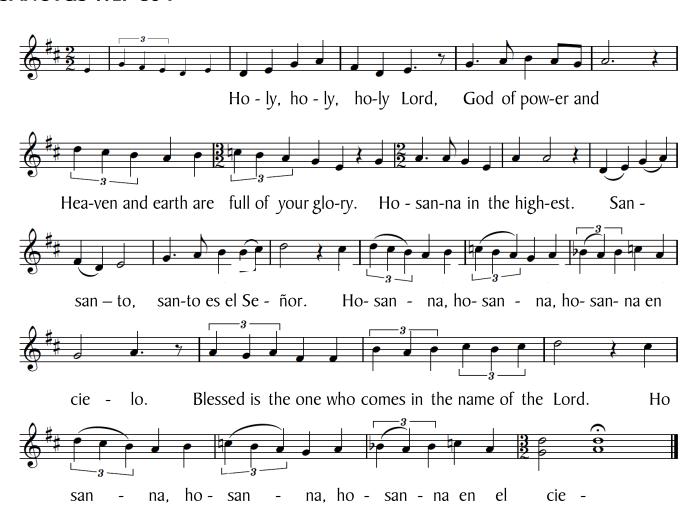
The priest continues

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 WLP 854



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 sins.

Whenever you drink it,

do this for the remembrance of me."



Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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, each in the language of their heart.

People and Celebrant,

English Version

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.

Ukrainian Version

Отче наш, що єси на небесах! Нехай святиться ім'я Твоє, нехай прийде Царство Твоє, нехай буде воля Твоя, як на небі, так і на землі. Хліба нашого щоденного дай нам сьогодні і прости нам провини наші, як і ми прощаємо винуватцям нашим, і не введи нас у спокусу, але визволи нас від лукавого. Бо Твоє є Царство, і сила і слава, Отця, і Сина, і Святого Духа, нині й повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.

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

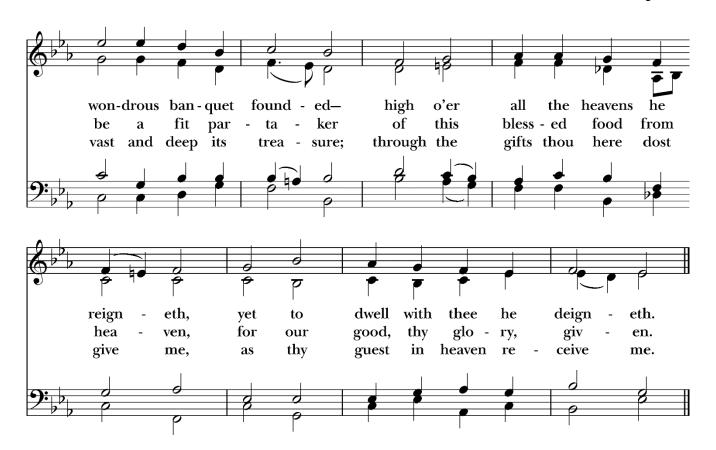
This is Christ's Banquet. It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more.

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 • Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness • Hymnal #339





THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

After Communion, a priest says Let us pray.

God of abundance,

you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. 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 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 • All Creatures Your Creator Bless • Hymnal #400, v. 1,5,7



The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE • When In Our Music God Is Glorified • by Sue Mitchell-Wallace • Rachel Morgan, organ



Those using Zoom are invited to join breakout rooms for conversation and fellowship.



Those on Campus are invited to Waldron Hall for refreshments and conversation.

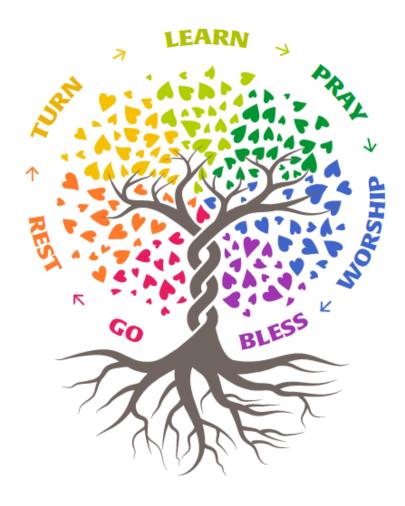


Ripening Eubank Cherries in the St. Mary's Community Garden Photo by Rev. Michael Burke

Interested in signing-up for the Way of Love series?

Visit the table in the narthex to find a sign-up form, or use this QR Code to take you to the form online:







Open. Aim. Tap.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

SEPTEMBER 17-24, 2023

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to sign up for our weekly newsletter



Sunday, September 17

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Chapel

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877

10 am Godly Play

Room I (downstairs)

11:00 am Third Sunday Potluck Lunch

Waldron Hall

11:20 am Children's Potluck Outreach

Waldron Hall

11:20 am Sermon Circle

Cay's Room

2 pm Diane Brelsford Memorial Service

Sanctuary, Waldron Hall

4 pm Evening Prayer

Sanctuary

Monday, September 18

No scheduled events

Tuesday, September 19

 $5:30 \ pm$ **Dreaming Our Future Team**

Cay's Room

6:15 pm Advent Planning Team

Waldron Hall

6:30 pm Spanish Class

Online; register for the link

Wednesday, September 20

7 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online; ID 584 949 088

6:15 pm Choir Practice

Sanctuary

Thursday, September 21

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, September 22

No scheduled events

Saturday, September 23

9 am Bazaar Workshop - Salsa

Waldron Hall

Sunday, September 24

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Chapel

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877

10 am Godly Play

Room I (downstairs)

11:20 am Dream Group - An

Introduction

Waldron Hall

11:20 am Sunday School

Classrooms (downstairs)

11:20 am Sermon Circle

Cay's Room

4 pm Evening Prayer

Sanctuary