

SEPTEMBER 3, 2023 FOURTEENTH 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: Hannah Moderow

Celebrant: The Rev. Betty Glover, Manager,

Thomas Center for Senior Leadership

Gospel Reader: The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gómez, Associate Rector

Reader: Greg Wilkinson

Voice of the People: Marcia Natrass

Prayers of the People: Maggie Wilkinson

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: Jane Thomas, in memory of her parents

Donuts: Victoria Ault and Del Militare

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE • Rachel Morgan, organ

WELCOME • The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gómez

*OPENING HYMN • Come, Holy Ghost • LEVAS #112



*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 of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen*.

FIRST READING • Exodus 3:1-15

Reader A reading from Exodus.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the

country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

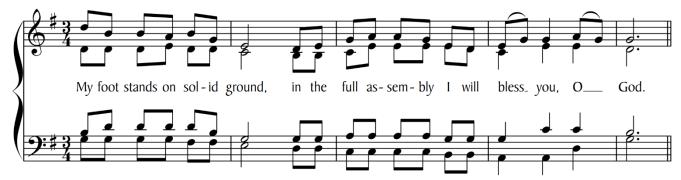
This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 26:1-11 • Nancy Nowak, cantor • arr. by Luke Honeck

ANTIPHON



I Give judgment for me, O God,

for I have lived with integrity;

I have trusted in you and have not faltered.

2 Test me, O God, and try me; examine my heart and my mind.

3 For your love is before my eyes;

I have walked faithfully with you.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

4 I have not sat with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful.
5 I have hated the company of evildoers;
I will not sit down with the wicked.
6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O God, that I may go in procession round your altar,
7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and recounting all your wonderful deeds.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

8 O God, I love the house in which you dwell and the place where your glory abides.
9 Do not sweep me away with sinners nor my life with those who thirst for blood, 10 Whose hands are full of evil plots and their right hand full of bribes.
11 As for me, I will live with integrity; redeem me, O God, and have pity on me.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

SECOND READING • ROMANS 12:9-21

Reader A reading from Romans.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing

this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL HYMN • Day By Day • Hymnal #654, v. I



*GOSPEL • Matthew 16:21-28

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Priest Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom." The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON • Hannah Moderow

*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.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM • God Be in My head • John Rutter

Open. Aim. Tap

*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

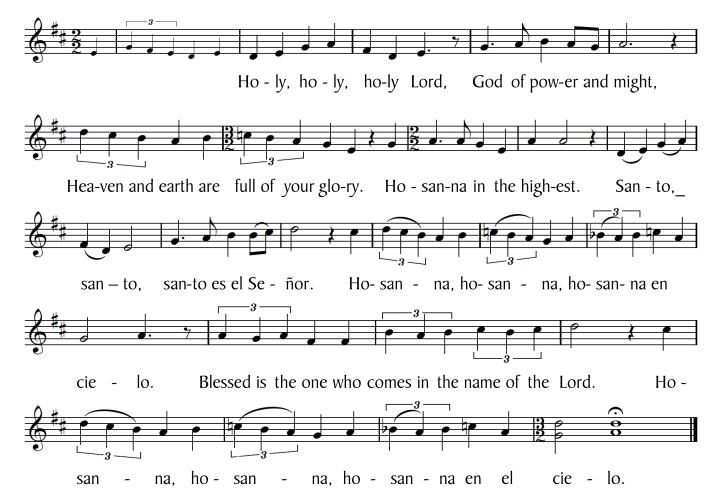
It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

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:

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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."

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,

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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 • For the Bread Which You Have Broken • Hymnal #341



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 nar	me of this congregation, we send you to share our
Eucharist	with	May you take the prayers of all of us as you deliver the
sacramen	nt of Christ's presen	nce.

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 • *Take My Life* • Voices Found #133



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



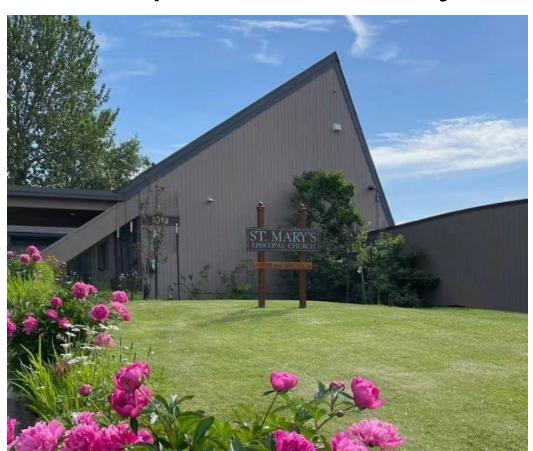
Those using Zoom are invited to join breakout rooms for conversation and fellowship.



Those on Campus are invited to Waldron Hall for refreshments and

MORE! See the NEXT PAGE -> Reminder!

The 8am service will return to the Chapel on September 10! (Next Sunday!)





A Way of Love

Practices for Growing in Love

Thursdays Evenings @ St. Mary's 6:00 Shared Meal 6:30 - 8:00 Small Groups

Children will be welcomed into a group; Childcare also provided, as needed

- Sept 14
- Oct 26
- Nov 30

- Sept 28
- Nov 9
- Dec 7

- Oct 12
- Nov 16
- Dec 28

What is A Way of Love?

A way of life.

Returning to ancient ways of observing a Rule of Life. Commitment to core practices — *Turn, Learn, Pray, Worship, Bless, Go, Rest.*

Gathering in a small group.

Experiencing the power of love and support for living into our commitments.

Growing more like Jesus.

What is a Rule of Life? How Do I Begin?

An intentional commitment to a set of practices that provide guidance, rhythm, and inspiration for living a beautiful, meaningful, and holy life,

Placed in the heart of our daily lives,

Shared with companions, with whom we grow in the unselfish, hope-filled Way of Love that Jesus embodied.

Exploring and Living the Practices

No one follows Jesus all alone.

The ideal way to live A Way of Love is in a community of love, support, and shared commitment.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

SEPTEMBER 3-10, 2023

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Sunday, September 3

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist Sanctuary

9 am First Sunday Breakfast

Waldron Hall

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877

11:30 am Sermon Circle

Cay's Room

4 pm Evening Prayer

Sanctuary

Monday, September 4

Labor Day - Church Offices are Closed

Tuesday, September 5

12n Yoga – Classroom I

6:30 pm Spanish Class

Online; ID 895 3609 5736

Wednesday, September 6

7 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online; ID 584 949 088

8 am Caring Ministries Meeting –

Cay's Room & online; ID 867 6384

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6:15 pm Choir Practice

Sanctuary

Thursday, September 7

7 am Men's Group

Waldron Hall

7 pm Bible Workbench

Online: ID 821 8564 8348

Friday, September 8

No scheduled events

Saturday, September 9

10 am Bazaar Workshop – Bean Soup-Classroom 2

5 pm John Tolley Memorial & Reception Sanctuary

Sunday, September 10

8 am Service of Holy Eucharist (spoken)

Chapel

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877

10 am Godly Play – Classroom I

11:20 am Clare House Meal Prep

Kitchen

11:20 am Christian Formation Hour

Cay's Room, Classrooms

4 pm Evening Prayer

Sanctuary



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