



The Season After Pentecost  
**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
**St. George's Church**  
 Glenn Dale Parish •  
 The Episcopal Diocese of Washington

**August 8, 2021**

Welcome to St. George's! We are glad to see you this morning, whether in person or virtually. Zoom participants are encouraged to leave your video camera on or turn it off; at certain points during the service participants in the sanctuary will see the gallery view of those taking part in the service via Zoom.

This morning, we welcome the Rev. Sarah Motley as celebrant and preacher. Sarah+ will be present with us each Sunday for the foreseeable future that Connie+ is on temporary leave.

**Prelude: It Is Enough from Elijah by Felix Mendelssohn**

It is enough! O Lord, now take away my life,  
 for I am not better than my fathers!

I desire to live no longer:

now let me die, for my days are but vanity.

I have been very jealous for the Lord God of Hosts,  
 for the children of Israel have broken Thy covenant, and  
 thrown down Thine altars, and slain all Thy prophets, slain  
 them with the sword.

And I, even I only am left:  
 and they seek my life to take it away!  
 It is enough! O Lord, now take away my life,  
 for I am not better than my fathers!  
 Now let me die,  
 Lord, take away my life!

**Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 # 577 God is Love, and Where True Love is**

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God is love, and where true love is God him-self is there.



Here in Christ we gath - er, love of Christ our call - ing.  
 When we Chris - tians gath - er, mem - bers of one Bo - dy,  
 Grant us love's ful - fill - ment, joy with all the bless - ed,



Christ, our love, is with us, glad - ness be his greet - ing.  
 let there be in us no dis - cord but one spi - rit.  
 when we see your face, O Sa - vior, in its glo - ry.



Let us fear and love him, ho - ly God e - ter - nal.  
 Ban - ished now be an - ger, strife and ev - ery quar - rel.  
 Shine on us, O pur - est Light of all cre - a - tion,



Lov - ing him, let each love Christ in one an - oth - er.  
 Christ, our God, be al - ways pres - ent here a - mong us  
 be our bliss while end - less a - ges sing your prais - es.

*Celebrant:* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

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

*All pray together:* **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 Lord. Amen.**

### **Gloria: Wonder, Love, & Praise # 829 *Laudate Dominum***

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Tune: Jacques Berthier, b.1923

The musical score is for the hymn 'Laudate Dominum' in 3/4 time, with a tempo of 116. It features a treble and bass clef. The lyrics are: 'Lau-da-te Do-mi-num, lau-da-te Do-mi-num om-nes gen-tes, al-le-lu-ia. al-le-lu-ia.' The score includes a first ending and a second ending, both marked 'D.C.'. The bass line is labeled 'WLP829'.

### **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant:* Let us pray together the Collect of the Day: **Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **Ephesians 4:25-5:2**

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God**

## **Psalm 34:1-10**

I will give thanks to the Lord at all times: **God's praise will always be on my lips.**

My soul will glory in the Lord: **the humble will hear and be glad.**

O praise the Lord with me: **let us exalt God's name together.**

I sought your help O Lord and you answered me: **and freed me from all my fears.**

Look towards the Most High and be radiant with light: **and your faces will not be ashamed.**

In my affliction I cried out, and the Lord heard me: **and saved me from all my troubles.**

Your angel O Lord ~ keeps guard around those who fear you: **to rescue them in time of danger.**

Taste and see how gracious the Lord is: **happy are those who find refuge in the Most High.**

Fear the Lord, you that are God's holy people:

**for those who fear the Lord are in want of nothing.**

Strong lions suffer want and go hungry:

**but those who seek the Lord shall lack nothing that is good.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

## **John 6:35, 41-51**

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

**The Rev. Sarah Motley**



# I believe in God almighty

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993)  
 Music: *Arfon* (Major), Welsh hymn melody,  
 harm. Carlton R. Young, alt.

1. I be - lieve in God al - might - y,  
 2. I be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered,  
 3. I be - lieve in God's own Spir - it,

Au - thor of all things that be,  
 scourged and scorned and the cru - ci - fied;  
 bond - ing all the saints with - in

Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the  
 tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied — True Life there had  
 one church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly, where for - give - ness

sky and sea. I be - lieve in God's Son, Je - sus,  
 tru - ly died. I be - lieve that on the third day  
 frees from sin; in the bod - y's res - ur - rec - tion,

now for us both Lord and Christ of the Spir - it  
 Christ was raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed  
 for the break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's

and of Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.  
 to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.  
 ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

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## The Prayers of the People

Generous God of abundance, who rained down manna to feed your people in the wilderness, you satisfy the hungry from your hand and nurture our spirit with the Bread of Life. Hear us as we pray, saying: **Feed us and all your people with the bread that gives life.**

God who gives us living bread, you give us responsibility to govern and lead. We pray that all in authority may use their power justly and share your abundance with all. Hear us as we pray, saying: **Feed us and all your people with the bread that gives life.**

God who gives us living bread, we hunger for the food that endures for eternal life. Nurture us through your holy church. Grace us your church with the ability to know that Jesus is present to us and your church as the Bread of Life. We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mariann our Bishop, Chilton our Assisting Bishop, Connie our rector, Sarah and Thelma who are ministering to us during Connie's period of leave, and for the lay leadership and congregation of St. George's. Hear us as we pray, saying: **Feed us and all your people with the bread that gives life.**

God who gives us living bread, we know that everyone who comes to you will never be hungry and never will thirst. We pray for all who are hungry, for those who are poor, for those caught in violence and war, and for those experiencing homelessness, and we pray especially for the families of Gaywood Elementary School and the guests of the Warm Nights program. In every place of hunger, through us may you bring food; in every place of poverty, through us may you bring abundance; in every place of terror, through us may you bring comfort and security. Hear us as we pray, saying: **Feed us and all your people with the bread that gives life.**

God who gives us living bread, you assure us that in Jesus you are the Bread of Life. We know that you are always present with us to give comfort in our fears. With your generous touch, heal those for whom we pray, especially for those suffering from the effects of Covid-19, for those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now in our hearts. Hear us as we pray, saying: **Feed us and all your people with the bread that gives life.**

God who gives us living bread, we know that in Jesus you feed us with the bread of eternal life. Gather up the lives of your children, receiving into your fullness all who have died. We pray for those whom we love but see no longer, and we pray for those who mourn. Hear us as we pray, saying: **Feed us and all your people with the bread that gives life.**

God who gives us living bread, you invite us to your table and bless us with joy and celebration. Accept our gratitude for the abundance of your grace, especially for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and for other blessings of this life. Hear us as we pray, saying: **Feed us and all your people with the bread that gives life.**

Holy One, your people look to you for nurture and healing: Fill our hungry lives with the abundance of your Spirit, that we may be fruitful disciples of the one whose compassion reaches across all boundaries, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

### **The Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant:* Now let us confess our sins to God. *Silence is kept.*

*All pray together:* **God of new creation, we confess that we have failed to trust your bountiful goodness. We dishonor your generosity by withholding ourselves and our resources from those in need; we disregard your compassion by judging the sins of others. Forgive us, we pray. By the power of your Spirit, renew us and free us from our bondage, that with open hearts we may enjoy the fullness of your blessing on all creation. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins, the will for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

## Announcements and Blessings for Birthdays & Anniversaries

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) and anyone celebrating their birthday or anniversary this week as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Offertory

Do good works and share what you have, for these are the sacrifices pleasing to God.

*Traditionally this would be the time for the basket to be passed to receive financial donations from those worshipping in person. For safety reasons, that practice has changed. We encourage you to give electronically wherever possible. You can use your phone to text stgeodragon to 72356. Or just use your web browser to go to [www.onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/Give](http://www.onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/Give). If your bank offers Zelle, you can use your banking app to send a donation via Zelle to [donations@stgeo.comcastbiz.net](mailto:donations@stgeo.comcastbiz.net). There are also baskets at the entrance and exit doors of the Sanctuary for donations of checks or cash. Many thanks for your financial support of St. George's.*

## Offertory Hymn: LEVAS # 121 *Baptized in Water*

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Bap-tized in wa-ter sealed by the Spi-rit Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:  
Bap-tized in wa-ter sealed by the Spi-rit Dead in the tomb with Christ our King:  
Bap-tized in wa-ter sealed by the Spi-rit Marked with the sign of Christ our King:



Heirs of sal-va-tion, trust-ing his pro-mise, Faith ful-ly now God's praise we sing.  
One with his ris-ng, freed and for-giv-en, Thank-ful-ly now God's praise we sing.  
Born of one Fa-ther, we are his chil-dren Joy - ful-ly now God's praise we sing.

## 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 God thanks and praise.

It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, for by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore, joining with saints and angels and all of creation, we praise you as we sing:

## Sanctus: Wonder, Love, & Praise # 785

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*Santo, Santo, Santo*      Words: Variation on a traditional liturgical text  
Music: Unknown composer

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zón te a - do ra! Mi  
In God's name is com- ing the One whom we call bles- sed. Ho-

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cor - a - zón te sa - be de - cir: "San - to e - res Se - ñor."  
san - na in the high - - - est. Praise and thanks to God.

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### *The celebrant continues*

Holy are you O God and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. At his baptism in the Jordan your Spirit descended upon him and declared him your beloved Son. The Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people.

**By the baptism of Jesus's suffering, death, and resurrection, you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, baptizing us with the Holy Spirit and with fire.**

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**On the day you raised him from the dead he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread, and in the power of your Holy Spirit your Church has continued in the sharing of the bread and cup around your table.**

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Holy One, pour out your Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be the body of Christ for the world, empowered by the gifts of the Spirit.

**By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, for all honor and glory is yours, God our Light and Life, now and forever. Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Celebrant:* And now in the Spirit of Christ, we pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The bread is broken and silence is kept*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People:** **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant:* The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose again for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Mindful that not all are present physically to receive the sacrament, we pray with those who receive spiritual Holy Communion this day:

**Lord Jesus, in union with your faithful people, we offer to you our praise and thanks. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we pray that you come spiritually into our hearts. Strengthen us with your grace, O Lord, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

## **The Communion**

*If you would like to receive the Eucharist, you may choose to receive both the bread and wine or only one of them. If you receive the wine, please drop your cup into the recycling bin at the door after you consume it. Note that hand sanitizer is available as you exit. Please follow the arrows to go through the narthex (hallway) and back into the Sanctuary and on to your seat.*

*Wherever you are on your journey, whatever you believe or don't believe, know that you are welcome at this table. For this is Christ's table, and all are welcome.*



## Communion Hymn 1: LEVAS # 151 *One Bread, One Body*

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One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all, one cup of bless-ing which we bless. And



we, though man-y, through-out the earth, we are one bod-y in this one Lord.



Gen-tile or Jew, ser-vant or free, wo-man or man no more.  
Man - y the gifts, man - y the works, one in the Lord of all.  
Grain for the fields, scat-tered and grown, gath-ered to one for all.

## Communion Hymn 2: Wonder, Love, & Praise # 760 *O Wheat Whose Crushing was for Bread*

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O wheat, whose crush-ing was for bread, O bread whose break-ing is for life, O  
O fruit whose crush-ing was for wine, O wine whose flow-ing is for blood, O  
O life whose crush-ing was for love, O love, whose spend-ing was to death. O



life your seem-ing end is seed, a seed for wheat, our bread and life.  
blood, your pour-ing out is life, our life in you, O fruit-ful vine.  
death, your mourn-ing is our joy, full joy and birth to last-ing life.

## Post-Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray:

**Holy and Gracious One, we give you thanks that through Word and Sacrament, Jesus has once again shared himself with us. As we leave this place, we pray that you send us out inspired by your Spirit to be Christ's love to others, that our daily living may show forth our gratitude and our lives become a praise to you, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. Amen.**

## The Blessing

God blesses us so that we may be a blessing for others, so as you go out into the world,  
May the grace of God bless you with peace;  
may the love of Christ sustain you with joy;  
and may the power of the Holy Spirit fill you with courage, this day and forevermore. **Amen.**

## Dismissal Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #376 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

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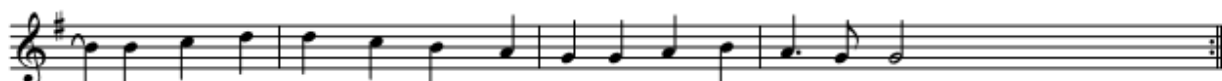
Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of Love;  
All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,  
Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



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; giv -  
field and for - rest, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea, chant -  
Thou art Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther; all who live in love are thine; teach

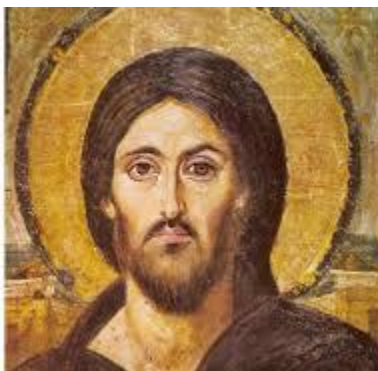


- er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
- ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.  
us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

### The Dismissal

**Celebrant:** Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** **Thanks be to God!**



**Postlude:** *Ode to Joy* (excerpt) by Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827), arr. Mike Strickland